

Apex Friendship High School

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Registration
2023-2024 School Year



Graduation Requirements

| Content Area | Credits | Courses |
|----------------|---------|---|
| English | 4 | English I, II, III, IV |
| Math | 4 | Math 1, 2, 3 and a higher-level math course with NC Math 3 as prerequisite |
| Science | 3 | Biology, Earth/Environmental Science, and a Physical Science (Chemistry, Physics, or Physical Science) |
| Social Studies | 4 | <u>Class of 2024:</u> World History or AP World History, Civic Literacy, American History or AP US History, and Economics and Personal Finance <u>Class of 2025 and Beyond:</u> World History or AP World History, Civic Literacy or AP Government and Politics, American History or AP US History, and Economics and Personal Finance |
| Health & PE | 1 | Healthful Living |
| Electives | 10 | 2 Elective credits of any combination from: Career and Technical Education (CTE), Arts Education, or World Languages 8 Additional electives to equal a total of 26 credits |
| Total | 26 | Students must have a minimum of 26 credits to graduate |



Promotion Requirements

| Grade | Promotion Criteria | Credits |
|---------------------------|--|---------|
| To 10 th Grade | One credit must be English I, at least two credits must be either a Mathematics, Social Studies, or Science course, and three additional credits | 6 |
| To 11 th Grade | Two credits must be English I and English II, one Mathematics credit, one Social Studies credit, and one Science credit, plus seven additional credits | 12 |
| To 12 th Grade | Three credits must be English I, English II and English III, and ability to be enrolled in remaining courses required to graduate | 18 |



The Difference Between Academic, Honors and AP

Honors

- Students have a strong work ethic and work well independently
- Students are motivated learners capable of independent and critical thinking
- Students have excellent time management skills
- Students consistently complete assignments on time
- Students are able to multi-task



The Difference Between Academic, Honors and AP

Advanced Placement (AP)

In addition to the Honors requirements:

- Students are able to read 3-5 textbook chapters on their own per week.
- Students are able to learn information from reading a textbook without the teacher reviewing the textbook material.
- Students are able to balance several hours of homework on top of other coursework, extracurricular activities, and other obligations.
- Don't take an AP class only for the quality points!



English Course Selections

Rising Sophomores:

- English II
- English II Honors

Rising Juniors:

- English III
- English III Honors
- AP Language and Composition

Rising Seniors:

- English IV
- English IV Honors
- AP Literature

Elective Course Selections:

- Creative Writing I & II (Academic or Honors)
- African American Literature (Academic or Honors)
- Introduction to Communication and Mass Media
- Speech I & II (Academic or Honors)
- The Human Experience Honors
- Trends and Movements in Young Adult Literature
- Cultural Media Literacy Honors
- Shakespeare Honors
- Yearbook (requires application)
- Newspaper (requires application)



Math Course Selections

General Math Courses:

- Math 1 or Math 1 Honors
- Math 2 or Math 2 Honors
- Math 3 or Math 3 Honors

Electives:

- Foundations of Math 1 (pairs with Math 1)
- Foundations of Math 2 (pairs with Math 2)
- Foundations of Math 3 (pairs with Math 3)

4th Level Math Courses:

- Math 4
- Math 4 Honors
- AP Precalculus (NEW)
- AP Statistics

5th Level Math Courses:

- Discrete Math for Computer Science Honors
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC



MATH



Social Studies Course Selections

Rising Sophomores:

- **Required:** Founding Principles of the USA and NC: Civic Literacy (Academic or Honors)
- Eligible students may take AP Government and Politics to satisfy their Civic Literacy requirement
 - For rising 10th graders taking AP Gov't, it is strongly recommended students have earned a final grade of either an 'A' or 'B' in AP World History, or an 'A' in World History Honors.

Rising Juniors:

- **Required:** American History (Academic or Honors) -OR- AP US History
- Economics and Personal Finance (Academic or Honors)
 - This course may be taken during junior or senior year.

Rising Seniors:

- **Required:** American History (Academic or Honors) -OR- AP US History
- Economics and Personal Finance (Academic or Honors)
 - This course may be taken during junior or senior year.



