

Plan to Attend Saturday, February 18, 2006! CPA College Information Seminar

According to the 2005 BHS College Handbook, a college graduate will earn over a \$1 million more than a non-college graduate over his/her lifetime. Find out how to help your child achieve a college education by attending the CPA College Seminar, Feb. 18th, in the College Career Center from 10 o'clock-noon. BHS College Counselor Ilene Abrams will be joined by Dr. Mario Rivas, Vista College V.P. of Student Services, to explain how everyone can ensure their child's place in a college classroom. Topics will include: grades, SAT scores, teacher recommendations, the college essay, extra curricular activities and more. **All CPA families are invited to attend, not just juniors and seniors, because students should develop a 4-year plan beginning freshman year.** Also, Flora Russ will have student transcripts available to help families create their student's personal goal. Don't be deceived by imaginary obstacles to higher education. There is a college option for everyone! With some early planning and research, a seemingly complicated process can be organized into timely, coordinated steps. Don't miss this important event!

Homework Center

Remember, encourage your student to use this valuable resource for homework help. It's in H208, Monday-Thursday, beginning at 3:15.

Important Calendar Dates

Feb. 16th CPA Parent Mtg, 7 PM
College Career Center

Feb. 17th & 20th President Days, no school

Feb. 18th College Info. Seminar

Feb. 23rd BHS Open House

Newsletter Inquiries: Submit questions or ideas to Janet Voorhees, 524-4748, voorheel@pacbell.net

Meet our Spanish Teacher Mucho Gusto Ms. Bugarini

Ms. Bugarini was born in sunny Acapulco, Mexico, where she lived for the first 12 years of her life. When she was in the 7th grade, she moved to the Bay Area with her mother and brother, attending school until her graduation from Menlo Park-Atherton High School.



College brought Ms. Bugarini across the bay to UC Berkeley, just a stone's throw from BHS. There she participated in the UC Berkeley Intl. Summer Program which sent her abroad to study and travel in Cuba, Barbados & Spain.

Ms. Bugarini finished her undergraduate studies in 1996 receiving a B.S. in Spanish Literature. Through a fellowship with the New York City Teaching Fellows, Ms. Bugarini earned her Master's Degree in Education and Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages from City College New York. A long way from Acapulco, she accepted a position in the Bronx teaching English language learners in elementary school. The following two years sent her back down to New York City to teach in Harlem. This is Ms. Bugarini's first full year of teaching at Berkeley High School, although she taught last April as a long term substitute. When she's not in the classroom, Ms. Bugarini enjoys traveling and spending time with her family, especially her mother.

What is Ms. Bugarini's teaching philosophy?

She feels every student is capable of success, although a good teacher is just half the battle. The other fifty percent must come from the student.

Wish List: Ms. Bugarini hopes families will heed the call for donations to the Homework Center and the Student Council. Please use the enclosed envelope to make a donation today. Thank-you!