



2025-26 Registration and Scheduling Information

The WHS School Counseling Department in conjunction with WHS teachers and administrators encourage students to take the following steps PRIOR to selecting courses:

1. Carefully review the course description for each class.
2. Review [high school graduation requirements](#).
3. Research post secondary admissions requirements, if applicable.
4. Take note of prerequisites and eligible grade levels for each class.
5. Consider desired skills and knowledge.
6. Talk with teachers, counselors, parents/family and older students to learn more about class options.
7. Take note of the registration process and deadlines ... be prepared!

Student registration directly influences the school's master schedule and class sizes, so students are expected to fulfill their requests. Please carefully review all of the registration information and make thoughtful decisions so that the master schedule design can best reflect student needs/wants.

All of the information is available on the WHS School Counseling webpage (select [REGISTRATION & COURSE INFORMATION](#)).

Scheduling Process and Timeline:

1. Students will receive hard copies of the course registration information by grade level during a Registration Assembly on the morning of Friday, January 24, 2025.
 - Digital copies will be available on the school counseling website, linked above.
2. Students will request 2025-26 courses through their Skyward account during the registration window: January 24 - January 31, 2025. There is an instructional video on the school counseling website that reminds students how to request courses for next year.
3. Student course requests are then automatically filled by a computerized scheduling system, once the school's master schedule is determined.
4. Final student schedules will be available for viewing via Skyward Family Access in August.

Schedule Change Requests:

The link to the online Schedule Change Request Form will be available to students on the WHS School Counseling website in mid August. All schedule change requests must be initiated via the provided online form.





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Students will have an opportunity to make schedule change requests prior to each semester for the following types of reasons:

- Registration and/or computer error
- Course prerequisites not met
- Teacher initiated change
- A student with 7 classes electing to replace a course with a Student Prep Period (SPP)
- Schedule adjustment due to PSEO or other enrollment
- Student requests an additional or different elective (granted only on a space available basis)

Schedule changes are NOT accepted for the following reasons:

- Teacher change or preference
- Desire to take classes with friends
- Desire to have a particular class a certain hour of the day
- Preference to have lunch at a certain time of the day

Please note that schedule change requests made after the start of a semester will only be granted in certain instances. Therefore, all schedule change requests must be made prior to the start of the new semester.

- 5 day drop/add period: Within the first 5 school days of the semester, students can make a class-to-class or class-to-SPP change without penalty (as long as certain conditions are met). This is applicable to supplemental online classes as well.
- 10 day drop period: Within the first 10 school days of the semester, students can drop a course (make a class-to-SPP change) without penalty as long as the student has 6 other credit earning classes.
- Students choosing to withdraw/drop from a class after the 10th school day of the semester will receive an 'F' grade for that class for the semester. The 'F' grade will be reflected on the student's transcript/report card and factored into their cumulative GPA. Students should discuss those decisions with their school counselor prior to making changes.

WHS High School Graduation Requirements:

1. Completion of required courses in grades 9-12
 - a. 4.0 credits of English
 - b. 3.5 credits of Social Studies
 - c. 3.0 credits of Science (must include some level of Biology and Chemistry or Physics)
 - d. 3.0 credits of Math (must include Statistics)
 - e. 0.5 credit Physical Education 9/10
 - f. 0.25 credit Health
 - g. 0.25 credit Speech
 - h. 1.0 credit Fine Arts (visual or performing)
 - i. 0.5 credit Personal Finance (requirement effective for class of 2028 and beyond)
2. Earn a minimum of 23.5 total credits in grades 9-12





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8th grade students are REQUIRED to take the following classes:

- 1 year (2 semesters) of English
 - English 8 or Advanced English 8 or English 8 Foundations
 - *Note: Students who request Adv. English 8 should also request Adv. Global Studies*
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Math - see math section to determine appropriate course
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Physical Science
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Global Studies
 - Global Studies or Advanced Global Studies
 - *Note: Students who request Adv. Global Studies should also request Adv. English 8*
- 1 semester of Physical Education 8
- 1 quarter of Health 8
- 1 quarter of 8th Grade Seminar
- 1 semester of 21st Century Technology
- Strong Recommendation: 1 year (2 semesters) of Student Prep Period

9th grade students are REQUIRED to take the following classes:

- 1 year (2 semesters) of English
 - English 9 or Honors English 9 or English 9 Foundations
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Math - see math section to determine which course
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Earth Science
- 1 semester of Geography
- 1 semester of Physical Education in grades 9 or 10
- 1 quarter of Health 9
- 1 quarter of Speech 9
- 2 semesters of Fine Arts (visual or performing) in grades 9, 10, 11 or 12

10th grade students are REQUIRED to take the following classes:

- 1 year (2 semesters) of English
 - English 10 or Honors English 10 or AP Seminar
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Math - see math section to determine appropriate course
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Science
 - Total of 3 years including some level of Biology and Chemistry or Physics
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Social Studies
 - American History, Advanced American History or AP US History
- 1 semester of Physical Education in grades 9 or 10
- 2 semesters of Fine Arts (visual or performing) in grades 9, 10, 11 or 12
- 1 semester of Personal Finance in grades 10-12 (requirement effective for class of 2028 and beyond)





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11th grade students are REQUIRED to take the following classes:

- 1 year (2 semesters) of English
 - English 11 or Honors American Literature or AP Seminar
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Math - see math section to determine which course
 - Total of 3 years including Statistics
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Science
 - Total of 3 years including some level of Biology and Chemistry or Physics
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Social Studies
 - World History, Advanced World History or AP World History
- 2 semesters of Fine Arts (visual or performing) in grades 9, 10, 11 or 12
- 1 semester of Personal Finance in grades 10-12 (requirement effective for class of 2028 and beyond) ***If not met in previous year*

12th grade students are REQUIRED to take the following classes:

- 1 year (2 semesters) of English
 - English 12, Advanced Composition, AP Literature & Composition or AP Seminar
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Social Studies
 - Senior Gov., Econ., Advanced Senior Gov., Econ. or AP Government
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Math ***If not met in previous years*
 - See math section to determine which course
 - Total of 3 years including Statistics
- 1 year (2 semesters) of Science ***If not met in previous years*
 - Total of 3 years including some level of Biology and Chemistry or Physics
- 2 semesters of Fine Arts (visual or performing) in grades 9 - 12 ***If not met in previous years*
- 1 semester of Personal Finance in grades 10-12 (requirement effective for class of 2028 and beyond) ***If not met in previous years*

