

# Berea-Midpark High School



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## April 2019 Newsletter

### COMING EVENTS

Monday, April 15 to May 2	End-of-Course Testing (see Page 5 for dates and schedule)
Tuesday, April 16	PTSA-Principal's Community Forum, 6:30 P.M. BMHS Library
Wednesday, April 17	PRIDE "Life Act Suicide Awareness" 2:30 BMHS Library
Friday, April 19	No School for Staff and Students
Monday, April 22	No School for Staff and Students Conference Comp Day
Thursday, April 25	Alumni Hall of Fame Induction, Crowne Plaza, 6:30 P.M.
Friday, April 26	PLTW Engineering Awards 10:00 A.M. Auditorium
Monday to Friday, April 29 to May 10	Senior Prom Ticket Sales, Lunch Periods, Activities Office
Saturday, May 4	SAT Administration, 8:00 A.M. BMHS
Monday, May 6	Orchestra Concert, 7:00 P.M. BMHS Auditorium
May 6 to 17	AP Testing
Tuesday, May 7	Orchestra Banquet, 6:00 P.M. BMHS Cafeteria
Friday, Saturday, May 10, 11	Choral Department "Spring Sing" 7:00 P.M. BMHS Auditorium
Tuesday, May 14	Band Concert, 7:00 P.M. BMHS Auditorium



### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### **END-OF-COURSE STATE TESTING: APRIL 2019**

Please be aware that the upcoming months of April and May will include five (5) days of mandated Ohio Department of Education End-of-Course Testing. On each day, only the students testing in their graduation mandatory courses (English Language Arts 1, English Language Arts 2, US History, US Government, Algebra 1, Geometry & Biology) will attend school at the designated testing times. See the linked document below for each day of testing, the tests being administered and the time schedules for each. Regular daily bus transportation times will be maintained in the mornings and afternoons like any other school day.

#### **BMHS STATE END-OF-COURSE TESTS 2019 CALENDAR: [Testing Calendar](#)**

All students enrolled in any of our English Language Arts 1 and 2, Geometry, Algebra 1, Biology, US Government, and US History courses (regular, honors, CCP, AP, Ombudsman, online, etc...) are expected to arrive promptly for the graduation qualifying mandatory testing. Please note that on each of the indicated testing days, there are designated starting times for each of the separate tests. On each of the days of testing, students are expected to arrive in time for each of their scheduled test starting times.

Students and Parents please note:

- The format of testing will be online (not paper/pencil).
- Bring your own ear buds to listen to the test audio.
- Cell phones must be collected and turned-off. (maintenance of test security and preservation of WiFi bandwidth capacity)

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL, CONTINUED

- Ohio Department of Education testing resources: <http://oh.portal.airast.org/users/students-and-families.stml>

As a state of Ohio graduation mandate, in addition to the required academic course work and necessary accumulation of credits, students must earn a total of 18 points attained through seven State **mandatory** End of Course Tests: Algebra 1, Geometry, English Language Arts 1, English Language Arts 2, Biology, American History and American Government. Students can earn from 1-5 points on each of these Tests. To ensure students are well rounded, they must earn a minimum of 4 points in Math, 4 points in English/Language Arts, and 6 points across Science and Social Studies.

•Advanced	5 points
•Accelerated	4 points
•Proficient	3 points
•Basic	2 points
•Limited	1 point
•No Score Available	0 point

Not meeting the above criteria would result in a student not earning a graduation diploma. Refusing to participate in this Testing will only result in a score of zero (0) and no accumulation of points towards the minimum 18 needed for graduation. This will not be permitted without signed consent of the Parent/Guardian and Principal.

Please see the Ohio Department of Education website <http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Ohio-Graduation-Requirements/Graduation-Requirements-2018-and-Beyond> for further details regarding these newly mandated State of Ohio Graduation Requirements, practice Tests, and other pertinent resources.

