

Bernards Township Public Schools
RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL
GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

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Dear Sophomore Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Due to a change in the scheduling timeline, the Guidance Department needed to cancel April's Sophomore Module, when we planned to introduce the students to the Naviance program. This module was intended to provide an introduction to career education and college preparation. Ridge High School utilizes the Naviance college program to better assist students with their college/career search and selection process. In lieu of the presentation, this mailing provides you with the information you need to use this program.

Enclosed, you will find the following documents:

1. Naviance Registration Directions for Students and Parents
2. Naviance Registration Codes for Students and Parents
3. Directions for completing the Career Interest Profiler
4. A handout to be completed by all sophomore students after completing the Career Interest Profiler (to be turned into the Guidance Office **by June 20, 2011**).

Counselors utilize Naviance to communicate with students and parents throughout the college/career process, so we ask that you utilize the enclosed materials to immediately login to Naviance and register so that you will begin to receive communications from the Guidance Department regarding upcoming events and important notifications.

Naviance is an essential tool in the college and career planning process and will be used each year for guidance-related programming in the areas of career and college selection. In addition, your child can access free standardized test preparation tools for **both** the SAT and ACT, as well as full-length sample tests. There is also a section for scholarship postings that you and your child can continually monitor throughout the year. Ridge High School works closely with colleges and universities throughout the country to set up college visits. Students and parents can find a listing of those visiting schools on the Naviance site, and students can register for those visits through their Naviance account.

Please take some time with your child to explore this user-friendly planning site. In November of your child's junior year, you will be invited to attend Junior Parent Night, an evening presentation during which we will walk you through this exceptional Naviance program to ensure that you can take advantage of all of its features.

Please ensure that your child completes the Career Interest Profiler. The enclosed blue sheet contains directions for completing the profiler on one side, and the handout on the other. As mentioned above, the handout should be completed and returned to the Guidance Department no later than June 20, 2011.

We look forward to working with your son or daughter during this very exciting time.

Regards,

The Ridge High School Guidance Department