

# William Cullen Bryant High School

*“The Relentless Quest for Excellence”*

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I would like to welcome you to another exciting school year. As the new school year begins, staying informed and involved in your child's education is critical to their success. Should you have any questions or concerns throughout the year, please feel free to contact me at 718-721-5404 (ext. 1292). My name is Yamile Manrique and my email address is [ymanrique@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:ymanrique@schools.nyc.gov)

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## **NEW: STUDENT PROGRAM & METROCARD DISTRIBUTION:**

**FRESHMAN (9<sup>th</sup> Grade) - August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

Last names beginning with A-L, **Time: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

Last names beginning with M-Z, **Time: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

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**SENIORS (12<sup>th</sup> Grade) - August 31, 2018 - Time: 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**

**JUNIOR (11<sup>th</sup> Grade) - August 31, 2018 - Time: 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

**SOPHOMORES (10<sup>th</sup> Grade) - August 31, 2018 - Time: 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

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## **NEW: SUGGESTED SCHOOL SUPPLIES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

- Binder- 8 ½ x 11
- Loose Leaf Paper-8 ½ x 11
- Subject Dividers
- Pocket Folders- 10
- Pencils
- Pens- Black or Blue Ink **Only**
- School Bag
- 5 Composition Notebooks
- Post-it – 3x3
- High Lighters

\* Please note that individual subject teachers at the start of the semester may request additional or specific supplies.

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**IMPORTANT REMINDER: ONLINE LUNCH APPLICATIONS FOR 2018**

The New York City Department of Education (DOE) is pleased to announce that this school year; lunch is now completely free for all students in every New York City public school. Breakfast is already provided free and now all meals will be served at no charge to families.

We need your help to make this program a success. All parents, regardless of income, must still complete a School Meals Form so that our school gets access to federal funding for this program and others. Please complete the form online at <http://nyc.applyforlunch.com> by December 29, 2018. A hardcopy of the form will also be sent home and is available at our school's main office.

Join us in spreading the word that breakfast and lunch are free for all students every day. I hope your child will take advantage of this wonderful new opportunity and come enjoy a healthy meal with us.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact School Food at (877) 363-6325.

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**PLEASE NOTE NEW BELL SCHEDULE BELOW:****W.C. BRYANT HIGH SCHOOL  
MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS**

PERIOD	TIME	END
1	8:00 AM	8:48 AM
2	8:51 AM	9:39 AM
3	9:42 AM	10:33 AM
4	10:36 AM	11:24 AM
5	11:27 AM	12:15 PM
6	12:18 PM	1:06 PM
7	1:09 PM	1:57 PM
8	2:00 PM	2:48 PM
9	2:51 PM	3:39 PM

**WEDNESDAYS (SHORTENED SCHOOL DAY)**

PERIOD	TIME	END
1	8:00 AM	8:36 AM
2	8:38 AM	9:14 AM
3	9:16 AM	9:52 AM
4	9:54 AM	10:30 AM
5	10:32 AM	11:08 AM
6	11:10 AM	11:46 AM
7	11:48 AM	12:24 PM
8	12:26 PM	1:02 PM
9	1:04 PM	1:40 PM

\*To ensure your child's success at W.C. Bryant High School, students should be prepared for instruction every day and arrive on time for the start of their classes.

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**IMPORTANT REMINDER: GYM UNIFORMS**

Your child is able to purchase their physical education uniform in room **213**. We accept cash or money orders **ONLY**, no personal checks!

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORMS**

T-SHIRTS	\$9
SHORTS	\$12
LOCKS	\$6
SWEAT PANTS	\$20
BRYANT HOODIE	\$25
LOCKS	\$6
GYM BUNDLE (Shirt, Shorts, and Lock)	\$25
DANCE T-SHIRT	\$9
DANCE LEGGINGS	\$12
DANCE SHORT SLEEVE LEOTARD	\$15
DANCE LONG SLEEVE LEOTARD	\$17
BRYANT BASEBALL T-SHIRT	\$18

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**IMPORTANT REMINDER: SCHOOL POLICIES / CHANCELLORS REGULATIONS**

*As we continue on our journey towards the "Relentless Quest for Excellence," we must adhere to these school rules to maintain a safe and secure teaching and learning environment.*

- Students must arrive to school "ready to learn." This includes a book bag, notebook, pencil and any other learning tools required by their teachers
- Students must be in their classroom when the late bell rings
- Students are not permitted to leave the school building during their school day
- Students must not be in the halls during class time without a "HALL/BATHROOM" PASS
- Students must not fight or be involved in any type of physical confrontations. Mediation is always available to resolve misunderstandings
- Students are not permitted to use CELL PHONES or other electronic devices in the school building. In an emergency, parents can be contacted via the Main Office, Guidance Counselors or Dean's Office
- Students must not wear hats, bandanas, hoodies, doo rags, or any other type of non-religious head covering unless consent is given by a medical doctor
- Students must adhere to the dress code when preparing for school. Any clothing that distracts from the educational process will have to be changed
- Students must always have their ID and programs easily accessible and available upon request