### Student and Staff PBIS Recognitions:

- From a proud and appreciative BMHS Staff Member to a Parent: “I just wanted to let you know how impressed I am with your son Ryan. I have come in contact with him through his participation in the PRIDE program here at Berea-Midpark High School. As you may be aware, April is Autism Awareness month and Ryan has really stepped up and been a true leader among his peers. He has organized and implemented an activity in the school cafeteria where students have been filling out sheets that state " I can make a difference by..." focusing on Autism Awareness. He has organized the display of these puzzle pieces, as well as distributing Autism Awareness bracelets to his peers. Be proud, because you have truly raised an awesome young man! He will undoubtedly continue to be as dedicated and conscientious as he moves into adulthood and I am sure he is bound for success! I thank you for the opportunity to work with Ryan.” (Intervention Specialist Julie Yanus)
- From a graciously complimentary BMHS Colleague: “I wanted to tell you how impressed I have been with the (long-term) substitute, Science Teacher Alex McCune. I am in my office during one of the classes he teaches, that adjoins it, so I hear what is going on every day. He has an excellent repertoire with the students and has amazed me with his ability to jump in and teach both Astronomy and Chemistry. He has high expectations for the students, and they respect him for it. He is probably one of the most promising young teachers I have been around in recent years. ...I would love to see him hired by the district.” (Mrs. Heather Koczur Physics & STEM Teacher)
- From a generous and grateful BMHS Community Partner: “It is with great honor and pleasure that I write to inform you that your students, Ashley Martincic and Serena Walker successfully completed their candidacy in the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society’s 2019 Students of the Year campaign! Their hard work, time, and dedication let them to succeed in this campaign, raising a total of \$7,574.” (Brittney Bajc, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Sr. Campaign Manager)



## SENIOR CAP AND GOWN ORDERS

If you have not yet placed your cap and gown order, you must do so immediately, online **only**.

If you have any questions, please stop in the Activities Office. Please do not wait to place your order as the BMHS cap and gown are specially made. If you ordered any announcements, thank you notes, party invites, etc., they are scheduled to arrive at the high school the week of April 23rd in the Activities Office. Your student may pick them up at that time.



## BMHS YEARBOOKS FOR 2019

Make sure to order your 2019 yearbook NOW! Click here to order: [DIRECT LINK TO ORDER](#) or obtain a mail-in order form in the Main Office, Activities Office or Room 155.

Senior parents you may purchase an ad in the 2019 yearbook by clicking on this link: [SENIOR AD](#)



**PRIDE PRESENTS : Life Acts Suicide Awareness** will be held on Wednesday, April 17th at 2:30 in the BMHS Library. Learn about the strategies and warning signs to help in and with the prevention of suicide among our youth as well as adults. Light refreshments will be served.



**Suicide Awareness  
and Prevention**

## PTA SCREENING OF "ANGST"

All six of the BCSD PTA units and the Berea Schools have partnered to provide an opportunity for parents, students and interested community members to view a special screening of the independent film, Angst.

The purpose of this film, produced by IndieFlix, is to help raise awareness around anxiety in children and adolescents. According to the filmmakers, the goal is "to start a global conversation about anxiety" and "to create conversation, change and hope." We are pleased to be partners in bringing this important and informative film to our community.

The film runs approximately fifty-five minutes, and will be followed by a panel discussion on the topic of anxiety in students. For additional information on the film Angst, please visit [www.angstmovie.com](http://www.angstmovie.com).

We hope you will consider joining us for this special screening event. We encourage parents of school aged children 10 and up to watch the film together.

**WHAT:** Screening of the film Angst, followed by a panel discussion

**DATE:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019

**TIME:** 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Berea-Midpark Middle School 7000 Paula Drive, Middleburg Heights

**COST:** FREE!



## PTSA-Principal's Community Forum

**Tuesday, April 16, 2019**

**PTSA Meeting at 6:00 P.M.**

**Forum at 6:30 P.M.**



All parents, students, staff and community members are invited to attend this open discussion of whatever items may be suggested with Principal Ruggiero and the PTSA along with an update of the new high school construction.

## ATTENTION ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF CURRENT 11TH GRADE STUDENTS:

Please read the letter below from Rebecca Elder, the BCSD School Health Manager, with regard to the **REQUIRED** immunizations for all current 11th grade students which must be received by the students before the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year. Any student not current on these immunizations by September 12, 2019, will be excluded from attending school until the immunizations are up to date. If you have any questions, please call the BMHS School Health Specialists in the Clinic at 216-898-8900.



