# CUTHBERTSON HIGH SCHOOL

2017 - 2018 Registration



**RISING 9th GRADE** 

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# RISING 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ORIENTATION FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

May 22 at 6:30 pm



There are many paths after high school!

Time to begin thinking about who you are. High School will help you explore the options.



#### YOUR FRESHMAN YEAR

- Your grades now affect your ability to get into colleges. Colleges will admit you based upon
  - GPA (weighted vs. unweighted)
  - Class Rank
  - The rigor of your courses (Honors and AP)
  - ACT / SAT Scores
  - School and community involvement
  - Community service
- •Choose rigorous classes that you can do well in.

# IMPORTANT ACADEMIC INFORMATION



## **Example High School Schedule**

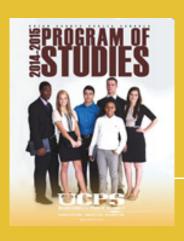
FALL 2016 (August – January)		SPRING 2017 (January – June)		
1 <sup>st</sup>	English I	1 <sup>st</sup>	Math I	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Earth Science	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Spanish II	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Horticulture I	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Theatre Arts I	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Health and PE	4 <sup>th</sup>	World History	

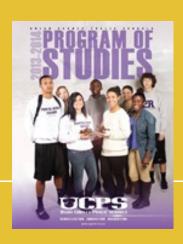
# **Graduation Requirements - Courses**

English	4 Credits English I, II, III, IV
Math	4 Credits Math I, 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 World History, Civics and Economics, American History I and II
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, CTE or Art + 4 additional electives.

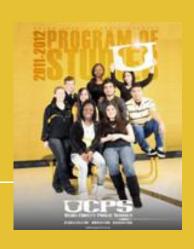
#### PROGRAM OF STUDIES:

INFORMATION ABOUT ALL COURSES BEING OFFERED IS AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE.









# Total Units Required for Graduation: Maximum Potential Minus Four

You have the max potential of 32 credits (8 credits per year x 4 years)

To graduate you need your max potential minus 4 credits.

32 - 4 = 28 Credits are needed to graduate!

#### Classification/Promotion Standards

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

# High School Courses Taken in Middle School

State Board of Education policy allows middle school students in grades 6-8 to receive graduation credit for high school mathematics, English and world language courses taken in middle school. To receive credit, students pass the course and score a Level III on any EOC associated with the course, if applicable. The course must conform to the high school course of study and provide 135 hours of instruction.

These courses meet graduation requirements but are not factored in to a students high school GPA.

#### **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..
- 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.

## **Grading Scale and Weighted GPA**

Grade	# Grade	СР	Honors	AP
Α	90-100	4	4.5	5
В	80-89	3	3-5	4
С	70-79	2	2.5	3
D	60-69	1	1.5	2
F	0-59	0	0	0

#### **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. NC Scholars may not take a required course on pass/fail status.

**NC Academic Scholars** is a recognition that you may receive upon graduation.

 Students must have an overall four year un-weighted GPA of 3.5 and complete certain courses to qualify. Please see your program of studies to access the NCAS requirements for your class.

#### PASS / FAIL COURSES

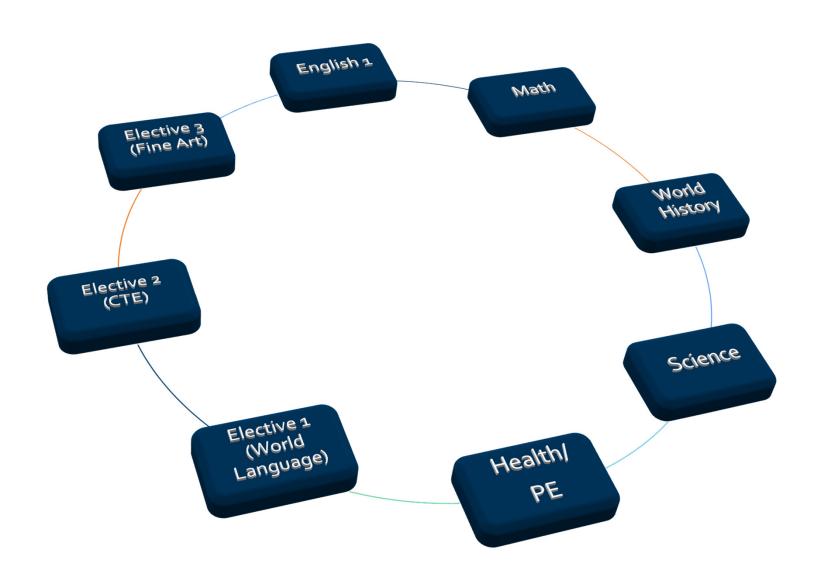
	GRADE	Don't Use P/F	Use P/F
Math II Honors	Α	4.5	4.5
English II Honors	Α	4.5	4.5
French III Honors	Α	4.5	4.5
Multimedia Webpage Design	Α	4.0	Р
GPA		4.375	4.5

