



RBR GUIDANCE UPDATE



February 2019

- ★ RBR Guidance is *“Guiding BUCS on the Go!”* follow us on **Twitter** and **Instagram** [@RBR_Guidance](#) and through [Guidance 101](#) by Texting “8e324b” to 81010.

- ★ **Second marking period and mid-term grades** are now available through the [Genesis Parent Portal](#). Please contact the Guidance Office to speak with a school counselor regarding academic issues or issues accessing the parent portal or other concerns.
 - ***Don't forget Homework Help!*** In the Media Center after school Mon - Thurs up until 5:15pm. It's a great space for students to get “HW” done and have the support of RBR teachers.
 - ***Peer Tutoring!*** Is available everyday during lunch and study halls. The guidance counselors work with peer tutors to provide support to students in need of academic support or just want some help on earning the “A”.
 - This year, RBR formed a [Response to Intervention Team](#) (RtI) to assist **struggling learners**. This team will assist with students by providing specific assessments in math and language arts as well as individualized interventions. If your child is identified as requiring this type of assistance you will be notified in writing. Contact the Guidance Office for any questions regarding to getting your child support through RtI.
 - Reminder for ***ILO Physical Education (PE) students***: Monthly timesheets are due down to Mrs. Bodin in Guidance on the 5th of each month. Additionally, all ILO PE students are required to complete their health education component online at your own cost via a pre-approved Educere course information already provided to you. To print the monthly ILO Timesheets, please follow this [link](#) and see Mr. Sabino with any questions.
 - **OVERDUE**: ***ILO Personal Financial Literacy (PFL)*** should now be completed for all seniors anticipated in graduate in June 2019. Contact Ms. D'Amico for any questions at this point. Successful completion of a financial literacy course is **required** to meet state graduation requirements.
 - **Any students with a NC** on report card is in violation of the district attendance policy. Please contact Mrs. Stone in the Attendance Office to arrange a meeting with the Attendance Review Committee as soon as possible.

- ★ **19/20 Scheduling Conferences**: All scheduling conferences with School Counselors are due to be completed by the end of February 2019. **All Course Waivers and requests for changes are due by April 15th to Guidance.** Contact Guidance to schedule if you haven't done so already.

- ★ All outstanding 2019 AP balances are due at this time. If you haven't already done so, please submit your payment to Guidance Department. Reminder, parents/guardians can also pay outstanding balances through their [MySchoolBucks.com](https://www.myschoolbucks.com) account. Please reach out to Mrs. Bodin if you are having any issues. Thank you.

College and Career Readiness Updates

- ★ The first Trade & Jobs Fair is taking place on February 28th from 6-8pm at the Monmouth County Career Center. The Fair is aimed at graduating seniors and adults in Monmouth County looking for “job to career” opportunities in exciting and prospering industries. Please see Mr. Sabino for more information about taking part or just show up on February 28th! More info @ www.mcgda.org
- ★ At 7pm on February 13th, the Guidance Department (with support of the BUC Backers) will host a representative from Monmouth County Vocational School District to educate parents and students on the full-time and share-time programs available to students for the 19/20 school year. 10th graders will also have opportunity to hear this presentation during their MOD block on the same date.
- ★ **Attention all Seniors**, if you haven't done so already, please make sure to complete the [FAFSA](https://fafsa.ed.gov) by April 1st in order to be eligible for financial aid. If you have any questions please stop down to the RBR Guidance Office to speak with your counselor or contact your college's financial aid office.
- ★ Need help paying for college this fall? Scholarships are the answer! Thanks to the overwhelming support graduating seniors receive from the local RBR community; we continue to add local and national scholarships for RBR seniors through [Family Connection](https://familyconnection.com) (Naviance) and [Remind101](https://remind101.com). If you need help accessing these sites, please contact the Guidance Office. For any specific questions on particular scholarship opportunities, please contact Ms. McLaughlin.
- ★ Brookdale is scheduled to administer the Accuplacer test on February 27th 1st-3rd block for any seniors required to take the assessment on attending courses there for Fall 2019. See Mrs. Green for more info.
- ★ All students who take the SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 8/9 have access to free, personalized SAT practice through a partnership with [Khan Academy](https://www.khanacademy.org). Students can link their CollegeBoard accounts with their Khan accounts to use their scores to create a personalized learning plan. All of these resources are free.
- ★ Interested in getting involved in more **community service**? Check out our [link](#) on the RBR Guidance website to community opportunities to give back locally and beyond. If you know of additional community service opportunities in the community, please contact the Guidance Office to let us know.

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