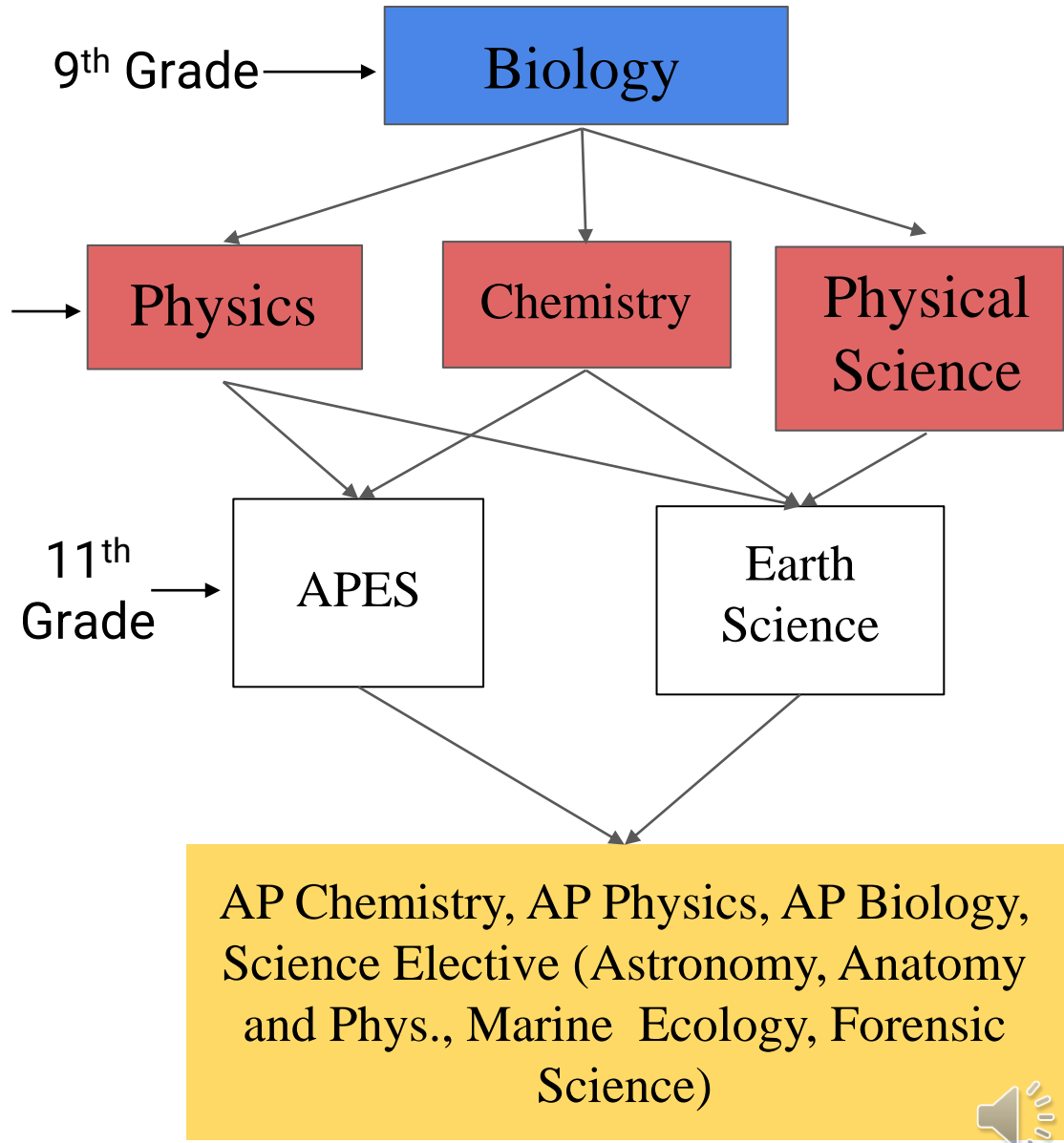
