

**School Counseling Department News**  
**November 1, 2016**

Counseling Assignments:

Mrs. Audrey Spielman, Middle School - Director of Guidance  
Ms. Jessica Brousseau - Last Names A-L, Grades 9-12  
Mrs. Sandra Miguez-Fernandes, Last Names M-Z, Grades 9-12

***HOBY Application is Now Open***

This is an open invitation to all **sophomores** to apply for a leadership conference to be held in June, 2017 at the University of Bridgeport!

The Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) seminars allow students to recognize their leadership talents and apply them in becoming effective, ethical leaders in their home, school, and community. Selected student "Ambassadors" attend a three or four-day seminar and participate in hands-on leadership activities interacting with recognized local, state, and national leaders of business, government, education, media, the arts, and the non-profit sector. Students learn and acquire leadership skills that they can take back to their schools, communities, and peer groups.

Any interested sophomore should answer the following question and submit their written statement of application to Ms. Brousseau via email by the deadline, November 8th. Applications and faculty nominations will be reviewed at that time.

"In 100 words or less, please describe the most rewarding and challenging aspect of being a leader in your school and community."

***Junior Connections - Thursday, November 3***

All juniors will attend a presentation by NCCC to learn about the High School Partnership Program and how students can participate in the program. Students will also learn about NCCC's Transfer Ticket Program, a new program offered by the community college that provides the most direct route from a community college to a 4-year CT university.

***NCCC High-School Partnership***

Available to juniors and seniors. The deadline to register is November 14, 2016. More information can be found on our school counseling page or by visiting the NCCC website directly.

***Bristol Tech High School***

BTHS is hosting their Open House on Thursday, November 17, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. For juniors and seniors interested in applying for the 2017 school year, additional information can be found at <https://bristol.cttech.org/>

***FREE Test Prep for Juniors***

On November 12 and 13 there will be Free SAT/ACT Combo Practice Tests held by Kaplan Test Prep to help students decide between the SAT or ACT. Participants will receive their scores instantly. The practice test will be held in person or Live Online. For dates/locations and times and to sign up please visit: <https://www.kaptest.com/college-prep/pages/national-practice-test-weekend>.

**\*\* Students are reminded to check their school email regularly for important updates and information from the School Counseling Office!\*\***