

**Date:** January 7th, 2021

**Location:** Zoom

**Organizer:** Barry Tech and G.C. Tech Guidance Departments

**Subject:** Guidance Advisory Meeting-Summary

Attendance:

Peter Dalton

Madeline Falino

Karen Recar

April Lewis

William Poll

Desiree Williams

Tara Hamilton

Shelly Rebaudo

Megan Scarfo

Madelaine Hackett

Patrick Dunphy

Tamar Ehrenfeld

Susan Piarulli

Nazina Chohan

Caitriona O'Neill

Sally Ann Gaffney-Baldwin @ Shubert

Diana Boucher-Uniondale H.S.

Abby Archdeacon-Westbury H.S.

Hilary Blakeley-Massapequa H.S.

Daniel Doherty-North Shore H.S.

Joanne Fawcett-North Shore H.S.

Tim Shea-North Shore H.S.

Donna Nelson-North Shore H.S.

George Gyarmathy-North Shore H.S.

Melissa Leder-G.W. Hewlett H.S.

Joseph Izzo-POB/JFK H.S.

Meg Scanlon-Bethpage H.S.

Thomas Kenny-Bethpage H.S.

Erin Beirne-Baldwin H.S.

Kathryn Alexander-Calhoun H.S.

Emma Perdomo-Freepoint H.S.

Faith Keenan-Locust Valley H.S.

Melissa Marr-Lynbrook H.S.

Donna Craig-Roosevelt H.S.

Jennifer Melecio-East Rockaway H.S.

Kerry Fallon-Long Beach H.S.

Matthew Grasso-JFK H.S.

Carla Stillwell-Oceanside H.S.

Mary Jo Moriarty-Jericho H.S.

Danielle Cerulli-Manhasset H.S.

Tamara Healy-East Meadow H.S.

Carol Murray-Mepham H.S.

Christina Moore-Island Trees H.S.

Gail Molloy-Carle Place H.S.

Holly Stonelli-Young-Plainedge H.S.

Jillian Celli-Locust Valley H.S.

Linda Ragin-West Hempstead H.S.

Nicole Maier-Valley Stream North H.S.

Meeting started at 8:30 AM

Welcome Remarks:

Principal Peter Dalton welcomed everyone to first Guidance Advisory of the school year. He appreciates everyone joining the zoom today to review things that are happening with Barry Tech and GC Tech. He then handed the floor over to guidance counselor Madeline Falino who began by introducing herself and welcoming everyone again. She quickly reviewed the agenda for the meeting and began by playing a

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POWTOONS video that gave a quick overview of Barry Tech and GC Tech PPS staff. The video covered who everyone is and what programs are on their caseloads, as well as the district assignments of each counselor.

- Everything that is discussed in the meeting today as well as the minutes and any other information such as counselor caseloads will be posted on the Barry Tech website under guidance advisory
- Yesterday, January 6<sup>th</sup> some counselors should have received an email from Raquel Rivas Varela, our secretary, listing any students from their districts that are currently on remote accommodations for BOCES.

Remote Accommodations: Guidance Counselor Madeline Falino;

- All CTE programs 100% in person instruction
- Remote accommodation only granted for medical related issues
- Not same thing as distance learning from past spring or district provided remote
- Remote accommodation students designated a remote teacher/facilitator-not CTE teacher
- Does not support skill/hands-on portion of programs-so grades maybe incomplete
- Most likely receive a pass/fail grade on report cards
- Students will receive high school credit but no technical endorsement from BOCES
- Cannot give remote students assessments or final exams
- Any associated licensing or certifications, clinical or work based learning experiences all in jeopardy
- College credits (articulations or dual enrollments) not guaranteed as per the colleges associated

Attendance Policies/COVID Related Attendance: Guidance Counselors Karen Recar and Tara Hamilton

- Students only marked present in attendance if present in the BOCES building
- If absent the reason (quarantine, homeschool closed, no transportation etc.) will be marked next to that student's attendance in School Tool.
- If absent student needs to check in online via Microsoft Teams for work that may be posted by the CTE teacher
- COVID policies: always changing-website updated with most current policy
  1. 10 days is new length of quarantine time for all conditions (positive case, contact, traveled)
  2. As of January 5<sup>th</sup> BOCES states, positive COVID student can return after 10 days with a parent note stating have quarantined, are symptom free and fever free.

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3. Medical note from MD is preferred but will accept parent note after the 10 days as well as documentation from the Department of Health (if received from DOH)
4. If a district needs to share contact tracing information for a student with Barry Tech or G.C. Tech
  - a. Barry Tech: contact guidance counselor of that student's program and copy Peter Dalton ([pdalton@nasboces.org](mailto:pdalton@nasboces.org)) and Dr. William Poll ([wpoll@nasboces.org](mailto:wpoll@nasboces.org)) to the email.
  - b. G.C. Tech: call main office (516-604-4200) first, then (if needed) email Patrick Dunphy ([pdunphy@nasboces.org](mailto:pdunphy@nasboces.org)) and Caitriona O'Neill ([CONeill1@nasboces.org](mailto:CONeill1@nasboces.org))

District Portal/Application Process: Guidance Counselors April Lewis and Tara Hamilton

