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Parent Info Session Transition to High School

Question # 1 - How do students apply to local High Schools?

What is the time line?

- ▶ NO application required for New Bedford High School
- ▶ Only current 8th grade students applying to the Academy of Honors @ NBHS
- ▶ must complete an application > this process and program will be explained later during this presentation
- ▶ *** The Academy of Honors application process deadline > extended to February 23, 2021

Guidance support

- ▶ NBHS Guidance & Administration > Provide NBHS course registration information to all students
- ▶ Normandin Middle School Guidance Counselors provide additional support and instruction to complete the NBHS course registration process (ALL 8th grade students complete NBHS course registration)
- ▶ NBHS course registration date has not been announced yet, most likely it will occur in February or March 2021


Applying to local High Schools

- ▶ Students apply during grade 8 > search process should occur during grades 6 & 7
- ▶ Interested students complete online applications for GNBVT and Bristol Aggie
- ▶ time line: beginning of grade 8 or before Christmas break (no official closing deadline)
- ▶ NMS Guidance Counselors provide all required school information
- ▶ School information is shared after 2nd quarter grades close > January 29, 2021
- ▶ Most schools require: grades, attendance history, conduct history, Guidance recommendation
- ▶ Grade 7 & Grade 8 information up until the closing of Grade 8 semester 2 > January 29, 2021
- ▶ NMS Grade 8 Guidance Counselors > Heather Duane, Glenn Forgue AL/Dual Enrollment

Question # 2 - How do I get information about High School options?

MASS Dept of Elem and Secondary Education - School Profiles > profiles.doe.mass.edu

- ▶ **Normandin Middle School > Navigators - Helping students chart their course for the future**
 - ▶ 1,198 students > Grade 6,7 & 8
(508) 997-4511
 - ▶ 15-1 > Teacher to Student Ratio
 - ▶ 36.6 > Hispanics
 - ▶ 15.4 > English Language Learners (ELL)
- ▶ **New Bedford High School > Whalers**
 - ▶ 2,401 students > Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12
 - ▶ 13-1 > Teacher to Student Ratio
 - ▶ 44.4 % > Hispanic
 - ▶ 31.7 % > ELL
- ▶ **Greater NB Reg Voc Tech High School > Bears**
 - ▶ 2,124 students > Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12
 - ▶ 12-1 > Teacher to Student Ratio
 - ▶ 24% > Hispanic
 - ▶ 3.4 % > ELL
- ▶ **Bristol County Agricultural High School > Chieftains**
 - ▶ 451 students > Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12
 - ▶ 13-1 > Teacher to Student Ratio
 - ▶ 4.2 % > Hispanic
 - ▶ 0 % > ELL



Other ways to have information:

Open House, information sessions, school events

School Tours, School Web Sites

School Administrators, Guidance Counselors, Faculty members,
student graduates

Question # 3 > Where can I get additional information or support for my child's success?

- ▶ New Bedford Public Schools ~ www.newbedfordschools.org ~ Home Page
- ▶ Superintendent Thomas Anderson > video updates
- ▶ School Calendars > Progress and Report Cards, No School days listed
- ▶ Teacher email address, also on individual school web sites
- ▶ Student ASPEN log-in, video > student username & password
- ▶ COVID Facts
- ▶ Meals > Grab & Go, Meal packs
- ▶ Event Calendar
- ▶ Help Lines
- ▶ 1:1 Technology ~ Technology Service Support in all schools
- ▶ Learn More about Schools > DESE profiles
- ▶ ALL Schools > New Bedford High School
- ▶ Highlight > NBHS as an example for continued search by parents about other schools
- ▶ NBHS Daily Schedule > Period 1 - 7:48 to 8:34
- ▶ Period 2 - 8:38 to 9:30
- ▶ 8th Grade dual enrollment students > Grade 9 Algebra I Honors, Grade 9 ELA Honors
- ▶ Transportation provided if in person classes, 2020-2021 Remote @ NMS
- ▶ ABOUT @ NBHS > School Administration
- ▶ Headmaster > Bernadette Coelho
- ▶ Assistant Headmaster > Joyce Cardoza
- ▶ Assistant Principal > Jeffrey Longo - AOH applications
- ▶ Assistant Principal > Kathryn Resendes - Class of 2025 !!!
- ▶ Athletic Director > Thomas Tarpey
- ▶ ESL > Martha Romero
- ▶ Special Education > Elizabeth Camara
- ▶ Parents/Students > Student Family Handbook (72 pages)
- ▶ Family Engagement, Wrap Around
- ▶ NBHS Pamphlet

