

HOWELL  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**HOWELL HIGH SCHOOL**  
**Incoming Sophomores**  
**CLASS OF 2026**

**Course Selection**  
**2023-2024 School Year**

# COURSE SELECTION AND SCHEDULING

THE UPDATED COURSE DESCRIPTION GUIDE, COURSE APPLICATIONS,  
AND MORE HELPFUL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AT:

[Course Selection & Scheduling](#)

**Window to enter requests in Class Choice:**

**Monday, March 6 - Friday, March 17**

# Graduation Requirements

25 credits needed to earn a diploma

<b>English 4.0 Credits</b>	<b>Math 4.0 Credits</b>	<b>Science 3.5 Credits</b>	<b>Social Studies 3.0 Credits</b>	<b>World Language 2.0 Credits</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>→ English 9</li><li>→ English 10</li><li>→ English 11 OR Advanced Level English</li><li>→ Senior English OR Advanced Level English</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>→ Algebra 1</li><li>→ Geometry</li><li>→ Algebra 2</li><li>→ Senior Year Math</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>→ Biology</li><li>→ Chemistry</li><li>→ Physics</li><li>→ Earth Science (.5cr)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>→ World History</li><li>→ US History</li><li>→ Government (.5cr)</li><li>→ Economics (.5cr)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>→ Must be 2 years of the same language</li><li>→ Can substitute 2nd year 1 cr w/ ADDITIONAL VPAA or CTE credit</li></ul>
<b>Health 0.5 Credit</b>	<b>Physical Education 0.5 Credit</b>	<b>VPAA 1.0 Credit</b>	<b>General Electives 6.5 Credits</b>	
Child Development CANNOT be used for Health.	Must take Personal Fitness or Basic PE or Health & Human Performance before taking other PE courses	Approved VPAA courses are listed at the end of the Course Guide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>→ <b>Read Course Descriptions</b> before selecting electives</li><li>→ Selections are COMMITMENTS</li><li>→ Any course you choose as an elective or alternate can show up on your schedule</li><li>→ Schedules will be based on the choices you make; changes will not be made in the Fall or at the semester</li></ul>	

# CHOOSING YOUR CLASSES

## ENGLISH

**English 10** - Students will increase their proficiency in reading, writing, speaking and listening skills to prepare them for post-secondary education or the workplace.

~ OR ~

**Honors English 10** - Designed for students who are also considering advanced English courses for 11th and 12th grades. Students will be expected to complete work regularly as the honors class requires students to be independent and self motivated learners.

# SOCIAL STUDIES

**US History** - Analytical study of United States History from Reconstruction-21st Century.

~ OR ~

**AP US History** - Advanced Placement US History enables sophomores, juniors, and seniors who meet criteria to fulfill the high school graduation requirement by taking a rigorous advanced placement course.

*Students are prepared to take the College Board Advanced Placement US History Exam in May*



# SCIENCE - *choose between Chemistry or Physics as a 10th grader \**

**Chemistry** - Students planning to pursue studies in the health sciences, engineering or those planning to take AP science courses should consider this class. Students will study principles and theories of chemistry while using mathematical skills to solve problems.

~ OR ~

**Fundamental Chemistry** - A chemistry class that is not based in mathematics. This class is most appropriate for students pursuing the world of work or trade school after high school or for college-bound students who are not planning to pursue a science-related college major.

