




9th & 10th Grade Family College and Course Selection Night



Wilsonville High School
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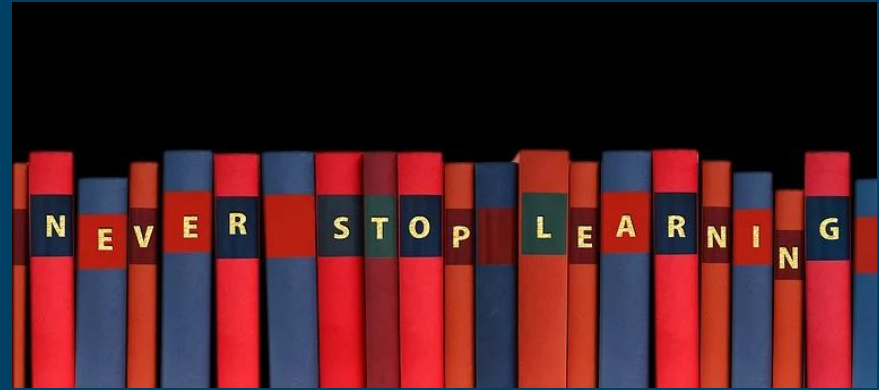
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Course Selection

When will I select my
classes for next year?



When will Students Learn About Course Selection?

- **February 4: Life 101 and 102 Class Assemblies**

- 9th and 10th graders will attend an assembly in the PAC during Life class to receive information about course selection from counselors.
- Life 101 teachers will hand out Course Selection materials
 - Course Request Form
 - Student Transcript
 - List of 10th Grade Course Options

- **February 6:**

- Life 102 teachers will hand out Course Selection materials during the next Life class on 2/6.

Course Selection Timeline: February 4th - February 25th

Monday, Feb. 3rd A Day	Tuesday, Feb. 4th B Day 9th & 10th graders attend assembly; 9th graders receive course forms	Wednesday, Feb. 5th A Day	Thursday, Feb. 6th B Day 11th graders attend assembly & receive course forms; 10th graders receive course forms	Friday, Feb. 7th A Day
Monday, Feb. 10th B Day 9th graders enter their course requests into StudentVUE	Tuesday, Feb. 11th A Day	Wednesday, Feb. 12th B Day - ACCESS	Thursday, Feb. 13th A Day	Friday, Feb. 14th B Day
NO SCHOOL - President's Day	Tuesday, Feb. 18th A Day	Wednesday, Feb. 19th B Day - ACCESS	Thursday, Feb. 20th A Day	Friday, Feb. 21st B Day 10th graders enter their course requests into StudentVUE
Monday, Feb. 24th A Day	Tuesday, Feb. 25th B Day 11th graders enter their course requests into StudentVUE			

Entering Course Requests into StudentVUE

- **February 10: Life 101**

- 9th graders will enter their course requests into StudentVUE during Life class.

- **February 21: Life 102**

- 10th graders will enter their course requests into StudentVUE during Life class.

- **February 25: Life 103**

- 11th graders will enter their course requests into StudentVUE during Life class.

Graduation Requirements

Graduation Requirements - Class of 2027 & 2028

Department	Credits	Requirements
English Language Arts	4 credits	
Mathematics	3 credits	Algebra 1 or higher
Science	3 credits	2 semesters Biological Lab Science 2 semesters Physical Lab Science
Social Science	3 credits	1 semester World History 2 semesters US History 1 semester of Civics
Health/PE	2 credits	2 semesters of Health 2 semesters of PE
CAWL - Applied/Fine/Performing Arts or World Language	3 credits	Any one area OR in combination
Electives	7.0 credits	Any content area
Personal Growth and Development	1.0 credit	2 semesters of Life 101 2 semesters of Life 102
College/Career/Future Planning	1.0 credit	2 semesters of Life 103 2 semesters of Life 104
Total Credits	27	

