

*William Cullen Bryant High School  
Senior Class Handbook*



*Class of 2019*

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## **SENIORS,**

It is our pleasure to officially greet you as an honored member of Bryant's Class of 2019!

As you begin your senior year in William Cullen Bryant High School, you can feel proud of what you have achieved thus far, and invigorated as you embark upon this year's academic and extra-curricular opportunities. During this busy year, you will further hone the skills you have acquired, and plan the successful future that awaits you in college and career. It is crucial that you stay the course as you complete your high school education and guarantee your next educational chapter. As Bryant seniors, you are expected to be model scholars and citizens for the rest of the school and the global community. This means continuing to conduct yourselves with discipline, integrity and enthusiasm.

Though the main focus will be your continued learning, this special year also brings many wonderful opportunities for community service, college experiences, celebration and adventure with the graduating class of 2019. Take advantage of all this year at Bryant offers!

Bryant's faculty and staff is a partner in your journey and together, we will ensure that you thrive in college, career and beyond. We have the resources here for your pursuit of success— you need only seek them out through visiting the Bryant Library Research Center, the College Office, tutoring, your Senior Advisor, the Bryant Union, counseling, and myriad enrichment opportunities...

You can begin by carefully reviewing the information in this booklet, and by planning ahead, mindful of all important deadlines.

We wish you a senior year full of deep learning, goal-setting and unforgettable fun.

*Moises Morales*  
Assistant Principal

*Sandra Sepulveda*  
Senior advisor

## **Dear Parents and Guardians of the Graduating Class of 2018-2019**

This year will be an exciting and challenging year. Exams, college essays and a host of senior events are all ahead of you. Proper senior conduct, and timely payments, can make this a year to remember. Your child's hard work and dedication will be rewarded this year with several senior events. This newsletter is to inform you of these events along with **APPROXIMATE** prices and deadlines. It is our mission to have the entire senior class participate in as many events as possible! With your help, I believe that we will be able to achieve this goal.

Kindly, be advised that there will be no refund for senior dues.

### **Senior Dues:**

This is a one- time payment: \$120. Deadline to pay will be on Oct. 15, 2018.

Senior dues include the following:

- Cap and Gown
- Diploma Case
- Honor Cords
- Graduation Expenses
- Yearbook

### **Sold separately:**

- Senior Sweater 2019: \$30

## Senior Event Dates:

- Senior Mixer on Oct. 10, 2018.
- Senior Photos in November 1-2, 8-9, 2018.
- Senior vs. Faculty Volleyball Game: Nov 5, 2018.
- First Senior Trip: Feb. 4, 2019.
- Senior Dinner Dance: April 5, 2019 (\$50)  
Payment due by March 18, 2019.  
This includes:
  - Dinner, dancing, centerpieces and DJ at Riccardo's by the Bridge.
- Second Senior Trip: May 3, 2019.
- Senior Awards will be on May 30, 2019 at W. C. Bryant.
- Senior Prom will be on June 3, 2019: \$130  
Deadline to pay will be on May 17, 2019.  
This includes:
  - Cocktail Hour, DJ, Centerpieces, Senior Favor, Dinner and Dancing at Jericho Terrace.
- Senior Graduation will be Friday June 28, 2019 At St. John's University @ 9 a.m.  
Deadline to pay will be on Oct. 15, 2018.
- Senior Brunch will be on June 26, 2019 at W. C. Bryant High School.

We accept all payments (cash, personal check and money orders) made out to William Cullen Bryant High School. Receipts will be given for each purchase. Feel free to stop by Room 251 if you have any additional question or by email at [ssepulveda@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:ssepulveda@schools.nyc.gov)

If any senior is in financial distress, please feel free to speak to me.

I look forward to an amazing senior year!

## **Important FALL Dates for Seniors**

**September 24<sup>th</sup>: CUNY visit @ Bryant,**  
Auditorium (Sign-up in room 303 or Naviance)

**October 1<sup>st</sup>: FAFSA Application is available**

**October 15<sup>th</sup> through October 19<sup>th</sup>: College Application Week** in the library! Specific times for each date will be available the first week of October. Sign-up or walk right in!

