

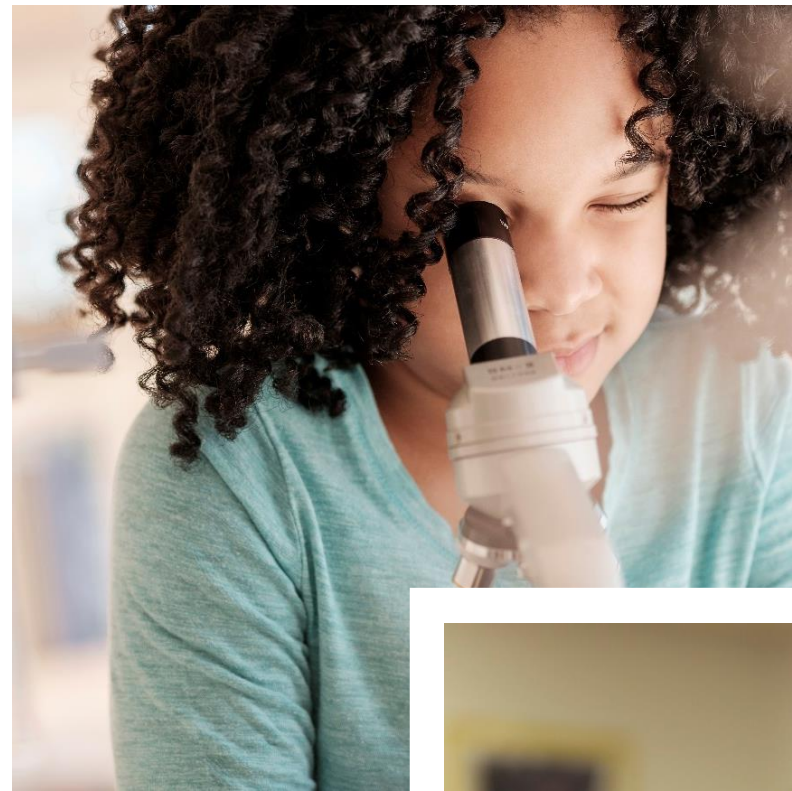
**INCOMING FRESHMEN  
COURSE  
SELECTION  
GUIDE**  
**2020-2021**



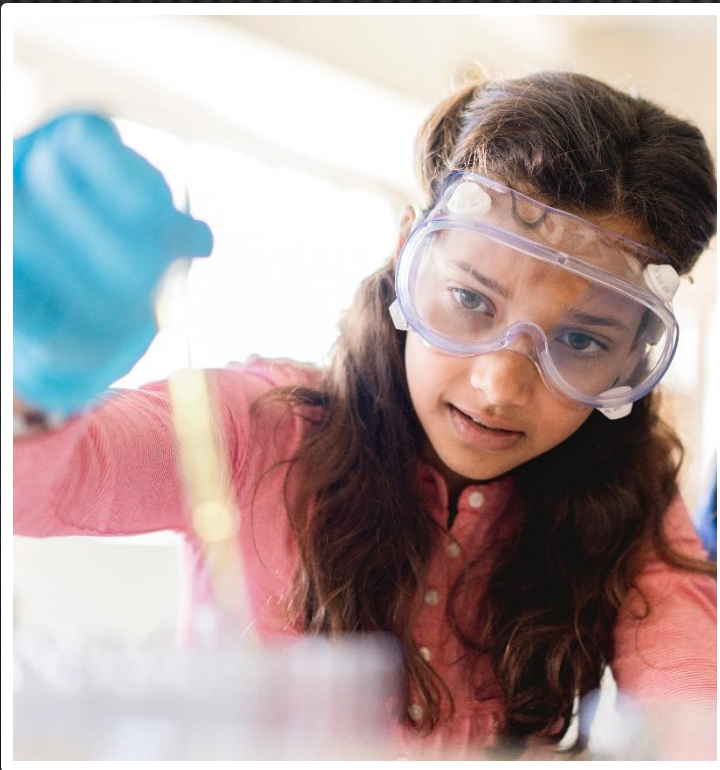


# AGENDA

- GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
- CLASSES NEXT YEAR
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# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

**English** (4 credits):  
I, II, III & IV

**Science** (4 credits):  
Biology, Integrated Physics and Chemistry, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Systems, Earth Space, Anatomy and Physiology, Adv. Science

