



The Blue Raider Read

Information from the desk of Principal David Lanczycki

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Upcoming Events:

3/11 SB Spring Coaches Meeting
– Lib 4pm

3/12 Somerset All District String
Festival – Gym 7pm

3/12 SBRHS Talks #1 – DLC
7pm

3/13 Somerset All District Band
Festival – 7pm

3/15 Freshman/Sophomore Semi
– Whites of Westport 5:45pm –
9:45pm

3/18 – 22 Multicultural Week

March 26-27 MCAS ELA Testing

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March is supposed to be about green...

We all (except Seniors) had aspirations of making it through a school year without a snow day but alas it seems to have been inevitable. March is chock full of events here at SB. Dodgeball, musical festivals, DECA, MCAS testing, dances and a new sports season all populate the month of march. We wouldn't have it any other way.

So you think you can dance...

On March 15, we will be having our Freshmen/Sophomore Semi Formal at the Whites of Westport. Contracts have been sent to the students via email. This is a great time with a fabulous buffet. This is the event where students learn from their mistakes in regards to outfits and footwear. By the time they are ready for the Prom, students have outfits that they look great in and are also comfortable. For the safety of our students, we ask that parents come into the White's of Westport to retrieve their children. We do not want students exiting the facility without us putting eyes on the adult. This does slow down the exiting process but it is safer for our students. Dismissal time is 9:45pm.

On March 29th, the Venus de Milo will be hosting our Black and White Semi-formal. There is no meal at this event but there are hors d'oeuvres and soda available. This event is a fun night filled with liveliness and dancing. Please note that no student will be allowed into the dance once it has begun. Please be on time.

School Related Issues...

Time to time, there will be issues that arise that involve the school. Social media by design lends itself to the sharing of information. Freedom of speech is an important aspect of our country and our rights. That being said, the cocktail of the two can have an un-intended negative impact on members of our school community. The fact that we are a school implies that 99% of all matters will directly or indirectly involve students. Our students, as mature as they are, also are affected by comments that adult make on social media. Commentaries on social media sites that pertain to the town are well within peoples rights but I ask you to pause and think about if your comments may inadvertently make a situation more difficult for the students who are innocent in a matter. The adage, because we can does not mean we should, is something we should all think about before moving forward. Let us not hurt students while we try to fill a need to be noticed and acknowledged on social media. It is not about us as adults, it is about our kids. Thank you for thinking about this before you press share in the future.

MCAS Dates:

ELA: March 26 & 27

Math: May 21 & 22

Science: June 4 & 5

Late Buses:

Late buses are offered on Monday thru Thursday at 3:45pm. There is one bus for Berkley students and one bus for Somerset students. Please be advised that the Berkley late bus drops students off at the Berkley Common.

Senior End of the Year Events:

May 24: Finals Begin

May 31: Prom

June 7: Graduation 5pm

Freshmen - Sophomore
Semi-Formal Dance
 Grades 9 & 10 are cordially invited to attend this year's Semi-Formal Dance!

When: Friday, March 15, 2019
 Where: White's of Westport
 66 State Rd., Westport, MA
 Time: 6:00p.m. - 10:00p.m.
 Cost: \$30 per person
 (cash or check made out to SBRHS)
 Includes buffet dinner, dessert & open soda bar
 DJ, Jon Zerube

Tickets are on sale
 3/11 - 3/14

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Mighty Ducks 2019 SB Dodgeball Champions.



NEWS

The Breeze
 sbrhsbreeze.org

The online news for the students and staff at Somerset Berkley Regional High School



Parking Passes...

This year we have seen an increase in the number of students that are bringing cars to SB. While we acknowledge that some aspects could have been done differently, we would like to give people an opportunity to return their parking pass for a full refund. The main office will collect the parking pass and have a form that students can sign. Refund checks will be made out to parents and sent out by central office.

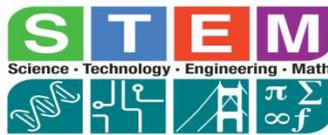
Next year, we will have a different process in regards to parking. The details of the new process are being worked out and we will highlight this for you in the future. We apologize for any inconvenience.

New Schedule...

Starting in September of 2019, SB will have new schedule that has been designed to open up many new academic opportunities of our students. The schedule has been a work in progress over a couple of years and has been agreed upon by the administration and the Somerset Teachers Association.

Due to the new schedule, our school information system (Aspen) needs to be completely reconfigured in order for schedules to be created. This is a process that is being done presently with collaboration with the technicians at Aspen. I have been describing this like making a cake. In most years, we use a box mix in order to expedite the process. The schedule is in the system from last year, copy/paste into this year and make adjustments for students and staff. This year we are making the cake from scratch. There is nothing to copy/paste from using the new schedule.

I appreciate everyone's patience during this time. We will be going over the format of the new schedule with student, staff and parents relatively soon in order to help everyone make informed decisions when it comes to making course selections for next years schedule.



If you haven't heard, SBRHS Talks is a new event designed to showcase a variety of STEM careers to an audience of interested students and their families. SBRHS Talks is kicking off its first talk on Tuesday, March 12th in the Distance Learning Center. SBRHS Talks presenters have been selected from our local area who want to help inspire, share and pass on their success story to you! These informative 1 hour or less sessions are open to SBRHS and neighboring high schools. SBRHS Talks will leave you with a better understanding and appreciation of the journey someone took who found a passion in life. Best of all, SBRHS Talks is free, so register yourself, family member or friend to share this valuable experience.

Seating is limited to the first 80 to register.

If you have any questions, please email SBRHSTalks@sbrregional.org.

Click to see more information and register!



Don't Give Up Sign Movement: An Art & Community Project

We are proud of our Ceramics students who created and sold over 150 bowls to purchase Don't Give Up Sign Movement signs for our school and community. If you would like a sign for your home or business, please contact bowersm@sbrregional.org. We will have a SBRHS Raider deliver a sign to you!

We are grateful for our Art Department and students who donated their work for the greater good!



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