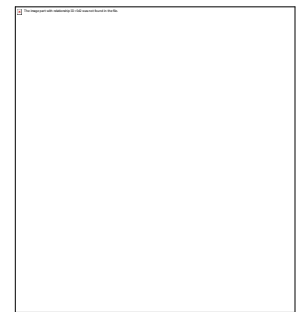


IMPORTANT ACADEMIC INFORMATION



Graduation Requirements - Courses

English	4 Credits - I, II, III, IV
Math	4 Credits – Math I, Math II, Math III and a 4th Math Course to be aligned with the student’s post high school plans
Science	3 Credits - A Physical Science course, Biology, Earth/Environmental Science
Social Studies	4 Credits – <ul style="list-style-type: none">• World History, Civics and Economics, American History I and American History II.• World History, Civics, American History and Economics and Personal Finance
Second Language	Not required for graduation. However, 2 levels of the same language required to meet minimum application requirements for UNC schools.
Health/PE	1 Credit Health/Physical Education
Electives	2 Credits in World Language, Art or CTE + 4 additional electives.

You must also pass the Math I, Math III, English II and Biology EOC

Promotion Standards

Grade Level	Promotion Requirements
Grade 9	Promoted from 8th Grade
Grade 10	6 units including English 1
Grade 11	13 units including English 2
Grade 12	20 units including English 3

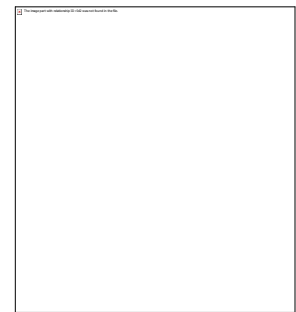
Academic Difficulty of Courses

- **College Prep (CP)** – Course content, pace, and academic rigor follows standards specified by the NCSCOS with content enrichment where appropriate.
- **Honors** - Course content, pace, and academic rigor place high expectations on the student and surpass standards specified by the NCSCOS. These courses demand greater independence and responsibility than Level 3 courses. *This level or higher is suggested for competitive college admission.*
- **Advanced Placement**– Course content, pace, and academic rigor are college-level as adopted by the College Board and prepare students to take the AP examinations which *may lead to college credit.*
- **Waivers**- As you are selecting your courses, you will have the option of selecting CP, Honors, or AP courses. If your grade in a previous course does not meet the recommended grade to take an advanced course, you may be asked to complete a waiver. This waiver will require a parent/guardian's permission to take the advanced course.

Grading Scale and Weighted GPA

Grade	# Grade	CP	Honors	AP
A	90-100	4	4.5	5
B	80-89	3	3.5	4
C	70-79	2	2.5	3
D	60-69	1	1.5	2
F	0-59	0	0	0

EXPLORING YOUR COURSE OPTIONS



English – 4 Credits

9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
CP English I	CP English II	CP English III	CP English IV
Honors English I	Honors English II	Honors English III	Honors English IV
Honors English I	Honors English II	AP English Language (2 semesters)	AP English Literature (2 semesters)
Honors English II	Advanced Inquiry and Research Honors	AP English Language (2 semesters)	AP English Literature (2 semesters)
Honors English II	AP English Language (2 semesters)	AP English Literature (2 semesters)	No English (not recommended)
Honors English II	Honors English III	Honors English IV	CCP English at SPCC

Mathematics – 4 Credits

9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
Foundations of Math I AND CP Math I (2 semesters)	Foundations of Math II AND CP Math II (2 semesters)	CP Math III	Math IV CP or Honors
CP Math I	CP Math II	CP Math III	Math IV CP or Honors
Math I Honors	Math II Honors	Math III Honors	Pre-Calculus Honors
Math II Honors	Math III Honors	Pre-Calculus Honors	Discrete Math Honors
Math II Honors	Math III Honors	Pre Calculus Honors	AP Calculus (2 semesters)
Math III Honors	Pre-Calculus Honors	AP Calculus (2 semesters)	AP Statistics (2 semesters)

Science: 3 Credits

9 th	10 th	11 th
Earth and Environmental Science CP	Biology CP	Physical Science or CP Chemistry
Earth and Environmental Science Honors	Biology Honors	Chemistry Honors OR Physics Honors
Biology Honors	Chemistry Honors recommended over Physics Hon.	AP Environmental Science

Science – Rising 12th Graders

- If you have passed Earth Science, Biology and a Physical Science (Physical Science / Chemistry / Physics), you have met the graduation requirements for science.

