



## RBR GUIDANCE UPDATE

*May & June 2019*

- ★ RBR Guidance continues ***“Guiding BUCS on the Go!”*** follow us on **Twitter** and **Instagram** [@RBR\\_Guidance](#) and through [Guidance 101](#) by Texting “8e324b” to 81010. In 2019, these are great places to get real time updates and reminders on Scholarships, Guidance Events, and more.
- ★ ***2019-20 Scheduling:*** All parents and students are reminded that course requests are accessible by logging into the [Genesis Parent Portal](#). **All Course Waivers and requests for changes were due by April 15th.** There will be no schedule changes in the fall except for those resulting from summer school attendance or errors. Staff from the Guidance Office will reach out to students and parents with scheduling adjustments as needed. Schedules will be available Summer 2019.

### College and Career Readiness Updates

- ★ **Reminder to all Seniors:** The Graduation Survey is now available by logging into your [Family Connection](#) (Naviance) account (under “About Me” tab and “Surveys to Take”), In addition, all seniors must provide copies of their college acceptance and scholarship letters to RBR Guidance. All scholarships and awards will be noted in the graduation program, even those awarded by schools a student has decided not to attend. We depend on you for this information. **Seniors need to provide this information by May 31st to have it accurately reflected in the Graduation Program.**
- ★ On May 16th at 7pm, all underclassmen (especially rising seniors) are encouraged to attend ***Next Steps for Juniors and Underclassmen*** reviewing the college application process in detail including the financial aid and scholarship process. Mr. Ed Zamora will return to co-present this event.
- ★ **FREE MONEY!** Thanks to the overwhelming support graduating seniors receive from the local RBR community; we are still adding local and national **scholarships** through [Family Connection](#) (Naviance) and [Remind101](#) through the end of May.
- ★ Interested in getting involved in more **community service this Summer**? 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.

- ★ On May 23rd, through the [Brookdale Early Bird Program](#), the RBR Guidance Department will meet seniors at Brookdale for a tour and course registration. After completing the Early Bird program, the only step remaining is completion of the FAFSA and tuition payment. See Mrs. Greene for more details.
- ★ The RBR Guidance Office is happy to again offer programs during Summer 2019 to help prepare students for college. **The Summer College Application Workshop** will help rising seniors to get a head start on completing up college applications prior to September. **The August SAT Prep Courses** (morning and afternoon sessions) will provide enrichment and preparation to rising juniors and seniors for the August 24th SAT. Space is limited and scholarships are available if needed. These applications will be available on the [www.rbrhs.org](http://www.rbrhs.org) website and in the Guidance Office by May 17th.

## **Grading, Enrichment and Academic Support**

- ★ **Fourth marking period interims** will be posted by May 14th by logging in through the [Genesis Parent Portal](#). As the end of the year is quickly approaching, now is the time to 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 to prepare for upcoming final exams through the last full day of school.
- ★ ***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 and when preparing for final exams.
- 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. **Submission of ILO Timesheets and completion of Health requirements are necessary to meet state graduation requirements.**
- ★ ***ILO Personal Financial Literacy (PFL) must now be completed for all seniors anticipated in graduate in June 2019.*** Ms. D'Amico will be opening up this opportunity for juniors looking to get a head start on getting this graduation requirement completed. Please email Ms. D'Amico or stop down to your School Counselor to discuss further.
- ★ **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.

## **Standardized Testing and Assessments**

- ★ Throughout May, students enrolled in an Advanced Placement (AP) and/or International Baccalaureate (IB) course will take their exams for the courses they are enrolled in. For more information on taking these exams, please follow the link for [AP exams](#) or [IB exams](#). Results will be available to students in July.
- ★ For the second school year, the [NJSLA-Science](#) state exam will be administered to all juniors on the mornings of May 29th and 30th during the regular scheduled school day. Student testing locations will be available outside of Guidance. More information is available at <http://measinc-nj-science.com/>. Any juniors that are absent will be required to take the assessment during make-ups on June 4th and 5th.

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