\* **Enroll in Chemistry in 10th grade if:**

- You are considering Health Occupations for 11th grade
- You are considering an AP science class for 11th grade

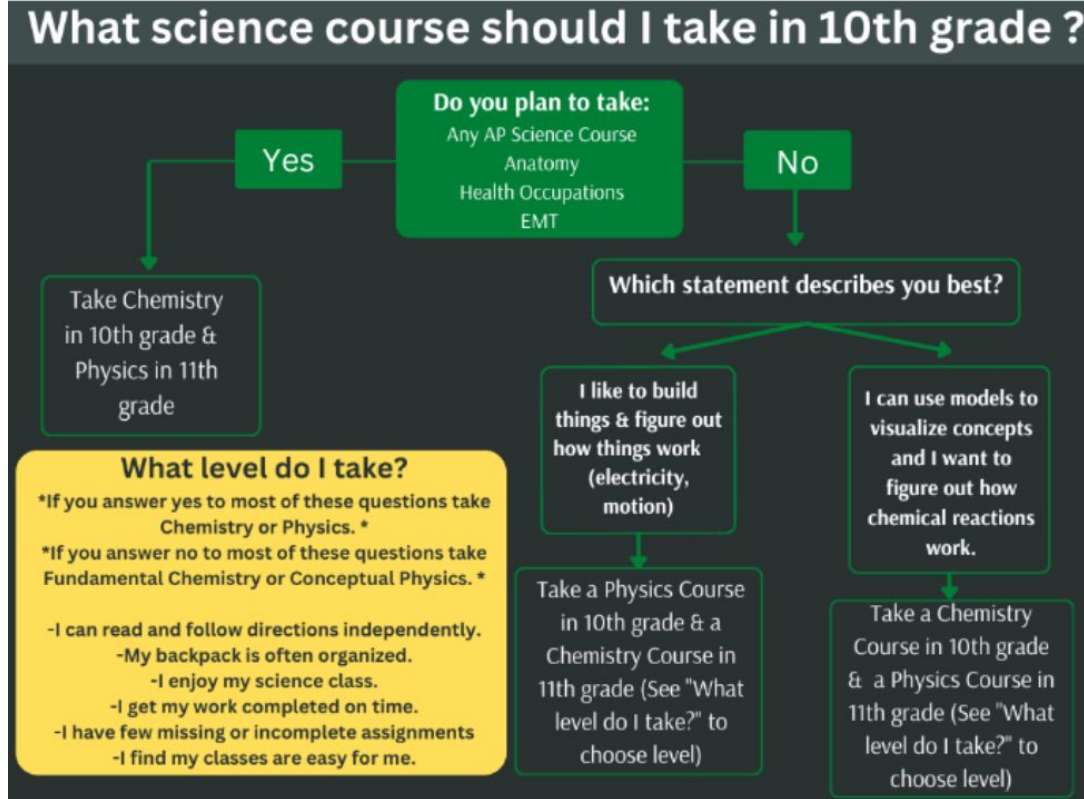
# SCIENCE, Continued *choose between Chemistry or Physics as a 10th grader*

**Physics** - Students should take this course if they are college bound for STEM careers. In this course students will study motion, electricity, magnetism, energy, waves and mechanics.

~ OR ~

**Conceptual Physics** - This is a physics class that is *not based in mathematics*. It would be most appropriate for students pursuing the world of work or trade school after high school. It is also appropriate for college-bound students who are not planning to pursue a science-related college major.

# SCIENCE, Continued *choose between Chemistry or Physics as a 10th grader*





# SCIENCE, Continued

**Earth Science - This is a 0.5 additional science requirement.**

In this one semester course, students will utilize scientific practices to discover knowledge and overarching concepts related to Earth Science and environmental sustainability.

*May be taken as a 10th, 11th, or 12th grader.*

*May be taken in addition to Chemistry or Physics*

# Advanced Placement - Science

- For all AP science classes you must have already completed Chemistry with a 77% or higher.
- Advanced Placement courses are equivalent to a first year of college science course . Students will be prepared for the College Board AP Exam in May.

