

Welcome to
DeBakey High School
for Health Professions



Meet the Counselors...



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COURSE SELECTION

- The link opens May 15, 2023, at 3:30 pm
- Course Selection will close May 31, 2023, at 3:00pm
- Use Final Report Cards from 7th Grade and current 8th Grade to complete course selection
- **The Course Selection form may only be submitted once**
- Any changes or issues to selections will be addressed in August
 - Please do not email the counselors for changes to course selection

****Courses will not be loaded without Final 8th grade report card**

Selecting Courses

- Use Report Cards
- Use the Courses Sequence
- Remember DeBakey is known for its rigorous curriculum

Freshmen Required Courses



English 1

Algebra 1 or next Math course in sequence

IPC and/or Biology, or next Science course in sequence

World Geography or AP Human Geography

Principles of Health Science

Fine Arts (Art, Theatre, or Music)

Coed PE Foundations

Foreign Language (French or Spanish)

AP Human Geography

AP Human Geography is the equivalent of a one-semester college-level course and is designed to provide the student with an in-depth understanding of the earth's regions, religions, languages, recent regional histories, governments, economic systems, and physical features. **Note that students on an average have over 6 hours of homework per week for this course.**

Requirement for this course:

- Student must have a Level III Mastery on the Reading 8 STAAR to be placed in the AP Human Geography course.
- Students will not be place in course if they do not meet the requirement!

Please do not complete summer course work if you do not meet the Level III Mastery Reading 8 STAAR requirement

DEBAKEY HSHP Course Requirements

Discipline for DeBakey HSHP	Credits Needed to Graduate
English	4
Math	5 (Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra 2, Pre-Cal, AP Cal AB)
Science	5 (IPC, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, AP Science)
Social Studies	4
Physical Education	1
Languages other than English	3 (in same foreign language)
Fine Arts	1
Health Science	6
Communication Applications	0.5
Other Electives	2.5
Total	32

Course Sequence

FOUR-YEAR COURSE SEQUENCE

9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade
English I (HADV/Pre-AP is available in 2nd semester)	English II (Regular or HADV)	English III (Regular) or AP English Language	English IV (Regular) or AP English Literature
World Geography (HADV) or *AP Human Geography	World History (Regular) or AP World History	U.S. History (Regular) or AP U.S. History	1 st Semester Economics (Regular) or AP Marco 2 nd Semester U.S. Government (Regular or AP)
Algebra I or Geometry *Algebra I is a Prerequisite for Geometry (HADV/Pre-AP is available in 2nd semester)	Geometry (Regular or HADV/Pre-AP) and/or Algebra II (Regular or HADV)	Precalculus (Regular or HADV)	AP Calculus (AB or BC) and/or AP Statistics
Integrated Physics Chemistry and/or Biology (HADV is available in 2nd semester)	Chemistry (Regular or HADV/Pre-AP)	Physics (Regular or HADV/Pre-AP) or AP Physics I	AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Physics II
<u>Fine Arts</u> Art Theatre Arts Music	Communication Applications (1 semester)	<u>Fine Arts</u> Art Theatre Arts Music	<u>Fine Arts</u> Art Theatre Arts Music
Physical Education	Electives	Electives	Electives
<u>Foreign Language</u> French I, II, III Spanish I, II, III	<u>Foreign Language</u> French I, II, III Spanish I, II, III or AP Spanish/AP French	<u>Foreign Language</u> French, II, III Spanish II, III or AP Spanish/AP French	<u>Foreign Language</u> French III Spanish III or AP Spanish/AP French
Principle of Health Science	Health Science	Practicum in Health Science I • Medical Laboratory I (12 weeks) • Dental Science (12 weeks) • Patient Care Science (12 weeks) Double Blocked Classes	Practicum of Health Science II • World Health/ Biomedical Engineering (12 weeks) • Anatomy & Physiology (12 weeks) • Preceptorship (12 weeks) Double Blocked Classes