March 21, 2019

To Parents/Guardians of current 11th grade students:

In preparation for the 2019-2020 school year, this letter is to remind you that for the 2019-2020 school year, all students entering 12th grade are required to have two doses of Meningococcal vaccine prior to the start of school. However, if the student received their first dose on or after their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday, then just one dose of Meningococcal is required. Also, if the student is in 12<sup>th</sup> grade and is 15 years of age or younger, only one dose is required. Documentation of these immunizations are required to be sent to your child's school. If the child does not receive the immunization due to medical, religious or other reasons, an exemption form will need to be filled out and signed by the parent/guardian. This form will need to be filled out and signed each subsequent year.

If either immunization record or an exemption form are not received within 14 days, (beginning with the first day of attendance), Ohio Revised Code 3313.671 mandates that the student will be excluded until such time that the school receives proof of immunization or exemption letter. For the 2019-2020 school year, this date is **September 12, 2019**.

Please be mindful of this requirement throughout the remainder of the school year, including spring break, and into the summer. Please save yourself a trip to the doctor's office at the beginning of the school year by obtaining proof of the immunization and sending it to the clinic at Berea Midpark High School at the time of your child's vaccination.

For your convenience, you or your child's physician may fax proof of immunization to Berea Midpark Clinic at 216-898-8558. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your School Health Specialist at 216-267-2079, or myself at 216-267-2120, ext. 8720. Also, you may visit the Berea City Schools website for complete information regarding all immunizations.

Thank you for your prompt assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rebecca A. Elder".

Rebecca A. Elder, BSN, RN, LSN  
School Health Manager, Berea City Schools



## STATE END-OF-COURSE TESTS 2019

Below are the State End-of-Course Tests which will be administered during April and May.

Please note: **Only the students who are being tested on the scheduled dates need to be at BMHS during the testing time. No classes will be held for any students while tests are being administered.** For example: On Monday and Tuesday, April 15th and 16th, no classes

will be held for Juniors or Seniors each of these days. Freshmen will be dismissed after the ELA 1 Test is completed. Sophomores should report no later than 10:45 to take the ELA 2 Test. On Thursday, May 2nd, only Biology students should report to school. In the afternoon, there will be no classes held, as teachers will be in meetings after testing has concluded for the remainder of the day. If you have any questions, please free to call 216-898-8900.



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
<b>April</b> 15 ELA 1 Part 1 7:20-10:30AM ELA 2 Part 1 11:00-2:20PM	16 ELA 1 Part 2 7:20-10:30AM ELA 2 Part 2 11:00-2:20PM	17	18	19
22	23	24	25 US Hist 7:20-10:30AM US Govt 11:00-2:20PM	26
29	30	<b>May</b> 1 ALGEBRA 1 7:20-10:30AM GEO Parts 1&2 11:00-2:20PM	2 BIO Parts 1&2 7:20-10:30AM Teacher Based Teams (TBT) PM	3

## BROOK PARK SAFETY TOWN TEACHERS NEEDED:

Brook Park Police Department is looking for Safety Town Teachers. The details regarding this position are below.

- Applications can be downloaded from Brook Park Police Facebook page, Brook Park City website and/or picked up from Brook Park Recreation Center.
- This is a paid position.
- Teacher interviews will take place June 6th and June 7th
- Mandatory training will take place the Thursday (Jun. 13, Jul. 11, Aug.1) before each session @ the police station.
- Completed applications need to be turned into the Brook Park Police Department before June 1st.
- Any questions, please call Officer Kos 216-433-1234 ext.4339.



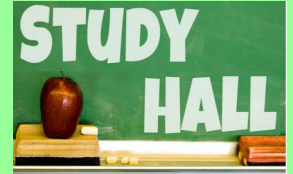
## Berea City School District Fifteenth Annual Student Art Show

will take place the week of May 6th in the Student Activity Center at Baldwin Wallace University. The Opening Reception will be held on Monday, May 6th, from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. in the Student Activity Center. This year's exhibit will enable visitors to observe the growth and development of students as the show includes two- and three-dimensional works by K-12 artists. The art "theme" for this school year is Word. The exhibit will continue on Tuesday, May 7th through Thursday, May 9th. All students, parents and community members are invited to visit the show from 3:30 to 7:00 P.M. Tuesday through Thursday.