You *may* want to sign up for a science elective. Some examples include:

- Physics (CP/Honors)
- Anatomy (CP/Honors)
- Forensic Science (CP/Honors)
- Marine Science (CP/Honors)
- AP Biology (2 semesters) – **must have had an A in Honors Biology and Honors Chemistry
- AP Chemistry (2 semesters) – **must have had an A in Honors Biology and Honors Chemistry

Social Studies (4 Credits)

	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
Starting with the Class of 2024	CP World History	CP Civics	CP American	CP Economics & Personal Finance
	Honors World History	Honors Civics	Honors American	Honors Economics & Personal Finance
	AP World History	Honors Civics	Honors Honors American (AP US Hist- elec. credit)	Honors Economics & Personal Finance

Social Studies (4 Credits)

	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
Class of 2021- 2023	CP World History	CP Civics and Economics	CP American History I and II (2 semesters)	No requirement
	Honors World History	Honors Civics and Economics	Honors American History I and II (2 semesters)	
	AP World History	Honors Civics and Economics	Honors American History I & AP USHistory (2 sem)	

Social Studies – Rising 12th Graders

- If you have passed World History, Civics and Economics and American History I and II, you have met the graduation requirements for social studies.

You *may* want to sign up for a social studies elective. Some examples include:

- Psychology / Sociology (CP/Hon.)
- Global Awareness (CP/Hon.)
- AP Government and Politics
- AP European History
- AP Psychology

Health and PE

- All student must have one credit of Health and PE. This is typically a Freshman course. If you have not passed Health/PE you must register for this course

Health/PE
(required for all)

ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC OPTIONS

World Language

- World Language is not requirement for graduation; however, to meet the minimum requirements for any UNC system school, you must have a **minimum of 2 levels of the same world language.**
- Taking more levels of a world language definitely adds rigor to your transcript. It is recommended that you go as far as you can in a language as long as you can maintain good grades in these courses!

Registering for AP Courses

- If you register for an AP course, please check the following list to ensure that you have also registered for the honors companion course.
- It is the expectation of UCPS that students taking AP courses will take the AP Exam.
- The following courses have an honors companion course, making these AP courses yearlong courses. Please register for BOTH the honors companion course AND the AP course.
 - AP Biology
 - AP Calculus AB
 - AP Chemistry
 - AP English III (Language)
 - AP English IV (Literature)
 - AP French
 - AP Spanish
 - AP Statistics
 - AP US History (American History I Honors)
- The remainder of the AP courses are single semester courses.

“Doubling Up”

- Students may consider “doubling up” on certain courses (e.g. Math III Honors and Pre-Calculus in the junior year to be able to take AP Calculus during the senior year.)
- Doubling up should only be used to be able to take more advanced levels within a particular subject
- If you would like to double up on a core class, please list the second course as one of your alternates.
- Only if space is available in courses will doubling up be considered.
- Please note: Math teachers recommend that if a student wants to double up in math, then the only time to do so is during the year you take Math III Honors and Pre-Calculus

Pass/Fail Courses

Students will be permitted to enroll in one (1) elective course per school year on a Pass-Fail basis. The course may be in addition to courses that use only a Pass-Fail grading system. However, the student must decide within the first two weeks if the course is to be taken on a pass-fail basis. **Pass/Fail is not available for a core class required for graduation.**

Programs available to **JUNIORS**
and SENIORS only to help you
Explore College and Career
Options.

