

Next Year's 9th Grade Class - Class of 2023

Course Request Process for the 2019-2020 School Year

Phase 1 Distribution of Course Request Materials

Phase 2 Course Request Preparation at Home

Upon receipt of these materials, students will work at home with parents/guardians to identify additional courses of interest using the Course Request Worksheet (in this packet) for the 2019-2020 School Year. Appointments can be made with your counselor to assist.

All course descriptions can be found in the Course Description Guide on the SHS → Academic → Scheduling page.

Your current LA, SS, SCI, MA and WL teachers are in the process of completing recommendations for Core Requirements and possibly additional courses for next year. They have been instructed to communicate these recommendations to students no later than March 20th.

Phase 3 Course Request Entry in the LMC

Beginning the week of March 25th students will complete course request entry using the HAC site. Students need to bring all of their course request materials with them to school on these days. Mr. Spiropoulos will assist students in entering their course requests and address any issues or special requests at that time.

At this time, students will see the Core Subject and/or Additional courses for which they have been recommended. If a student is not in agreement with the recommendation, counselors will facilitate the waiver process.

Students need to have completed each part of the course request worksheet (contained within this packet) in advance so that this process goes smoothly and quickly.

Parents can also view and edit requests on HAC March 25th through March 29th.

Phase 4 Collection of Waiver Forms and Course Request Verification

Waiver forms need to be returned to the Mr. Spiropoulos no later than March 29th so all necessary changes to requests can be made. Counselors will review all requests to ensure that all required courses and ample additional courses have been entered.

Parents/guardians and students should review all requests on-line and make or communicate any necessary changes to counselor no later than March 29th. Course requests for ETR will be finalized by April 5th.

Graduation Credit Requirements		
Department	Gds 9-12	Gd 9
Language Arts <i>(including passing the Keystone Literature Exam)</i>	4	1
Social Studies	3	1
Science <i>(including passing Keystone Biology Exam)</i>	3	1
Math <i>(including passing Keystone Algebra I Exam)</i>	3	1
World Language	2	1
HE/PE <i>(0.5 in 9th and 0.5 in 11th)</i>	1	0.5
Finance <i>(640, 958A, 963, 981, 460)</i>	0.5	0
Core Requirements	16.5	5.5
Primary Academy	3	
Miscellaneous Courses or Secondary Academy <i>(TO MEET MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS)</i>	4.5	1.5
Minimum Graduation Credits Required	24	
Miscellaneous Courses or Secondary Academy <i>(ABOVE MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS)</i>	4	
Possible Earned Credits	28	7

Additional Course Offering Departments	Academy
Language Arts Social Studies Science Mathematics World Language	STEM
	Humanities/Social Sciences
Art Administrative Technologies Family and Consumer Science Industrial Technology	Business/Finance
Music Communications/Video Production	Production/Performance Art
	Liberal Arts

9th Grade
Core and Additional Course Offerings

<p>Language Arts:</p> <p>Core Requirements 110 Honors LA I 111 CP LA I</p> <p>Additional Course Offerings 126 Creative Writing 840 Introduction to Acting</p>	<p>Business and Administrative Technology Education:</p> <p>630 Introduction to Web Design 646 Photoshop I 904A Computer Applications 955A Introduction to Business 731A Graphic Arts & Design I</p>
<p>Social Studies:</p> <p>Core Requirements 210 Hn The Global Context 211 CP The Global Context</p>	<p>Communications & Video Production:</p> <p>770 Television Production: Multi-Camera Production</p>
<p>Science:</p> <p>Core Requirements 305 Honors Biology 311 CP Biology</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>New Optional STEM Science/Math Pathway 320 Honors Chemistry 430 Honors Algebra II w/ completion of Geometry</p> </div>	<p>Industrial Technology:</p> <p>701A Industrial Materials I 710 Architectural Design 715 Engineering: Structural Design</p> <p>Art</p> <p>801 Studio Art 805 Painting & Drawing 811 Functional Ceramics 813 Sculptural Ceramics 815 Tile Making 827 Digital Photography</p> <p>Music</p> <p>845 Music: Film and Media 847 Digital Music Production 848 History of Modern Music 849 Guitar and Ukulele 855 Symphonic Band 857 Orchestra 860 Concert Choir 861 Springfield Singers – <i>Audition Only</i></p>
<p>Mathematics:</p> <p>Core Requirements 411 Algebra I 430 H Algebra II 431 CP Algebra II</p>	
<p>World Languages:</p> <p>Core Requirements 501 French I 521 Spanish I 522 Spanish II 531 German I 532 German II 561 Latin I</p>	
<p>Family and Consumer Science:</p> <p>601 Fundamentals of Foods and Nutrition 602 Focus on Foods and Nutrition 620 Child Development</p> <p>641 <i>Core Communications and Future Planning Skills – students will be automatically enrolled in this course unless they are in Band, Orchestra, or Choir, or in need of specialized support classes.</i></p>	

Required Courses in Grade 9 include:

- Language Arts (1), Social Studies (1), Science (1), Mathematics (1), World Language (1), HE/PE (0.5), Core Communications (0.5) – *unless enrolled in Band, Orchestra, Choir or Specialized Support Classes*

Grade 9 students should list and select four (4) CREDITS (any combination of 0.5 and 1.0 credit courses) of interest.