How to Read a Transcript

How To Read Your Credit Summary - 9th Grade

Graduation Requirements - Credit Summary				
Subject Area	Req'd	Comp	WIP	Need
LA-Language Arts	4.00	0.50	0.50	3.00
MATH-Mathematics	3.00	0.50	0.50	2.00
LS-Life Science	1.00	0.50	0.50	
PS-Physical Science	1.00	0.00		1.00
SCI-Science Selective	1.00	0.00		1.00
WH-World History	0.50	0.00	0.50	
US-US History	1.00	0.00		1.00
GO-Civics	0.50	0.00		0.50
SOC-Social Studies	1.00	0.00		1.00
H1-Health 1	0.50	0.50		
H2-Health 2	0.50	0.00		0.50
PE-PE Selective	1.00	0.00	0.50	0.50
CAWL-CTE/Arts/WL	3.00	1.50	1.00	0.50
PG-Pers Grwth/Dev	1.00	0.25	0.25	0.50
CC-College/Career Plan	1.00	0.00		1.00
EL-Electives	7.00	0.00		7.00
TOTALS	27.00	3.75	3.75	19.50

Work in Progress
Classes that you are
taking this semester

Need
Credits that you
need to graduate in
each content area

Totals
Total number of
credits you still need
to graduate

How To Read Your Credit Summary - 10th Grade

Graduation Requirements - Credit Summary				
Subject Area	Req'd	Comp	WIP	Need
LA-Language Arts	4.00	1.50	0.50	2.00
MATH-Mathematics	3.00	1.50	0.50	1.00
LS-Life Science	1.00	1.00		
PS-Physical Science	1.00	0.50	0.50	
SCI-Science Selective	1.00	0.00		1.00
WH-World History	0.50	0.50		
US-US History	1.00	0.50	0.50	
GO-Civics	0.50	0.00		0.50
SOC-Social Studies	1.00	0.50		0.50
H1-Health 1	0.50	0.50		
H2-Health 2	0.50	0.00		0.50
PE-PE Selective	1.00	0.50	0.50	
CAWL-CTE/Arts/WL	3.00	3.00		
PG-Pers Grwth/Dev	1.00	0.75	0.25	
CC-College/Career Plan	1.00	0.00		1.00
EL-Electives	7.00	0.50	1.00	5.50
TOTALS	27.00	11.25	3.75	12.00

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Academic Programs at WHS



Advanced Placement (AP) Courses

- WHS offers **26 different courses** that represent every content area
- Increases strength of schedule
- Demonstrates that students have taken advantage of college preparatory curriculum
- Bonus point on GPA
- Opportunity to earn college credit by passing the AP exam in May

What AP classes can I take as a 10th Grade student?

- AP US History
- AP Psychology
- AP Computer Science Principles
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Pre-Calculus
- AP Physics I (if enrolled in AP Pre-Calculus in 10th grade)

Career Technical Education (CTE)

CTE programs have a sequence of courses (typically three credits) connected to a specific career pathway

When a student completes **three credits** in the same CTE program, they will be recognized at graduation with a CTE cord

- **Computer Programming**
 - **Digital Arts**
 - **Education**
 - **Journalism**
 - **Engineering**
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Dual Credit or Advanced College Credit (ACC)

- Dual credit program with Clackamas Community College, Portland Community College, or Oregon Tech (OIT)
- Opportunity for students to earn transferable community college credit for approved college-level classes
- Students must register for the college credit and will receive the grade earned in the class

Clackamas Community College (ACC):

- AP Pre-Calculus
- AP Statistics
- AP Calculus AB
- Math in Society
- French III, IV
- AP 2D Art and Design
- AP English Language & Composition- 11th
- AP English Literature & Composition- 12th
- Journalism III, IV
- Primary Tutor

Portland Community College:

- Spanish Lang & Lit II

Oregon Tech:

- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics 1
- Anatomy & Physiology I, II
- AP Environmental Science
- Medical Terminology

Dual Language Program

To receive the recognition, the Class of 2026 and beyond must earn a total of six credits in dual language courses during their four years of high school.

- Spanish Language and Literature 1
 - Spanish Language and Literature 2
 - Spanish Language and Literature 3
 - AP Spanish Literature and Culture
 - AP Spanish Language and Culture
 - Biology- Spanish
 - Modern US History- Spanish
 - Latino Arts and Culture
 - Liderazgo en la Comunidad - Spanish
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Wilsonville Online Academy (WKOA)

- 11th and 12th grade students are able to take one or more classes online through our WKOA online program.
 - Please note: Students are not able to stay on campus during their online classes.
 - Please fill out the interest form on your Course Request Form if you are interested in taking classes through WKOA.
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Seal Biliteracy

The Oregon State Seal of Biliteracy is an award given to students who have studied and attained a high level of proficiency in reading, writing, listening, and speaking in two or more languages by the time they graduate.