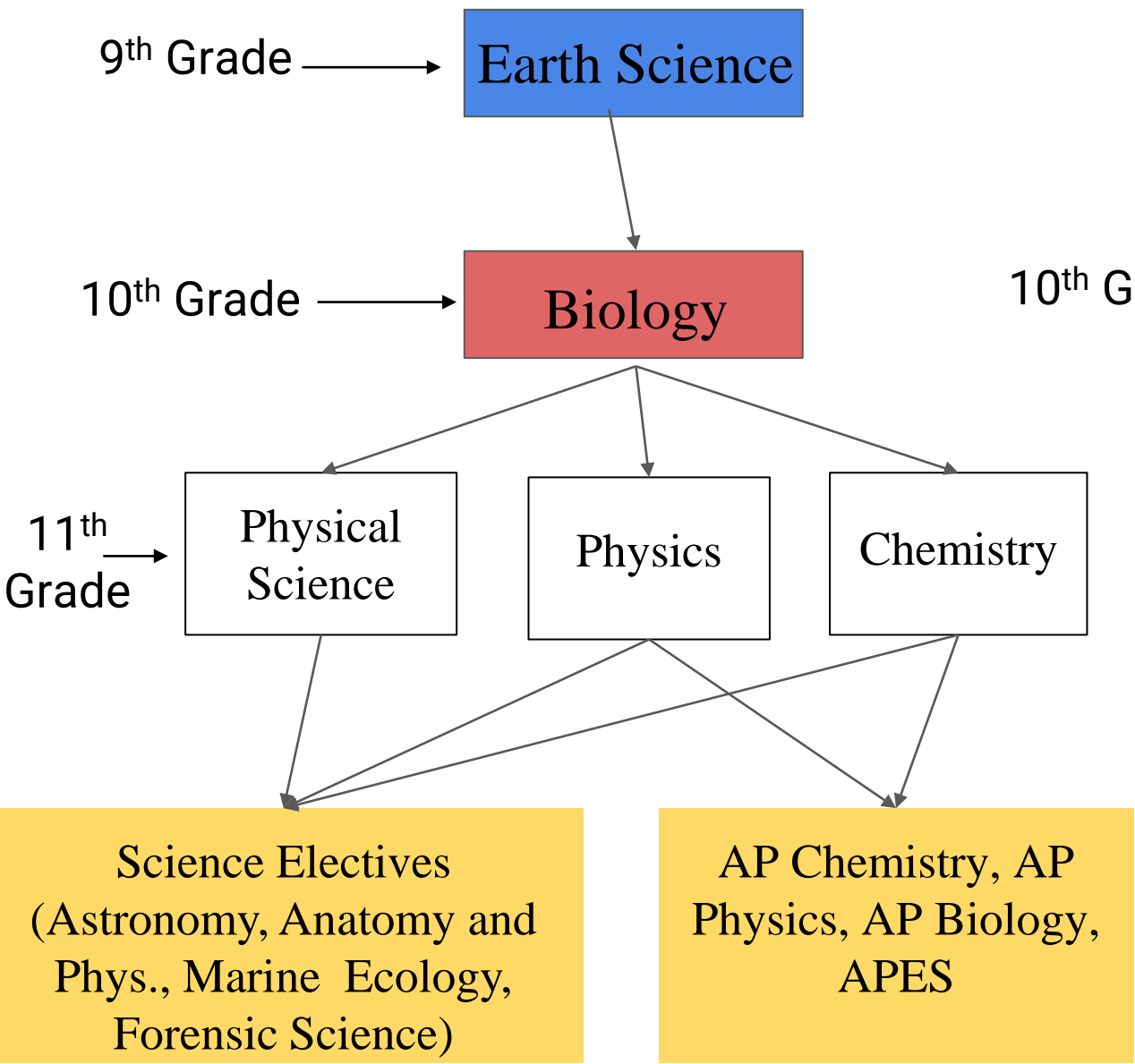
Social Studies Electives

