



## Bronx Theatre High School

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### The School: Our Mission

In collaboration with our Partnership Support Organization **New Visions for Public Schools** and cultural arts partner **Roundabout Theatre Company**, Bronx Theatre High School opened in September 2003. Our academic program accommodates the intellectual, social, emotional, and physical needs of creative high school students. Our vision is to provide students with a dynamic and safe learning environment where respect is mutual, ideas are shared and learning is not limited to the classroom, but also in the theatre studios, in our community and through hands-on theatrical learning opportunities. Our concept of a successful school is built collaboratively by faculty, staff, students, parents, community members and our partner organizations. Bronx Theatre aims to prepare students for higher education and professional careers in theatre and its allied industries. Bronx Theatre successfully has raised students' academic achievements, as shown by the following data:

- 100% of the graduating Class of 2017 seniors applied to 2 and 4-year colleges.
- Nearly 100% of graduating community-college-bound seniors also enrolled in specialized support programs.
- Graduates in 2017 received approximately \$450,000 in merit- and need-based aid.

### Our Partners

Through our partnership with New York City's **Roundabout Theatre Company** (RTC), the nation's most influential not-for-profit theatre company, students and teachers are able to engage with theatre artists in the exploration and active investigation of how artistic choices convey meaning. This collaboration includes trips to RTC's productions, classroom residencies, artist visits, and professional development opportunities. Our school-wide partnership provides in-depth programs that connect the process of theatre production to project-based learning objectives with Common Core alignment. RTC's artistic mentors, coaches, and teaching artists work directly with teachers and students to develop and stage theatrical works at school, from classic theatre to original, student-generated pieces. Our other College and Career Readiness partners include:

- Kingsbridge Heights Community Center
- Lehman College's College Now Program
- College Access: Research & Action (CARA)
- Upward Bound at Fordham University

### Community Involvement, Extracurricular Activities, Clubs, & Sports

Bronx Theatre students are encouraged to engage with the school and beyond through various opportunities of engagement. We practice a commitment to expanding the social and cultural awareness of students through a range of artistic, academic, and community-involvement opportunities such as:

Bronx Theatre Dance Company	Bronx Theatre Step Team, Team Chaos
Senior Ensemble Production	Monthly student-led Incubator Performance Series
Senior Activities Student Committee	Musical Theatre Club
New York Cares Volunteer Club & American Red Cross New York Blood Drives	Yearbook
Enchanted Garden Environmental Club	Photography & Videography
Annual Black History Month & World AIDS Day Performance Committees	BxTHS Student Government

Anime & Video Game Club	Education @ Roundabout's Student Production Workshop
LGBTQ Alliance	Kingsbridge Heights Community Center After-School Program: Youth Council, College Directions, and Peer Mentoring

**Sports teams** (PSAL as part of the Kennedy Campus): girls' softball, golf, basketball, flag football, gymnastics, track and field, tennis, volleyball; boys' football, baseball, basketball, golf, gymnastics, track and field

### Curriculum

Honors classes are in English, Math, and Social Studies; students take **Advanced Placement** courses in English Language and Composition, United States History, Spanish, and Studio Art, with 35% of the senior class enrolled in at least one AP course. Our Science Department offers Living Environment, Environmental Science, Chemistry, and college-level Epidemiology. Math courses include Algebra, Geometry, Algebra 2, and Trigonometry/Pre-Calculus.

### The Students and Teachers

Bronx Theatre is a four-year, co-ed public high school, enrolling approximately **406** 9-12 grade students in New York City. Faculty & staff include 30 teachers (5 Special Ed. & 2 ELL teachers); 1 School Counselor, 1 Principal, 3 Assistant Principals, 1 Parent Coordinator, and 1 College Adviser (part-time). Our faculty includes individuals with PhDs and Masters of Fine Arts (MFA) in their subject areas.

### Grading System & Credits

Grade Numeric	Grade Alpha	Weighted	Grading at Bronx Theatre is on a numeric scale of 45-100; "NC" indicative of no credit earned. Our school is on a semester system, and students may recover credits through summer and on-line programs. We also provide non-credit prep classes for students still in need of passing a specific Regents exam. All students in each cohort are ranked, and each student's GPA is unweighted. In AP and honors courses, enrollment is determined by an application process, teacher recommendations, and/or prior subject-area test scores.
95-100	A+	4.0	
90-94	A	3.75	
85-89	B+	3.5	
80-84	B	3.0	
75-79	C+	2.5	
70-74	C	2.0	
65-69	D	1.0	
45-64	F	0	

**2017 S.A.T. Test Score Ranges:**

**Critical Reading:** 330-660

**Math:** 310-620

### Colleges:

#### **A Sample of Institutes of Higher Education from which Bronx Theatre High School Alumni Have Graduated**

Fordham University	Villanova University	Susquehanna University	New York University
School of Visual Arts	Lemoyne College	Siena College	Marist College
Daemen College	Wells College	University at Albany	SUNY Binghamton
Wheaton College	Trinity College	University of Buffalo	Ithaca College
SUNY Oswego	SUNY Brockport	SUNY Purchase	Manhattanville College
College of Mount Saint Vincent	College of New Rochelle	The Honors program at Lehman College	Brooklyn College
Hunter College	SUNY Potsdam	Delaware State	Iona College
Fashion Institute of Technology	Buffalo State College	SUNY Fredonia	City College of New York