

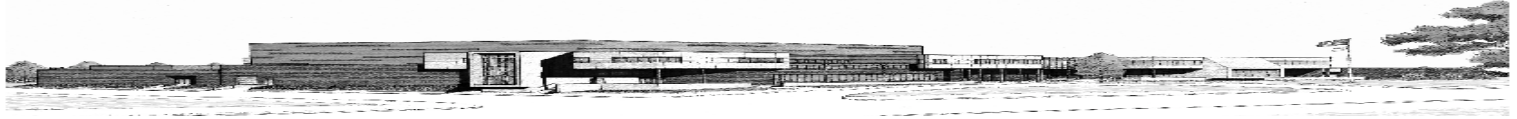
NBTHS

fact sheet 2021 2022

NORTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL, est. 1973

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2020 Distinction: U.S. News & World Reports “Best High Schools”



DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the North Brunswick school district, in partnership with the community, is to educate, inspire and empower our students to meet challenges and achieve success.

NBTHS MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of North Brunswick Township High School is to provide a nurturing environment that fosters personal and academic growth, creating lifelong learners who are globally aware citizens.

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

- Janet Ciarrocca**
Acting Superintendent of Schools
- Amy Rumbo**
Assistant Superintendent
- Rosa Hock**
Business Administrator/Board Secretary
- Christopher Harry**
Director of Pupil Personnel Services
- Frederick Johnson**
Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Technology
- Mercy Chang**
Director of Accountability & Special Programs

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TEAM

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| Michael Kneller | Principal |
| Suzan Ezdinli-Palazzo | Assistant Principal — Class of 2022 |
| Louis Emanuel | World Languages & Student Activities Supervisor |
| Aaron Speller | Assistant Principal — Class of 2024 |
| Mark Zielinski | Assistant Principal — Class of 2025 |
| Kari Aloisio | Supervisor of Academic Support Programs |
| Lisa Barkley | Business, Industrial Technology & Fine Arts Supervisor |
| Kate Bloemer | Assistant Principal — Class of 2023 |
| Michael Cipot | Supervisor of Academic Support Programs |
| Jamie Egan | Business, Industrial Technology & Fine Arts Supervisor |
| Kayne Ellis | Assistant Principal — Class of 2025 |
| Kevin P. Farrell | Social Studies Supervisor |
| Andrea Lamagra | Mathematics Supervisor |
| Yesenia Morales | Attendance Officer |
| Shaun Morrell | Dean of Students— Class of 2022 |
| Rebecca Petronko | K12 Health & Physical Education Supervisor |
| Altagracia Ruiz | K12 Music Supervisor |
| Patricia VanLangen | K12 ELL & World Languages Supervisor |
| | Director of Guidance |
| | Science Supervisor |
| | English / ESL Supervisor |
| | Director of Athletics |
| | Dean of Students – Class of 2023 |
| | Dean of Students – Classes of 2024 & 2025 |
| | Learning Center Supervisor |

SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Kevin P. Farrell Director

School Counselors—

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ACCREDITATION & DISTINCTION

North Brunswick Township High School is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the New Jersey Department of Education. We have been selected as a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence and earned the distinction of being recognized as a member of the College Board’s AP Honor Roll.

SCHOOL OF CHARACTER

Graduates of NBTHS will “R.I.S.E. Above” being able to incorporate our core values of Respect, Integrity, Service and Excellence in their daily lives. NBTHS has been consistently recognized nationally by Character.org for our “Promising Practices” and effective education practices.

COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS

Students at NBTHS have the ability to study in cohorts in several academies: The NBTHS STEM Academy with pathways in Computer Science & Engineering, The NBTHS Business Academy (affiliated with the Rutgers RUBY program) with pathways in Marketing, Multimedia, & Finance, and The NBTHS Humanities Academy (launched in 2020). Additionally, we have an onsite College Connections Coordinator from Middlesex College who assists students with all aspects of college admissions including the enrollment of our students in credit-earning, college-level courses taught by the NBTHS faculty.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Our students participate in a rich academic and co-curricular program as evidenced by:

