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Southern Worcester County Regional Vocational School District
BAY PATH REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL
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Mr. Clifford Cloutier
Principal

August, 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian and Student:

To our new students and parents/guardians, welcome to Bay Path! I am sure that you will find Bay Path a great place for your high school years. To our returning students and parents/guardians, welcome back.

Last year there were a few changes to our school year. Bay Path instituted and enforced a new back pack policy. In the past we had tried to go away from traditional back packs to string bags, but we found these to be inefficient. We needed to explore a different avenue that would provide a bag that is not only useful, it would also be comfortable to carry. We have to keep safety in mind as well. Bay Path provided mesh and clear back packs for all students last year. We believe that this option not only provided comfortable straps, it also provided enough carrying space for your books and other school needs. The school will provide one mesh back pack per freshmen student. If you need to replace this back pack, there will be a charge. Please note – we will allow other types of backpacks that are close in comparison to be carried while in school, but they will need to be pre-approved by the Dean of Students.

As a quick reminder, the drop off/pick up routine is as follows: Drop offs/pickups **must** be made in the designated area of the front parking lot. When driving up the driveway to the school, bear left; do not use the first driveway. When pulling next to the grey hut, you will see the stop sign on your right. Turn right at the stop sign and follow the signs. Your cooperation with this is so important as it keeps our student body safe and traffic flowing.

School information packets are available online. It can be found on the Bay Path website at www.baypath.net. There is a general information tab (under "The School" at the top) that includes information for all grades, such as calling your student in sick, the school calendar, cell phone policy, back pack policy, etc. For grade specific information, click on the tab that is associated with your student's grade. If you do not have internet access and would like a paper packet mailed, please call our main office and we will gladly mail one to you. The application for free and reduced lunch is included on the student's tab, breakfast/lunch area, then choose free and reduced lunch for the form. Please note that this application needs to be filled out yearly, even if you have been approved in the past. All forms need to be in as soon as possible.

Student's schedules are included in this packet. Students – remember your schedule on the first day of school. This is your first homework assignment.

Speaking of homework – 80% of students that receive low grades are due to the fact that the student does not do their homework. Students that complete their homework assignments get improved grades. This is so simple. Do your homework as soon as you get home from school and you will have the rest of your evening to yourself. **Homework is a daily requirement.** You can check your child's progress by accessing iParent. Instructions to access this program is included in the packet that every student brings home the first day of school or you can go to <https://ipassweb.harrisschool.solutions/school/baypath/syslogin.html>. At the bottom of the webpage you can click to register for an account.

Bus routes are also on the website. If you click on "The School" in the top toolbar, you will find the bus route tab. If you have concerns regarding a bus route or do not have internet access, please call Nancy Lapomardo at FIRST Student (508-248-0218) or Sally Sepuka, Bay Path Transportation Coordinator, at 508-248-5971 or 508-987-0326 extension 1740.

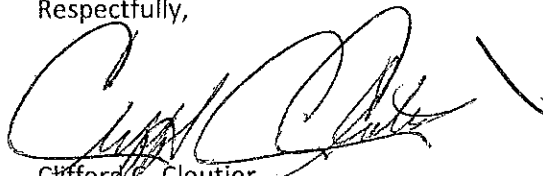
Students in Grades 9 and 10 who are scheduled for Health or Biology will be receiving educational material in human sexuality. According to Ch. 219 of the Acts of 1996, and the School Committee Policy, **parents may exempt their children from such presentations.** Sex education curriculum and supporting materials will be made available to parents, guardians, and others for inspection and review upon reasonable requests. Parents/guardians who have questions on this subject may call Bethann Cormier, Curriculum Coordinator, at 508-248-5971 or 508-987-0326 extension 1756.

The Protection of Pupil Rights Notice and Consent/Opt-Out for Specific Activities (PPRA) and the Parent Student Notification of Rights under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) can be found under "The School" tab in the top toolbar, District Information tab on the Bay Path website, www.baypath.net. Questions concerning these notices may be addressed to me – Mr. Clifford Cloutier, Principal of Bay Path, at 508-248-5971 or 508-987-0326 extension 1701.

All Freshmen and newly enrolled Upperclassmen are required to have a physical. Any student who wishes to participate in interscholastic athletics are also required to have a physical within the last 12 months. A completed physical form must be returned to the School Nurse. **In the enclosed packet, you will also find a request for emergency information and a consent form for the administration of Advil or Tylenol. Please fill out these forms and have your son/daughter return them to their first period teacher on the first day of school.** If you have any questions, you may call the nurse's office at 508-248-5971 or 508-987-0326 extension 1164 or 1165.