- Any student who scores a 4 or higher on the AP Language and Culture test
-Or-
passes the STAMP Assessment will receive the Seal of Biliteracy.
 - Students who meet these requirements will be recognized with the Seal of Biliteracy on their diploma and will receive a cord at graduation.
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Course Planning

What classes should I plan to take next year?



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- A vibrant illustration featuring a stack of eight books in various colors (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple) topped with a black graduation cap. The books have labels like 'EDUCATION' and 'EDUCATIONAL'. Surrounding the stack are colorful abstract shapes (circles, lines) and numerous small educational icons such as a lightbulb, microscope, globe, and books, all set against a white background.

Recommended Courses for 10th Grade

Semester 1	Semester 2
Language Arts 10	Language Arts 10
Math	Math
US History or AP US History	US History or AP US History
Chemistry	Chemistry
World Language or Elective	World Language or Elective
Life 102	Life 102
Elective	Elective
Elective	Elective

10th Grade Course Options

Language Arts:

- Language Arts 10

Math:

Talk with your current math teacher to determine your math placement

- Algebra → Geometry
- Geometry → Adv. Algebra
- Adv. Algebra → Trigonometry or AP Pre-Calculus

Science:

- Chemistry

Social Studies:

- Modern US History
- Modern US History- Spanish
- AP US History

Health/PE:

- Do you still need to take Health 1?
- PE as an elective?

World Language:

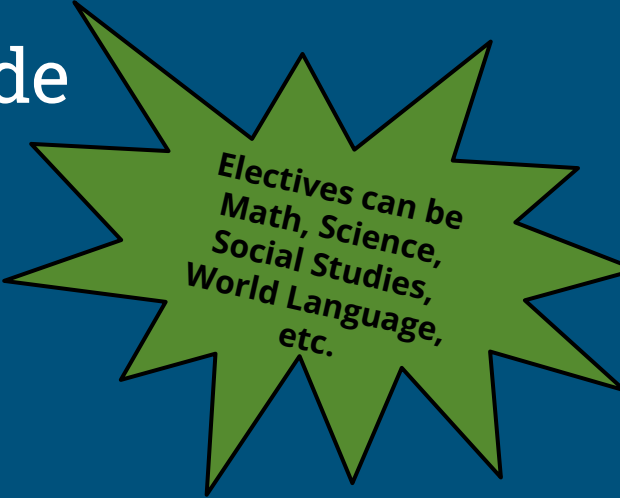
- Will you take the second year of your World Language?
- Do you want start a World Language?

Electives:

- What are you interested in/what would make your day great?
- Do you want to take advantage of one of the Academic Programs at WHS?

Recommended Courses for 11th Grade

Semester 1	Semester 2
Language Arts 11 or AP English Language	Language Arts 11 or AP English Language
Math	Math
Science	Science
Civics or AP US Gov't	AP US Gov't or Elective
Health 2	Elective
Life 103	Life 103
Elective	Elective
Elective	Elective



*Electives can be
Math, Science,
Social Studies,
World Language,
etc.*

When choosing electives, think about:

- What classes do I need to graduate?
- What classes do I want to take?
- What classes should I take if I'm planning to apply to a 4-year college?

11th Grade Course Options

Language Arts:

- Language Arts 11 or AP English Language

Math:

- Talk with your current math teacher to determine your math placement

Science:

- Do you want to take a year-long lab science, a year-long AP lab science, or a non-lab semester science?
- Consider interest areas and 4-year college admission requirements

Social Studies:

- When will you take Civics or AP Gov't?
- Do you want to take a year-long AP social studies or a semester social studies?
- Consider interest areas and 4-year college admission requirements

Health 2:

- During 11th grade or in 12th grade?
- PE?

World Language:

- Will you continue in your World Language?
- Students need at least two-years of the same world language to go straight to a 4-year college
- Do you want start a World Language?

Electives:

- What are you interested??
- How many electives do you need to fill your schedule?
- Do I want to consider Dual Credit classes?
- Am I close to getting 3 credits in a CTE Pathway?
- If I am in the Dual Language program, how many dual language credits do I have?

Frequently Asked Questions

I am ahead in credits, do I have to select a full schedule?

- For current 10th grade students, you must select a full schedule for 11th grade.

Can I take a class again?

- Depends on the class. Please see our FAQ's on the Course Selection webpage to see which classes you can take more than once.

What is Work Experience?

