COURSE SELECTION MEETING 2021-2022



AGENDA

- COLLEGE PREPARATION
- GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
- THIS YEAR ----→ NEXT YEAR
- ELECTIVES
- ADVANCED ACADEMICS
- Course Selection Meetings
- SCHEDULE CHANGES
- QUESTIONS









COLLEGE PLANNING TIPS

- KEEP GRADES AND GPA UP COLLEGES WILL SEE YOUR FINAL JUNIOR TRANSCRIPT TO MAKE ADMISSION DECISIONS
- TAKE SAT/ACT MARCH 3RD UPCOMING. WATCH FOR FUTURE DATES FROM MR. DAVIS
- NAVIANCE UTILIZE THIS TOOL FOR COLLEGE AND CAREER SEARCH TO MAKE A LIST OF SCHOOLS. THIS SHOULD BE YOUR RESEARCH YEAR- SENIOR YEAR WILL BE BUSY COMPLETING COLLEGE APPS, FAFSA, SCHOLARSHIPS, ETC.





- WHAT WILL COLLEGES LOOK AT??
- OVERALL 4 YEAR GPA
- Consistency, Rigor, Patterns
- INVOLVEMENT, SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY BASED
- SERVICE- NOW IS THE TIME TO START VOLUNTEERING





GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English:

1, II, III & IV

Science:

Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Adv. Science

Math:

Alg 1, Geometry, Alg 2, Pre Cal/Adv Math

Social Studies:

W Geo, W History, US History, Govt/Economics

Foreign Language 2yrs same:

(Spanish, German, French, Mandarin)

Physical Ed (1 year):

(Athletics, ROTC, PE)

Fine Art (1 year):

(Art, Band, Dance, Theatre, Technical Theatre)

Health (1 semester)

CATE -4yrs/sequential classes:

- Business Management
- Adv. Manufacturing (Engineering)
- Transportation
- Health Science
- Design and Multimedia Arts
- Digital Communications (AV)*
- Web Development*

*reserved for magnet students

26 Credits

THIS YEAR > NEXT YEAR

2020-21 CLASSES

- ENGLISH III/AP LANGUAGE
- ALGEBRA 2/PRE CALCULUS
- PHYSICS
- US HISTORY
- CAREER PATHWAY CLASS
- FOREIGN LANGUAGE
- HEALTH/FINE ARTS/ELECTIVE



2021-22 CLASSES

- ENGLISH IV/AP LITERATURE
- Pre-Calculus/ College Ready/AP Calculus
- EARTH SPACE SCIENCE/ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS
- GOVERNMENT/ECONOMICS
- CAREER PATHWAY CLASS
- ELECTIVE
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- ADVOCACY-8TH PERIOD (STUDY SKILLS, GRAD LAB, OFF CAMPUS)



ELECTIVE COURSES

FINE ARTS

- ART
- BAND/PIANO
- DANCE
- THEATRE
- TECHNICAL THEATRE





PHYSICAL ED

- Sports Teams
 - FOOTBALL, VOLLEYBALL, CROSS COUNTRY, BASKETBALL, TRACK SOCCER, BASEBALL, SOFTBALL, WRESTLING
 - STUDENTS CAN ALSO PARTICIPATE IN SPORT THROUGH AFTERSCHOOL PRACTICES
- MARCHING BAND (FALL)
- RED COATS DANCE TEAM
- CHEER TEAM ATHLETICS
- JROTC (I-IV)
- PHYSICAL ED CLASS























AP/IB Coursework

- AP/IB COURSES OFFERED IN ALL CORE AREAS
- AP Testing may lead to college credit
- STUDENTS CAN EARN EXTRA POINT FOR GPA
 - SELF MOTIVATED
 - GOOD STUDY SKILLS
 - GOOD TIME MANAGEMENT SKILLS
 - ABLE TO HANDLE FASTER PACE
 - ABLE TO RETAIN INFORMATION WELL

AP/IB COURSE DESCRIPTIONS ARE FOUND UNDER ACADEMICS ON HEIGHTS HS WEBSITE

ADVANCED ACADEMICS

DUAL CREDIT CLASSES

STUDENTS CAN EARN BOTH HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE CREDIT IN THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

GOVERNMENT

GRAPHIC DESIGN & AUTOMOTIVE (MUST BE PURSUING CURRENT CAREER PATHWAY)

IB DIPLOMA/CERTIFICATION

ACADEMICALLY CHALLENGING CURRICULUM THAT ADDRESSES STUDENTS' INTELLECTUAL, SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL WELL-BEING FOR COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY SUCCESS

CAREER RELATED STUDIES HELP STUDENT DEVELOP COMMUNICATION, PERSONAL AND ACADEMIC SKILLS

CORE AND FOREIGN LANGUAGE PRE-REQUISITES

COURSE SELECTION PROCESS



- Counselor will review transcript/Fall grade report to address required courses
- STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO SCHEDULE VIRTUAL OR IN PERSON APPOINTMENTS TO MEET WITH COUNSELOR TO MAKE COURSE SELECTION DECISIONS
- STUDENTS WILL CONFIRM COURSE SELECTIONS
- COUNSELOR WILL BEGIN SCHEDULING PROCESS BY ENTERING SELECTED COURSES IN POWERSCHOOL
- SUMMER SCHOOL GRADES/CREDIT RECOVERY INFORMATION WILL BE REVIEWED TO DETERMINE IF CHANGES TO COURSE SELECTIONS NEED TO BE ADDRESSED
- COUNSELOR WILL PROVIDE A RECORD OF SELECTIONS TO STUDENTS HISD EMAIL AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING.



Course selection Appointments are designed to ensure that graduation requirements are being met and to reduce the incidence of changes



Counselors/administrators may override student requests if it is in the best interest of ensuring that the student remain on track for graduation



All change of schedule Requests will be reviewed on an Individual basis to determine if the change is warranted and/or possible



Changes in CATE/Career Pathway classes will require additional documentation/signatures to comply with district policies

SCHEDULE CHANGE POLICY



QUESTIONS



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