## STUDENTS WHO WANT TO USE THE LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTER DURING STUDY HALLS:

Any student who wants to use the Library/Media Center during their study halls, must sign up FIRST following the directions below. If you do not sign up to use the Library, you will need to return to your study hall. Students are not permitted to have the study hall monitor simply write a pass to the Library. The student needs to: login to the BCSD webpage, select BMHS High School, then Library tab, select BMHS Study Hall Sign Ups on the left menu, sign in to your Google account and the calendar for the week will appear. Students should select the date and period they would like to use the Library. Find the day of the week and click on one of the numbered boxes which represent the period they want and place their name in that box that will appear. Be sure to SAVE. If there are no boxes available when a student wants to come that means all of the spots have been filled and the student must remain in their assigned study hall. The number of spots available for each period varies.



### CAMP ERIN—GRIEF SUPPORT

Camp Erin® is an annual three-day camp for children ages 8 to 16. It combines a traditional high-energy, fun, summer camp experience with grief support and education. Adult “Cabin Buddy” volunteers along with Cornerstone Clinical Staff provide support for campers. Round-trip transportation is provided from Cornerstone of Hope’s offices to the campsite. The camp runs FRIDAY, JULY 19 - SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2019 at BEULAH BEACH RESORT, VERMILLION. All accepted campers are required to attend the pre-camp Pizza Party on Friday, July 12th, from 6:30–8:00 P.M. Camp Erin® was created by and is funded in part by Eluna and New York Life, and is a program of Cornerstone of Hope.



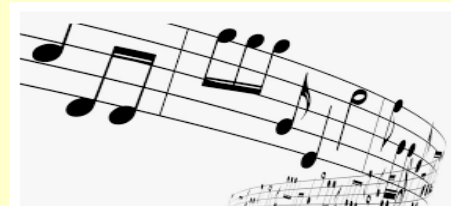
### BMHS SPRING CONCERTS

You are invited to come and enjoy the spring band, choir and orchestra concerts. All concerts begin at 7:00 P.M. in the BMHS Auditorium.

**Orchestra: Monday, May 6th**

**Band: Tuesday, May 14th**

**Choir “Spring Sing”: Friday and Saturday, May 10th & 11th**



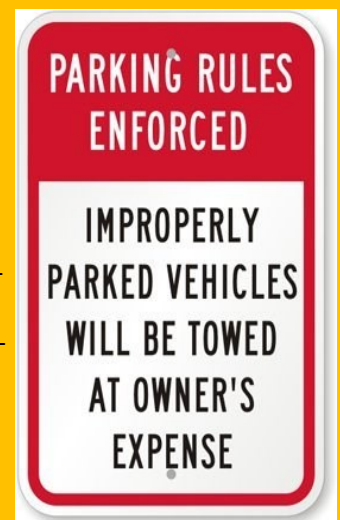
## STUDENT PARKING REGULATIONS

With our increased enrollment and the challenges posed by our construction, we are grateful for the patience and cooperation that our students, parents, and staff have demonstrated during the busy times of arrival and dismissal. In order to best assure safe and effective student drop-off and pick-up, we ask that you comply with each of these expectations:

- Only students with valid parking tags, for either BMHS or Roehm Athletic Complex, may park in the designated spaces of their assigned lots. Cars without valid parking tags are subject to being towed unannounced.
- Student pedestrian crossing of streets is permitted only in the the designated cross-walk areas.
- Buses only are permitted in the designated “flag pole” lot area directly in front of the building, during student arrival and dismissal times.
- Drop-off & pick-up of students is permitted only in the designated school parking lot area – not on the streets of Bagley, Eastland, or Maple.
- Vehicles which are entering & exiting the lot may do so only through the designated areas and following the indicated traffic flow.

If you should have any questions or concerns, you are welcomed to contact our Main Office 216-898-8900.

Thank you for your continued cooperation!



## ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS: RYP—Realizing Your Potential

RYP has been very busy this school year. We've hosted two meaningful Real Men/Real Talk (RM/RT) and Real Women/Real Talk (RW/RT) forums that covered uncomfortable, but vital topics. Specifically, the male participants at RM/RT covered what to do when encountered by Law Enforcement. The students, several dads, granddads, brothers, and uncles asked no holds barred questions and engaged in important discussion with our Berea Police Chief Joe Greco and BMHS Student Resource Officer Chuck Gute. The officers did not shy away from any questions and welcomed the open dialogue. When asked about the evening, SRO Gute stated, "the participants' questions and opinions were insightful into the minds of the younger and older generations." Senior, and RYP co-president, Parris Turner, also summed up his thoughts about the event: "I enjoyed the interaction and was impressed and touched by how much the police cared about our views and opinions. They were concerned with how they were perceived and genuinely interested in building better relationships and they join the RYP family with wanting to bring us closer on what we can do for positive change."



