

SPEECH ON OPEN DAY OF 2023

Zunaid Hendricks: RCL Chairperson and Headboy

Good evening everyone and a warm welcome hug from our school. We are so honoured and grateful to have you with us here tonight. I am Zunaid Hendricks the Headboy and RCL Chairperson of Brackenfell High School for 2023

There is so many sports and opportunities in our school that I could promote it through a 4 hour load shedding period, but I wouldn't want to do that to you guys. So, let me tell you about my subjects:

The usual English, Afrikaans, Life Orientation and then Pure Maths. Apart from the compulsory subjects I take

Dance studies – Where we learn the importance of using your body in the correct way to prevent injury

Accounting – we learn how to manage and control finances for companies

Dramatic Arts – where we learn the origins of theatre movements and the philosophers that influenced it

I have an extra subject as well which can be taken from grade 10, after special permission has been granted, the extra subject replaces your lowest choice subject percentage while calculating your average

My extra subject is ... Business Studies – where we learn the importance of initiating a business. These are just my 8 subjects of many different choices, for example – consumer studies, life sciences, tourism, physics and geography

The range in school subjects was part of the reason I decided to enrol at this school. The other was the range in the schools sport and culture. BHS offers the best coaches to teach your kids new skills on the sport field and for the culture department we have yearly Eisteddfods, Drama Club and so much more. Past the sport and Culture aspects of the school, the school has amazing outreach programmes like Teens@comm, Interact as well Land Service. As well as the Support Services which helps the learners with problems in and out of school.

The school offers a wide range of leadership positions, that being the Grade Councils and the Senior Council apart from the council we have a RCL, the representative council of learners – with the highest leadership position being RCL Chairperson

It is clear that a betrokke Brakkie is n gelukkige Brakkie

The most important part of BHS is the diversity of cultures, no matter who you are BHS welcomes with open arms, we celebrate our differences and we know that in our differences we can find unity.

I would like to leave you with this quote:

“Sometimes you have to create opportunity for yourself and take a leap of faith”

