



Dear Parents and Guardians,

BCA will be hosting the National Consortium of Secondary STEM Schools (NCSSSS) National Student Research Conference in June in partnership with Stevens Institute of Technology. As many of you may know, Principal Russ Davis is serving as President Elect of NCSSSS. The conference will allow BCA students to meet and exchange ideas with other high school students from around the country and to interact with faculty members from visiting high schools and Stevens Institute.

The NCSSSS was established in 1988 to provide a forum for specialized secondary schools focused on STEM disciplines to exchange information and ideas. Today the Consortium includes approximately 100 member high schools as well as 55 affiliate members (colleges, universities, summer programs, foundations, and corporations) located in 32 states. As a member of the STEM Education Coalition's Leadership Council, the NCSSSS plays a role in educating federal and state policymakers on the critical role that STEM education plays in maintaining our students' global competitiveness and advancing the economic prosperity of the U.S.

Student Research Conference events will take place at Stevens Institute and on the BCA campus, with trips to Ellis Island and sightseeing tours in Manhattan among the many activities planned for faculty and students. All students will participate in a Poster Presentation hosted by BCA, and will tour the lab facilities at BCA and Stevens Institute. We are proud to be an integral part of what promises to be an exciting and informative three-day event.

Sincerely,

Howard Lerner, Ed.D.  
Superintendent