- **Magnet/Regular-** on level course
- **HADV-** HISD Advance course
- **Pre-AP** – Pre Advance Placement
- **AP-** Advance Placement (College Board)

HISD Report Card

7th Grade – not all student will have credits from 7th grade

Course Description	Teacher	Period	Grades		Exam	Avg	Credit Attempted	Credit Earned	Conduct		Excused Absences		Unexcused Absences	
SPANISH 7 F	Sanchez, R	1	91	95		93	0.00		S	S	0	0	0	0
ALGEBRA 1A	Kho, A	12	91	88	90	90	0.50	0.50	E	E	0	0	0	0
CHOIR 1F MS	Jones, D	13	95	96		96	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
READING 7 Y	Moses, S	2/9	88	93			0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
TEXAS HISTORY 7	Brown, C	3/10	94	90			0.00		E	S	0	0	0	0
SCIENCE 7	Sandles, Y	4/11	90	91			0.00		S	S	0	0	0	0
MATH 7	Abergos, M	5	93	95			0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
TECH APPL 7 F	Do, A	6	100	97		99	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
ENGLISH 7	Taylor, S	7/14	88	91			0.00		S	S	0	0	0	0
COED PE/HLTH 7F	Jackson, C	8	92	93		93	0.00		S	S	0	0	0	0
SPANISH 7 S	Sanchez, R	1	92	90		91	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
ALGEBRA 1B	Manzon, R	10	93	91	84	90	0.50	0.50	S	S	0	0	0	0
CHOIR 1S MS	Lattimore, K	13	95	100		98	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
READING 7 Y	Moses, S	2/9	93	94		92	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
MATH 7	Manzon, R	3	96	88		93	0.00		S	S	0	0	0	0
SCIENCE 7	Sandles, Y	4/11	90	90		90	0.00		S	S	0	0	1	0
TEXAS HISTORY 7	Brown, C	5/12	98	96		95	0.00		S	S	0	0	0	0
TECH APPL 7 S	Do, A	6	99	99		99	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
ENGLISH 7	Taylor, S	7/14	99	95		93	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
COED PE/HLTH 7S	Jackson, C	8	89	84		87	0.00		S	S	0	0	0	0
Total Current Credits							1.00	1.00						

HISD Report Card

8th Grade – not all students will have credit from 8th grade

Course Description	Teacher	Period	Grades		Exam	Avg	Credit Attempted	Credit Earned	Conduct		Excused Absences		Unexcused Absences	
ADVOCACY MS	Kelso, A	G1					0.00				0	0	0	0
THTRE ADV 2F MS	Foster, A	P1	100	100		100	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
US HIST8 MYP/VG	Flores, N	P2	98	100			0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
SPANISH 1A	Cantu, E	P3	99	100	96	99	0.50	0.50	E	E	0	0	0	0
LEADSHIP TEAM F	Giroir, M	P4	100	100		100	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
INT DANCE F	Joseph, K	R1	100	100		100	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
IPC A PIB	Scott, C	R2	96	98	93	96	0.50	0.50	E	E	0	0	0	0
ALG 1A PREIB	Blair, B	R3	98	93	87	94	0.50	0.50	E	E	0	0	0	0
ENG 8 MYP/VG	Williams, A	R4	98	100			0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
ADVOCACY MS	Kelso, A	G1					0.00				0	0	0	0
THTRE ADV 2S MS	Foster, A	P1	100	100		100	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	1
US HIST8 MYP/VG	Flores, N	P2	100	100		100	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
SPANISH 1B	Cantu, E	P3	100	98	99	99	0.50	0.50	E	S	0	0	0	1
LEADSHIP TEAM S	Giroir, M	P4	100	100		100	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	1
INT DANCE S	Joseph, K	R1	100	99		100	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
IPC B PIB	Scott, C	R2	98	96	85	95	0.50	0.50	E	E	0	0	0	1
ALG 1B PREIB	Blair, B	R3	93	94	94	94	0.50	0.50	E	E	0	0	0	0
ENG 8 MYP/VG	Williams, A	R4	99	88		96	0.00		E	E	0	0	0	0
Total Current Credits							3.00	3.00						

NON-HISD or Private Schools

NON-HISD Schools (other districts)

- Report cards
- Official Transcript

Private Schools

- Report Card
- Letter with credits earned or Official Transcript

Date Letter Sent

Michael E. DeBaakey High School
for Health Professions
2545 Pressler St.
Houston, TX 77030

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that _____ Student Name _____ has successfully completed the following course(s) for high school credit. They are as follows.