The ladies at the RW/RT forum tackled the subject of mean girls, cyberbullying and gossip. Women from the corporate, education, and community sectors served as panelists and the discussions with the students, several moms, grandmothers, sisters and aunts were meaningful and liberating. "The stories, insights, and wisdom that was shared in that room left me feeling inspired and hopeful," said panelist Dr. Dawn Ruebensaal. BMHS junior, Keyshona Ward, shared, "having the experience of knowing other people's challenges in life really connected with me and that was invaluable." Overall, the premiere RW/RT forum was a success and all in attendance left wanting more.

Thanks to a generous grant from The Education Foundation, RYP hosted a series of informative and interactive etiquette workshops which taught and demonstrated proper protocol for social and professional settings. The participants enjoyed practicing in these skills that will serve them well in life.



Additionally, students enjoyed a workshop with a member of the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center who brought an engaging and eye-opening presentation on healthy relationships and "No Means No" (sexual harassment). Embracing the importance of paying forward, RYP members graciously volunteered for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Week festivities in conjunction with Baldwin-Wallace University, Berea Community Outreach events, and BMHS' Café Harambee.

Finally, as special acknowledgement of appreciation for active and dedicated service to RYP, BMHS and the community, selected members were treated to a VIP night at a Cleveland Cavaliers game. FirstEnergy Corporation generously donated their loge with a delicious smorgasbord and terrific seats. We are extremely grateful for FirstEnergy's support and encouragement and all in attendance had a very fun and great time.



Realizing Your Potential (RYP) continues to meet the district's charge to inspire lives of character, learning, leadership, and service. It's been a wonderfully productive and eventful year for RYP.

## FROM THE CLINIC: ASTHMA

Does your child have a cough that he or she never seems to get over? Or do they sometimes wheeze or have shortness of breath or tell you they feel tightness in his or her chest? Children who feel this way may have asthma. You can't catch asthma from someone but it often runs in families. While there is no cure, asthma can be controlled. People with asthma can live normal, healthy lives and even be an Olympian, if the asthma is controlled. It is important that they go to a doctor and get checked out. Asthma is a lung disease that can be very serious. When a person with asthma inhales or is around a trigger, the airways tighten and become swollen. This causes what is called an asthma attack or episode which makes it hard to breathe. It is important for people with asthma to avoid their triggers, take their medication and talk to their doctor.

What triggers asthma or makes it worse? Some asthma triggers are:

- Mold
- Tobacco smoke
- Pet dander
- Pollen
- Exercise
- Strong smells or odors
- Cold Air





## SENIOR GRAD SIGN AVAILABLE



The cost for an 18x24 yard sign with stake will be \$15.00 payable cash or check (make check out to BMHS PTSA).

Signs can be picked up in the school main office during school hours either by parent or student. Please have payment in an envelope marked PTSA Grad Sign.

If you have any questions, contact Becky Conroy at [conroybecky@yahoo.com](mailto:conroybecky@yahoo.com) or 216-469-0407

There is also a limited number of the previous design available for purchase at the discounted price of \$10.00 each. Also available in the main office.

## DEMISE OF THE BEE POPULATION

All are invited to a free event at the Cleveland Museum of Art entitled, "Next Silent Spring" about the demise of bee populations and other beneficial creatures.



In commemoration of Earth Day 2019, the event will be held on Sunday, April 28, from 2 - 4 PM. Sierra Club's Laurel Hopwood, along with an excellent panel, will share how every-



one can move things forward to heal our soil and gardens and thus our communities. For more information, you can email Laurel at [lhopwood@roadrunner.com](mailto:lhopwood@roadrunner.com)

Berea City School District

## Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame

Induction and Community Dinner

Thursday, April 26, 2018

## CAVANAUGH SENIOR PHOTOS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Class of 2019 parents: With graduation quickly approaching, Cavanaugh Photography has posted all of the senior yearbook portraits online for you to view and purchase if you would like. Photos can be found at the link below or by going to [Cavanaughphoto.com](http://Cavanaughphoto.com) you have any questions, please feel free to contact Cavanaugh Photography at 440-973-4390.