- 58 % of all of the 2021 Advanced Placement Exams had scores of 3 or better
- Academic recognition for the Class of 2021:
 - One National Merit Schola
 - Ten Commended Students in the National Merit Program
- An active Student Government Organization and Student Council that meet regularly with the Administration on matters of school climate and school improvement/change initiatives
- Approximately 70% of our students participate in at least one of the more than 60 co-curricular activities and/or athletics
- **2021 Top 10% College Enrollments:** Carnegie Mellon U., Cornell U., Dartmouth College, Georgia Institute of Tech., Kean U., Lehigh U., Maryland Institute College of Art, Montclair U., Northeastern U., Pace U., Princeton U., Rutgers U., Seton Hall U., Stevens Institute of Technology, The College of New Jersey, U. of California - Berkeley, U. of Delaware, U. of Illinois Urbana - Champaign, U. of Indiana, U. of Maryland, U. of Virginia, U. of Waterloo, U. of Wisconsin

CLASS OF 2021 PLANS

Higher Education	78.0 %
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 4 Year College 47.0 % ▪ 2 Year College 27.0 % ▪ Other College 4.0 % 	
Employment/Apprenticeship	17.0 %
Military	1.0 %
Undecided	4.0 %
	100%

CURRENT ENROLLMENT

Total Student Population:	1886
American Indian/Alaska Native	0.10 %
Asian	18.95 %
Black/African American	21.86 %
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.27 %
Hispanic/Latino	37.66 %
Multiracial	2.76 %
White	18.40 %

COMMUNITY

North Brunswick Township (17th Legislative District; 12th Congressional District) covers 13.1 square miles in Middlesex County, NJ; it's a culturally diverse community of over 42,000 residents governed by the Honorable Francis "Mac" Womack and Town Council. It is rich in family traditions and takes great pride in the many cultures within its borders. Each year a Heritage Day Festival is held to celebrate the cultural diversity which enhances and enriches the community. North Brunswick is committed to education and provides its citizens with a wealth of community services. NBTHS is a pivotal facility, utilized twelve months a year, not only for education but for a myriad of activities for senior citizens, young children and a variety of community groups. The community and the school partner events and activities together throughout the year: Heritage Day, Memorial Day, Italian Carnival, National Night Out, India Independence Day and Youth Festival. For more information about North Brunswick Township, please visit: northbrunswickonline.com.

FACILITY

NBTHS is located in central NJ between New York City and Philadelphia and a short drive away from Rutgers and Princeton universities. The school building and the campus reflect the community's commitment to a quality education for all of our youth. Our award-winning facility was designed as a community space on a 48-acre tract; the architectural layout and adjoining property service not only the high school but the entire township.

The school's design offers a variety of unique features such as:

- A state-of-the art auditorium, multi-media TV/Radio/Music studios and an art wing with natural sky lighting
- "Project Lead The Way" school: two CAD classrooms with adjoining fully equipped engineering workshop that has a 3D printer, CNC milling machine and a CNC router table
- A large central student commons area with a stage
- Fourteen networked computer labs including a Mac/iPod Learning Center
- An Olympic swimming pool and fitness center
- Three gymnasiums—one of which accommodates 1900 people, renovated in 2016
- Newly renovated athletic fields: Steve Libro Stadium, Stan Williston Field & Guido DiTorrice Field
- A township park, athletic stadium, tennis courts and a multitude of athletic fields adjoining the campus

STUDENTS

NBTHS is an ethnically and economically diverse community. This diversity has enhanced our students' high school experience by increasing their tolerance, understanding and acceptance of others and by exposing them to the riches of a variety of cultures. We are proud of and embrace our diversity. We encourage you to visit with our students; please call the Guidance Department at (732) 289-3700 x73014 for an appointment or to receive notification about our Annual College Fair held in October.

FACULTY and STAFF

There are 230 professional staff members with more than 50% holding master's degrees or higher. The staff includes 7 School Counselors, a Student Assistance Counselor, an on-site Child Study Team, Special Education "Transition Teachers", UBHC Clinicians, a College Coordinator, and 170 classroom teachers.

