

Monday April 6th
Bard FTU Zoom Town Hall

Moderators:
Dean Croson
Dr. Gamber

The Town Hall opened with two questions from last week's mtg:

- What are the Counselors office hours?
 - Please refer to the attached spreadsheet of all pertinent information such as instructors contact information, synchronous class meetings, and office hours.
- When will the 4th quarter begin?
 - Baltimore City has not published the dates for the beginning of the fourth quarter. Dr. Gamber will send out an email as soon as the City releases that information.

Q and A:

- Referring to a New York Times article, will students have to repeat their current grade?
 - Students are encouraged to either attend their class synchronously (attend class live) or attend class asynchronously (video recording of the live session).
 - We are being as flexible as we can during this time. That being said, students will still need to do the work. If students are having difficulties with the assigned work, we encourage the students to reach out to their instructor or support staff. (contact information will be provided at the end).
 - By now, all instructors have notified their class with assignments, their due dates, and the grading rubric. Parents can request to receive google classroom notifications by emailing their students instructor if they have not already done so. This notification can be set to give you daily or weekly notices of assignments and announcements given.
 - Reminder, 3rd quarter ended on March 12th but students still have up until April 10th to turn in missed 3rd quarter work. If you are unsure what assignments can be turned in, please email your/the student's instructor.
 - Tutors have now been assigned. Dr. Gamber will check in to see if there are any available slots and will let you know.
All of the Bard College tutors have been assigned, but here are two other resources: Baltimore Algebra Project (specifically for math):
<https://www.410ap.org/>
BCPSS help desk: Academic Help Desk Messages:
8am to 6pm daily. the hotline number is 443-984-2001

Parents can track their students' grades via Infinite Campus. If you are not able to log in, please contact Dean Croson mcroson@bhsec.bard.edu or Mr. Bond mbond@bhsec.bard.edu

- Baltimore City Public schools have published their online learning schedule. Please be mindful that Bard Baltimore, because of our unique curriculum, will not be following the City's online learning schedule and you should defer to your child's instructor's class schedule.

Organizational Assistance and Support:

- Be sure to review the schedule your instructor has posted in Google Classroom
- Your grade level counselor is available to assist you with ideas on how to organize your home learning. Your student should have received an email on Friday from the counseling team with some helpful information and their IG account as another way to stay in contact. Ms. Melchior @mzmelchior, Mrs. Bubb @counselor_bubb, and Mrs. Hoyt @counselorhoyt. (Some suggestions from families: write them out on a wall calendar, use post-it notes. List them with a dry erase marker on your mirror, list your assignments on your phone calendar with reminders)
- Patrick Harhai, the Bard 101 and 102 instructor has also offered his assistance. This is one of the many skills he teaches our 9th graders in his class.
- You may also access some online resources from our website here: baltimore.bard.edu/remote-learning-resources/

Y2 Updates

- Graduation will happen! Date TBD
- Caps and Gowns will be delivered to Bard once the stay at home order has been lifted.
- Not just for seniors, but your Bard Gear order will also be delivered once the stay at home order has been lifted.

There was an interest expressed to form a private FB group for parents to communicate with one another. Our FB administrator will create the page once the okay is received from Bard Baltimore's administrators.

Resources:

Faculty contact and class information: tinyurl.com/onlinebard

Listing of Faculty and Staff can also be found here: baltimore.bard.edu/our-people/faculty/

Remote Learning Resource: baltimore.bard.edu/remote-learning-resources/

Family Teachers Union (FTU): b-ftu@bhsec.bard.edu

Next Zoom Town Hall FTU meeting will be Monday April 13th at 7pm. Spread the word!

Remember, we are a Family here at Bard. We are all in this together. Stay well.

Be you. Be challenged. Be ready for life.

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