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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, 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian and Student:

Another new year is upon us. We have added a new career area called "Information Support Services & Networking." Sophomores will be getting a chance to explore this shop at the end of September and the beginning of October. Also new to Bay Path's extracurricular activities is lacrosse. The students have been requesting this and we are happy to now have it available to them. We will be combining our talents with another school to get this started.

This year Bay Path will have a new position called "SRO" or School Resource Officer. This person will be assisting with the safety of our students and staff. He will be at Freshmen Parent Orientation Night on August 28, 2018 in the gymnasium at 6:00 p.m.

With keeping safety in mind this year, we are planning on having a full drill, including the students, on the A.L.I.C.E. emergency training. We will notify everyone through the One-Call notification system when this will take place. We still have the policy of a clear or mesh backpack. If you are planning on purchasing one, please refer to the Bay Path website to find acceptable examples. The school will provide one mesh backpack per freshmen student.

If you are planning on having your child dismissed during the day, please send a note with them to drop off first thing in the Main Office. We will provide them with a pass so your child can be waiting for you when you arrive at the office providing they remember to get the pass in the morning.

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. They 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, backpack 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 the free and reduced lunch for the form. One is also mailed home with student's schedule at the beginning of each year. Please note this application

needs to be filled out each year even if you have been approved in the past. All forms should be returned as soon as possible.

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

This is so simple. **Homework is a daily requirement.** Students that complete their homework assignments get better grades. Do your homework as soon as you get home from school, and you will have the rest of your evening to yourself. You can check your child's progress by accessing iParent. Instructions to access this program are 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. You will find the bus route tab when you click on "The School" at the top toolbar. If you have concerns regarding a bus route, or do not have internet access, please call Nancy Lapomardo at FIRST Student (508-248-0219) or Sally Sepuka, Bay Path Transportation Coordinator, at 508-248-5971 or 508-987-0326, extension 1740.

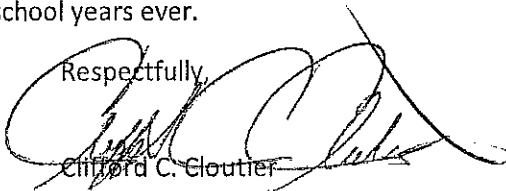
Students in Grades 9 and 10 who are scheduled for Health or Biology will be receiving educational material in human sexuality. According to Sch. 219 of the Acts of 1996 and the School Committee Policy, **parents may exempt their children from such presentations.** Sex education curriculum and supporting 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 Dr. 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 Education 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 address 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 is 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, extensions 1165 or 1164.

The 2018-2019 school year opens on August 28th for freshmen and on August 29th for all student body. I look forward to this being one of our best school years ever.

Respectfully,


Clifford C. Cloutier
Principal