Programs and dead lines

- ▶ AOH - Grade 8 > 2020-2021 - application deadline extended to February 23, 2021
- ▶ Dual Enrollment - Grade 7 > 2020-2021 - upcoming application for Fall 2021 (Grade 8)
- ▶ Grade 9 Algebra I - Honors -during grade 8 @ NBHS in person or remote
- ▶ Grade 9 ELA - Honors - also during grade 8 @ NBHS (transportation provided)
- ▶ Grade 8 Advanced Learning Science @ NMS
- ▶ Grade 8 Advanced Learning Social Studies @ NMS
- ▶ Lunch & Unified Art classes @ NMS
- ▶ Athletics > Division 1 Sports - Wrestling, Swimming...*** some 8th grade participation
- ▶ Fine Arts > Music: Chorus, Band/Orchestra, Theater, Art, Dance
- ▶ Fine Arts Video - Lynn Souza - Director of Fine Art - *** options available at all grade levels
- ▶ Advanced Placement > 20 options
- ▶ Army JROTC
- ▶ Career Academies

Guidance Counselors/School Adjustment Counselors

NMS Student Support TEAM members assist with transition to High School

- ▶ Grade 8 > Sean McNiff - Principal
- ▶ Araceliz Rodriguez - Assistant Principal
- ▶ Heather Duane - Guidance Counselor
- ▶ Kim MacLean - School Adjustment Counselor
- ▶ Glenn Forgue - Guidance Counselor AL/Dual Enrollment
- ▶ Darryl Morris - Attendance Officer
- ▶ Amy Baldwin -Special Education Facilitator
- ▶ Angie Mojica - Family Engagement Specialist / MKV liaison
- ▶ Nursing Staff
- ▶ Front Office/Grade Level Clerks

Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School

(508) 998-3221
gnbvt.edu > Home Page

- ▶ **Over 20 vocational options, mentoring, Co-Op/Job Placement, Club-Skills USA**
 - ▶ Academy A - Agriculture & Construction (5)
 - ▶ Academy B - Legal, Life Sciences & Service (6)
 - ▶ Academy C - Consumer Services, Information Technology & Transportation (7)
 - ▶ Academy D - Arts & Manufacturing (9)

Admissions > Program of Studies > Application (hard copy)

- ▶ 1st Semester Grade 9 = Exploratory
 - ▶ End of Semester 1 > Final Shop Selection Process > top 6 student choices

 - ▶ 2nd Semester Grade 9 = Shop/Vocational placement

 - ▶ Education > Vocational Options
 - ▶ ELL - Helder Angelo
 - ▶ Special Education - Erin Ptaszenski
 - ▶ Director of Guidance/Admissions - Dr. Heather Larkin
- ▶ APPLY NOW > Start New Application, email address > student & parent, create password
 - ▶ NMS Guidance Counselors have access to all completed application by NMS students
 - ▶ All information sent to GNBRVT High School after 2nd quarter report cards (January 29, 2021)
 - ▶ Time line for Voc Tech acceptance letters: Usually by March or April 2021
 - ▶ Round 1 letters mailed to applicants = confirmation response, Round 2... Round 3...
 - ▶ Please call Greater NB Reg Voc Tech if you have any questions about this process (Wait list)
 - ▶ Testing in the Spring for all accepted students >
 - ▶ Academic Placement > Foundations, College Prep or Honors classes

Bristol County Agricultural High School, Dighton

bristolaggie.org (508) 669-6744

▶ Home page > 6/7 options

- ▶ Animal Science-large and small animal
- ▶ Floriculture
- ▶ Arboriculture
- ▶ Landscape Design & Contracting
- ▶ Agricultural Mechanics & Diesel Technology
- ▶ Natural Resource Management
- ▶ Beautiful campus > 220 Acres, Taunton River, Horse riding show/arena
- ▶ New facilities under construction, busing available (30 minutes by car)

▶ APPLICATION PROCESS, APPLY NOW

- ▶ Allow 2 teacher recommendations
- ▶ Interview at NMS or remotely
- ▶ Campus tours
- ▶ Fall Show
- ▶ Academic testing in the Spring at Bristol Aggie > College Prep, Honors level classes
- ▶ NMS Guidance Counselors: Grades, Attendance, Conduct History, Guidance Recommendation
- ▶ Time line for Bristol Aggie acceptance letters: Usually by March or April 2021