Electives

- AP Government and Politics
- AP Comparative Government and Politics (NEW)
- AP European History
- AP Human Geography
- AP Microeconomics
- AP Macroeconomics
- AP Psychology
- African American Studies (Honors and Academic)
- Contemporary Law and Justice Honors
- Conversations in Diversity Honors
- Holocaust and Genocide Honors
- Psychology Honors



Science Course Selections



Science Electives

- Astronomy Honors
- Marine Ecology Honors
- Anatomy & Physiology Honors
- Forensic Science Honors
- Forensic Science II Honors (**NEW**)
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Chemistry paired with Honors Chemistry (must have completed Math 3 in a previous year)
- AP Physics I
- AP Physics II
- AP Physics C – Mechanics



Learn more about the courses offered by
the Science Dept.:

<https://bit.ly/AFHSScienceVideo>



World Languages



- Spanish
- Spanish for Native Speakers
- French
 - Learn more about the different levels of French: <https://bit.ly/AFHSFrench>

Typical Sequence of courses:

- Year 1: Levels 1 and 2
- Year 2: Levels 3 and 4
- Year 3: Levels 5 and AP

Things to consider:

- Take courses over back-to-back semesters (fall/spring) if possible
- Full language immersion begins at the end of Level 2
- It is not recommended that students progress beyond Level 2 with a grade lower than a C
- It is suggested to start your World Language by your sophomore year if you wish to progress to the AP level ultimately.
- World Languages are not required for graduation, but at least two levels are required for college eligibility.



**Apex Friendship High School
Fine Arts Department
Elective Course Offerings**



**Vocal Music
Beginning**

**Vocal Music
Intermediate**

**Vocal Music
Proficient**

**Vocal Music
Advanced**

***Students should sign
up for the fall and spring
semesters**

**Instrumental Music
Beginning**

**Instrumental Music
Intermediate**

**Instrumental Music
Proficient**

**Instrumental Music
Advanced**

***Need to sign up for
the fall & spring
semesters**

**Modern Dance Beg -
1 Semester**

**Modern Dance
Intermediate-
1 Semester**

**Modern Dance
Proficient -
1 Semester**

**Modern Dance
Advanced (Company)-
2 Semesters**

Theatre Arts Beginning

**Theatre Arts
Intermediate**

Theatre Arts Proficient

**Theatre Arts Proficient -
Fall or Spring**

**Theatre Arts Advanced
(Company) – Spring Only**

**Technical Theatre - Beg
Technical Theatre - Int
Technical Theatre - Prof**

Art History

Visual Arts Beginning

Visual Arts Intermediate

Visual Arts Proficient

Visual Arts Advanced

AP 2-D Design

**Sculpture/Ceramics
Intermediate**

Sculpture/Ceramics Proficient

Sculpture/Ceramics Advanced

AP 3- D Design

Visit our website at: <https://sites.google.com/wcpss.net/fineartsdepartmentwebsite/home> View our promotional video here: <https://bit.ly/AFHSArtsVideo>.



Apex Friendship High School Health and PE Department Elective Course Offerings



Healthful Living I

*The completion of Healthful Living I is a North Carolina high school graduation requirement. *

*After completing Healthful Living I students are encouraged to pursue other Healthful Living electives. *

Team Sports I

Team Sports II

Lifetime Sports I

Lifetime Sports II

PEPI I (Physical Education Pupil Instructors)

Recommended for 11th and 12th grade

PEPI II

Recommended for 11th and 12th grade

Weight Training and Conditioning I

This course is designed for the novice weight training student.

Weight Training and Conditioning II

Weight Training and Conditioning III

Recommended prerequisite(s):
Weight Training I & II, or an athlete

Sports Medicine I

Sports Medicine II

Sports Medicine III Honors

Sports Medicine IV Honors



Career & Technical Education Electives

Business, Finance & Marketing

- Business Essentials
- Marketing
- Fashion Merchandising
- Sport and Event Marketing
- Sport and Event Marketing II (H) (New)
- Marketing Applications (H)
- Entrepreneurship I (H)
- Entrepreneurship II (H)
- Business Management
- Project Management I
- Project Management II (H)
- Business Finance & IT Advanced Studies

Information Technology Courses

- Adobe Visual Design I (H)
- Adobe Visual Design II (H)
- Adobe Video Design (H)
- Microsoft Word & PowerPoint (H)
- Microsoft Excel (H)
- Python Programming I
- Python Programming II (H)
- AP Computer Science Principles
- AP Computer Science A