- Work Experience offers students an opportunity to earn credit for working. A minimum of 90 hours and career-related assignments are required to receive credit. Students do not attend an in-person class. Students earn .5 credit per semester and can be taken for a maximum of 2 credits in the 4 years of high school. This course is graded Pass/Fail.

What if I want to be a Student Assistant (SA), Teacher Assistant (TA), or Office Aide?

- We recommend that students wait until their 12th grade year to be a SA, TA or Office Aide.

Where Can I Learn about Class Options?

- [Curriculum Guide](#)
 - [10th Grade Course Options](#)
 - [10th Grade Course Request Form](#)
 - [11th Grade Course Options](#)
 - [11th Grade Course Request Form](#)
 - [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
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Academic Goal Setting

What should I be thinking about
NOW to help me prepare for life
after high school?



Grade Point Average (GPA)

- Each letter grade earned at the end of a semester is awarded a specific number of points
- AP courses with a 'C' or better receive a bonus point

Letter Grade	Points	AP
A	4.0	5.0
B	3.0	4.0
C	2.0	3.0
D	1.0	
F	0	

Why do GPAs Matter?

- Data used in 4-year college admission process
- Oregon University Recommended GPAs:
 - UO - Holistic Review
 - OSU - Holistic Review, preferred 3.0 or better
 - Oregon Tech - 3.0 Automatic Admit
 - Western Oregon and Eastern Oregon- 2.75 Automatic Admit
 - Portland State and Southern Oregon- 2.5 Automatic Admit
- Oregon Promise
 - 2.0 or higher

Research College and Career Options



Career & College Options

Associate's Degree/Transfer Degree

- 2-Year Community College
- No GPA requirement for admission
- Oregon Promise- 2.0 GPA or higher
- No world language requirement

Bachelor's Degree

- 4-year College or University
- 2.75 minimum GPA requirement
- 2-year minimum world language requirement

Career Technical Education at a Community College

- Can be completed through a Community College
- On the job training alongside classes
- Apprenticeships, trade school, beauty school

Department of Defense

- High school diploma
- ASVAB
- Additional school and training provided
- Travel the world
- Advancement and retirement opportunities
- Must be 18-years old

Work Experience

- Resume needs to be completed
- Certifications can be obtained through employers
- Gain skills for future opportunities

Oregon Promise

- Available at Oregon community colleges
- Applies to an Associate's Degree, Transfer, and most CTE programs
- **FREE (for up to 12 credits per term)**
- Who is eligible?
 - Oregon high school graduates
 - Graduate with a **2.0 cumulative GPA** or higher by the end of 12th grade
 - Oregon resident for at least 12 months prior to enrolling in college
 - Enroll in Oregon community college within 6 months of high school graduation
 - Complete FAFSA/ORSAA



4-Year College Admission

What do I need to know?

- Apply in the Fall of Senior Year
- Typical Application Requirements:
 - Online application
 - Transcript with all Classes, Grades, GPA, and Class Rank
 - Strength of Schedule
- Essay
- Teacher/Counselor Recommendations
- Activities
- SAT/ACT



SAT/ACT

Should my student
consider taking the
SAT/ACT?

- Research your perspective colleges to learn about their Admission Testing Policy
- Almost all colleges accept either the SAT or the ACT for admission

[ACT vs. SAT: How to Decide
Which Test to Take](#)

Admission Testing Policies



- **Test-Optional**

- Refers to colleges that give students the choice to submit standardized testing scores if they feel it reflects their true ability. Colleges will consider scores if submitted, but there will not be a penalty for choosing not to submit scores.

- **Test-Blind/Test-Free**

- Refers to colleges that will not consider standardized testing scores for any applicant, even if submitted.

- **Test Required**

- Refers to colleges that require SAT or ACT scores as a part of their admission requirements.

Admission Testing Policies for Fall 2026

- **Test Free**

- University of California and Cal State schools

- **Test Optional**

- All Oregon colleges and universities
- University of Washington
- Washington State
- Brigham Young University
- Many more colleges are test optional. When in doubt, look it up.

- **Test Required**

- Stanford University, Harvard, Cornell, Johns Hopkins, Carnegie Mellon, Cal Tech, MIT, Brown, Yale, Dartmouth
- Florida State University & University of Florida
- Georgetown University
- University of Tennessee
- Georgia state school system
- United States Military Academies
- University of Texas, Austin

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The Importance of Testing? It Depends...

