

Watch for official semester grades in your mailbox - Grades will be mailed home on **February 5, 2008**. If you do not receive your student's grades, please contact the registrar's office for a copy. You may check your student's grades online via Parent Internet Viewer <http://grades.bsd405.org/shs/piv.exe> . Please get login passwords from your student or come, in person, to the attendance office. Each teacher also has e-mail and voicemail if you would like to speak with your student's teacher.

Tutorial Reminder: Encourage your student to attend tutorial from 2:35 – 3:00 PM Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. All teachers are available to help with homework, answer questions – and to assist students who may be falling behind in class. Some teachers require tutorial if a student is performing poorly. This time can be extremely helpful!

TOTEM REACH – Peer Tutoring: Totem Reach is a peer tutoring program held every Monday, Tuesday & Thursday from 2:30 – 4:00 PM. On Wednesday tutoring is available from 12:10 – 4:00 PM. Totem Reach is held in room 937 (upstairs of library).

CREDIT RETREIVAL – Information on the Credit Retrieval Program for students who need to replace a failed class is available from your students' counselor. Classes are held at Robinswood High School after school and are self-paced. The cost is similar to summer school classes with discounts for students on free or reduced-fee lunches.

ONLINE CREDIT - A new opportunity for students to earn English and Social Studies credit is now available online. Speak with your student's counselor about this opportunity if you are interested.

Registration for the 2008-2009 school year

One of the most important things we do is guide students to carefully choose classes that challenge them and relate to their college aspirations and career interests. Sammamish students truly have an unbelievable array of options to choose from! All students should be considering Honors or Advanced Placement courses, Career and Technical Education courses, Fine and Visual Arts courses and anything that will better prepare them for the world beyond high school.

All students will attend a registration presentation on Wednesday, February 6th, in the Theater. Parents are invited to attend our **REGISTRATION NIGHT for PARENTS & STUDENTS on Monday, February 11th** in the Theater beginning at 7 p.m. The presentation will include the opportunities available for next year as well as the recommended courses your child can enroll in for their appropriate grade level. Counselors will follow-up with all students individually beginning Tuesday, February 12th, through Friday, February 15th, in their English classes.

*****All students should carefully consider their course choices.** Once students have completed their course selections the master schedule for next academic year will be built around their specific choices. Students will be held to their class choices – ***ALL SELECTIONS ARE FINAL!!!!***

Sophomores and Juniors who want information about earning both high school and college credit next year through **Running Start** should attend the Information Sessions in the Career Center Thursday, February 28th during student's lunches. Prospective Running Start students need to submit an Application for Assessment to the Running Start Office at BCC. If you have questions about Running Start, contact your counselor or the BCC Running Start Office at 564-2026 (open Tuesday through Friday).

College Admissions Tests – Juniors should take the SAT and/or ACT test this spring instead of waiting until the fall of their senior year. They can register online at www.collegeboard.com or www.actstudent.org. The websites also have sample test questions, information about what the test scores really mean, and great college search information. Be sure to use your PSAT results to help you prepare for the SAT. It is a wonderful way to know which areas you need to improve in. PSAT's were handed out in mid-December. If you student has not yet received their scores they may get them from their counselor.

SAT Prep Classes offered at SHS!!

SHS will be offering SAT Prep classes for students beginning March 31st. The cost is \$50 for one class and \$90 for both classes (math and verbal). Math prep will be four Mondays beginning March 31st. Reading and Writing Prep will begin Tuesday, April 1st, and will be continue the following three Tuesdays.

Seniors – Class of 2008 – Now that your seniors have their college applications turned in, it's time to think about financial aid. Listen to the announcements and check the bulletin board in the counseling office for **scholarship** information.

FILE YOUR FAFSA!!! The **FREE** Application for Federal Student Aid form is online at www.fafsa.ed.gov, and should be completed as soon as possible for priority consideration for grants, loans, and work-study. You should have a goal of early-February for submission as money is first come, first served. Many Universities consider FAFSA applications submitted after February 28th to be late, and therefore do not consider these for priority moneys. PLEASE make sure not to register at www.fafsa.com – as this is a SCAM. If you are asked to submit payment, you have used the wrong site.

Check out a great scholarship website at www.fastweb.com

Community Service Reminder! The majority of seniors have either not completed their 40 hour requirement, or have not documented it by filling out the form available in the counseling center. **Seniors will not graduate without fulfilling this requirement!**

AP Exams - If you missed the turn-in date for AP Exam Forms with payment, please see Ms. Klein in the counseling office to get a form. It's not too late. We have a number of payment options if those listed on the back of the yellow registration form do not work for you. It **is** the expectation of the district that students who take AP classes complete the entire class by taking the AP exam in May. Please contact Ms. Klein at 425-456-7620 with any questions or concerns.

We're here to help support your student:

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