

KEYS TO SUCCESS

How can I be successful at BHS?

- ✓ **Realize you are here to learn.** Work hard in class and made good use of your time here at school. Do not get distracted by those who wish to make poor decisions.
- ✓ **Establish short-term and long-term goals.** Make sure they are realistic and attainable. Examples are:
 - **Short Term:**
 - No F's at progress report time
 - Make the honor roll first quarter
 - **Long Term:**
 - Graduate in four years
 - Remain eligible for the A+ Program
- ✓ **Set personal goals.**
 - Attend school every day
 - Be organized
 - Notebook
 - Set up an area for study time
 - Set up a study schedule
 - Work hard in class
 - Do your homework and turn it in
 - Make good use of class time by working on your assignments. **Do not save it until later.**
 - Participate in class. Listen, ask questions, do

How can I make good grades?

- ✓ **Believe that you can make good grades.**
 - Set goals and work toward them
- ✓ **COMMUNICATE WITH YOUR TEACHERS.**
 - If absent, get work you missed
 - Get extra help before or after school from your teachers
 - Check Parent Portal
- ✓ **Be organized.**
 - Use notebooks for different classes and keep them neat.
 - Use your Student Planner
 - Keep your locker neat
 - Have study buddies... students to call when you need help

- ✓ **Manage your time.**
 - Create study times
 - Be aware of your schedule and plan
 - Do your schoolwork first!

- ✓ **Be prepared for class.**
 - Take your book, notebook, and pencil etc. to class daily
 - Learn what teachers' expect and do the expected
 - **Do your homework and participate in class**
 - Ask to be seated in an area in class where you will not be distracted
 - Treat others (teachers & students) the way you wish to be treated

- ✓ **Take Notes.**
 - Pay attention and listen
 - Keep your notes neat
 - Go over your notes frequently. Do not wait until the night before the test!

- ✓ **Read.**
 - Your textbooks are great resources- use them!

- ✓ **Study.**
 - Keep distractions to a minimum
 - Use flashcards, acronyms, etc
 - Write and re-write papers
 - Proofread
 - Use technology- great resources!

- ✓ **Test Taking Strategies.**
 - Answer the questions you know first
 - Mark questions you want to come back to
 - On multiple choice questions, try to answer the question before you look at the answers. If you do not know the answer, mark out the ones you know are incorrect.
 - On true/false questions, pay attention to the wording. Always, never, every, and none are usually false (not always false). Usually, sometimes, most, many, and often are usually true (not always true).
 - Organize your answer to essay questions. List your points and then write.
 - On math tests, show your work, draw a diagram, save the difficult problems for last.

- ✓ **Get help when you need it.**
 - Teachers are available before and after school
 - Visit with counselors