Career & Technical Education Electives

Family Consumer Science

- Apparel & Textile Production I
- Apparel & Textile Production II (H)
- Interior Design Fundamentals
- Interior Design Studio
- Interior Design Studio (H)
- Interior Design Technology(H)
- Foods I
- Foods II
- Foods II (H)
- Family Consumer Science Advanced
- Teaching as a Profession I (H)
- Teaching as a Profession II (H) with required Field Experience

Health Science Courses

- Health Science I (H)
- Health Science II (H)
- Nursing Fundamentals and Non-Practicum (H) (New)
- Health Science Advanced Studies



Career & Technical Education Electives (continued)

STEM Courses

- Technology Engineering and Design Honors
- Technological Design Honors
- Technology Advanced Studies (requires prior teacher approval)

Other

- CTE Internship (H)

Animal Science Courses

- Animal Science I (H) (NEW)
- Animal Science II (H) (NEW)



NCVPS - Online Courses

- *Very limited course options*
- Only available for classes *we do not offer here*
- Class must be approved by Wake County Public Schools
- Must be taken on campus in a classroom
- Students must be self-motivated and independent learners
- Students must possess strong reading and comprehension skills
- To sign up, you must first have a conversation with your counselor



Earn College Credit in High School

Career and College Promise

Get a head start on college classes for free through Wake Tech Community College.

2 Pathways:

- College Transfer Pathway
- Career & Technical Education Pathway

To view the full requirements to participate, please visit: [Eligibility Requirements](#)

How to get started:

[AFHS CCP Quick Guide](#)

[Steps to Apply and Enroll in CCP](#)



CCP Continued...

Other Information

- Courses offered in person and online
- Only courses worth 3 or more credit hours can be included on your high school transcript
- These courses will factor into your GPA.
- Students will have the option of early release or late arrival to complete courses.
- You cannot be on the AFHS campus during times that you are scheduled for your CCP courses.
- We cannot guarantee parking for students in CCP.
- AFHS courses take priority over CCP courses, in-person CCP courses should not conflict with AFHS schedule.
- Semesters do not line up. Be aware that Wake Tech's fall semester begins before the WCPSS semester. Also, Wake Tech's spring semester starts as we are finishing first semester. You are responsible for making up this work.



AHFS Registration: Tips for Selecting Your Courses

- Choose your classes with care.
- Colleges expect you to maintain rigor throughout high school.
- Balance your course load carefully.
- Know the minimum admission requirements for colleges and universities.
- Check prerequisites for courses.
- Carefully consider your teachers' recommendations.
- Do your research
 - [AFHS Course Descriptions](#)



Alternate Courses

- Students will be required to select **8 primary courses and 4 alternate courses.**
- Alternates **must be different** from your primary courses.
 - If you select the same courses as alternates, they will be deleted, and your counselor will then select for you.
- You will not be allowed to finalize course selections without 4 alternates.
- **Students must be willing to take the alternate courses that they choose.**



Application Courses

- If a course requires an application, submit the application by March 10th
- Teachers will review applications and notify students if they were accepted into the class.
- Applications are available on the Student Services website.
- When initially entering your course selections, you will not be able to select an application course.

Application Courses:

Yearbook, Newspaper, Sports Medicine (III, IV), PEPI, CTE Internship, and Teaching as a Profession II



Teacher Recommendations

- Teachers provide recommendations to help you make the best decisions.
- It is best to follow your teachers' recommendations.
- Recommendations are based on a variety of factors, including test scores, demonstrated motivation, and homework completion.
- If you choose to go against recommendations and take a higher-level course and the course is too hard, you may end up failing the course.
- Level changes are not always possible once schedules are released, so do not assume you will be able to make a level change!



Early Release / Late Arrival

- Available to seniors that will meet graduation requirements
- You must have at least 2 classes each semester
- For now, you will still register for 8 primary and 4 alternates
- Priority Deadline: Forms due by May 1st so we may schedule around your requested periods off
- Some colleges/universities frown upon reduced schedules
- Athletes must take three classes the semester before your season to maintain athletic eligibility
 - Ex. You must pass three classes in the fall semester for a spring sport.
- You cannot be on the AFHS campus when you do not have a class!



Mid-year Graduation

- Seniors needing 4 or fewer credits to graduate can apply to graduate mid-year.
- Mid-year graduation forms are due by May 1st.
- Students are allowed to also participate in the June graduation ceremony.