<https://cavanaughphotography.shootproof.com/>



**NO SCHOOL  
for**

**Staff or Students**

**Friday, April 19**

**NO SCHOOL**

**for**

**Staff or Students**

**Monday, April 22**

**Staff Comp Day**





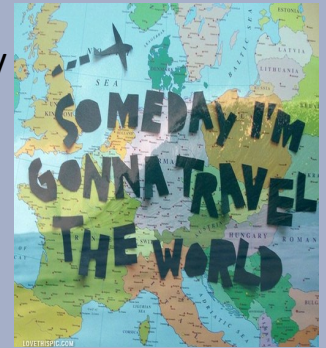
## TRAVEL THE WORLD

The Berea City School District offers trips, which are not connected to specific classes, for BMHS high school students. Middle School students may sign up early for a savings benefit.

Once you have signed up, the cost of the trip is locked in. The cost increases \$50-\$100 every six months so the sooner your student signs up, the cheaper the cost. If you sign up at least two years in advance, you get a \$200 discount from most of the companies (see website). This makes monthly payments much more attainable. There are also a variety of fundraising options available.

If you need to cancel, each company has a refund schedule along with added insurance options.

- 2020 trips include: **Peru** is a service-learning trip with Chaperone Mrs. Pinter. Contact Mrs. Pinter with any questions at [kpinter@bera.k12.oh.us](mailto:kpinter@bera.k12.oh.us); See three capitals in Europe! **Paris/London/Rome**, Chaperone is Mr. Soos. Please contact Mr. Soos at [gsoos@bera.k12.oh.us](mailto:gsoos@bera.k12.oh.us) with any questions.; or is environmentally sustainable living your goal? Join PLTW in Germany and Switzerland. Chaperone is Dr. McElyea. Please contact Dr. McElyea at [rmcelyea@bera.k12.oh.us](mailto:rmcelyea@bera.k12.oh.us). All trips are open for enrollment to the classes of 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023. **All three trips will close their enrollments on June 5, 2019.** Visit <https://www.bera.k12.oh.us/travel> to enroll.
- 2021 trips include: **Ecology Galapagos Islands**, Chaperones are Mrs. Draves and Mr. Blatnica; **S. Germany/ Austria/Switzerland**, Chaperone is Mrs. Lyon; and **Puerto Rico Service**, two years of Spanish is required and the Chaperone is Mrs. Martin. All Trips are open for enrollment. Discounts of \$200 by December 31, 2019 enrolment for German only. Discounts of \$200 by May 31, 2019, enrollment for Puerto Rico only. Scholarships available. Open enrollment for classes of 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024.
- 2022 trips include: **Italy/Greece**, Chaperones are Mrs. Krivak and Mr. Camardo; **Biomedical**, Chaperone is Mr. Pittman; **Australia/New Zealand**, Chaperones are Mr. Soos and Ms. Lyon. Discounts of \$200 available through April 2, 2019. Additional \$50 discount for the first three to sign up for Italy and for Australia. Scholarships available. Open for enrollment to classes of 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025.



Help us know if you are planning to travel, by signing up early, and locking in your price!

Contact [dlyon@bereaschools.org](mailto:dlyon@bereaschools.org), or the chaperone as shown, if you have any questions. Bon Voyage!

OHIOGUIDESTONE  
**Promise Run**

Take a step today for stronger communities tomorrow

**SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2019 | 9AM**  
WALLACE LAKE, VALLEY PARKWAY, BEREA, OH 44017  
Race Day registration begins at 7:30 am

**10K Run:**  
\$35 Pre-registration/\$40 on race day

**5K Run:**  
\$35 Pre-registration/\$40 on race day

**5k Fun Walk:**  
\$30 Pre-registration/\$35 on race day

For more information or to register online:  
[www.OhioGuidestone.org/promiserun](http://www.OhioGuidestone.org/promiserun)

Featuring Emcee:  
Joe Cronauer

All proceeds benefit  
**OhioGuidestone's  
Emergency Fund**

This fund helps our clients in crisis, or with important critical needs. It provides meals, diapers, school supplies, utilities, interview clothing and other everyday necessities. This fund helps those we serve achieve the joy that comes with self-sufficiency & accomplishment.

