

Welcome

to

Buford High
School

Ed Shaddix
Principal

Mission Statement

The mission of Buford High School is to empower students to reach their full potential as lifelong learners and effective members of society by inspiring them to think, to achieve, and to care.

We believe in....

Triple "A" Excellence

Excellence in

Academics,

Athletics,

and the

Arts

Definition of Terms

- Semester – 18 weeks; there are 2 per school year.
- Carnegie Unit-awarded for completion of a course with a passing grade (70+)
 - Each course at the end of each semester earns $\frac{1}{2}$ Carnegie unit
- GPA - Grade Point Average
- Transcript- cumulative record of all course history and all grades beginning with 9th grade
- Eligibility - athletic/activities require that students maintain a certain level of academic standards.

Graduation Requirements

There are 2 basic requirements:

- Total of 24 Carnegie Units
- Meeting course requirements in specific subject areas

*Classes with an End of Course Assessment require that the assessment be taken in order for credit to be awarded



Course Requirements

- 4 Carnegie units of English
- 4 Carnegie units of Math
- 4 Carnegie units of Science
- 4 Carnegie units of Social Studies
- 3 Carnegie units of Career Tech or Foreign Language, or Fine Arts (2 units of the same FL is required for college admissions)
- ½ unit of Health, ½ unit of PE
- 4 Carnegie units of Electives

Tech Career Pathways

- Marketing
- Audio & Visual Broadcasting
- Food and Nutrition
- Education and Teaching
- Healthcare Science
- Construction

AP Courses

We offer honors courses to help prepare students for AP courses.

- AP Human Geography (9th)
- AP World History (10th)
- AP US History (11th)
- AP Psychology (10th, 11th, 12th)
- AP Chemistry (11th)
- AP Biology (12th)
- AP Physics (12th)
- AP English Language (11th)
- AP Environmental Science (12th)
- AP Government (12th)
- AP Economics (12th)
- AP English Literature (12th)
- AP Calculus AB (12th)
- AP Statistics (10th/12th)
- AP Studio Art (11th/12th)
- Various courses through Georgia Virtual School

9th Required Grade Courses

- Multicultural Literature, 9th Grade Lit/Comp, or Honors 9th Grade Lit/Comp
- Foundations of Algebra, Coordinate Algebra, Accelerated Coordinate Algebra, or Accelerated Analytic Geometry
- Ecology, Biology, or Honors Biology
- World Geography, Honors World Geography, or AP Human Geography
- Health/PE
- Required summer reading in all Language Arts classes – information on BHS website at end of school year and mailed home in June for rising 9th grade students

9th Grade Elective Courses

- Marketing Principles
- A/V Broadcasting I
- Nutrition & Wellness (Foods I)
- Intro to Education
- Intro to Healthcare Science
- Construction – Safety & Fundamentals
- Math Support
- Chorus
- Band
- Percussion
- Jazz Band
- Visual Arts I
- Dance
- Intro to Drama
- Intro to Musical Theatre
- Costuming for Drama
- Technical Theatre and Design

9th Grade Elective Options

- Elective course descriptions are listed for each course on the registration screens under “Prerequisite Notes.”
- Videos detailing Electives and Advanced Placement classes at BHS are available on the BHS website under the Videos tab.

Foreign Language in 9th Grade?

- Adds an additional academic class to 9th grade, which impacts Academic GPA, HOPE GPA, and Class Rank
- Put off a year before having 5 academic classes or go ahead and start to free up space later
- Email Mrs. Adam if you'd like to add the option in PowerSchool to register for Foreign Language
- Foreign Language course options – Spanish and Georgia Virtual School

Attendance

- Attendance is taken per class period
- Students with excessive absenteeism may not earn credit in a class.
- Written justification is required for all absences and must be turned in within 2 days of the absence(s)
- A doctor's excuse is required after 5 absences each semester

Grading Scale

A = 90 – 100

B = 80 – 89

C = 70 – 79

F = below 70

- Honors courses earn +5 points on final grade (points are deducted before HOPE Calculation)
- AP Courses earn +10 points on final grade (points are deducted before HOPE Calculation but 0.5 quality points are added, not to exceed 4.0)

Promotion

To be promoted to the next grade level, students must earn a required number of Carnegie units of credit.

<u># Units</u>	<u>Grade Level</u>
0 – 5.5	9
6 – 11.5	10
12 -16.5	11
17 - 24	12

Advisement

- Program designed to assist students through high school
- Advisement will meet weekly for approximately 20 minutes.

High School Testing

- PSAT – all 9th, 10th graders and 11th graders
- End of Course Assessments – Required State Assessments at the end of various courses throughout high school. The test score counts as a percentage of the student's final grade.
- SAT, ACT, Compass – college admissions tests – students must register through testing organization (SAT offered on BHS Campus)

Extra Help from Teachers

- Teachers are available for extra help
 - Tuesday & Thursday mornings 7:00 – 7:40
 - Monday & Wednesday afternoons 2:45 – 4:00
 - Bus home at 4:00 for those that live in city limits

Extra-Curricular Activities

- Class Officers
- Academic Bowl
- Art Club
- Beta Club
- DECA
- National Honor Society
- Chess Club
- Healthcare Occupations Student Association
- FCCLA
- FCA
- Spanish Club
- Key Club
- Band
- Chorus
- Drama
- Student Leadership
- Hispanics for Success

