

# South Brunswick School District

“Touch Each Life; Teach Each Child”



## District Data

### District Configuration

- Seven Elementary schools — Grades K-5
- Two-campus middle school — Grades 6-8
- South Brunswick High School — Grades 9-12

### Enrollment

Total Student Enrollment: 9,010 (As of 10.15.08)  
Total Number of Employees: 1,320 (As of 9.1.08)

### District Finances

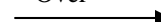
- The District is operating under a budget of \$134.9 million for the 2008-2009 school year.
- The District continues to seek all possible avenues to contain and/or reduce the cost of all District endeavors, including exploring shared services opportunities with the Township; working with an energy consultant (complete Energy Audit of our facilities) to find ways to save on our energy costs; consortiums for the purchase of natural gas and electric monitoring transportation costs and consolidating wherever possible, including inter-local service agreements with the Township for paving services.
- The District (SBHS) was awarded a Tech Prep Grant for 08-09 school year in the amount of \$240,000. This grant provides college-level business classes at SBHS (This is year two of the grant; award for year one was \$229,000)
- The District refinanced debt (1997 bonds), saving taxpayers more than \$3.4 million.

### Community Support

- Township voters have supported \$144.7 Million in new construction projects over the past 15 years
- District partners with the South Brunswick Police Department to provide School Resource Officers at the high school.
- District partners with township agencies to provide resources/services/programs through the Community Resource Team
- District partners with the South Brunswick Senior Center to provide inter-generational experiences through the Senior Citizen Outreach program

### Honors and Recognitions

- 5 National Blue Ribbon Schools — Cambridge, Constable, Crossroads, Greenbrook, SBHS
- 5 New Jersey Star Schools — Cambridge, Indian Fields, Indian Fields at Dayton, Monmouth Junction, SBHS
- 1 Governor's School of Excellence — Indian Fields
- Geraldine R. Dodge Fellowship Principals — Joseph Anzek, Judy Black
- Over time, 15 South Brunswick staff members have earned their National Board certification through the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards—Jerrri Barclay, Shirley Bzdewka, Maureen Canonico, Thea Dahlberg, Vincent DeLucia, Patricia Frank, Heather Johnson, David Morgan, Carol Piza, Sharon Richman, Paige Rimmer, Anne Skinner, Sharon Suskin, Margaret Warms, Jaclyn Halaw
- SBHS — #74 on New Jersey Monthly's list of the Top 75 Public High Schools (2008). Also appeared on the list in 2004, 2006
- South Brunswick School District—Best 100 Communities for Music Education in America (2004, 2007)
- South Brunswick School District received Gold Medal Status by Expansion Management Magazine (2006, 2007)
- New Jersey Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Thomas Vodola Adapted Physical Education Award recipient — Barbara McWilliams (2007)
- New Jersey Music Educators Association's Outstanding Administrators—Joseph Anzek, Joanne Kerekes, James Warfel
- History Channel's 2007 Save Our History Teacher of the Year Award Finalist—Corie Gaylord (SBHS)
- Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation Artist/Teacher Award—Priscilla Algava (SBHS, 2007)
- Speakers at various national conventions—April Gonzalez, Sue Coyle, Tim Matheney (SBHS)
- World Language iPod project—featured on Channel 1 newscast and the New York Times
- SBHS Automotive Technology Program featured in Mopar Enthusiast Magazine
- Staff member named NJAET Technologist of the Year—Julie Johnson (Greenbrook)
- Staff member named to the State Board of Directors of Speech-Language Pathologists—Natalie Glass (Greenbrook)
- Staff member named New Jersey Speech and Hearing Association (NJSHA) Volunteer of the Year for 2009—Natalie Glass (Greenbrook)
- Staff member received 2008 James Madison Fellowship—Marc Lifland (SBHS)



# District Student Performance Data

## 2007-2008 School Year

- HSPA: Literacy — 93 % proficient Math — 86 % proficient
- NJASK:
  - Grade 3 Literacy — 90 % proficient Math — 92 % proficient
  - Grade 4 Literacy — 90 % proficient Math — 92 % proficient
  - Grade 5\* Literacy — 80 % proficient Math — 89 % proficient
  - Grade 6\* Literacy — 74 % proficient Math — 82 % proficient
  - Grade 7\* Literacy — 86 % proficient Math — 79 % proficient
  - Grade 8 Literacy — 94 % proficient Math — 81 % proficient

