Dear EBHS Community,

The 2019-20 school year has brought many exciting learning enhancements and student accomplishments. Our dedicated staff has been instrumental in the successful roll out of our 1:1 program and use of Canvas. I am proud to share that students are effectively using their Lenovo ThinkPads and access to Canvas to enhance the learning process when needed. In addition, our students and staff continue to *Achieve Excellence in Academics, Athletics and the Arts*. Please look below at the wonderful accomplishments:

### Awards and Accomplishments for the First Quarter School Year 2019-2020

**Academics**

- **East Brunswick High School** is a *Blue Ribbon School* in a District where all 11 schools are Blue Ribbon.

- **East Brunswick High School** has earned accreditation from the *Middle States Association Commissions* on Elementary and Secondary Schools.

- “EBHS is without a doubt one of the finest schools in the nation. It is a school that has a very strong academic program, supported by ample financial resources and guided by excellent leadership.” *Quote taken from the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools Accreditation for Growth Validation Team.*

- **East Brunswick High School** was selected as one of America’s Best High Schools - 2019 by *U. S. News and World Report*.

- **Seven hundred eighteen (718) seniors** graduated in June 2019 of which 95% will be going on to **post-secondary educational experiences**.

- **Average SAT Score – 1271**, the highest score in the last seven years and 40 points higher than 2018.

- EBHS students who took the **ACT test scored 26.8**, the highest in the past several years and significantly higher than the national and state average.

- **717 students are taking AP courses.**

- **295 students are taking dual credit college courses.**
• **Nine (9) students** were selected as semifinalists in the **2020 National Merit Scholarship** Competition and went on to be selected as **finalists**. There were **47 Commended** in the Class of 2020 graduating class.

• **113 students** were on the **Gold Honor Roll** and 635 made the **Silver Honor Roll**.

• **Study NJ Instant Decision Day and College Fair** saw six (6) of our international students accepted into multiple colleges.

• One of EBHS’ German teachers arranged for **David Gill, Consul General of the German Consulate in NYC** to visit EBHS and to share his experience on the topic “**Celebrating 30 Years of the Fall of the Berlin Wall**.”

• A team of **four AP Computer Science students** competed at the **CyberEncounters workshop** sponsored by the NSF, the SANS Institute, and GirlsGoCyberstart, which was hosted by Brookdale Community College and took home **1st place and a Raspberry Pi**.

**Athletics**

• EBHS Varsity Tennis are **Tournament of Champion Winners**

• EBHS Varsity Tennis are **GMC Champions and Central Jersey Group 4 Sectional Champs**

• EBHS Varsity Girls’ Soccer Team are **GMC Champions and Central Jersey Group 4 Sectional Champs**. Lady Bears won the GMC title 36 out of 41 times and this is their 4th consecutive win.

• EBHS Varsity Boys’ Soccer Team **won their second consecutive GMC Championship and Central Jersey Group 4 Sectional Champs**

• EBHS Gymnastics Team are **GMC Champions and Central Jersey Group 4 Sectional Champs**.

• EBHS Gymnastics Team won the GMC Sportsmanship Award.

• One member of the Gymnastics team won All-Around and 5 Gold Medals at the GMC tournament.

• Two volleyball players made the top 80 underclassmen for volleyball as selected by nj.com

• 3 students committed to their colleges to play baseball, basketball and run track.
**Arts**

- **EBHS is a New Jersey Model School for the Arts**, in a district where all eleven schools are in listed the top 10% of all New Jersey schools in the NJ Arts Census!

- **Two EBHS Visual Arts** students are in the process of creating a large format mural (4 1/2’ x 45’) that will be installed in the tower center building by the turnpike. They created proposals and mockups working with the client’s request to create an original design. They should be finished by winter break.

- **Four East Brunswick High School students** performed with the New Jersey All State Chorus at the NJEA Convention in Atlantic City, and at NJPAC in Newark.

- **Senior Band Member** traveled to Grand Ledge, Michigan in October to have his composition, "Dance of Sprites," premiered by their Wind Ensemble.

- The **Marching Band** enjoyed three consecutive Best Visual trophies during their competitive season.

- The **Marching Band** undertook their first overnight trip in over a decade with a very successful performance at the 35th Annual UMass Band Day in Amherst, Massachusetts.

- **Chamber Orchestra** performed with Rowan University Orchestra and American Violinist Giora Schmidt.

- **Forty-three (43)** new members were inducted into the Tri-Music Honor Society.

- Performances of the fall drama “**Hysterical Truths: The Short Plays of David Ives**” took place in November
**Staff/Community**

- The **East Brunswick High School Girls’ Volleyball Program** hosted their annual "Pink Out" Volleyball Tournament Fundraiser to benefit **Susan G. Koman Breast Cancer Awareness** and raised $2,000.

- **EBHS staff** participated in several Denim Days that benefitted cancer awareness, GIGo – for the troops and EBEF.

- **EBHS Coach Nadine Murray** was named **GMC Gymnastics Coach of the Year!**

- **Urban Land Institute** honored East Brunswick High School Social Studies teacher **Marc Mondry** with the **2019 Educator of the Year Award.**

- **The Instructional Coach** at EBHS is leading the way with **Tech Tuesday** to provide ideas and collaboration on technology (Canvas, Lenovo ThinkPads, Office 365 and Google applications).

- **Staff Member** instituted a Wednesday morning program (Relaxation and Meditation) for students and staff as part of our health and wellness initiative.

- **Student Assistance Specialist** is providing a weekly article on **Mindfulness** as part of the health and wellness initiative.

- **Assemblyman Robert Karabinchak** visited EBHS as part of the “Shadow the Principal” program and was impressed by the outstanding education happening at EBHS.

- **Educator of the Year – Alan Brodman**

- **Model UN** – won the Large Delegation Award at Rutgers Model UN competition.

- **EBHS PTSA** hosted a well-attended College Information evening.

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