## 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> GRADE

## INFORMATION FOR BIRDVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

## School number: (817) 547-8000

Contacts:	9 <sup>th</sup> Gr. Assistant Principal, Dr. Divya Tinsman 10 <sup>th</sup> Gr. Assistant Principal, Alan Wallace 9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Secretary, Camelia Esmailkhanghasri			ext. 17138 ext. 10249 ext. 17375
	Student Assistance Counselor & Crisis Intervention Specialists			
	Richard Griffin (Last name alpha A – J) Sara Mellado (Last name alpha K – Z) Student Support Specialist, Shelby Griffith			ext. 01470 ext. 16470
				ext. 14127
	Counselors a	re by the first letter of the Alexandria Flores Terri Ramsey Ann Blankenship Stephanie Stevenson	student's last name: A—Dez Di—Goz (& all SPED.) Gr—Maz Mc—Rz	ext. 18878 ext. 04991 ext. 06817 ext. 12286

Counseling Office Hours: 7:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Cindy Larson

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

Registrar, Janet Adams (transcripts & records)

Counselor's Secretary, Danette Johnston

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ext. 02179

ext. 04742

ext. 05275

Parents and students are encouraged to use Skyward access to stay current with grades and attendance. Parents can continue to use logins and passwords from previous years. New parents can get their logins/passwords from the front office with ID. This login will be used for Skyward, computer and Chromebook access, and most other applications within BISD. **Username**: First Letter of the Student's First Name + First Letter of their Middle Name + First 5 Letters of their Last Name + a 3 digit number. (ex Jane Doe Hawks would be JDHawks000)

**Password:** Birdville utilizes the Classlink portal, at my.birdvilleschools.net. Students will continue to use their password from the previous year. If they need to reset their password, they can visit the librarian and she can reset it for them.

Students who are new to BISD may have a staff member look up their login and password.

Please be advised that excessive absences (more than 8 per semester) can lead to non-crediting a class and can impact semester exam exemptions and the ability to obtain VOE forms.

Students who are sick for a couple of days should check for missed assignments on each teacher's Canvas page.

TEA/VOE forms can be obtained from Mrs. Robyn Wright in the front office. Please allow 24 hours. Her extension is 16816.

**Important Testing Dates: STAAR/EOC** State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness frequently called EOC meaning End of Course exams will be given in English I, Algebra I, and Biology for 9<sup>th</sup> graders, and English 2 to 10<sup>th</sup> graders. Successful scores on these tests are required for graduation. The testing window is April 20 – May 3. Please make note of these important dates.

**DUAL CREDIT COURSES**: Dual credit courses are offered at the junior level. Sophomores, if you are interested in taking a dual credit course next year, a parent meeting will be held on January 12, 2023 from 6-7 in the cafeteria. This meeting is for parents and students new to the dual credit program.

**PSAT**, October 12, 2022: 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 11<sup>th</sup> grade testers. Birdville ISD will purchase this test for all 10<sup>th</sup> graders for 2022-2023. All 10<sup>th</sup> graders will automatically be registered and will be provided a test preparation booklet. Any 9<sup>th</sup> graders wanting to test must register and pay for the test on this site: HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/BHS20229THPSAT. The cost is \$18.00.

## PSAT/SAT/ACT Resources:

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

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

**STAY CONNECTED:** BHS Counselors will keep you up-to-date on current information. Check out the BHS Counseling Canvas page, Facebook, and Twitter accounts, as well as the Counseling page on the BHS website.

- Sign up for the BHS Newsletter here: <u>https://tinyurl.com/BvilleNewsletter</u>
- **BHS Counseling Canvas Page**: This is a place where all students and parents can stay connected with the counseling office and students receive messages about grade level information, scholarships, scheduling, college, career, academics, personal/social/emotional, etc. This is the best way to stay connected!
- **Facebook:** Look for updates on the Birdville High School Facebook page
- **Twitter**: Follow us on Twitter @Birdville\_High

Consult the <u>Educational Planning for Life</u>, (may be referenced as Catalog of High School Courses) available on the "For Family" page of BISD's website, for more valuable information. <u>https://www.birdvilleschools.net/courseplanningguide</u>