Normandin Middle School - Work Hard, Be Nice and Stay Safe

▶ **Grade 8 Student Support Team > Google Classroom > qxprfi3 (students can invite parents to join)**

- ▶ Araceliz Rodriguez - Assistant Principal
- ▶ Heather Duane - Guidance Counselor
- ▶ Kim MacLean - School Adjustment Counselor
- ▶ Glenn Forgue - Guidance Counselor ~ AL/Dual Enrollment

▶ **Grade 7 Student Support Team > Google Classroom > 6xsbisj**

- ▶ Glenn Piros - Assistant Principal
- ▶ Pam Duphily - Guidance Counselor
- ▶ Brad Morel - School Adjustment Counselor
- ▶ Glenn Forgue - Guidance Counselor ~ Advanced Learning

▶ **Grade 6 Student Support Team > Google Classroom > kyw2nq4**

- ▶ Mark Souza - Assistant Principal
- ▶ Patty Keefe - Guidance Counselor
- ▶ Nancy DeMedeiros - School Adjustment Counselor
- ▶ Glenn Forgue - Guidance Counselor ~ Advanced Learning

▶ Pod 1, Pod 2, Pod 3 and Pod 4 > ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies & Special Education teacher

- ▶ Homeroom, Academic Support, Mentoring
- ▶ Grade Level ELL teachers & academic support
- ▶ Reading Lab Teachers
- ▶ Unified Art Teachers: Physical Education, Art, Health, Music - Band, Chorus, General Music,
- ▶ Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM)

▶ 6 day rotating schedule, Remote Wednesday Schedule, Hybrid Schedule

- ▶ Tech Support - Nancy Yancey
- ▶ Access Testing - Laura Garcia
- ▶ Shoe's of Love - Maria Santos "cafeteria"
- ▶ 21st Century After School Program - John Martins
- ▶ IROC.2 > Parent Training Program, January 25, 2021 by Zoom ~ Digital Safety

Join Gear UP > NMS Grades 7 & 8 > NBHS

GEAR UP Normandin Middle School

(Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs)

- ▶ Normandin Middle School 7th and 8th grade students
 - ▶ How we can best service you and your child. For more information about GEAR UP please visit the GEAR UP Massachusetts website: <http://www.mass.edu/gearup> , or feel free to reach out. Thank you for your time, it is greatly appreciated.
 - ▶ Please visit <https://www.gearup.mass.edu/Applications> to complete this short online application together with your student.
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Let's start this fun and exciting journey together!

<https://www.gearup.mass.edu/Applications>

- ▶ GEAR UP Activities
- ▶ College & Career Awareness
- ▶ College Knowledge Workshops
- ▶ We use a variety of GEAR UP coordinator created tools for each presentation:
 - ▶ · Games: Jeopardy, Family Feud, Bingo
 - ▶ · Slideshows/Presentations
 - ▶ · Handouts/Conversations
 - ▶ · Career Clusters Interest Survey
- ▶ College Awareness Week
 - ▶ · College Apparel Day
 - ▶ · Teacher Diploma Display
 - ▶ · College Knowledge Scavenger Hunt
 - ▶ · Homeroom Door Decorating Contest
- ▶ College & Career Readiness Night with the Boston Celtics
- ▶ College Field Trips
- ▶ Talent Show
- ▶ Summer Program
- ▶ Newsletters/Flyers/Handouts

Additional Information

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- ▶ www.newbedfordschools.org
- ▶ (508) 997-4511
- ▶ [NBHS > Programs](#)
- ▶ [Academy of Honors application > Grade 8](#)
- ▶ The Academy of Honors application process deadline at NBHS > extended to February 23, 2021
- ▶ [Dual Enrollment application > Grade 7](#)
- ▶ [Application date To Be Announced](#)
- ▶ NMS > 2nd Quarter Report Card > January 29, 2021
- ▶ New Bedford High School
- ▶ (508) 997-4511 > nbhs.newbedfordschools.org
- ▶ Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical H/S
- ▶ (508) 998-3221 > gnbvt.edu
- ▶ Bristol County Agricultural High School, Dighton
- ▶ (508) 669-6744 > bristolaggie.org
- ▶ Grade 6 Student Support Team > Google Classroom > [kyw2nq4](#)
- ▶ Grade 7 Student Support Team > Google Classroom > [6xsbisj](#)
- ▶ Grade 8 Student Support Team > Google Classroom > [qxprfi3](#)
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Thank You

<https://normandin.newbedfordschools.org/>