



9TH GRADE REGISTRATION

CLASS OF 2028



9TH GRADE REGISTRATION COURSES AND ALTERNATES

MAKE GOOD CHOICES

Choose courses and alternates carefully! Make sure you qualify for the course and that you can be successful in the course.

CONSIDER

Think about graduation requirements, your endorsement requirements and your post high school goals.

HAVE BACKUPS

You must choose alternate courses you would like to take if other courses you signed up for are not available due to:

- class size, conflict in schedule, course not offered, grade requirements not met, prerequisites not met

KNOW

No changes will be made after the deadline of **April 30, 2024**. Any questions should be directed to your 8th grade counselor.



K LEVEL VS ON-LEVEL

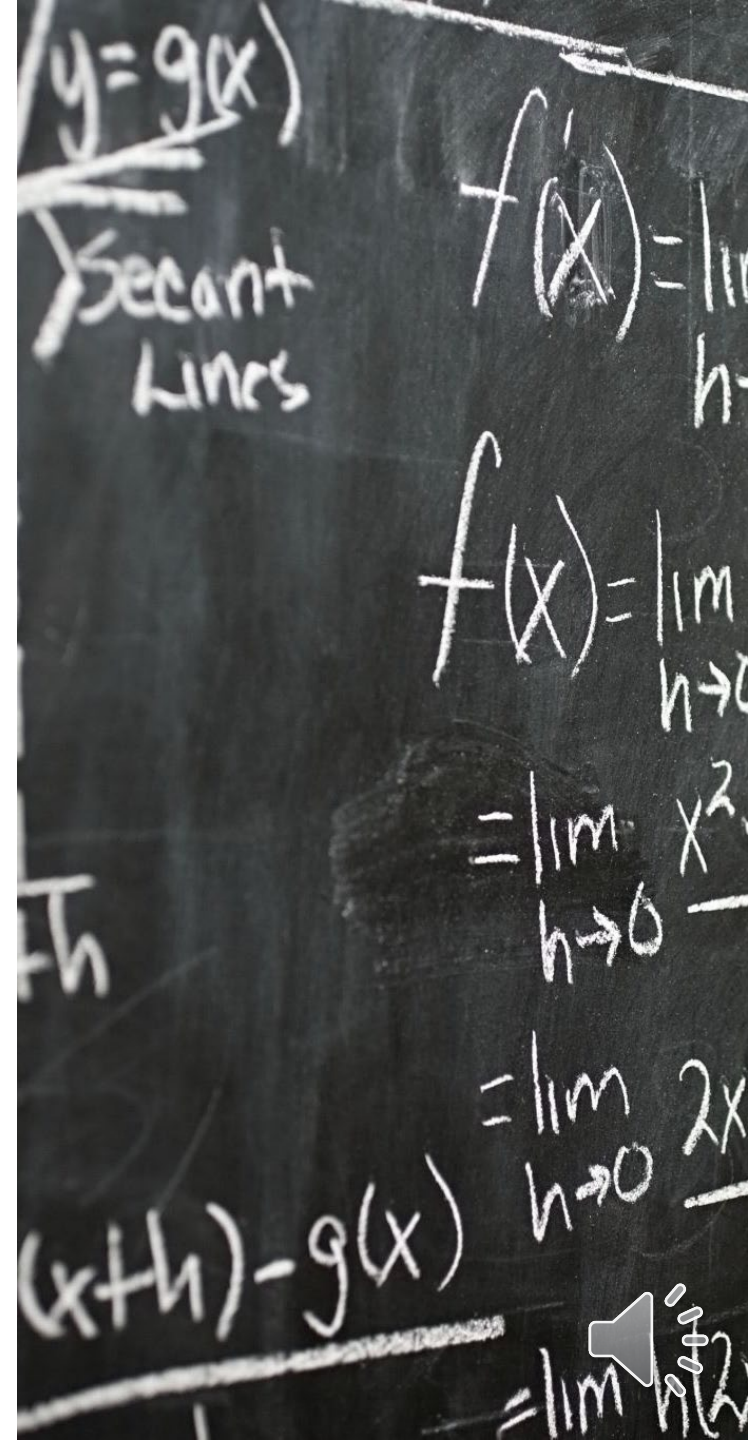
K Level (accelerated level) Courses are offered in:

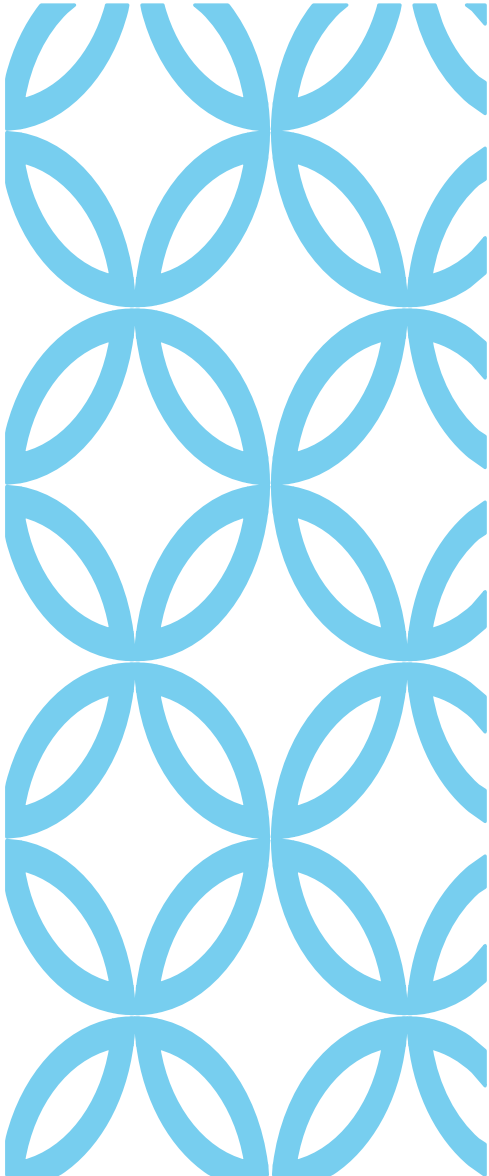
English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Foreign Language and Computer Science

More rigor to the class • **Moves at a faster pace** • **Homework expectation** • **Must meet eligibility requirements**

Students currently struggling in Algebra I, should carefully consider signing up for Geometry K. Talk with your current teacher to see if you should consider on-level Geometry.

Will be dropped at end of 9 weeks if failing • **Will result in schedule change** • **Could result in a lunch change**





Eligibility for K/AP - level course entry:

- Grade of 85+ **yearly** average in the previous on-level class in the same subject, **OR**
- 75+ **second semester** average in previous year of Level 1/K-level class
- Student earns *Masters Grade Level* on STAAR
- Parent Permission is required

Students will be removed if their semester grade is 74 or below.

Students will be removed if they have an F in a K/AP level class for any grading period (<70).

Dropping from advanced classes to on-level classes will result in a schedule change.

ADVANCED CLASSES



MORE NOTES REGARDING K AND AP CLASSES

Algebra I is not available for K-level credit

K/AP courses in high school require an additional 1-2 hour of studying per course each night.

Human Geography AP, World History AP and Computer Science Principles AP are freshman college-level courses. College credit may be earned through AP test scores as determined by each college. You must register to take an AP Exam.

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END OF COURSE EXAMS (EOC'S)

REFERRED TO AS STAAR EXAMS IN MIDDLE SCHOOL

5 EOC's required for graduation:

Grade 9: Algebra I English I Biology

Grade 10 - English II

Grade 11 - US History



ATHLETICS VS P.E.



In high school, you must play a sport to be in athletics.



Only certain sports allow 9th graders to enroll.



Athletic Trainers are scheduled into an athletic class. Requires an application and summer selection by Head Athletic Trainer.



If you play multiple sports, register for the sport that is played 1st during the school year.



REGARDING ANY PE EQUIVALENT CREDIT...

Any student that drops/or is removed from Athletics or PE Equivalent course goes directly to a PE class regardless of grade level and previous credit.

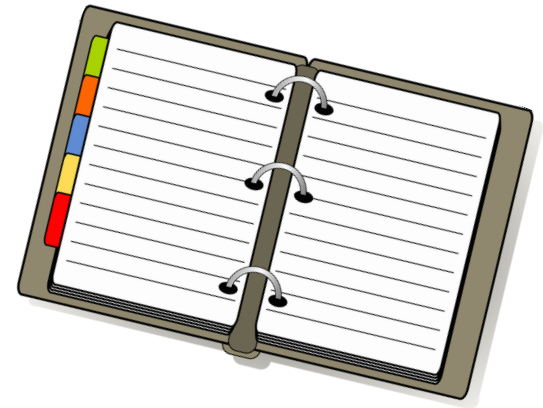
(Page 5 of the district *Course Offerings and Descriptions* Booklet)

PE EQUIVALENTS:

- Band/Color Guard
- Athletics
- Drill team/Dance
- JROTC



A TYPICAL 9TH GRADE SCHEDULE...



MS=8th Grade Math

English I

Algebra I

Biology

World Geography/World History

PACE / Health

PE or Foreign Language

Fine Art or Elective

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English I

Geometry

Biology

World Geography/ World History

PACE / Health

PE or Foreign Language

Fine Art or Elective



AUGUST 2024

There are **NO** course changes in August. We are allocated teachers, and we hire teachers based on spring registration numbers.

Courses will be changed by the High School Counselor ONLY if:

Student does not meet prerequisite(s) for the course

Student already has credit in the course

Student is placed in an inappropriate level

Student has not met grade requirement for K-level, AP, or HORIZONS placement

The last day to request a course change is **April 30, 2024.**



FINISH 8TH GRADE STRONG

Your grades will determine course level placement for classes in 9th grade.

8th grade STAAR scores are very important. If satisfactory scores are not reached, you may be placed in:

- READ 180 or Algebra Lab to provide additional support for success on Exit level End of Course (EOC) exams in high school.
- This will limit the electives you get to select.



WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

FINALIZE

Make final decisions about courses for next year on the registration sheet

RETURN

Turn in your registration sheet to your History teacher on or before:

February 9th

REMEMBER

Any adjustments to course selections must be turned in to the 8th grade counselor by:

April 30, 2024