## SENIOR PROM TICKET SALES

Prom is Saturday, May 18th, at Michaud's in Strongsville. Tickets will go on sale Monday, April 29 through Friday, May 10, 2019, in the Activities Office for **\$45.00 each**. All school fees must be paid before a BMHS senior or BMHS guest ticket may be purchased. Any student bringing a guest who does not attend BMHS must have a completed guest dance form before a ticket may be purchased. Forms are available online under the Activities tab or on the Activities Office wall. Please do not wait to purchase tickets! **NO tickets will be sold after May 10th.** Each senior may bring **one guest only**.



April 11, 2019

Dear Families, Administrators and Teachers:

The BMHS PTSA knows that a strong partnership among our families, school leaders and community members is important to the success of our students and school. That's why we are participating in the National PTA School of Excellence program, which grows partnerships between PTAs and schools to enrich the educational experience and overall well-being of all students.

At a National PTA School of Excellence, families feel welcomed and empowered to support student success, and PTA is a key partner for continuous school improvement. We feel Berea-Midpark High School and the PTSA can achieve that together—and the result will be national, state and community-wide visibility for the positive impact we are making together at BMHS.

**We need your help!** As part of the process, National PTA requests feedback from families, administrators and teachers at two points in the school year—the beginning and the end. Your feedback will help National PTA generate a customized guide which will provide specific recommendations for improving our family-school partnership and achieving excellence.

Please take 5-10 minutes to reflect on your experience at this school and complete the online survey. This survey is completely anonymous. Please complete the online survey by **4/30/2019**. Click the link to be taken to the survey. <https://www.surveyface.com/l/school-of-excellence-part-2>

*Please note that every school on our district is surveying families and staff over the next month. If you have children in other buildings, please also complete their surveys as your responses will be specific to each school.*

Don't forget its never too late to join PTSA. You can join online at <https://my.cheddarup.com/c/berea-midpark-high-school-ptsa>

Sincerely,

*Becky Conroy*

BMHS PTSA President

**Thank you for your continued support and collaboration as we work toward becoming a National PTA School of Excellence!**



**Students in grades 9-11 with an approximate 3.5 GPA.** Please see the flyer below with dates and times of seminars on the nomination process for all the Military Service Academies.

If you have any interest at all in one of these highly selective academies, you should attend at least one of these seminars by junior year of high school as the application process is very long and involved.

# UPCOMING SEMINARS NEAR YOU

## US SERVICE ACADEMY SEMINARS

PRESENTED BY:

OFFICES OF SENATOR BROWN AND  
SENATOR PORTMAN

**Do you have a desire to be a LEADER? To SERVE?**  
Please join us at a seminar near you to learn more  
about the nomination process.



**Tuesday, April 2, 2019**  
MCCTC, Joyce Brooks Conference  
Center  
7500 North Palmyra Road  
Canfield, Ohio 44406  
5:30p.m. – 6:00p.m. – Academy Open  
House  
6:00p.m. – 8:00p.m. – Presentation

**Tuesday, April 9, 2019**  
Mentor Public Library  
Village Room – Lower Level  
8215 Mentor Avenue  
Mentor, Ohio 44060  
5:30p.m. – 6:00p.m. – Academy Open  
House  
6:00p.m. – 8:00p.m. – Presentation

**Thursday, April 11, 2019**  
Lakewood Public Library  
Multipurpose Room  
15425 Detroit Avenue  
Lakewood, Ohio 44107  
5:30p.m. – 6:00p.m. – Academy Open  
House  
6:00p.m. – 8:00p.m. – Presentation

**Tuesday, April 16, 2019**  
Walsh Jesuit High School, Library  
4550 Wyoga Lake Road  
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44224  
5:30p.m. – 6:00p.m. – Academy  
Open House  
6:00p.m. – 8:00p.m. – Presentation

**Tuesday, April 30, 2019**  
North Central State College  
Bryon Kee Hall Center, Room 128  
Mansfield, Ohio 44901  
5:30p.m. – 6:00p.m. – Academy  
Open House  
6:00p.m. – 8:00p.m. – Presentation

RSVP: [Suzanne\\_cox@portman.senate.gov](mailto:Suzanne_cox@portman.senate.gov) OR [sue\\_klein@brown.senate.gov](mailto:sue_klein@brown.senate.gov)



