



## REGISTRATION INFORMATION DAPHNE HIGH SCHOOL

9<sup>th</sup> Grade Counselor: TBA  
10<sup>th</sup> Grade: Margaret Sharp  
11<sup>th</sup> Grade: Maddison Dombrowski  
12<sup>th</sup> Grade and IB: Chesley Darby

Dear Students and Parents,

It is our pleasure to be your counselors throughout your high school experience. We hope that you have a safe and happy summer. We want to encourage you to get involved in extra-curricular activities at Daphne High School and in the community. Parents, we also want to encourage you to become involved at Daphne High School through the PTSO and volunteering your time in some aspect of your student's education and other activities.

Registration information has been mailed to current students within the system. The Immunization Record and the Alabama Blue Card must be up to date to start school as well. New students will need to make an appointment with the registrar and counselor to enroll in school and plan a schedule for the year. The registrar (Mrs. Yelding) can be reached at [pyelding1@bcbe.org](mailto:pyelding1@bcbe.org) and will coordinate the meeting for the new student to see both the registrar and counselor at the time of registration. All new students are encouraged to attend our Freshman Orientation in Trojan Hall. Due to COVID, this date and time is still TBA. We will communicate this as soon as possible. It is typically 1 week prior to school starting. Information about our school policies and procedures will be reviewed in detail during this time while you can enjoy some snacks and refreshments!

Students that are rezoned will complete the Returning Students 2020-2021 Registration. If you have a change of address – please send in 2 updated proofs of residency. Students will NOT be able to attend the 1<sup>st</sup> day of school if all documents aren't received.

The counselors for each grade level are listed above. The Baldwin County Schools Comprehensive Guidance and Counseling Program has four major components: 1) Guidance Curriculum; 2) Individual Planning; 3) Responsive Services; 4) System Support. In addition to these components, we utilize local resources to help benefit our students such as Alta Pointe, The Bridge, Drug Education Counsel, and The Lighthouse.

In order to graduate, students must earn 24 credits on the Alabama High School Diploma, 28 credits on the College Prep with Distinction Diploma, and 32 credits on the I.B. Diploma. These requirements can be found at the website for the Alabama State Department of Education.

The ACT is a national test that is delivered at local high schools and other institutions throughout the county, including Daphne High School. The test is given multiple times per year with and without the optional writing component. Parents and students can register for and view testing dates/locations at [www.ACT.org](http://www.ACT.org). All 11<sup>th</sup> grade students will take the test for free during school hours in the Spring semester. Students are also encouraged to take the test the summer after their sophomore year. For 12<sup>th</sup> grade students, the December test is typically the last test date that colleges will accept for admission and scholarship considerations. 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students who have free/reduced lunch are eligible for one test fee waiver yearly. This waiver can be obtained in the counseling offices. Some colleges also accept this as a fee waiver for the college application fee.

The PreACT test is offered to sophomore students free of charge in the Fall. This test is strongly correlated to the ACT test and is a good predictor of a student's score on the ACT test. This test is a shortened version of the four subtests of the ACT and does not include a Writing component.

The PSAT is an optional test offered to 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students. This test is a practice test for 10<sup>th</sup> grade students to identify areas of strength and weakness in standardized test taking. 11<sup>th</sup> grade students can qualify for the National Merit Scholarship, as well as other scholarship opportunities based on test scores. This test is delivered during school in October each year. More information will be provided through email and flyers sent home. Students can sign up in September each year.

Seniors will take the ACT WorkKeys during their senior year. This is a test used in the hiring process for many companies throughout the country. Our goal for students is a passing score of 4's in all three subtests, earning students the "Silver Level" achievement. If your student is not college-bound, then this test is of the utmost importance for them especially as it measures work-related skills.

Parchment is the system Daphne High School uses for Seniors to request transcripts to be sent to colleges during the application process. Students may obtain an unofficial transcript through their own INOW accounts, but they can also request official copies through [parchment.com](http://parchment.com). This system is one that your student will become very familiar with during their Senior year. Our Registrar is in charge of mailing/sending transcripts, so if you have any issues with this at all, please contact her at [pyelding1@bcbe.org](mailto:pyelding1@bcbe.org).

KUDER is the four-year planning system that the state of Alabama uses. Counselors will visit classrooms to input students' four-year plans into this system. At this time, students have the opportunity to complete career interest inventories and can access materials in the "College Access" package to help them prepare for the next steps. We encourage you to utilize this resource for future planning!

10<sup>th</sup> grade parents please note: students in Driver's Education class are required to have their permit within three weeks of starting the class. If your student does not have his/her permit, they will not be allowed to drive during the course, thus deeming them ineligible to receive their "gold card." Proof of enrollment is available at the front desk.

If you have questions, look at these web sites as they will give you a lot of information about our programs within the school:

- Daphne High School: [www.daphnehs.com](http://www.daphnehs.com)
- DHS Twitter Handle: @daphne\_high
- DHS Facebook: "Daphne High School Trojans"
- The Baldwin County Board of Education: [www.bcbe.org](http://www.bcbe.org)
- City of Daphne: [daphneal.com](http://daphneal.com)
- SEEDS: [seedsindaphne.org](http://seedsindaphne.org)

There will be one counselor on campus this summer. If you need assistance, please call (251) 626-8787 or email [cdarby@bcbe.org](mailto:cdarby@bcbe.org).

AS A DAPHNE TROJAN – PLAN TO GET INVOLVED! HAVE A SAFE SUMMER!

Sincerely,

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