**October 16<sup>th</sup>: University of Albany visit @**  
Bryant, 3<sup>rd</sup> period, Library-Research Center (Sign-up in room 303 or Naviance)

**October 21<sup>st</sup>: NYC Big Apple College Fair, Jacob**  
Javits Center 1-4pm (Free Admission!)

**October 30<sup>th</sup>: College Fair @ Bryant, 6:30-**  
8:30pm, Main Gym. Bring friends and family!

**November 20<sup>th</sup>: FAFSA Information Session,**  
Auditorium

**December 18<sup>th</sup>: FAFSA Family Workshop,**  
Library-Research Center

\*please log onto *Naviance* to view additional upcoming events\*

**HELPFUL WEBSITES FOR COLLEGE,  
SCHOLARSHIP AND CAREER  
INFORMATION:**

**COLLEGEBOARD.org** – Information about colleges across the USA

**COLLEGEBOUND.net** – College profiles, financial aid, sports

**COLLEGENET.com** – Profiles, scholarships, online college applications

**FASTWEB.com** – Free scholarship search

**GOINGMERRY.com** – A free way to build your own profile, get matched and apply for scholarships

**NAVIANCE.com** – Applying to college online, college profiles, scholarship search

**NICHE.com** – Explore rankings, reviews and statistics on U.S. colleges

**NYCAREERZONE.org** – Information about careers, colleges, training institutions located in New York State

**SCHOLARSHIPS.com** – free college scholarship search and financial aid information resource

**SCHOLLY** – app that offers a simple, comprehensive accurate scholarship search platform that helps you match scholarships

**UNIGO.com** – College matching and school reviews; a guide to college and find scholarships

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### SEPTEMBER

- Early Decision and Early Action College Processing Forms are due to the College Office on September 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Senior Assembly - Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup>
- CUNY Information Session

### OCTOBER

- **October 1<sup>st</sup>** FAFSA is available to BEGIN
- **APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID** by logging onto [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov). Be sure that you are completing FAFSA for the School Year 2019 - 2020. If you need help with FAFSA, call their information line at (800) 433-3243.
- SAT exam is administered on October 6<sup>th</sup>.
- **College Application Week** is from October 15<sup>th</sup> - October 19<sup>th</sup> in the Library
- Bryant High School's **College Fair**: October 30<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
- ACT exam (American College Testing Program) administered October 27<sup>th</sup>. Make sure you apply for the ACT with the writing component.

### NOVEMBER

- Early Action & Early Decision Deadlines
- SAT I and SAT II given November 3<sup>rd</sup>

- November 20<sup>th</sup> **FAFSA Information Session**
- **Bryant's Application Deadline**, Thanksgiving Day, November 22<sup>nd</sup>

## **DECEMBER**

- SAT I and SAT II are given on December 1<sup>st</sup>
- ACT exam given on December 8<sup>th</sup>
- December 18<sup>th</sup> **FAFSA Family Workshop**
- Macaulay Honors College applications due by December 1<sup>st</sup>



**2018-2019 SAT TEST DATES**

**(Scholastic Assessment Test)**

**New York State**

October 6, 2018	SAT I and SAT II
November 3, 2018	SAT I and SAT II
December 1, 2018	SAT I and SAT II
March 9, 2019*	SAT I ONLY
May 4, 2019	SAT I and SAT II
June 1, 2019	SAT I and SAT II

**TIME: 8:00 A.M.**

*\* SAT Subject Tests (SAT II) are not administered in March.*

**2018-2019 ACT TEST DATES**

**(American College Testing Program)**

**New York State**

September 8, 2018

October 27, 2018

December 8, 2018

April 13, 2019

June 8, 2019

**TIME: 8:00 A.M.**

The ACT is not administered at Bryant High School. Check registration booklet for test sites within New York City.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DEADLINE FOR THE APPLICATION TO BE MAILED IS APPROXIMATELY FIVE WEEKS BEFORE THE EXAMINATION. CHECK THE DEADLINE DATE FOR EACH TEST.**

**BRYANT H.S. CEEB CODE 332915**

*\* If you have any questions or concerns, please make an appointment to meet with the College Advisor, Ms. Barry, in the College Office, Room 303.*



*"Education . . . is the most powerful  
weapon which you can use to  
change the world" –*

Nelson Mandela

## *THE BRYANT SCHOOL SONG*

Long Island City has a school, we're proud to call  
our own

and Bryant High School is its name,

it's very widely known.

Its students are the best of all; its teams you can't  
out-do.

So send up all a rousing cheer for our own dear  
Gold and Blue.

Cheer for the Gold and Blue; oh give a rousing  
three times three,

Bryant for victory, defeat n'er come to you.  
Rah! Rah! Rah!

Bryant, thy Gold and Blue, thy sons and  
daughters

e'er shall love,

and the praise we shall hear, both far and  
near,

of our Gold and Blue.