**Math** (4 credits):  
Alg 1, Geometry, Alg 2, Pre Cal, Statistics, Adv. Math

**Social Studies** (4 credits):  
W Geo, W History, US History, Govt/Economics

**Foreign Language** (2 credits):  
(Spanish, German, French, Mandarin)

**Physical Ed** (1 credit):  
(Athletics, ROTC, PE, Marching Band)

**Fine Art** (1 credit):  
(Art, Band, Choir, Dance, Piano, Theatre, Technical Theatre)

**Health** (1/2 credit)

**Electives** (1 ½ credits)

**CATE** (4 credits):

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

*\*reserved for magnet students*

**26 Credits**



# CLASSES NEXT YEAR

## FRESHMEN SCHEDULE

- ENGLISH 1/ PRE-IB ENGLISH 1
- ALGEBRA 1/ PRE-IB ALGEBRA 1, GEOMETRY/ PRE-IB GEOMETRY OR ALGEBRA 2/ HONORS ALGEBRA 2
- BIOLOGY/ PRE-IB BIOLOGY, INTEGRATED PHYSICS AND CHEMISTRY (IPC)/ PRE-IB IPC OR CHEMISTRY/ PRE-IB CHEMISTRY
- WORLD GEOGRAPHY/ PRE-IB WORLD GEOGRAPHY OR AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY
- CATE/CAREER PATHWAY
- FOREIGN LANGUAGE
- ELECTIVE (FINE ART OR PE)
- ADVOCACY







# ELECTIVE COURSES

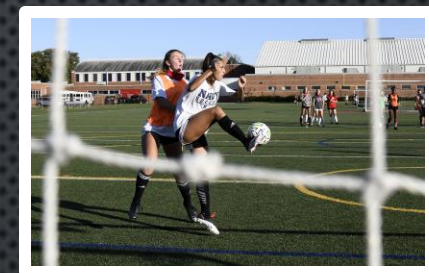
## FINE ARTS

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



## PHYSICAL ED

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







## AP/IB COURSEWORK

- AP/PRE-IB COURSES OFFERED IN ALL CORE AREAS
- AP TESTING MAY LEAD TO COLLEGE CREDIT
- STUDENTS CAN EARN EXTRA POINT FOR GPA
- GOOD CANDIDATES POSSESS THESE QUALITIES:
  - SELF MOTIVATED
  - GOOD STUDY SKILLS
  - GOOD TIME MANAGEMENT SKILLS
  - ABLE TO HANDLE FASTER PACE
  - ABLE TO RETAIN INFORMATION WELL
  - GOOD GRADES AND ATTENDANCE HABITS

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\*(OFFERED SOPHOMORE, JUNIOR AND SENIOR YEAR):

- PHYSICS
- GOVERNMENT
- DIGITAL MEDIA
- PROJECT BASED RESEARCH
- GRAPHIC DESIGN

\*THIS LIST IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

## IB DIPLOMA/CAREER —RELATED PROGRAM CERTIFICATE

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



- STUDENTS AND PARENTS WILL COMPLETE THE COURSE SELECTION FORM LOCATED ON THE HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL WEBSITE
- STUDENTS WILL CONFIRM COURSE SELECTIONS
- COUNSELOR WILL BEGIN SCHEDULING PROCESS BY ENTERING SELECTED COURSES IN POWER SCHOOL
- 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE REPORT CARD INFORMATION WILL BE REVIEWED TO DETERMINE IF CHANGES TO COURSE SELECTIONS NEED TO BE ADDRESSED
- STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE THEIR SCHEDULE FOR THE FALL SEMESTER AT THE BEGINNING OF AUGUST



# SCHEDULE CHANGE POLICY

- 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
- SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR BAND/ATHLETICS WILL ONLY BE MADE ONCE APPROVED BY SPONSORS OR COACHES
- CHANGES IN CATE/CAREER PATHWAY CLASSES\* WILL REQUIRE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION/SIGNATURES TO COMPLY WITH DISTRICT POLICIES. REQUESTS WILL BE REVIEWED ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS AND BASED ON SPACE AVAILABILITY

\*CHANGES IN CAREER PATHWAY COULD AFFECT THE ABILITY TO EARN CATE ENDORSEMENT



# PUP CAMP

## DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED

- PUP CAMP AGENDA
  - NAVIGATING THE HUB
  - NAVIGATING MICROSOFT TEAMS
  - OFFICE 365/GOOGLE DRIVE
  - RUNNING WITH THE PACK (CLUB INVOLVEMENT AND OPTIONS)
  - SCHOOL TOUR
  - 4 YEAR PLANS





# REGISTRATION

- ZONED STUDENTS CURRENTLY ATTENDING AN HISD SCHOOL WILL NOT NEED TO REGISTER.
- THEY WILL NEED TO COMPLETE YEARLY UPDATES IN THE FORMS SECTION OF HISD CONNECT
- FOR ZONED STUDENTS NOT CURRENTLY IN HISD, YOU CAN DO YOUR REGISTRATION ONLINE





# QUESTIONS



# THANK

# YOU!