**AP Biology**

**AP Environmental Science**

**AP Chemistry**

**AP Physics 1**

**AP Physics C - Mechanics**

# MATHEMATICS

**Algebra 1**- Prerequisite Pre-Algebra or middle school

**Geometry**- Prerequisite Algebra 1

**Algebra 2** - Prerequisite Geometry

~ OR ~

**Honors Algebra 2** - Coursework will move faster and students are expected to engage in a higher degree of independent learning. Prerequisite B or better in Geometry OR math teacher recommendation

**PreCalculus** - Prerequisite C or better in Honors Algebra 2 OR math teacher recommendation

~ OR ~

**Introduction to Probability and Statistics**- 1 credit

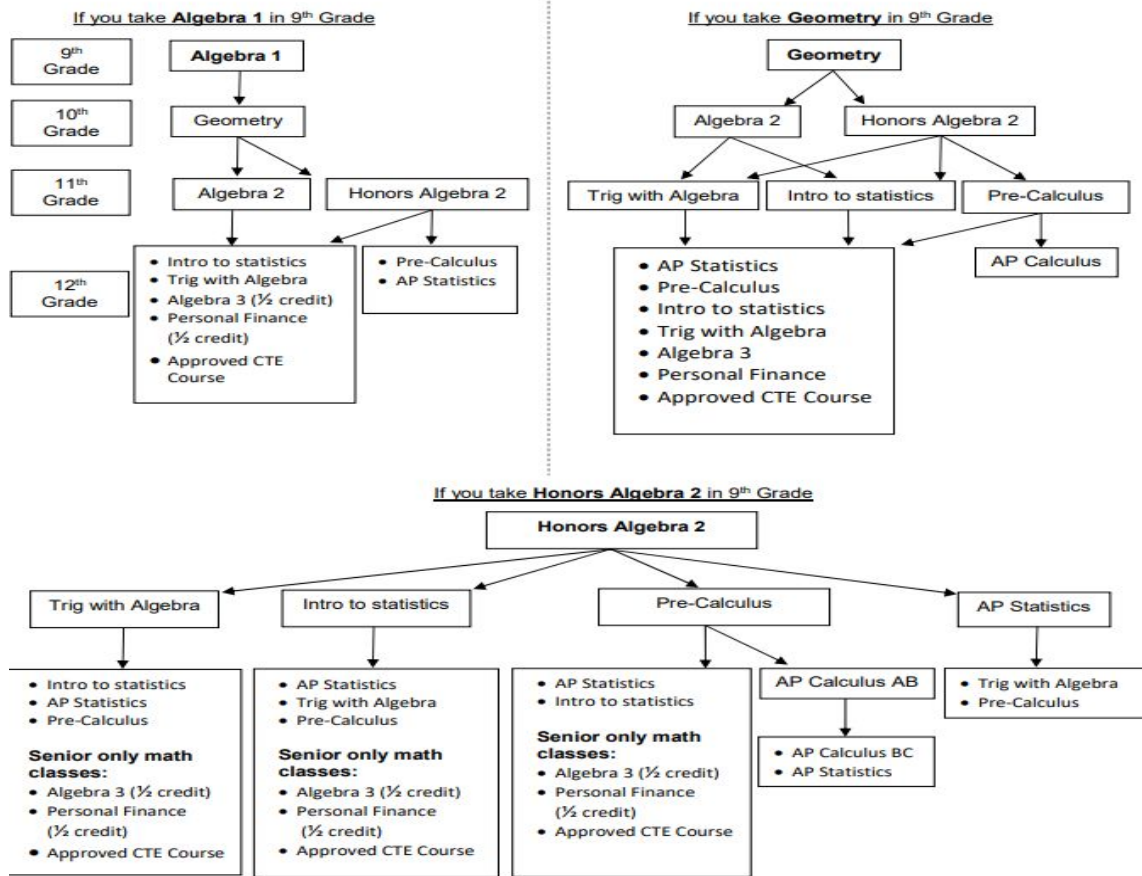
~ OR ~

**Algebra with Trigonometry**- 1 credit



# MATH - Schedule for 1.0 Credit

MATH CLASS FLOW CHART



# WORLD LANGUAGE

Two years of the SAME world language are required for graduation.  
(2.0 credits)

*The 2nd year requirement can be waived with an additional 1 credit of VPAA or CTE elective credit, however, college bound students should take a minimum of 2 yrs of World Language at the high school level.*