CAREER AND COLLEGE PROMISE

- CCP is a partnership with SPCC.
- This dual enrollment program allows you to get college credit for **free** through SPCC.
- There are two Pathways:
 - College Transfer Pathway
 - CTE Pathway
- CCP classes count as elective credits; **some** at the honors level. Please ask our SPCC Career Coach for guidance on the weighting of classes.
- Juniors and Seniors must have a minimum 2.8 GPA to be eligible.
- Freshmen and Sophomores have different criteria. This information will be posted on the counseling page of the CHS website under the Career and College Promise link.
- Go to SPCC.edu for more details.
- Students should apply, and request their transcript to be sent, on CFNC.org.
- Please see our SPCC Career Coach for additional information.

Peer Tutors (Juniors and Seniors only)

You cannot register to be a Peer Tutor. You should reach out to the teacher for whom you are interested in peer tutoring and they will place your name on the CHS document for approval. You must have earned a final average of 90 or above in the class for which you are wanting to peer tutor and not have any behavior infractions.

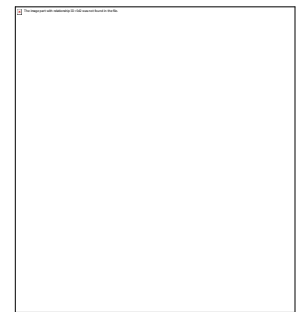
FLEX DAY (SENIORS only)

- Seniors who need less than four credits for graduation are eligible for FLEX DAY.
- If you are college/university-bound, we recommend you call the university before signing up for flex day.
- **Forms are due at the time of your registration appointment.**

EARLY GRADUATION

- Seniors have the option to graduate early (mid-year)
- You must complete an early graduation application by the first five days of the fall semester.
- Only for students entering the workforce or attending community college. Four year universities do not encourage early graduation.

THE REGISTRATION PROCESS



REGISTRATION PROCESS

- Your student received Power School instructions, a registration worksheet and their transcript.
- You may use the registration worksheet to plan your courses for next year.
- Please list **8 primary requests** for your top choices.
- Please list **4 alternates as back-ups** for your top choices.
- Students **MUST** enter their courses online in PowerSchool. This has to be done before their registration meeting with a counselor.

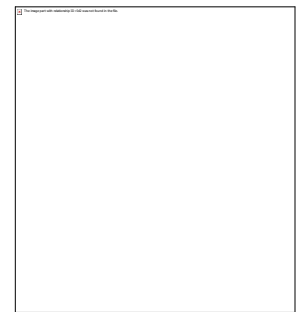
IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT ALTERNATES

- **Your alternate selections are just as important as your first choices.**
- Please make sure you select courses that you want to take as these courses may appear on your schedule.
- You will be held accountable for your course selections during the schedule change process.

HOW TO ACCESS THE ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM

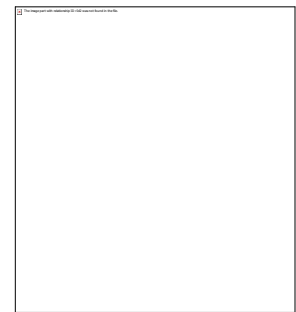
Instructions were emailed to students and you can type the following in your browser for a video walkthrough

<https://tinyurl.com/y53ltcjb>



Counselors will be available to answer questions during all lunches.

Please pay attention to the important dates on the following slides regarding registration and upcoming information sessions.



When do I register?

- You should register now through February 28th.

****Power School will be down for a maintenance weekend Feb. 19-21- please plan accordingly.**

The ONLINE SYSTEM will LOCK Sunday, February 28th.

- **March 1st through March 26th** you will meet virtually with a counselor regarding your course selections. We will begin with rising seniors.
 - **Counselors will email a sign-up genius link to students to sign up for their virtual appointment. It is very IMPORTANT that you log on and attend your scheduled meeting time. If you do not have course requests entered at the time of your appointment, are late or miss your appointment, you will have to reschedule at a later time. You may be in the “waiting room” if your counselor is finishing up with another student, patience is greatly appreciated!**
 - **Email any applications and waivers- this includes Flex forms- to your counselor prior to your meeting.**

Upcoming Information Evening

Career and College Promise:

Virtual Parent information meeting: **February 23rd at 6:00 pm**

Ms. Watkins, SPCC Career Coach

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Bring your questions!

Questions?