The 2017-2018 school year opens on August 29th for Freshmen and August 30th for all student body. I look forward to this being one of our best school years ever.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Clifford C. Cloutier", with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Clifford C. Cloutier
Principal

August 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians & Class of 2019,

Welcome Back juniors!!! I would like to take a minute to introduce myself. My name is Lynn Daley I will be the guidance counselor for the class of 2019 and will continue to work with them until they graduate. I have been a guidance counselor at Bay Path for 12 years, I just graduated the class of 2017. I am excited to work with you during these exciting upper classmen years!

This is the year of **Important Decisions**. During junior year students should be thinking about what they want to do when they graduate from Bay Path. Do you want to work in your vocational field? Are you thinking about a 2yr. or 4yr. college? Possibly joining the military? Are you thinking about post secondary education? There are many options available to you. **NOW** is the time to start thinking about your **FUTURE**.

PSAT

Juniors who are interested in going to college should take the PSAT's in October even if you took them as sophomores. Practice will increase your SAT score. The PSAT's, otherwise known as the Preliminary SAT, measures critical reading, math problem solving, and writing skills. Juniors who take the PSAT's will receive feedback about their academic skills, prepare for the SAT, get ready for college, and enter scholarship competitions. The PSAT will be given **Wednesday October 11, 2017 at Bay Path. Students must sign up in the Guidance Office, please sign up early as there are a limited amount of tests. The cost is \$15.00 to be paid in the Business Office.**

SAT

The SAT is the nations most widely used college admission test. The SAT was created to help level the playing field in college admissions. Most 4 yr. colleges require the SAT. It is recommended to take the SAT at least once during your junior year. Juniors have the opportunity to take the SAT in the spring. You can also take the SAT during the fall of your senior year. **SAT test dates are on the reverse side of this letter.**

Co-Op

Juniors have the opportunity to participate in Co-op this year. **Cooperative Education** is offered to juniors during the **third quarter** if they qualify. Co-op students have the chance to work in their trade area, while getting paid, during shop weeks if they fulfill the requirements. Students are eligible for co-op if they maintain a **C average or better in all of their academic classes, as well as a B or better in shop and related.** It is up to the student to find co-op placement.

ASVAB

The ASVAB is a career exploration program administered by the military to help assist students in **determining career fields or occupations they are interested in.** Students are given an interest inventory to help identify interests, clarify what is important to them, and better understand their own abilities. The ASVAB will be given in January 2018. Students are encouraged to listen to announcements and sign up in the guidance office.

Naviance

Naviance can be accessed as follows: <http://connection.naviance.com/bayprv>
Now is the time to familiarize yourself with Naviance. This career college planning program is used to search colleges and finalize your college application list. Naviance is the only way to request transcripts to be sent to colleges during senior year. I will be working with your child this year to teach them how to utilize the Naviance program.

We have an exciting year ahead! I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Lynn Daley
Professional School Counselor

College Board

2017-18 SAT Dates

SAT Registration - www.collegeboard.org

2017-18 SAT Administration Dates and Deadlines

SAT Date	SAT Subject Tests Available	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline	Deadline for Changes
August 26, 2017 <u>Register</u>	See SAT Subject Tests available on this date	July 28, 2017	August 8, 2017 (for mailed registrations) August 15, 2017 (for registrations made online or by phone)	August 15, 2017
October 7, 2017 <u>Register</u>	See SAT Subject Tests available on this date	September 8, 2017	September 19, 2017 (for mailed registrations) September 27, 2017 (for registrations made online or by phone)	September 27, 2017
November 4, 2017 <u>Register</u>	See SAT Subject Tests available on this date	October 5, 2017	October 17, 2017 (for mailed registrations) October 25, 2017 (for registrations made online or by phone)	October 25, 2017
December 2, 2017 <u>Register</u>	See SAT Subject Tests available on this date	November 2, 2017	November 14, 2017 (for mailed registrations) November 21, 2017 (for registrations made online or by phone)	November 21, 2017
March 10, 2018 <u>Register</u>	SAT Subject Tests not offered on this date	February 9, 2018	February 20, 2018 (for mailed registrations) February 28, 2018 (for registrations made online or by phone)	February 28, 2018
May 5, 2018 <u>Register</u>	See SAT Subject Tests available on this date	April 6, 2018	April 17, 2018 (for mailed registrations) April 25, 2018 (for registrations made online or by phone)	April 25, 2018
June 2, 2018	See SAT Subject Tests available on this date	May 3, 2018	May 15, 2018 (for mailed registrations) May 23, 2018 (for registrations made online or by phone)	May 23, 2018