



# SSHS COUNSELING CENTER

## NEWSLETTER

February 2024

### Calendar

**Jan 29th**

Quarter 3 Start Date

**Feb 2nd**

Course Selection for 9th  
Graders

**Feb 6th**

Incoming 9th Grade  
Orientation @ 7pm

**Feb 8th**

Course Selection for  
10th Graders

**Feb 10th**

ACT Exam @ SSHS

**Feb 12th**

Course Selection for 11th  
Graders



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### Scheduling Timeline

#### February

Students choose courses for 2024-2025  
school year

#### March

All course selections are finalized

#### August

Schedules available to view on Portal

If you have questions regarding course selection,  
please contact the Counseling Center

### Program Planning Guide

**Please review before course selection**

Click here to access: [2024-2025 Program Guide](#)

Be sure to check out the New Courses page!

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# SAT/ACT INFORMATION

[SAT Registration](#)

[ACT Registration](#)

Sign up for **free** SAT/ACT Test Prep  
[Methodize Test Prep](#)

On the new version of the digital SAT, students have the option to use the Desmos calculator. [Click here](#) for details. More information regarding the Desmos calculator will be coming soon!

## ZERO PERIOD WITH THE COUNSELORS

***Tuesdays in Room 2206***

Feb 6th: Course Selection Questions

Feb 13th: Junior Packet Completion

Feb 20th: Enjoy Winter Break!

Feb 27th: How to create a resume on Naviance

## NASSAU BOCES: BARRY TECH



BOCES Barry Tech is Nassau county's very own career-specific learning center exclusively for 11th and 12th grade students. Students who attend Barry Tech become involved in real world career readiness in professions such as: **auto repair, game design, cosmetology, dental assisting, and law enforcement.** To learn more about what Barry Tech has to offer click [here](#).



Any 10th graders interested in a BOCES program for next year, please see your counselor. Applications are due 3/1.

# CLASS NEWS

**Course selections will be made through student PowerSchool accounts. Please have your PowerSchool username and password. If you do not know your username or password, please stop in to the Counseling Center.**

## 9th Grade

**Course Selection:** Counselors will be visiting Social Studies classes on **Friday, February 2nd** for freshmen to select their sophomore classes. Be sure to review the [Program Planning Guide](#) to learn more about your choices.

## 10th Grade

**Course Selection:** Counselors will be visiting Social Studies classes on **Thursday, February 8th** for sophomores to select their junior classes. Be sure to review the [Program Planning Guide](#) to learn more about your choices.

## 11th Grade

**Course Selection:** Counselors will be visiting Social Studies classes on Monday, February 12th for juniors to select their senior classes. Be sure to review the [Program Planning Guide](#) to learn more about your choices.

**Junior Conferences:** Schedule an appointment with your counselor when you complete the necessary information on Naviance.

## 12th Grade

**Mid-year grades:** Will be sent to colleges/universities this month.

**FAFSA:** Fill out the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#).

*The U.S. Department of Education announced that student FAFSA information will not be sent to schools until March. Therefore, Financial Aid packages from colleges/universities may not be received by students until April.*

FAFSA can also be used by universities to award *private scholarships, grants, and work-study or loans* even if you may not qualify for financial aid.