

PREPARING FOR HIGH SCHOOL

“TAKING THE RIGHT STEPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE”



Class of 2025



OBJECTIVES FOR TODAY

- **STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO COMPARE AND CONTRAST MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL.**
- **STUDENTS WILL UNDERSTAND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS.**

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

26 CREDITS ARE REQUIRED TO GRADUATE

- ☐ **ENGLISH (4)**
- ☐ **MATH (4)**
- ☐ **SCIENCE (3)**
- ☐ **SOCIAL STUDIES (4)**
- ☐ **HEALTHFUL LIVING (1)**
- ☐ **WORLD LANGUAGE (2) UNC SYSTEM SCHOOLS**
- ☐ **CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE)**
- ☐ **ELECTIVES (9 OR MORE) MAY INCLUDE A CTE CLUSTER**

ABBREVIATIONS/DEFINITIONS

- **H – HONORS LEVEL CLASS**
- **AP- ADVANCED PLACEMENT CLASS – RIGOROUS COURSE, CAN EARN COLLEGE CREDIT AFTER PASSING CLASS AND AP EXAM**
- **CTE – CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION**
- **EOC – END OF COURSE EXAM**
- **IB – INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE, COLLEGE LEVEL STUDIES DURING 11TH AND 12TH GRADE**
- **HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT FROM MIDDLE SCHOOL – ANY HIGH SCHOOL COURSE TAKEN IN MIDDLE SCHOOL WILL BE INCLUDED ON YOUR TRANSCRIPT, BUT NOT INCLUDED IN GPA**
- **GPA- GRADE POINT AVERAGE – CALCULATION OF GRADES EARNED FOR EACH COURSE TAKEN IN HIGH SCHOOL**

MATH – 4 CREDITS

- **MATH I**
- **MATH II**
- **MATH III**
- **MATH IV**

HONORS LEVEL OFFERED FOR MATH II, III, IV. HIGH SCHOOLS MAY OFFER ADDITIONAL ADVANCED COURSES SUCH AS: PRE-CALCULUS (HONORS), AP STATISTICS, AP CALCULUS). IT IS RECOMMENDED BY COLLEGES FOR A STUDENT TO TAKE A MATH CLASS IN THEIR SENIOR YEAR.

SCIENCE – 3 CREDITS

- **EARTH SCIENCE/ ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**

- **BIOLOGY**

- **PHYSICAL SCIENCE (CHEMISTRY, PHYSICS, ETC.)**

THESE COURSES MAY BE OFFERED AT THE HONORS AND/OR AP LEVEL

SOCIAL STUDIES – 4 CREDITS

-WORLD HISTORY

-AMERICAN HISTORY

-CIVIC LITERACY

-ECONOMICS AND PERSONAL FINANCE

THESE COURSES MAY BE OFFERED AT HONORS AND/OR AP LEVEL

ENGLISH – 4 CREDITS

- **ENGLISH I ENGLISH II ENGLISH III ENGLISH IV**

THESE COURSES MAY BE OFFERED AT HONORS AND/OR AP LEVEL

IT ALL STARTS WITH *RECOMMENDATIONS...*

**YOUR EIGHTH GRADE TEACHERS HAVE MADE NINTH GRADE COURSE
RECOMMENDATIONS BASED ON CLASS PERFORMANCE, BENCHMARKS, EOG
SCORES !**

BLOCK SCHEDULING

SEMESTER ONE

ENGLISH 1	GRADE - D
WORLD HISTORY	GRADE - A
HEALTH/PE	GRADE - D
ELECTIVE	GRADE - A

TOTAL CREDITS = 4

SEMESTER TWO

MATH I	GRADE-B
EARTH SCIENCE	GRADE -A
ELECTIVE	GRADE -B
ELECTIVE	GRADE - F

TOTAL CREDITS = 3

A/B DAY SCHEDULE

A DAY

ENGLISH 1	GRADE - D
WORLD HISTORY	GRADE - A
HEALTH/PE	GRADE - D
ELECTIVE	GRADE - A

TOTAL CREDITS = 4

B DAY

MATH I	GRADE-B
EARTH SCIENCE	GRADE -A
ELECTIVE	GRADE -B
ELECTIVE	GRADE - F

TOTAL CREDITS = 3

GRADING SCALE

- **90 – 100 = A**
- **80 – 89 = B**
- **70 – 79 = C**
- **60 – 69 = D**
- **BELOW 60 = F**

PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS

- **PROMOTION FROM 9TH TO 10TH GRADE**

MUST PASS:

- **ENGLISH 1**
- **2 OF 3 CLASSES – SOCIAL STUDIES, SCIENCE , MATH**
- **3 ADDITIONAL CREDITS**
- **STUDENTS SHOULD CHECK WITH HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELORS FOR ADDITIONAL PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS, THESE CAN CHANGE BASED ON THE HIGH SCHOOL YOU ATTEND**

THE HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT

THE 9TH GRADE YEAR IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT

- ☐ **EVERY COURSE TAKEN IN HIGH SCHOOL (PASSED OR FAILED) WILL APPEAR ON THE STUDENT'S TRANSCRIPT AND IS USED TO CALCULATE THE GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)**
- ☐ **THE GPA IS A CRITICAL COMPONENT IN THE COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCESS**
- ☐ **COURSE SELECTION AND THE LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY IS ALSO HEAVILY CONSIDERED FOR COLLEGE ADMISSION**
- ☐ **THE GPA, ENTRANCE EXAMS AND OTHER CRITERIA ARE THE PRIMARY INDICATORS OF SCHOLARSHIP OFFERS**

DRIVER EDUCATION

- **STUDENTS MAY TAKE DRIVER EDUCATION AT 14.5 YEARS OF AGE**
- **TO BE ELIGIBLE TO OBTAIN A DRIVER'S PERMIT OR MAINTAIN DRIVING PRIVILEGES, STUDENT MUST PASS 3/4 (75%) OF THEIR CLASSES EACH SEMESTER**
- **AT MOST HIGH SCHOOLS, ONLY JUNIORS AND SENIORS ARE ELIGIBLE TO DRIVE TO SCHOOL AND THEY MUST MEET THE GUIDELINES OF THE SCHOOL (USUALLY A FEE FOR PARKING SPACE)**