Athletics

- Football
- Softball
- Cheerleading
- Basketball
- Riflery
- Wrestling
- Volleyball
- Lacrosse
- Fishing
- Cross Country
- Track
- Baseball
- Tennis
- Golf
- Soccer
- Swimming
- Diving
- Gymnastics

Registration













- Registration will be completed through the parent portal on PowerSchool
 - Portal will be open by the end of the day on March 7th
 - Registration deadline is March 29th
 - We will have a Drop/Add period April 16th – 23rd
 - No changes will be allowed after April 23rd
 - Portal will be closed March 30th – April 15th

Registration

- Registration instructions were distributed tonight as you arrived
 - Instructions can also be found online on the Buford High School website
- Courses were recommended by BMS teachers and entered into PowerSchool. Parents/students must go into the portal to complete registration

Registration

All students must choose an English, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Health/PE course. Your 8th grade teachers/coaches may have recommended a course for you. You must also choose 2 elective choices as well as 1-3 alternate elective choices. If you would like to discuss additional course options or have questions concerning registration, please contact Ms. Adam at carissa.adam@bufordcityschools.org. Students must be registered by FRIDAY, MARCH 18. Students will be able to drop/add a course during April 11th - April 15th.

ENGLISH	Click the edit button to request a course ⇅	 
Your 8th grade English teacher has recommended a course for you. Please select the course. If you would like to discuss additional course options, please contact Ms. Adam at carissa.adam@bufordcityschools.org .		
MATH	Click the edit button to request a course ⇅	 
Your 8th grade math teacher has recommended either 1 or 2 courses for you. Please select the course or courses. If you would like to discuss additional course options, please contact Ms. Adam at carissa.adam@bufordcityschools.org .		
SCIENCE	Click the edit button to request a course ⇅	 
Your 8th grade science teacher has recommended a course for you. Please select the course. If you would like to discuss additional course options, please contact Ms. Adam at carissa.adam@bufordcityschools.org .		
SOCIAL STUDIES	Click the edit button to request a course ⇅	 
Your 8th grade social studies teacher has recommended a course for you. Please select the course. If you would like to discuss additional course options, please contact Ms. Adam at carissa.adam@bufordcityschools.org .		
HEALTH/PE	Click the edit button to request a course ⇅	 
There are several options to complete the health and pe requirement. Read each note listed under the prerequisite column to decide which option is best for you. You are not required to select the recommended option but you must select one option.		
1ST CHOICE ELECTIVE	Click the edit button to request a course ⇅	 
Please choose 1 course that you are most interested in.		

Registration

Science

Your 8th grade science teacher has recommended a course for you. Please select the course. If you would like to discuss additional course options, please contact Ms. Adam at carissa.adam@bufordcityschools.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Course Name	Number	Course Description	Credits	Prerequisite Note	Alerts
<input type="checkbox"/>	Biology	260120000		0.5	Teacher recommendation required. Biology is a REQUIRED course for graduation.	Recommended Leslie Markes
	Biology - Honors	260120001		0.5	Teacher recommendation required. Biology is a REQUIRED course for graduation. Recommended summer review work	Prerequisites have not been met
	Ecology	260610000		0.5	Teacher recommendation required.	Prerequisites have not been met

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You may select up to 1 course. You have selected **0** courses.

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MATH Your 8th grade math teacher has recommended either 1 or 2 courses for you. Please select the course or courses. If you would like to discuss additional course options, please contact Ms. Adam at carissa.adam@bufordcityschools.org .	Coordinate Algebra - Block 270971010 - 0.5 credits 	Coordinate Algebra Suppo 270981010 - 0.5 credits 	
SCIENCE Your 8th grade science teacher has recommended a course for you. Please select the course. If you would like to discuss additional course options, please contact Ms. Adam at carissa.adam@bufordcityschools.org .	Biology 260120000 - 0.5 credits 		
SOCIAL STUDIES Your 8th grade social studies teacher has recommended a course for you. Please select the course. If you would like to discuss additional course options, please contact Ms. Adam at carissa.adam@bufordcityschools.org .	Click the edit button to request a course =>		
HEALTH/PE There are several options to complete the health	Click the edit button to request a course =>		

Registration Assistance

- Thursday, March 15th 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm:
 - A computer lab at the high school is open for those who would like assistance with registering for classes. Please come with PS login information.

Summer Health/PE

- Registration May 1st – 18th. Registration closes on May 18th at 3:00pm.
- Tuesdays & Wednesdays during month of June
- PE in mornings, Health in afternoon \$125 each
- Transportation provided for morning session only for those in city limits
- Students must provide lunch if staying for both
- Mandatory Parent/Student meeting May 21st at 6:00pm

Summer Health/PE

- Summer School Attendance
 - ONLY 1 ABSENCE IS ALLOWED FOR SUMMER SCHOOL HEALTH AND PE.

Summer Health/PE

- Registration for Summer School starts May 1st
- Registration deadline is May 18th at 3:00pm
- *****MANDATORY PARENT/STUDENT ORIENTATION MEETING MAY 21st AT 6:00PM AT BHS*****
- More information will be available on website
- Questions? Contact Lisa Cole at BHS

Fresh Start

- Thursday, July 19th
- All day program to help rising 9th grade students prepare for high school
- No fee to attend
- Transportation will be provided for students who live in the city limits
- More details will be mailed out at the beginning of June

Fresh Start - transportation

- May 1st – Parents/students can go on the high school website and indicate that they need transportation to Fresh Start.
- Any students who reside out of the city limits will have to provide their own transportation.

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Thank you for coming!