**DO NOT FORGET:**

**NO HATS!**

**NO CELL PHONES OR OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES!**

*Disciplinary code and bill of student rights and responsibilities are available in the Dean's Office room 151 and the Parent Coordinator room 129.*

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## **IMPORTANT REMINDER: ATTENDANCE POLICIES**

Our attendance policy encourages regular attendance, it is extremely important that your child attend school. If possible, please schedule appointments after school hours or during schools holidays. We strongly advise that you schedule vacations during school holidays to avoid disruptions in their academic progress. It is usually difficult for students to catch up on the work they miss when they are absent.

If your child has an extended illness or chronic health problem your child guidance counselor should be notified, informed the Attendance Office at 718-721-5404 ext. 1490, 1491. Also, get documentation (doctor's note) from your child's physician, have your child sign it from his/her teachers and bring it to Attendance Office room 149.

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## **NEW: Parents and Guardians Online Parent Accounts**

You can access information about your child's academics, attendance and grades online with **Pupilpath and NYC Schools**.

Students will be receiving their Pupilpath letter with the online code to register for this account in September. If you do not receive your Pupilpath Online Accounts, please contact me at: [ymanrique@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:ymanrique@schools.nyc.gov)

## **NEW: Parent Resources Back to School Basics:**

A one-stop shop to help parents get ready for the first day of school.

The 2018-2019 Achieve NYC: A Complete Guide to New York City Public Schools provides families with useful, easy-to-read information on academic expectations; school and district level supports, and tips for encouraging their children academically and emotionally. Achieve NYC is available in English and nine additional NYCDOE-covered languages.

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Please send us issues and concerns for District 30 in advance by emailing [cec30@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:cec30@schools.nyc.gov) or (718) 631-6927. All District 30 Parents are urged to attend.

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## **NEW: PARENT WORKSHOP-**

**FREE baking training and PAID apprenticeship for women starts September 4th!**

**Who:** Hot Bread Kitchen

**What:** [Bakers in Training](#) apprenticeship and job placement program for women

**Target Audience:** Adult women facing barriers to employment

**When:** Next cohort starts September 4, 2018!

**Where:** Training (one month 10am-3pm) and paid apprenticeships (3 months) take place across the city.

**More Info:** To apply, fill out an [application](#) online. If you would like more information, or if you would like a representative from Hot Bread Kitchen to visit your school, reach out to [Kelsey Minten](#).

**Newsletter Blurb:** Do you know any women looking for a job? [Hot Bread Kitchen](#) is now accepting [applications](#) for their [Bakers in Training](#) program, which starts September 4th! This is a four month training and apprenticeship program, including one month of fundamental skills training now during the day (M-F 10am-3pm) followed by a PAID three month apprenticeship at a bakery or other food business in the city. After completing the apprenticeship, all graduates will be guaranteed a full-time role in the food industry! Reach out to [Kelsey Minten](#) if you would like more information, or if you would like a representative from Hot Bread Kitchen to visit your school!

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**NEW: FREE CLASSES FOR ADULTS**

- English as a Second Language
- Preparation for High School Equivalency Exam (GED)

**HANAC ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM**

**FREE CLASSES for ADULTS**

- English as a Second Language
- Preparation for the High School Equivalency Exam (GED)



**REGISTRATION:**

**5:00pm-8:00pm**

**Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday**

*PLEASE REGISTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!*

**George Douris Tower**

**27-40 Hoyt Avenue South**

**Astoria, NY 11102**

**(Entrance on 29th Street)**

**INFORMATION: 718-396-5016 or 718-396-5015**

**You must register now for classes starting in September!**

*Classes are held in the evening from 6:00PM–9:00PM  
at any one of the sites listed below*

*and  
a Saturday class from 9:00AM –1:00PM in Astoria*

**George Douris Tower**  
27-40 Hoyt Avenue South  
Astoria, NY 11102  
718-396-5016

**BRYANT HIGH SCHOOL**  
48-10 31 Ave.  
Astoria, NY 11103  
347-752-2664

**PS 19**  
40-32 99 St.  
Corona, NY  
718-651-4656

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**SEPTEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER**

September 5th	First day of School
September 10 <sup>th</sup>	Rosh Hashanah- Schools Closed
September 11 <sup>th</sup>	Rosh Hashanah- Schools Closed
September 18 <sup>th</sup>	SLT – 4:30 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. PA/ Title 1- 6:00 P.M. – 6:30 P.M.
September 19	Yom Kippur- Schools Closed

**REMINDER:** Please visit school website for important upcoming dates.

Please feel free to reach out to me for any support or concerns you may have. I can be reached at (718)721-5404 Ext. 1292 or Ymanrique@schools.nyc.gov

Best Regards,  
*Yamile Manrique*  
Parent Coordinator