## SIGN UP for REMIND text messages

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# EMERGENCY



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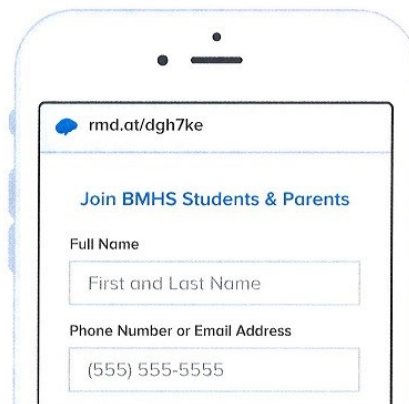
Pick a way to receive messages for **BMHS Students & Parents**:

- A** If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

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Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



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Text the message [@dgh7ke](https://t.me/dgh7ke) to the number **81010**.

If you're having trouble with **81010**, try texting [@dgh7ke](https://t.me/dgh7ke) to **(440) 332-4705**.

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# Summer Youth Corps



**American  
Red Cross**

Join the ranks to help save lives. Join the **Summer Youth Corps** program today and be on your way to having an epic summer.

## **How old do I need to be to join?**

- 13-24 years old.
- Parental Consent Form required for those 17 and under.

## **What will I do?**

- You will be a Red Cross Blood Drive Ambassador. See attached position description for details.

## **What is my promise to help the Red Cross?**

- We require you to volunteer for 10 shifts between May 1 and August 31.

## **When and where does the Red Cross need help?**

- Most blood drives take place during the day, Monday – Friday, and occasionally on weekends.
- Blood drives are held throughout the Northeast Ohio region
- You will provide your own transportation to the volunteer events that you choose.

## **How do I schedule?**

- Sign up online and choose the locations and times that best fit your schedule.
- Once your shift is accepted you are set! You cannot cancel or reschedule your accepted shift.

## **How will I be trained?**

- Summer Youth Corps training is mandatory. It will be held on a date to be announced.

## **What do I gain from the experience?**



## **What's in it for you?**

- ✓ Gain valuable work experience to prepare you for the future
- ✓ Spend your summer in an interesting & meaningful way
- ✓ Give back to the community by helping to save lives



- A letter of reference for your portfolio (great for college applications, future jobs, etc.).
- Documented community service hours.
- The ability to build your customer service skills and contribute to your community.

<b>Volunteer Position Title</b>	<b>Youth - Donor Ambassador (ages 13+)</b>
<b>Purpose</b>	Provide excellent and enthusiastic customer service to enhance the blood donor experience. Engage with blood donors to promote blood donation and set the stage for a long-term commitment to regular blood donations.
<b>Key Responsibilities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome and greet donors, escort as necessary and assist with initial intake and hand offs through the blood donation process</li> <li>• Ensure blood donors have relevant information and that questions are answered appropriately</li> <li>• Learn and share the Red Cross story, including the mission, vision and values</li> <li>• Create a favorable impression of the Red Cross, and the blood donation process, that will encourage continued support</li> <li>• Make reminder calls, reschedule donor appointments and perform follow up activities as directed</li> <li>• Be available and committed to the volunteer schedule</li> <li>• Model excellent customer service behaviors</li> <li>• Attend to donors in the Hospitality Area, ensure each donor is recognized for his/her contribution</li> <li>• Set up and maintain cleanliness in Reception and Hospitality Areas</li> <li>• Punctual and dependable in arriving for assignment(s)</li> </ul>
<b>Qualifications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Willingness to support the American Red Cross mission</li> <li>• Ability to display the utmost professionalism and communication skills</li> <li>• Extremely comfortable working with people from all walks of life</li> <li>• Ability to represent the American Red Cross to the community</li> </ul>
<b>Tools and Training</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orientation to American Red Cross</li> <li>• Donor Ambassador Training</li> </ul>
<b>Development Opportunities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gain valuable training and experience while providing an invaluable service to your community</li> <li>• Network and meet new people</li> <li>• Develop customer service skills that last a lifetime</li> </ul>

- The opportunity to work directly with medical staff.
- An official Red Cross name badge to wear while volunteering.

#### How to get involved?

Contact: **Melanie Collins** at [melanie.collins4@redcross.org](mailto:melanie.collins4@redcross.org) or 330-204-6615