Using pass/fail should be on a case-by-case basis. You should run the numbers to see what is most beneficial for your cumulative GPA to determine if P/F is a good idea or not!

# UNDERSTANDING THE REGISTRATION PROCESS



#### Freshman Schedule



#### **REGISTRATION PROCESS**

- Your student will receive a <u>Beige</u> registration card with a report card attached
- Registration card includes core classes and electives
- Please select 8 classes by marking an X by the course
- •Please select **4 alternates** by marking an "A" by the course.
- •Students will register on the card AND online in PowerSchool.

# 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
- •Students who receive the courses for which they register, including selected alternates, will not meet the criteria to request a schedule change.

# EXPLORING YOUR COURSE OPTIONS



#### **Increasing Course Rigor?**

- Are you considering increasing your course rigor from CP to Honors or Honors to AP?
  - You are approved for this change if you earned a 90 or above in your previous level of course.
  - •If you do not meet the 90 or above guideline, then you and a parent must complete a course waiver.

REMEMBER: Choosing more rigorous courses does not automatically increase GPA; select rigorous courses that you can do well in.

## English – Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Graders

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts

CP English I

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts ("A" Average) Honors English I

English I in Middle School Honors English II

#### Social Studies – Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Graders

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies

CP World History

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies ("A" Average) Honors World History

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies ("A" Average + Strong Writer)

 AP World (college level course)

## Math – Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Graders

Pre-Algebra

(Final Grade 70-90)

Fundamentals of Math I

Math I

Pre-Algebra

(Final Grade 90-100)

CP Math I

Honors Math I

High School Math I

(Final Grade C or D)

CP Math II

High School Math I

(Final Grade A or B)

Honors Math II

High School Math II

Honors Math III

## Science – Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Graders

Enrolled in Fund of Math or Math I as a Freshmen

CP Earth Science

Enrolled in Honors

Math 1 or Math 2 as

a Freshmen

Honors Earth
 Science

Enrolled in in Math 2 or 3 as a Freshmen

Honors Biology

#### **Health and PE**

 All students 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)

#### **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

#### World Language

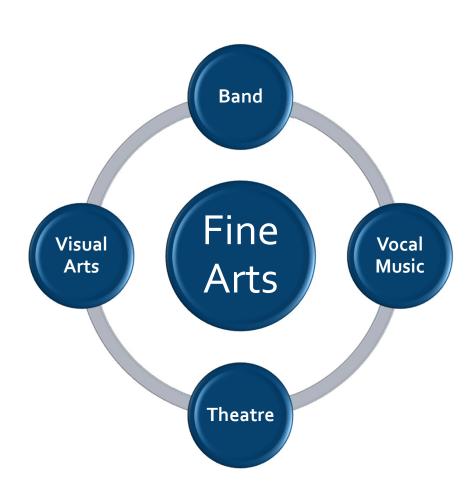
8<sup>th</sup> Grade World Language

Level 1 - Chinese,
 French, German,
 Spanish, Latin (online)

HS Level 1 World Language

Level 2 - Chinese,
 French, German,
 Spanish, Latin (online)

#### **Electives (Fine Arts)**



#### **Vocal Music**

- Concert Chorus Audition required. It is okay to register for this course and see Ms. Waynick later.
- If you want chorus both semesters, please select Ladies, Men's or Mixed Chorus as well.
- Ms. Waynick will level student as CP or Honors according to their criteria met.

