

9th & 10th GRADE

INFORMATION FOR BIRDVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

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

Ann Blankenship	A – B	ext. 06817
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Registrar, Kelley Taylor (transcripts & records)		ext. 15877

Student Assistance Counselor & Crisis Intervention Specialists

Richard Griffin (Last name alpha A – J)	ext. 01470
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Student Support Specialist, Jaime Goad ext. 16492

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

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

Parents and students are encouraged to use Focus access to stay current with grades and attendance.

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.

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.

VOE Forms can be obtained from Mrs. Anna Julsaint in the front office. Please allow 24 hours. Her extension is 19682.

Important Testing Dates: STAAR/EOC State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness frequently called EOC (End of Course) exams will be given 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.

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 in January 2024. This meeting is for parents and students new to the dual credit program.

PSAT, October 11, 2023: 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 2023. All 10th graders will automatically be registered and will be provided a test preparation booklet. **Any 9th graders wanting to test must register and pay for the test on this site: [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/BHS20229THPSAT](https://tinyurl.com/BHS20229THPSAT) . The cost is \$18.00.**

PSAT/SAT/ACT 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>.

Consult the [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.

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: <https://tinyurl.com/BvilleNewsletter>
- **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 & Instagram:** Look for updates on the Birdville High School pages
- **Twitter:** Follow us on Twitter @Birdville_High