

2012/2013 SOPHOMORE COURSE REQUEST PROCESS

For Current Freshmen Who Will Be Sophomores

A few scheduling reminders...

You will be inputting your course requests on Home Logic during a scheduled time frame (dates to be announced). Be sure to make your parents a part of this process!

Initially, course requests should be based on the following:

- Level placements are determined by performance in your current class. In order to move up a level (CP to Honors etc) a student must have an "A".
- Please discuss course placement with your current teacher before entering your course requests on Home Logic.
- In order to maintain a level, a student must have a "C" or better.
- You should try to take the highest level course in which you can earn a "B" or better. **Colleges do not look favorably on final grades of C's and D's in Honors/AP courses.** It is important to note that NHHS does not report class rank. Grades will be your most important asset!
- AP courses are available in some subjects for very academically motivated rising tenth graders. All require that the student be achieving an "A" in their current honors level along with teacher/department recommendation.
- Be sure to provide an alternative elective for **each** elective you request. Remember cooking classes are usually not available for 9th or 10th graders. Please do not choose a cooking class.
- All sophomores should be requesting courses in the following areas:
 - English II
 - *Advanced Academic Literacy/Financial Literacy (if you haven't already completed them)**
 - World History
 - Chemistry
 - Math
 - Phys. Ed. 10
 - Driver's Ed
 - World Language
 - Fine/Performing and Practical Arts

***See the Curriculum Guide on-line for Full Course Descriptions, Course Numbers and Graduation Requirements.**

English: 5 credits required

English II	228
English II CP	229
English II H/wt.	230

Math: 5 credits required

- Students who are maintaining satisfactory progress in Foundations for Algebra should choose Algebra I course 510.
- Students who are maintaining satisfactory progress in Algebra I (510) should choose Geometry 503. If they are above average (All A's) they may choose CP Geometry 522.
- Algebra I CP students should choose Geometry CP 522 if they are maintaining B's and C's. If not they should choose Geometry 503.
- Current Geometry CP Students should choose Algebra II CP 516.
- Current Honors Geometry 523 students should be taking Honors Algebra II/Trig 518 (3 mod course, 7.5 credits) with teacher recommendation.
- Consult with your teacher and/or counselor if you are not sure.

Science: 5 credits required

Chemistry	631
Chemistry CP	632
Chemistry H/Wt.	633 (this is a 7.5 credit, 3 mod course)
AP Chemistry	639 (this is a 10 credit, 4 mod course)

AP Chemistry can be taken by currently outstanding Honors Physics students. Other students may take it as a fourth science in the senior year.

Social Studies: 5 credits required

World History	700
World History CP	701
World History H/Wt.	702
AP World History and Cultures	– 703

World Language: 5 credits required

Two years of the same world language are required for graduation. You should choose the next level of your current language if you are a strong “C” student or better. If you are having difficulty with your current language, you may wish to begin two years of another language. Ask your teacher and/or your counselor if you are not sure.

Spanish I	340
Spanish II	341
Spanish I CP	342
Spanish II CP	343
Spanish III CP	344
Spanish III Honors	349
Latin I	321
Latin II	322
Latin III Honors	323
French I CP	302
French II CP	303
French III CP	304
German I CP	311
German II CP	312
German III CP	313

Physical Education:

Phys. Ed. 10	375
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Driver Education:

Driver Ed. Theory	356
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10th graders take Driver Ed. instead of Health. Your date of birth does not determine the timing of your Driver Ed. course. This is a graduation requirement, not a Division of Motor Vehicle requirement. You can get your permit before you have completed the classroom course.

Electives:

At least 5 credits in each area: Fine Arts (5 credits over four years) and Practical Arts (5 credits over four years). Remember that courses in Business, Technology Education and Family & Consumer Sciences are considered Practical Arts. Be sure to review the Curriculum Guide (on-line) for a complete listing of Fine and Practical Arts.

****IMPORTANT****

You must print out your Course Request Verification Sheet, have your parent sign it and drop it off to your counselor.

Be sure to input your Course Request during the designated time period. Failure to do so could result in not getting the courses you want.

Faculty and specific mods requests are not a part of the scheduling process.

Minimum credit requirement per year is 35. More than 40 credits will require a lunch waiver signed by a parent or guardian.