**FRENCH 1**

**SPANISH 1**

**GERMAN 1**

**FRENCH 2**

**SPANISH 2**

**GERMAN 2**

**FRENCH 3**

**SPANISH 3**

# PHYSICAL EDUCATION

*1 of these courses is required for graduation:*

**Basic PE .5 cr**

~ OR ~

**Personal Fitness .5 cr**

~ OR ~

**Health & Human Performance 1 cr**  
(Freshman only)

\*Students may not repeat Basic PE or Personal Fitness or Health & Human Performance



**Racket and Net Sports .5 cr.** (prerequisite Basic PE or Personal Fitness or Health & Human Performance)

**Team Sports .5 cr.** (prerequisite Basic PE or Personal Fitness or Health & Human Performance)

**Red Cross Lifeguard Training .5 cr.** (prerequisite Basic PE or Personal Fitness or Health & Human Performance)

**StrongHer .5 cr.** (prerequisite Basic PE or Personal Fitness or Health & Human Performance)

**Men's Weightlifting .5 cr.** (prerequisite Basic PE or Personal Fitness or Health & Human Performance)

**Yoga .5 cr.** (prerequisite Basic PE or Personal Fitness or Health & Human Performance)

**Yoga 2 .5 cr.** (prerequisite Yoga) (application required)

**Athletic Performance .5 cr. Sem. 1 & Sem. 2** Select the semester(s) that you need; students may choose both (prerequisite StrongHer or Men's Weightlifting or Instructor Approval)

For students in the Class of 2024, 2025, 2026 & 2027

# EXPLORE - Elective Course Options

Electives offered in 13 departments let students to explore their interests.

**NEW FOR 2023-2024**

- **Digital Art 2** (Replacing Digital Video)
- **Unified Physical Education** (Application required)
- **Child Psychology & Development 2**
- **Modern Music Appreciation** (existing course now open to students in grades 10-12)

**All new electives are .5 cr semester classes**



# Courses Requiring an Application

All applications are due by the end of the day on March 20

YEARBOOK GRAPHICS  
YEARBOOK JOURNALISM  
(use same application for either course)

ADVANCED  
NEWSPAPER  
JOURNALISM

SOCIAL MEDIA

Yoga 2

Unified Physical  
Education

TIES  
Teaching Interacting  
and Encouraging  
Students



# DUAL ENROLLMENT

**7 credits of high school courses must be selected even if student plans to dual enroll**

## Take College Classes While Still in High School

The State of Michigan requires [qualifying scores](#). Your PSAT or SAT scores can be used.

Please visit the Counseling website ([Dual Enrollment](#)) and see your Counselor for more information.

Dual Enrollment Paperwork for Fall 2022 should be turned in to your Counselor in April. LCC is registering for Fall Classes SOON...

# Livingston CTE Programs

(Career/Technical Education)

<b>Cosmetology</b> 4hrs Brighton	<b>Graphic Communications</b> 3hrs Brighton	<b>Agriscience</b> 3hrs Fowlerville	<b>Energy Technology</b> 3hrs Hartland
<b>Robotics</b> 3hrs Pinckney	<b>Automotive Tech</b> 3hrs Pinckney	<b>Cybersecurity &amp; Networking</b> 3hrs Pinckney	<b>FireFighter</b> 2hrs Howell
<b>EMT</b> 2hrs Howell (near airport)	<b>Aviation</b> 2hrs Howell (airport)	<b>Construction Trades I &amp; II</b> 2hrs Howell (location varies by year)	<b>Manufacturing</b> 2hrs Howell
<b>Culinary I &amp; II</b> 2hrs Howell	<b>Health Occupations</b> 2hrs Howell	<b>CAD</b> 2hrs Howell	<b>Early Childhood Education / Educational Careers</b> 2hrs Howell

For students in the Class of 2025

# EXPLORE: Livingston County Early College Programs

**Automotive**  
WCC

**Mechatronics  
/Robotics**  
WCC

**College  
Foundation**  
LCC

**Cyber  
Security**  
WCC

**Medical  
Assisting**  
LCC

**Business  
Management**  
Cleary University

**Career  
Nursing  
Ladder**  
LCC

**Welding**  
WCC

# TESTING OUT PROCEDURES

High School credit may be earned in any course offered by HHS by testing out.

