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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Baltimore County Public Schools is committed to graduating globally competitive students with post-graduation plans that align with their strengths, interests, and long-term career goals. In support of this mission, our district is offering every student in Grades 7 through 12 the opportunity to develop a 6 Year Plan. Each student meets annually with their School Counselor to develop the plan, which starts by identifying the student's unique interests and aspirations in order to determine a rigorous high school course schedule leading to on-time graduation, and goals for college and career.

You play an integral part in the success of your child's 6 Year Plan by reviewing the plan and discussing your child's options and how they relate to goals for the future.

Early planning, starting in Grade 7, opens up a world of possibilities for your child's future and helps ensure that you and your child are aware of necessary steps toward achieving your child's goals. These steps might include understanding which courses to take in sequence, as well as the many opportunities available through BCPS—from career and technology education, to magnet programs, to affordable college courses during high school.

You and your child can review the 6 Year Plan through Naviance: Family Connection, an online resource that BCPS uses to assist students in college and career exploration. Your parent login information is available to you through your child's School Counselor. Paper copies of the 6 Year Plan are also available.

If you have any questions about the 6 Year Plan, Naviance, or the new graduation requirements, please contact your child's School Counselor. If you are unsure who your child's School Counselor is, please call 410-887-0842 for assistance.

We are committed to every student's success, and we look forward to continuing our work with you.

Sincerely,

Andrea Tavernia
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