#### **Band**

- Band selections can be found under "Yearlong Courses."
- •There are only two band selections listed; please select both.
- •Mr. Ebert will determine level and block placement based on set criteria.

#### **Electives (CTE)**

Agriculture	Business, Finance, and Information Technology	Family and Consumer Science	Health Science	Marketing	Trade and Industrial
Horticulture I     Animal Science I	<ul> <li>MS/Word and PowerPoint</li> <li>MS/Excel and Access</li> <li>Multimedia and Webpage Design</li> <li>Programming I Honors</li> <li>Principles of Business</li> <li>Personal Finance</li> <li>Health Informatics I Honors</li> <li>Accounting I Honors</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Foods I</li> <li>Apparel Development I</li> <li>Interior Design</li> <li>Parenting and Child Development</li> </ul>	Biomedical Technology	<ul> <li>Marketing CP/H</li> <li>Fashion         Merchandising         CP/H</li> <li>Sports and         Entertainment         Marketing CP/H</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Intro to         Construction         Trades</li> <li>Automotive         Service</li> <li>Drafting I         Honors</li> <li>Public Safety I</li> </ul>

Please note: These are only a few of the CTE courses available – please see your registration card for a complete list.

#### **NCVPS / UCV Courses**

- NCVPS North Carolina Virtual Public School
- UCV Union County Virtual
- NCVPS and UCV courses are all online.
- There is an application.
- Students will not be placed in an online course if there is availability in the same course at CHS.
- If a course is offered in UCV, we will use that format rather than NCVPS.
- NCVPS courses are used when our school/county does not have a course that you want to take.
- Click here for the NCVPS/UCV Application

### "Doubling Up"

- The only reason to "double up" in a course is to get further along in that subject area and take higher level courses as a junior or senior.
- 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.)
- If you would like to double up on a core class, please list the second course as one of your <u>alternates.</u>
- 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.

# HOW TO ACCESS THE ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM



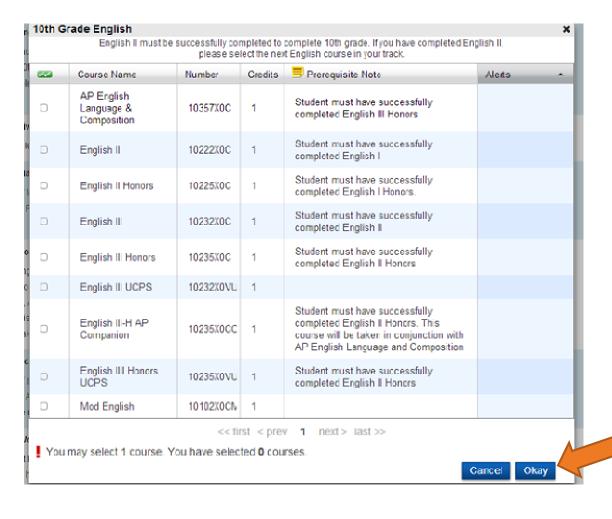
# Accessing the Online Registration System

 Login to your ChromeBook, open chrome and access the "NCEdCloudIAM" as if you were checking your grades in PowerSchool



If you do not have this page set as your homescreen, please go to CHS Website > Parents and Students > Technology > UCPS Student Star-up Page (High)

#### **REGISTERING ONLINE**



- Here is an example of what you will see when you click on the pencil.
- Click the class and select okay and continue down the page and hit submit.

#### When do I register?

- •Students received registration cards March 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup>
- Counselors will be back at Cuthbertson Middle School March 21<sup>st</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. During this time students will turn in their registration cards and have the opportunity to ask questions. This meeting is for students only!
- •If you know you do not meet the requirement for an advanced level course, please complete a waiver and make sure you have attached the waiver to his/her registration card. Otherwise, your student will be sent home with a waiver and scheduled for the lower level course until a waiver is submitted.
- Registration cards and online registration should be completed and entered by the evening of March 20<sup>th</sup>.

# **QUESTIONS?**