This applies to all HHS courses.

Student must attain a **77% or above** on the semester exam.

Sign  
Up

4<sup>th</sup> Quarter in  
Guidance Office

Pick Up  
Materials

Media Center  
after school year  
ends, dates &  
times TBA

Test  
Out  
Dates

August, specific  
date & times TBA

# STAYING ON TRACK FOR GRADUATION

**Credit Recovery (after school)**

**Summer School**

**Flex** - Meet with teachers or tutors (10-12 media center)

**Transcripts** - [parchment.com](https://parchment.com) All grades are posted on your high school transcript. This means colleges, recruiters, and employers will see all **semester** grades. Attendance is also included on the official transcript.

*\*Be sure to monitor your graduation progress and meet with your counselor as needed to stay on track to graduate with your class.*



## All Electives

[Mouse Over for Unavailable Classes]

- |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1950 3-D Design (.50)                            | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>1335 Ecology* (.50)</b>                          | <input type="checkbox"/> 690 Pre Manufact Clust (.50) [info]               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1970 A cappella (1.00) [info]                    | <input type="checkbox"/> 504 Entrepreneurship (.50) [info]                   | <input type="checkbox"/> 192 Professional & Narrative Writing (.50) [info] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1593 Accounting (1.00) [info]                    | <input type="checkbox"/> 188 Fantasy& Science Fiction (.50) [info]           | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>925 Racket and Net Sports* (.50)</b>           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1164 Adv Nwspr Journ (1.00) [info]               | <input type="checkbox"/> 511 Gaming & Application Engineering I (.50) [info] | <input type="checkbox"/> 1940 Social Media (1.00) [info]                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>483 AP Computer Science A* (1.00) [info]</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> 1821 German 1 (1.00)                                | <input type="checkbox"/> 1831 Spanish 1 (1.00)                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>486 AP ComputerScience Principles* (1.00)</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> 275 Global Issues & Current Events (.50)            | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>1833 Spanish 3* (1.00)</b>                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 957 Art Survey (.50)                             | <input type="checkbox"/> 720 Health Education (.50)                          | <input type="checkbox"/> 216 Sports and Society (.50)                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 312 Astronomy/Space (.50)                        | <input type="checkbox"/> 1983 Highlander Band (1.00) [info]                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 1981 Symphony Band (1.00) [info]                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 540 Business Law I (.50) [info]                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 731 Hospitality & Tourism (.50)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> 913 Team Sports 1 (.50)                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1604 CAD-2HR (2.00) [info]                       | <input type="checkbox"/> 956 HV Art Survey (.50) [info]                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 952 TED-Ed (.50)                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 732 Career Explorations (.50)                    | <input type="checkbox"/> 717 HV Health (.50) [info]                          | <input type="checkbox"/> 951 TIES Peer to Peer (1.00) [info]               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 945 Ceramics (.50)                               | <input type="checkbox"/> 498 HV Intro to Business (.50) [info]               | <input type="checkbox"/> 608 TV/VideoProd (.50) [info]                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 721 Child Dev (.50)                              | <input type="checkbox"/> 962 HV PE (.50) [info]                              | <input type="checkbox"/> 231 US Military History (.50)                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1980 Concert Band (1.00)                         | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>460 Intro Programming* (.50) [info]</b>          | <input type="checkbox"/> 1515 V Marketing/Mgmt (1.00) [info]               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 184 Creative Writing (.50) [info]                | <input type="checkbox"/> 160 Jrnlistic Writing (.50) [info]                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 1972 Vars Women Choir (1.00)                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 124 Debate (.50) [info]                          | <input type="checkbox"/> 1110 JROTC (1.00) [info]                            | <input type="checkbox"/> 1971 Varsity Mens Choir (1.00)                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 944 Digital Art (.50)                            | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>918 Men's Weightlifting* (.50)</b>               | <input type="checkbox"/> 509 Web Page Design (.50) [info]                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 153 Drama as Lit (.50) [info]                    | <input type="checkbox"/> 710 Nutr/Cul Explor I (.50)                         | <input type="checkbox"/> 1982 Wind Ensemble Band (1.00) [info]             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 150 Drama I (.50) [info]                         | <input type="checkbox"/> 1984 Percussion Section (1.00)                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 1976 Womens Chorale (1.00) [info]                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 935 Drawing (.50)                                | <input type="checkbox"/> 940 Photography I (.50)                             | <input type="checkbox"/> 1974 Womens Select (1.00) [info]                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>936 Drawing 2* (.50)</b>                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 154 Poetry (.50) [info]                             | <input type="checkbox"/> 2165 Yearbook Graphics (1.00) [info]              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 157 Dystopian Literature (.50)                   | <input type="checkbox"/> 158 Popular Literature (.50)                        | <input type="checkbox"/> 1162 Yearbook Journ (1.00) [info]                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1331 Earth Science (.50)                         | <input type="checkbox"/> 603 Pre CAD Design (.50) [info]                     | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>919 Yoga 2* (.50)</b>                          |

