



# Berlin Brothersvalley High School

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## ***“Educational Excellence, Community Engagement, Lifelong Success”***

Welcome to the 2019-20 school year! We look forward to another success-filled year for the students, staff, and community of Berlin Brothersvalley High School!

While the 2018-19 school year brought numerous accolades in academics, athletics, and the arts, BBHS looks to build off of our rich tradition and success to reach new heights in the 2019-20 school year! We welcome the Class of 2023 into the halls of BBHS while we prepare the Class of 2020 to launch themselves to bright futures beyond their graduation next spring.

In all that we do, may the vision of the Berlin Brothersvalley School District, “*Educational Excellence, Community Engagement, Lifelong Success,*” guide us in continuing to be an amazing place for our students to learn and grow!

Thank you for being a valued member of the proud Mountaineer educational community! If we can ever be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the high school office!

Brian Thompson, BBHS Principal

### **Back to School Night**

**Monday, August 26**  
from 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.

### **First Student Day**

**Tuesday, August 27**

### **No School-Labor Day**

**Monday, September 2**

### **School Pictures**

BBES/MS–September 4  
BBHS–September 5

### **Homecoming Weekend**

**September 20-21**

### **Scheduled 2-Hour Delay**

**Thursday, September 26**

**For up-to-date information, visit [www.bbsd.com](http://www.bbsd.com). Be sure to like BBHS on Facebook and download the “Berlin Brothersvalley Schools” App on your mobile device!**



## BBHS Student Technology Integration

As students return back to BBHS this fall, one noticeable change will be our school's plan to integrate technology in our educational programming.

In an effort to increase the accessibility of our technology resources to be utilized within classrooms, BBHS will issue a Chromebook to all students in Grades 10-12. These students will be permitted to take their devices home with them throughout the school year. In addition to the Chromebook device, a charger and protective carrying case will also be provided. Ninth grade teachers will have access to a mobile cart of Chromebooks to be used exclusively by Grade 9 students.

Technology that has been utilized in the high school prior to the 19-20 school year will be repurposed in younger grade levels. Students throughout the District will now have increased access to technology in the classroom.

On the first day of school, students will be provided with a Chromebook User Agreement that must be read and signed by both the student and a parent/guardian prior to the devices being distributed.

### What is a Chromebook?

A Chromebook is a laptop computer that utilizes the Google Chrome Operating System. Students will use their school-issued Google user account to access their Chromebook and other applications. The particular Chromebook that students will receive is a Lenovo 100e 2nd Generation.



## BBHS Earns Bronze School Designation

For the second consecutive year, Berlin Brothersvalley High School was recognized by U.S. News and World Report as a Bronze School. Factors that contributed to this achievement included 2016-17 Advanced Placement Exam Participation and Success, 2016-17 Math and Reading Proficiency, and the 2016-17 Graduation Rate.

BBHS was also recognized for our academic success by www.niche.com and The Pittsburgh Business Journal.

## Back to School Night

We invite all BBHS students and parents/guardians to attend Back to School Night on Monday, August 26 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. In addition to meeting staff and becoming familiar with classroom locations, parents and students are invited to attend a Chromebook overview session in the auditorium. Details of the student Chromebook program, along with various features of the Chromebook, will be presented in 2 sessions beginning at 6:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. We hope to see you there!

## Student Schedules

Student schedules for the 2019-20 school year are now able to be viewed in the parent and student portals of PowerSchool. Students are able to change schedules between August 13-19 and August 27-September 6. Schedule change forms can be downloaded from www.bbsd.com. For more information, contact the BBHS office.