- **Lower Priority:**

- The largest set of colleges, about 80% of 4-year colleges. Admission decisions do not hinge on test scores. They mainly look at GPA and course rigor.

- **Plus Factor:**

- This set of colleges, about 20% of 4-year colleges, are still selective, so strong test scores can be a plus factor, but not a singular difference maker.

- **Still Important:**

- These highly selective colleges have less than 10% acceptance rates. It is still advisable to take the SAT/ACT.

- We recommend reviewing admission webpages, Compass Prep, or US News for most up-to-date info

If taking the SAT/ACT makes sense for you...

- **9th Grade**

- Continue to do the best in your scheduled classes.

- **10th Grade**

- PSAT in October
- PreACT in March

- **11th Grade**

- PSAT in October
- SAT in spring (March, May or June)

Practice for the SAT

- Take the PSAT in October of 10th and 11th grade year at WHS.
 - Student registers by paying the bookkeeper in August during registration - usually \$20.00
- Prepare for SAT
 - CollegeBoard has partnered with Khan Academy to provide personalized SAT practice.
- Register for SAT in Junior year
 - Collegeboard.org
 - The SAT or the ACT is typically taken in the spring of the junior year and no later than November of the senior year.

PreACT for 10th Grade Students

- WHS will offer 10th grade students the opportunity to take the PreACT.
- Friday, March 14, 2025 from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm. at WHS
- Students can register [HERE](#).
- Registration will close at 5:00 pm on Friday, February 28th.
- The PreACT is a low-stakes, testing experience for four-year, college bound students. Score reports provide an insight into students' predicted performance on the ACT, and include valuable career indicators.

What Can 9th & 10th Grade Students Do Now?

- Continue to do the best that you can in your classes!
- Be thoughtful about your course planning and strength of schedule
- Get involved in a meaningful activity and document/track your participation
- Consider community service for scholarships
- Become familiar with Naviance for college and career research
- Meet with your school counselor



Naviance

- Web-based software purchased by the district to assist in the college and career planning process
- Naviance access:
 - Log into student's WHS Google account
 - WHS Website>For Students>Naviance>Single Sign-On
- Research and explore colleges
 - SuperMatch or College Match
 - College Lookup
- Access college data and acceptance history (WHS graduates 2006-2024)
- Sign-up for virtual/in-person visits with college admission reps
- Create resume
- Students will also use Naviance during their senior year to request transcripts, to request letters of recommendation, and to access the scholarship database.

Career Exploration

- Interactive Exploration:
 - [Oregon CIS](#)
 - [CareerOneStop](#)
 - [My Next Move](#)
 - [16 Personalities](#)
- Roadtrip Nation:
 - Series of videos found within Naviance
 - Experts and leaders interviewed on topics such as struggle, triumph, and self-discovery.
- Naviance:
 - Career Interest Profiler - Reveals interests and the careers that best match those interests
 - AchieveWorks Personality - Personality test, based on Myers-Briggs inventory
 - Strengths Explorer - Uncover talents and potential strengths
 - ...and more!



Summer Opportunities



- Oregon Tech:

- Take advantage of rigorous curriculum or to learn more about high demand careers
- Enroll in college level courses such as Speech, Economics or Introduction to Film
- Explore interests such as Medical Imaging or Computer Programming
- Courses are \$25/credit
- www.oit.edu/hst

- Saturday Academy:

- Classes and camps in Medical Science, Computer Science, Visual and Performing Arts, Engineering, and more.
- www.saturdayacademy.org/

- List of opportunities on 9th and 10th Grade Google Classroom:

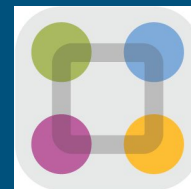
- Community Service
- Paid Employment
- Camps (academic and personal enrichment)

- Clackamas Community College:

- CTE Summer Camps - mid-August
- Explore programs such as Horticulture, Welding, Music and Film, and the Health Professions
- <https://www.clackamas.edu/academics/academic-offerings/high-school-connections/summer-programs> (watch website in late March for courses and program updates)

Connect with Us!

- Google Classroom
 - Class of 2027 join code:
 - **tu3xem3**
 - Class of 2028 join code:
 - **le3ce24**
- Instagram - whscollegcareer
- ParentSquare
 - WHS Weekly Newsletter
 - College & Career Newsletter
 - College & Career Opportunities



Thank you for
Attending!

