



# Atlantic Technical College and Technical High School



## Brace Cadets: The Future is Bright

Broward County Public Schools strategically came up with a solution to help enhance students' knowledge about their future: The Brace Cadet program. ATC Brace Cadets has designed a program called *The Future is Bright*. This program is designed to help 9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> grade students take charge of their future. It is designed specifically for students who need help in preparing for life after high school, whether it is on a path for college or an alternative path.

This program consists of five sessions during which students will have the opportunity to learn about vital information such as financial aid, scholarships, college and career readiness, and Naviance, which will give information towards a successful future. ATC Brace Cadets will be going over the importance of academics and service hours, personal growth and mindset, and enrichment programs.

During our first session students will get opportunity to get know who we are and what will happen throughout each session. We will set up each student with a vision board and talk about the importance of the future -- Start with a Goal and End with it in Mind. We will celebrate with students each time they apply to a certain number of scholarships and we will send our motivational words through Remind and in person. We will help students to gain immense knowledge about financial aids and grants.

For the enrichment part our program students will learn the importance of academics and service hours and we will give each student information to how to raise their GPA and information about certain colleges requirements, along with information about the importance of getting volunteer hours in and ways to find volunteer opportunities. As a result, students will apply this information by studying for the PERT test and applying for dual enrollment classes. Students will also begin to look for internships or places to earn their minimum required forty volunteer hours to graduate from high-school, and volunteer opportunities that could be an insight for a career they are thinking about pursuing.



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During each session students will learn vital information that will lead them to take action towards what they have learned. There will be interactive projects and activities to help students to be more comfortable and confident about who they are and their future. Students will be able to implement the knowledge that they will learn from this program for the rest of their academic career.

This program will be held on campus during students' first hour. Every participating student will have an opportunity to have a one on one with their Brace Cadets if they require more in-depth information on a certain topic.

If you need more information on this program you may email the ATC Brace Cadets or Ms. DeJesus, the Brace Advisor:

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Thank you,

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