

9th & 10th GRADE

INFORMATION FOR BIRDVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

School number: (817) 547-8000

(The extension number can replace the 8000)

Contacts:

9 th Gr. Assistant Principal – Boys, Tim Waldmann	ext. 8022
Mr. Waldmann's Secretary – Anissa Northey	ext. 8034
9 th Gr. Assistant Principal – Girls, Nanci Hopper	ext. 8027
Ms. Hopper's Secretary – Debbie Carter	ext. 8021
10 th Gr. Assistant Principal, Glenn Serviente	ext. 8277
Mr. Serviente's Secretary, Becky Rippy	ext. 8343
Student Assistance Counselor, Nancy Allen	ext. 8016
Graduation Coach, Shelby Griffith	ext. 8029

Counselors are by the first letter of the student's last name:

Jacqueline Travis	A—D	ext. 8278
Terri Ramsey	E—He (& all Sped.)	ext. 8023
Debbie Conaway	Hi—M	ext. 8314
Stephanie Stevenson	N – Sh	ext. 8044
Cindy Larson	Si—Z	ext. 8316
Counselor's Secretary, Danette Johnston		ext. 8252
Registrar, Janet Adams (transcripts & records)		ext. 8313

Counseling Office Hours: 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Any faculty or staff member email address can be acquired through Birdville High School's website or Skyward Family Access. Email addresses are firstname.lastname@birdvilleschools.net. (i.e., Jane.Doe@birdvilleschools.net).

Parents and students are encouraged to use Skyward access to stay current with grades and attendance. Parents and students can continue to use logins and passwords from the previous year. New parents can get their logins/passwords from the front office with proof of identification. New students contact your assistant principal's office for login/password.

Students who are sick for a couple of days should see their teacher for any missed work. If the student will miss three or more days, you may contact Mrs. Danette Johnston for work; however we suggest you email teachers directly for assignments. Requests made in the morning of one day can be picked up the following day after 2:30 p.m. in the counselor's office.

TEA/VOE forms can be obtained from Mrs. Debbie Carter in the office across from the cafeteria. Please allow 24 hours. Her extension is 8021.

Important Testing Dates: STAAR/EOC State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness frequently called EOC meaning End of Course exams will be given to in English I, Algebra I, and Biology for 9th graders, and English 2 to 10th graders. Successful scores on these tests are

required for graduation. The testing window is March 28-31. The specific date will be determined by the district and campus, then announced. Please make note of these important dates.

PSAT, October 19, 2016. PSAT stands for the Pre-Scholastic Aptitude Test, the results assist students in anticipating their performance on the SAT college entrance test. It also determines the National Merit Scholarship finalists for 11th grade testers. Birdville ISD will purchase this test for all 10th graders for 2016-2017. All 10th graders have been provided with a test preparation booklet. Any 9th graders who want to test may register and pay for the test in the counseling office. The cost is \$15.00.

PSAT/SAT/ACT Prep Courses are offered to BISD students through Kaplan and Revolution Prep. Information for both organizations can be found at websites, www.kaptest.com and www.revolutionprep.com. Revolution Prep also provides need-based scholarships for students whose families are unable to pay the full cost of the group course. Additionally, Revolution Prep offers on-line tutoring for a reasonable monthly cost. The service is available 7 days a week virtually any time frame.

Other resources: Khan Academy www.khanacademy.org/sat; McGraw-Hill Practice Plus www.mhpracticeplus.com/act.php; and TSI Web-Based Study App www.tinyurl.com/qysmksc; and <http://members.reasonprep.com/courses/category/Free>.

There is an on-line prep course specifically for the PSAT through the Canvas Learning Management System for \$35.00. (You have until Oct. 3rd to register for this prep course.) Go to <https://birdvilleisd.revtrak.net/tek9.asp?pg=default> and click PSAT Booster Course.

Career Cruising: To access the website from home go to www.careercruising.com. This will be used for future class scheduling, 4 year plans, and career assessment. Login information can be found on the BHS website under the Career Cruising tab.

(<http://www2.careercruising.com/default/cplogin/BIRD>.)

Returning students should have their login from last year. If you do not know it, contact your counselor. For more information, students should contact the librarians or see Mrs. Cindy Larson.

House Bill 5: Information for the new House Bill 5 Foundation Graduation Plan can be accessed on our BISD website: <http://schools.birdvilleschools.net/hb5>.

STAY CONNECTED:

BHS Counselors will keep you up-to-date on current information. We have Text Message Reminders, Facebook, and Twitter accounts, as well as the Counseling page on the BHS website.

- **Text Message Reminders:** Sign up to receive important information and reminders from the BHS counseling department. Text 81010, type in @bhsstud and hit send.



- **Facebook:** Look for updates on the Birdville High School Facebook page



- **Twitter:** Follow us on Twitter @Birdville_High

Consult the [2016-2017 Educational Planning for Life](#), (may be referenced as Catalog of High School Courses) available on the "For Family" page of BISD's website, for more valuable information.