VARSITY ATHLETICS: HOME OF THE RAIDERS

NBTHS offers a total fifty-six varsity, junior varsity, and freshman athletic programs. Boys' sports include: football, wrestling, basketball, tennis, cross-country, golf, soccer, swimming, baseball, lacrosse, bowling and winter/spring track. Girls' sports include: softball, basketball, tennis, soccer, swimming, cross-country, cheerleading, lacrosse, bowling and winter/spring track. The Athletic Department has been awarded the Greater Middlesex Conference's Sportsmanship Award two out of the last three years. Our football stadium and soccer fields have been refurbished with artificial surfaces in 2014 and were rededicated at our 40th anniversary celebration ceremony.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES: HOME OF THE ROBOTICS TEAM WORLD CHAMPIONS

Students have thirty-five co-curricular activities from which to choose, including: The Alchemists Theatre Company, a student newspaper and magazine, a student government, an African American Club, a Key Club, an acclaimed band, orchestra and chorus, chapters of DECA and FBLA and a host of other clubs/activities covering 30 additional areas of student interest. Our Raider Robotics Team has received both State and National titles including "World Champions" in 2012; our team opened the 2013 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade which was televised nationally.

GLOBAL PANDEMIC, GRADING, and STUDENT WELLNESS

Throughout the entire 2020-2021 school year, North Brunswick Township High School operated under a hybrid learning model like most of the state due to the coronavirus outbreak; academic rigor was maintained by upholding our high academic standards in both live and remote learning environments. Our final grading stance was not impacted; upon completion of the 2020-2021 school year, students were graded on our traditional grading scale outlined below. At the start of the 2021-2022 school year, we remain laser focused on our district & school mission statements and will not compromise learning, high standards & expectations. We will accomplish this while by also paying close attention to our #1 priority – our students' social & emotional health. We support our students' ever-evolving interests in pursuing post-high school plans that meet their unique personal and family needs. Because of the pandemic, many of our students are taking time off, some are staying closer to home, and more are choosing to start at smaller colleges because of high costs. We find great success in this and celebrate when our students have made the best decisions for their futures based on their own circumstances and not according to published rankings or reports. Our students make us smile; our Raider Pride has only grown stronger during these unprecedented times.

GRADING, GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA) and NUMERICAL EQUIVALENTS

Class Rank	G.P.A. Calculation	Weighting	Letter Grade Values
It is the policy of the North Brunswick Township Board of Education that NBTHS will not report rank for admissions purposes. Rank information may be provided directly to a college or university for scholarship purposes after a student has been admitted.	Our G.P.A. is computed by multiplying the numerical grade equivalent times the credits for the course and then dividing by the total number of credits attempted.	Advanced Placement (AP) 1.0 Point Higher Numerical Grade Equivalent (Note: Students who do not sit for AP exams do not receive additional weighting.) Honors 0.5 Higher Numerical Grade Equivalent	A+=4.30 (98-100) A=4.00 (93-97) A-=3.60 (90-92) B+=3.30 (87-89) B=3.00 (83-86) B-=2.60 C+=2.30 (77-79) C=2.00 (73-76) C-=1.60 (70-72) D=1.00 (65-69) F=0 (64.5 & below)

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for graduation, every North Brunswick Township High School student must successfully complete the following minimum course credit requirements:

Concentration Areas

English	4 years	20 Credits
Mathematics	3 years	15 Credits
Health/Physical Education	4 years	20 Credits
Science	3 years	15 Credits
Social Studies	3 years	15 Credits
Fine/Performing/Practical Arts (including a 2.5 credit computer requirement)		10 Credits
Visual and Performing Arts		5 Credits
Career Education and Consumer, Family, and Life Skills		5 Credits
World Language	5 Credits	(nbtsschools.org) under "North Brunswick Township High School"
Financial Literacy (Class of 2014 & beyond)		2.5 Credits
Additional Electives		Varies

Explanation of Credits

1.25 credits awarded for health classes
3.75 credits awarded for PE classes
2.5 credits awarded for daily, semester courses
5.0 credits awarded for daily, full year courses
6 or 7 credits awarded for science lab courses. Labs are attended 1-2 days a week and the course proper is attended daily. Both are scheduled for the full year.
10 credits awarded for full year courses that meet two periods daily

Our Course of Studies Booklet may be found on our district website and "Guidance Department".