- District portal- Each district has a point person for the district portal please check with them to access and see student's attendance, assignments and grades
- Any district counselor having trouble with getting temporary password to log into district portal, email Nina Chohan ([nchohan@nasboces.org](mailto:nchohan@nasboces.org)) and she will work to send out those temporary passwords
- Nina will also still send out grade reports to the districts at the end of the marking periods
  
- Parent Portal- it is available for parents to see grades of their students
- Information on how to log on is available at [www.barrytech.org](http://www.barrytech.org) website
- Login email for parent is the email given by parent on the student application
  1. If parent did not give an email on the application have them share one with us so we may get them access to the portal
  
- Application Process-online applications will open sometime in late January early February (no exact date has been determined yet) will inform districts as soon as finalized
- BOCES will host a training session when that happens so districts know how to access and navigate online applications
- There will be no paper applications this year, online only
- Students will be notified if were accepted, denied or waitlisted same as years previous with a letter sent home from BOCES

Technical Academics: For both Barry Tech and G.C. Tech; Assistant Principal Madelaine Hackett

- New York State has increased the rigor of the approval process

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- State approval process goes as follows:
  1. BOCES first does an internal self-study of curriculum including content area of CTE teachers and academic teachers
  2. Next is a review by external industry partners who are versed in the needs for that particular occupation as well as required skills
  3. Then reviewed by committee of external teachers that are certified in program content area
  4. Goes up to the state where they have someone review all of our program material to ensure program is of high rigor
- The student CTE grade is the same grade used for their integrated academic credits-as per NYSED
  1. It is at the districts discretion how integrated credit grades will be shown on their transcripts
  2. BOCES report cards will no longer separate out the integrated credit grades since it is the same as the CTE grade
- BOCES will provide at the end of the school year, documentation to the districts that will display for each class, the student names, their grades for CTE and the credits they are eligible for
- The most updated list of the integrated credits for each course will be posted on the guidance advisory website but if a district needs a copy sooner please email Tara Hamilton ([tbilicki@nasboces.org](mailto:tbilicki@nasboces.org)) and she will send a copy

Taste of Tech: Barry Tech and G.C. Tech; Guidance Counselors Tara Hamilton (Barry Tech) and Susan Piarulli (G.C. Tech)

- Barry Tech: On the [www.barrytech.org](http://www.barrytech.org) website there is a Taste of Tech banner that students/parents/counselors click on to bring to the first informational page with an introductory power point video created by the guidance team. Next to that is a link to an informational survey that everyone must complete before given access to all of the individual CTE program Taste of Tech videos to view (Program videos are pre-recorded)
  1. Barry Tech Taste of Techs will be running the week of January 11<sup>th</sup> and the week of January 25<sup>th</sup>. More dates will follow.
    - The Taste of Tech will begin those Monday's (the 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>) at 8:30 AM and be available to view any time of day until the corresponding Friday's (15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>) at 5pm
    - They are only open every other week to view so that Barry Tech has time to collect the data of whom during that week has logged in and viewed the Taste of Tech's

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- Districts that need or want the list of students from their districts that have logged in and viewed the Taste of Tech videos can reach out to any Barry Tech counselor and we will provide them with that information
- Anyone who has previously completed the survey and viewed the Taste of Tech videos may do so again at any time within the week that the link is “live”—they will have to re fill out the informational survey each time they go in to the site
- At this time there is no Barry Tech live/in real time virtual question and answer session set up between BT and parents—may be addressed at a later date
  - If any district counselor has a specific program question asked by a parent please reach out to the Barry Tech counselors and they will get that information to you
- G.C. Tech: On website [www.nassauboces/gctech](http://www.nassauboces/gctech) there is a virtual open house banner to click on which takes you to a page with prerecorded CTE class videos that are permanently up on the site right now. Additionally, there is a link on that page for students/parents to sign up for a virtual live/in real time open house. There are currently 5 dates they can choose from—more dates will be added as needed
  1. G.C.’s live virtual Taste of Tech dates are, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, February 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30-10:15 AM and an evening one set for January 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30-7:30 PM
    - These Taste of Techs will begin with a live group presentation about G.C. Tech and then students/parents can choose between 2 different class “sessions” to attend
      - First day time class “session” will be at 9:45 AM and the second “session” starts at 10:00 AM
    - Parent’s and students will have opportunity to speak with CTE teachers live during the Taste of Tech
    - If any district needs an additional Taste of Tech session please reach out to either Patrick, Susan, Caitriona or Tamar at G.C. Tech and they will accommodate
    - G.C. Tech is also sending a flier to all of the districts giving all the G.C. Tech Taste of Tech information

CDOS Credentials: School Psychologist Shelly Rebaudo

- At the end of the school year BOCES certify and provide the CDOS documentation to the districts for the students that receive
- BOCES asks districts to email either Megan Scarfo ([mscarfo@nasboces.org](mailto:mscarfo@nasboces.org)) and or Shelly Rebaudo ([srebaudo@nasboces.org](mailto:srebaudo@nasboces.org)) the list of student names that will need CDOS credentials from their districts

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- Any student whom last year needed CDOS credit received it-via guidance from NY state
  1. BOCES was unable to send out that documentation last school year to the districts because of COVID and lack of access to the school building

Tara Hamilton ended the meeting by thanking everyone for joining. BOCES will keep in contact if there are any updates and if anyone still has questions please reach out to your respective counselor liaisons. Thank you again and have a great day.

Meeting Ended at 9:25 AM  
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