\* - Denotes—new test format

## 2007-2008 School Year

- SAT: Combined Mean—1624 Math Mean— 556 Writing Mean—539  
Verbal/Critical Reading Mean—529

## 2006-2007 School Year

- SAT: Combined Mean — 1594 Math Mean — 550 Writing Mean — 527  
Verbal/Critical Reading Mean — 517

## South Brunswick High School Academic Highlights

- 11— Class of 2009 National Merit Scholarship Program Finalists
- 11— Class of 2009 Inductees National Merit Scholarship Program Semi-finalists\*
- 33—Class of 2009 Inductees National Merit Scholarship Program Commended Students \*
- 1—Class of 2009 Inductees National Achievement Scholarship Recipient
- 51 Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholars (2008-2009 Inductees)
- AP Exams — 989 exams administered to 456 students (2007-2008)
- SBHS Mock Trial Team—Back-to-Back Middlesex County Champions (2007, 2008)
- 3 Odyssey of the Mind teams moved on to State competition (2008)
- World Language Awards—Latin students won over 70 awards on the National Latin Exam; 2 students won Certificates of Merit on the National Greek Exam (2007-2008)
- Academic Team—second place finish at Bridgewater-Raritan Invitational “Tournament of Excellence”
- 3 students achieved semi-finalist honors for the US Physics Team (2008, 2009) (SBHS has the highest number of semi-finalists named in each of the past two years in NJ.)
- 7 Students chosen to attend Governor’s School (2007-2008)
- First Place State Champions—Annual Chemistry Olympics at NJIT (2007-2008)

\* Denotes highest total in SBHS history.

## South Brunswick High School Performing Arts Awards (Fall ‘08)

- SBHS Marching Band — USSBA Group VI Open Champions, Named Best Color guard, Best Visual, Best Music; Mayor’s Trophy—Piscataway, Edison competitions
- SBHS Jazz Band — Selected to compete in the New Jersey State Jazz Band Championships, one of the Top 8 Bands in State (April); Superior Rating at the Edison Jazz Festival
- SBHS Jazz Combo — Selected as top Combo in Central Jersey and will compete in TCNJ Jazz State Festival
- SBHS Visual Ensemble — WGI New England Regional Champions – Scholastic Open; WGI Trumbull Power Regional Champions – Scholastic Open; Mid-Atlantic Indoor Network - Undeclared in local competition; WGI World Championships – (April)
- SBHS Concert Choir – American Choral Directors New Jersey Festival – Superior Rating, Performance, Superior Rating (Sight-singing, 2008); Performed at Carnegie Hall
- SBHS Wind Ensemble – Gold Rating, New Jersey State Gala- Best Woodwinds, Best Brass, Best Percussion, Outstanding Soloist Invitation to the Mid-Atlantic Wind Band Festival
- Placed numerous students in Region, All-State, All Eastern Honors Ensembles, Honor Marching Band of America, Honor Concert Band of America and Honor Orchestra of America.

## South Brunswick High School Athletic Awards (Fall/Winter, ‘08 / ‘09)

- NJSIAA Central Jersey Group IV Sectional Champions—Girls Cross Country, Girls Bowling, Girls Winter Track teams
- NJCDCA State Champions, New Jersey State Dancer Champions—SBHS Dance Team
- SBHS Football Team— Best Record in Team History; First Time ever #1 Seed in NJ Central Jersey Group IV (9-2 Record) - (Fall ‘08)
- NJSIAA State Champion/Home News Bowler of the Year—Kayleigh Kimberlin  
NJSIAA Central Jersey Group IV Champion in 800, 1600, 3200—Sophia Ginez
- Coaches of the Year—Rick Mantz, Joseph Dougherty, John Harding, Tara Burniston, Stefan Moohead

## College Attendance/Post High School Plans (2007- 2008)

- 74% of students received acceptances to 4-year colleges/universities
- 21% of students received acceptances to 2-year colleges
- 1% of students received acceptances to business, trade and/or technical schools
- 1% of students entered the military
- 3% of students begin their careers immediately following graduation