

AN IMPORTANT DECISION AWAITS YOUR 9TH GRADE SCHOLAR

PLAN TODAY FOR A SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION INTO THE BHS SMALLER LEARNING COMMUNITIES (SLC)

Your student will soon transition from their Universal 9th Grade hive into a **Smaller Learning Community (SLC)** where they will spend the 10th through 12th grades.

This transition is a key step in your scholar's educational journey!

The SLCs are designed to provide a personalized and supportive learning experience, tailored to the interests, needs, and aspirations of each student. Benefits include:

- Culturally Relevant Education
- Mentorship Opportunities
- College & Career Readiness
- Community Engagement
- Identity Affirmation

...and more



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FOLLOW THESE 5 STEPS AND MARK YOUR CALENDAR WITH THESE IMPORTANT DATES!



STEP 1: GET FAMILIAR WITH THE SLCs

Information sessions begin on January 31st. Learn about the 5 Smaller Learning Communities by following the links below.

What are Berkeley High's 5 Smaller Learning Communities?

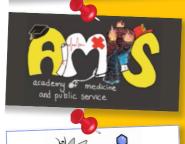


Academic Choice (AC): College prep, critical thinking & research skills, project-based learning, & more



Arts & Humanities Academy (AHA):

Interdisciplinary projects, arts & activism, internships, & more



Academy of Medicine & Public Service

(AMPS): Community service, internships, professional networking, & more



Berkeley International High School

(<u>BIHS</u>): Global perspective, identity, social movements, & more



Communication Arts & Sciences

(CAS): Digital media skills, tech literacy, senior thesis, & more



STEP 2: MARK THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR

Review these dates with your scholar. Take advantage of the dedicated information sessions to help make this important decision!

Activity Date ASSEMBLIES throughout the day provide 9th grade students Wednesday, January 31st with information about each SLC (one each period) 9th grade students have the After January opportunity to **MEET WITH** 31st **COUNSELORS AND TEACHERS** to learn about the SLCs **OPEN HOUSE: Each SLC** Thursday, showcases student work and February 8th describes their community 9th grade students **RANK AND SUBMIT** their SLC choices to February 12th-23rd their counselor (2 week window)



STEP 3: DISCUSS OPTIONS WITH YOUR SCHOLAR

Which Smaller Learning
Community is right for your
student? Discuss their
interests, strengths, and
preferences with them.
Additionally, consider your
student's learning style and
needs, and how each SLC may
or may not align with them.



STEP 4: HEAR FROM FACULTY AND OTHER STUDENTS



In addition to attending the information sessions and office hours with BHS faculty outlined in the calendar above, you can check out an informative video from students and teachers sharing experiences and tips about their SLCs.

Click the thumbnail to the right or copy this link into your browser: https://vimeo.com/788453226

