## Choosing classes for 10th grade



Presented by the AHS Counseling Department

## Overview

$\square$ Course selection timeline and dates
$\square$ Reviewing requirements
$\square$ Schedule planning
$\square$ Online course selection

- March 7-8: Advisement Days
- Teachers review departmental options in class
- March 11-14: course selection presentations by AHS counselors in social studies classes
- March 19-20 @ lunch and March 20 \& 22 @ advisory: AHS counselor drop-in course selection help
- March 22: Aeries portal closes! Course selections must be complete by 10pm


## ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL

## Graduation requirements

| Graduation Status |  |
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| Subject Area | Credit Required |
| A - English | 40.00 |
| B - Math | 20.00 |
| C - Physical Education | 20.00 |
| D - Life Science | 10.00 |
| E - Physical Science | 10.00 |
| F - Social Studies | 10.00 |
| G - U.S. History | 10.00 |
| H - U.S. Government | 5.00 |
| I - Applied Arts | 10.00 |
| J - Fine Arts | 10.00 |
| K - Economics | 5.00 |
| L - Ethnic Studies | 5.00 |
| Z - Electives | 65.00 |

- 1 year = 10 credits
- See course lists and catalog for requirements and options in each subject area
- Electives include any class taken after subject area requirement is met
- For 4 -year college eligibility, add 1 year of math and 2 years of world language

- Find a good balance between classes \& activities
- 6 classes is mandatory ( 5 for seniors). 7 is optional
- 5 academic classes recommended for 4-year college-bound students. We do not recommend taking more than 5 academic classes
- Sleep, mental health, family, friends, \& activities are just as important as the schedule you choose. Choose wisely!
- Placement for Math, World Language, and ELD is by teacher recommendation.
- Students with IEPs will work with their case managers so schedules reflect their plan.
- Talk with parents/guardians and teachers about your choices.
- If you're planning to take fewer than 7 classes, you may select an unscheduled $1^{\text {st }}, 2^{\text {nd }}, 6^{\text {th }}$ or $7^{\text {th }}$ period.
- Choose alternate classes for all electives! Low demand, full classes or schedule conflicts mean you may not get first choice
- Refer to Course List. Choose one course per discipline: English, History, Math, Science, plus electives (language, fine or applied arts, social studies and general electives).
- Course Catalog with course descriptions and guidance is also posted on website
- Some courses may be prescheduled (e.g. social studies grade-level requirements). DO NOT delete prescheduled courses.


## Required classes

## English 2 or ELD*

## World History

Physical Education or Dance
Math (2, 2+, or Accelerated 2/3)*
*by teacher recommendation

Students in our Special Education program will work with their case manager to create a schedule that accurately reflects their Individualized Education Plan (IEP)

## Electives

- See course list on AHS website for elective offerings in each subject area
- Check catalog for prerequisites and/or requirements for all classes marked with *
- Check bulletin and email for info sessions by department/ program

Albany High School course selection sheet for 2024-25 Courses open to TENTH grade students
In addition to English, P.E. or Dance, World History, and Math, each student is to select a minimum of two (2) courses
 first choice cannot be accommodated, your schedulle may be incomplete. Please make your selections carefilly. With few exceptions, changes will
NOT GUARANTEED

| COCIAL STUDIES World History (required) Electives: - Psychology | LIFE SCIENCE <br> - Biology <br> PHYSICAL SCIENCE <br> - Chemistry* <br> - Earth Space Science | - Math 2 <br> MATH <br> - Math $2+$ * <br> - Accelerated Math $2 / 3^{*}$ |
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| WORLD LANGUAGES <br> - French 1 <br> - French 2* <br> - French 3* <br> - French $4^{*}$ <br> - Spanish 1 <br> - Spanish 2* <br> - Spanish 4* <br> - Spanish (AP)* <br> - Mandarin 1 <br> - Mandarin 2* <br> - Mandarin 3* <br> - Mandarin (AP)* | APPLIED ARTS <br> - Engineering \& Design Principles 1 \& 2- semester long courses <br> - Computer Science <br> - Yearbook* <br> - Graphic Design <br> - Journalism <br> - Culinary Arts | $\quad$ FINE ARTS - Foundation Art: 2D Emphasis - Foundation Art 3D Emphasis - Advanced Art - Symphonic Band - Wind Ensemble* - Jazz Band* - String orchestra - Basic Guitar - Advanced Guitar* - Tenor Bass Ensemble - Treble Chamber Ensemble - Chamber Singers* - Graphic Design - Dance 1 - Dance 1 2*/Adv. Dance 2* - Theater Study |
| $\text { - } \frac{\text { ENGLISH }}{\text { English } 2}$ | - GENERAL ELECTIVES <br> - Business Management <br> - Service* <br> - Homework Lab <br> - AVID $10^{*}$ | PHYSICAL EDUCATION |

Math, World Language, and English Language Development (ELD) classes are determined by teacher recommendation. The AHS counselors will work with the teachers in these departments to place students in the appropriate level course. No signatures are needed on the course request form in these subjects. For
students in our Special Education Program, you will work directly with your Case Manager to create a schedule that accurately reflects your Individualized Education Plan (IEP).

## PE Exemption for Athletics

- You must complete participation in 4 seasons of AHS sports to cover the 10 credit PE requirement starting in $10^{\text {th }}$ grade.
- Must complete each season with no more than 5 absences from practice/ games and maintain 2.0 GPA.
- Submit a PE Exemption Form (available in Counseling Office) to your counselor by the course selection deadline.
- To waive $2^{\text {nd }}$ semester only, you will also need to submit a course change request to counselors at the end of first semester.
- If you opt to take Dance for PE credit, you do not need to submit a PE Exemption form.
- Advanced Placement (AP) courses are available to 10th graders on a space-available basis.
- Priority is given to 11th and 12th grade.
- 10th grade AP Course Request Forms are available in the Counseling Office and due by the course selection deadline.
- Request form requires student, parent and teacher signature. Approval is granted by the principal.
- Important: determination of space availability may not happen until school starts next year. It is very important to select an alternate (non-AP) for any proposed AP course.


## Course selection instructions

For all current students:

- Log into your Student Aeries account
- Go to Classes > Course Requests Entry

- Set Subject Area to Show All Courses
- Click Search to display list (may be more than one page)
- Find classes alphabetically by name



## Course selection instructions

- Available classes show on the right; selected courses will move to the left column
- Be sure to select alternates for all elective courses!



## Course selection instructions



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- Course requests will save automatically.
- Once the Aeries window closes you will not be able to edit choices.


10th grade course selection

## AHS website resources



- Presentation slides