\* Prerequisite Completed

Save Requests

# SELECT

Log into student [PowerSchool account](#)

Select “Class Choice”

**DEADLINE TO ENTER REQUESTS  
IN Class Choice/POWERSCHOOL: Friday, March 17**

# SUBMIT COURSE REQUESTS:

**Login to PowerSchool student or parent account**

**Select Box-Arrow from Menu Bar**

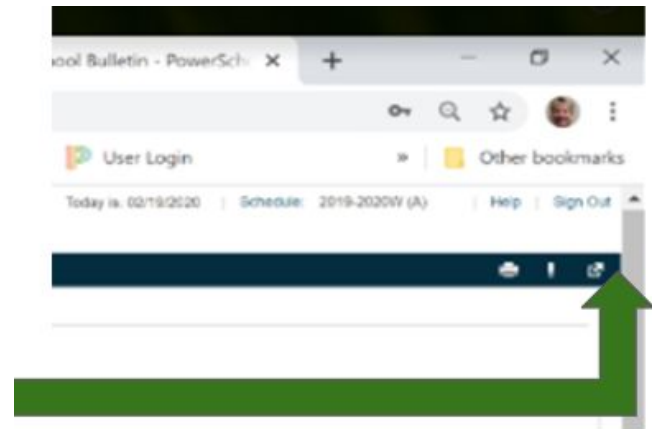
[Step-by-step instructions to help for entering requests via ClassChoice](#)

**Step 1:** Log on to PowerSchool with your student or parent account

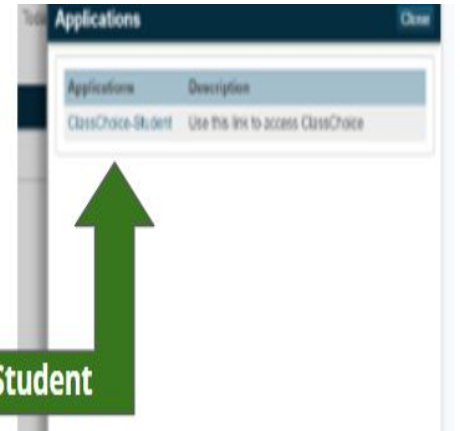
Open a web browser and go to <https://pschool.howellschools.com/public/>

**Step 2:** Select ClassChoice from the right corner on the **blue menu bar** in PowerSchool

**Step 3:** Enter your Requests



**ClassChoice**





# SUBMIT COURSE REQUESTS:



Student Requests: **STUDENT NAME** (GRADE LEVEL)

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ClassChoice is now open for requesting courses for the 20-21 school year. Use the Requests grid below to add your course selections.