Early Graduation

- Students showing a mastery of high school academic skills/concepts.
- Able to meet all graduation requirements by the end of their junior year.
- Must submit an Early Graduation form during registration of current 10th grade year.
- Students must meet with their school counselor to discuss the appropriateness of this option considering their intended post-secondary plans.



Registration Timeline

- Feb. 27 - Mar. 8: General Student Registration
- Mar. 10: Applications due for Application Courses
- Mar. 16-20: AOE Registration
- Apr. 26: Course Verification by Students
- May 5: Last Day to Make Changes to Course Selections



How to see past classes and grades

Navigation

- Grades and Attendance
- Grade History**
- Attendance History
- Teacher Comments
- School Bulletin
- Class Registration
- Balance

In your PowerSchool account:

- Select Grade History on left side of screen.
- Select school year you would like to view.

Grade History

| | 2010-2011 | | | | 2011-2012 | | | | 2012-2013 | | | | 2018-2019 | | | | 2019-2020 | | | | 2020-2021 | | | |
|---|-----------|--------|-----|-----|-----------|--------|-----|-----|-----------|----|-----|-----|-----------|--------|-----|-----|-----------|--------|-----|-----|-----------|--|--|--|
| Course Name | Q1 | | | | Q2 | | | | E1 | | | | F1 | | | | A1 | | | | | | | |
| | Grade | % | Cit | Hrs | Grade | % | Cit | Hrs | Grade | % | Cit | Hrs | Grade | % | Cit | Hrs | Grade | % | Cit | Hrs | | | | |
| Amer His: Found Prin, Civ & Econ Honors | 91 | 91.098 | 0 | | 99 | 99.037 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | | 95 | 95.068 | 1 | | 95 | 95.068 | 0 | | | | | |
| English II Honors | 94 | 93.959 | 0 | | 93 | 93.151 | 0 | | 91 | 91 | 0 | | 94 | 93.555 | 1 | | 94 | 93.555 | 0 | | | | | |
| Microsoft Word and PowerPoint Honors | 98 | 98.3 | 0 | | 100 | 99.882 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | | 99 | 99.091 | 1 | | 99 | 99.091 | 0 | | | | | |
| Visual Arts - Intermediate | 96 | 95.6 | 0 | | 95 | 94.6 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | | 95 | 95.1 | 1 | | 95 | 95.1 | 0 | | | | | |



Registration Guide

ALL REGISTRATION LINKS FOUND [HERE](#)

2023-24 Course Registration



Registration Timeline

- February 27 - March 8: General student registration
- March 10: Application for applications course due; Recommendation waivers due
- March 16-20: AOE Registration
- April 26: Students verify course selections (course verification)
- May 5: Last day to request changes to course selections

Registration Tips

- Use your credit detail sheet to review your credit history before selecting courses
- Check for prerequisites and co-requisites for each course
- Choose 8 primary and 4 alternate courses
- Be willing to take your alternate courses
- Waivers are required to level down
- Discuss course selections with parents/guardians
- No duplicate selections (i.e. do not enter a course as both a primary & alternate selection)

Registration Materials for All Grade Levels

- [Directions on How to Enter your Course Selections and View Your Recommendations](#)
- [Registration Presentation](#)
- [Course Descriptions for all AFHS Courses](#)
- [Course Offerings with Prerequisites](#)
- Application Courses & Forms - *link coming soon*
- [Early Release/Late Arrival Form](#) (rising 12th grade only)
- [Mid-Year Graduation Form](#) (rising 12th grade only)

Includes:

- Course Offerings with Prerequisites
- Registration Directions
- Registration Newsletters
- Registration Worksheets
- Early Release/Late Arrival Form
- Mid-Year Graduation Form
- Course Descriptions



Questions

- If you have any questions about selecting your courses for next year or any other information covered in this presentation, please be sure to reach out your counselor either by emailing them or scheduling an appointment to meet with them.



Last Reminders

- Take your time and choose carefully, but...
- Don't procrastinate on entering your course selections until the very last moment.
- Follow Recommendations.
- Look up course descriptions and prerequisites before signing up for a course.
- Do not select the same courses for your alternates!!