Course(s)	Grade Received	Credit Received
Algebra 1A	85	.5
Algebra 1B	95	.5
Integrated Physics and Chemistry 1A	90	.5
Integrated Physics and Chemistry 1B	80	.5
Spanish 1A	75	.5
Spanish 1B	85	.5

Please accept this letter to ensure the student named above receive proper credit for course(s) taken for high school credit. If further information is required please contact us at _____

School Telephone Number

Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,

Principal Signature

SEAL
or
STAMP

HADV/Pre-AP & AP

Students may request HADV/Pre-AP courses for the Spring semester.

- GRADES
- Teacher Recommendations
- Remember: Freshmen need time to transition into high school.
- Consider all your options and weigh the PROS & CONS.
- Magnet/Regular courses are rigorous
- Take HADV/Pre-AP courses only in those subjects you do best in.
- DO NOT OVERLOAD!
- It is better to make an “A” or “B” in a Magnet/Regular course than a “C” in a HADV/Pre-AP course.
- Allow time for extracurriculars and community service work.

Magnet/Regular vs. HADV/Pre-AP/AP

Calculating Your Grade Point Average (GPA)

The GPA is the average of all your grades starting from freshman year. All grades are included, even if a student retakes a course due to a failing grade.

It is important to know how to calculate your GPA. A little planning in your freshman year can go a long way toward a high GPA when you graduate.

Explanation of GRADES

<u>GRADES</u>	<u>Regular</u>	<u>HADV/AP</u>
A = 90-100	4 Points	5 Points
B = 80-89	3 Points	4 Points
C = 75-79	2 Points	3 Points
D = 70-74	1 Points	2 Points
F = 0-69	0 Points	0 Points

Your GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA) is all of your final semester grades throughout the year in your classes, added together, and averaged

Grades from Middle School will not count towards High School GPA

Personal Graduation Plan (PGP)

The personal graduation plan is a working document used by counselors and/or administrators designated by the principal to track student completion of graduation requirements. It is a tool used to document grades, endorsement selections, and coursework. The personal graduation plan is an opportunity for students, parents/guardians, and counselors/administrators to meet individual student needs. The use of the personal graduation plan is necessary to ensure desired outcomes for college and career readiness

DeBakey Endorsements
Public Services
STEM

PGPs are completed on PowerSchool

*By viewing this slide you are acknowledging that the PGP description has been provided.

FAQs

- I took a High School level course in Middle School. Will that class be calculated into my High School GPA ? **No. Your GPA starts your Freshmen year.**
- I took Biology in middle school. Do I still have to take IPC? **Yes.**
- Is COED PE required? **Yes.**
- I took AP Foreign Language in Middle School; do I have to take a foreign language? **Please provide AP scores and your counselor will let you know.**
- Can I take PE or Fine Arts later? **All freshmen need to complete their requirements as soon as possible.**
- Can I take Summer School to get ahead? **No.**
- Can I play sports at my zoned school? **Yes. Must be approved and have correct documentation. Check DeBakey website for more information.**
- Can I take a class over? **No, if you earned credit. Yes, if you failed the class and did not receive credit.**
- Is DeBakey a Dual Credit/Early College Campus? **No. We are a specialty school. Other schools in the district offer these programs.**
- Do I have to take Health Science all four years? **Yes, it is a requirement of DeBakey.**
- Can I take classes outside of DeBakey? **No. All course work is to complete the DeBakey Campus with DeBakey Teachers.**

Review

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- If you have questions, please contact your counselor after reviewing this video/PowerPoint.

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Thank you