STEP 1: Core - Click Add Core to select required core courses. You must complete this step in order to move on to Step 2.

STEP 2 : Electives - Click on the Add Electives drop-down menu to select enough electives to change the Summary bar from red to green.

STEP 3: Alternates - Click on the Add Alternates drop-down menu. Students must select at least three alternates, or they will be selected for you. The more alternates you select, the more options you will have when making schedule adjustments in Class Choice. **DO NOT SELECT ALTERNATES THAT ARE ALREADY SELECTED UNDER Core or Electives.**

Requests	
Step: 1 Core	Add Core
Total Core Hours 00	
Step: 2 Electives	Complete Core Requirements
Total Electives Hours 00	
Total Requested Hours 00	
Step: 3 Alternates	You must first complete a full schedule
Total Alternates Hours 00	

Print Requests



## Graduation Requirements

9th Grade	
English 9 (1.00)	Complete
Math 9 (1.00)	Complete
Science (1.00)	Complete
World History (1.00)	Complete
World Language (1.00)	Complete
10th Grade	
English 10 (1.00)	Complete
Math (1.00)	Complete
Science (1.00)	Complete
US History (1.00)	Complete
World Language (1.00)	1.00 needed
11th Grade	
English 11 (1.00)	Complete
Math (1.00)	Complete
Science (1.00)	Complete
Government/Economics (1.00)	Complete
12th Grade	
English 12 (1.00)	1.00 needed
Math (1.00)	1.00 needed
Earth Science (0.50)	.50 needed
PE (0.50)	Complete
Health (0.50)	Complete
Visual Performing, Applied Arts (1.00)	Complete
Electives (6.50)	2.00 needed
<b>Required</b>	<b>25.00</b>
<b>Completed</b>	<b>19.50</b>
<b>Needed</b>	<b>5.50</b>



# SUBMIT COURSE REQUESTS:

You must select all the Core Required classes first, before you will be able to see electives.

Likewise, electives must be all selected to the exact credits required before you can see alternates.

## Request Screen in ClassChoice

The **red/green Summary** bar (center) will help make sure you have the **7 credits** needed for a complete schedule.

Note the graduation requirements to the right, these will help you make the appropriate selections to fulfill those requirements.


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\* Please see your counselor if you have any questions.

Requests	
Step: 1 Core	Add Core
Total Core Hours	.00
Step: 2 Electives	Complete Core Requirements
Total Electives Hours	.00
Total Requested Hours	.00
Step: 3 Alternates	You must first complete a full schedule
Total Alternates Hours	.00

Print Requests

Summary	
Full Schedule Hours:	7.00
Total Hours Requested:	0.00
Hours Needed:	7.00



Graduation Requirements	
<b>9th Grade</b>	
English 9 (1.00)	Complete
Math 9 (1.00)	Complete
Science (1.00)	Complete
World History (1.00)	Complete
World Language (1.00)	Complete
<b>10th Grade</b>	
English 10 (1.00)	1.00 needed
Math (1.00)	Complete
Science (1.00)	1.00 needed
US History (1.00)	1.00 needed
World Language (1.00)	Complete
<b>11th Grade</b>	
English 11 (1.00)	1.00 needed
Math (1.00)	1.00 needed
Science (1.00)	1.00 needed

# SELECT - Course Selection Timelines

**Flex Course Fair**

Tuesday, February 14

**Course Selection Parent Workshop**

Wednesday, February 15 6:30pm-8pm

**Class of 2026 Scheduling School Day Meetings**

(High school counselors will meet with Freshman at the FC to input course request)

Monday, March 6 - Thursday, March 16

**Student Course Requests due in PowerSchool**

Friday, March 17

**Applications for specialized courses due**

Monday, March 20

