

# Upper School Course Registration Workshop

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Everything you need to know to have a full, meaningful, challenging, balanced, fun, character-building experience in high school that prepares you to meet your college goals.



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# Overview for this session

- Curriculum
- How to turn it up or turn it down
- Four year planning

Subject Required credits	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
<b>English</b> 4.5 credits	Honors Ancient Literature (1.0)	Honors Medieval and Renaissance Literature (1.0)	Rhetoric (0.5) Honors Enlightenment and American Literature or AP English Language and Composition (1.0 each)	Honors Senior English or AP English Literature and Composition (1.0 each)
<b>History</b> 4.5 credits <i>(includes 0.5 credits Washington State history and government)</i>	Honors Ancient and World History (1.0)	Honors European History or AP European History (1.0 each)	Honors U.S. History or AP U.S. History (1.0 each)	Art History (0.5) U.S. Government and Politics (0.5)
<b>Science</b> 3.0 credits	Conceptual Physics (1.0)	Chemistry or Honors Chemistry (1.0 each)	Marine Biology, Biomedicine, or AP Biology (1.0 each)	Engineering, AP Physics 1 or AP Chemistry (1.0 each)
<b>Math</b> 3.0 credits	Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, or Honors Precalculus (1.0 each)	Geometry, Algebra 2, Precalculus, Honors Precalculus, or AP Calculus AB (1.0 each)	Algebra 2, Precalculus, Honors Precalculus, AP Statistics, AP Calculus AB or AP Calculus BC (1.0 each)	Precalculus, Honors Precalculus, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, Multivariable Calculus or AP Statistics (1.0 each)
<b>Christian Studies</b> 3.0 credits	Early Christian Thought and Practice (0.5)	Medieval Christian Thought and Practice (0.5) Logic (0.5)	Modern Christian Thought and Practice (0.5)	Worldview Capstone (1.0)
<b>Languages</b> 3.0 credits	French, Spanish, or Latin Level ____	French, Spanish, or Latin Level ____	French, Spanish, or Latin Level ____	French, Spanish, or Latin Level ____
<b>Health</b> 0.5 credits	Health (0.5)			
<b>Physical Education</b> 1.5 credits Ski & Snowboard Program (0.25) or BC sports team (0.5)	F			
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<b>Fine Arts</b> 1.0 credits	S1			
	S2			
<b>Additional</b> 1.5 credits	S1			
	S2			
<b>Senior Capstone</b> 0.5 credits	N/A	N/A	N/A	Senior Capstone Project (0.5)

# Graduation Requirements

English	4.5 Credits
History	4.5
Science*	3
Math*	3
Christian Studies	3
Languages*	3
Health	0.5
Physical Education	1.5
Fine Arts	1
Additional Credits	1.5
Senior Capstone	0.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>

\* 4.0 credits are required in math, science, or languages.

# Advanced Placement Courses (AP)

- Advanced Placement courses follow a nationally normed college level curriculum, managed by the College Board.
  - College credit
  - Shows rigor on the transcript
- AP Courses available to students sophomore – senior year.
- AP courses are challenging and require more homework per night than regular or honors classes.
- There will be advising along the way to help you decide.

# History, English, and Christian Studies

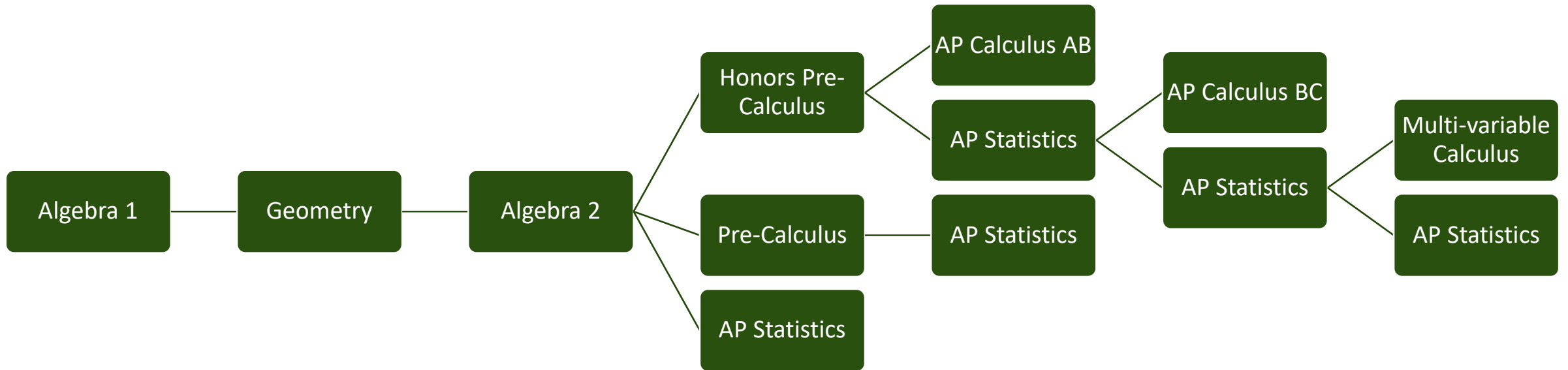
- Time period of content coordinated by grade
- Options for greater rigor in history and English after freshmen year
- Junior year Rhetoric
- Worldview Capstone

# Science

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Conceptual Physics (1.0)	Chemistry (1.0)	Marine Biology (1.0) Or Biomedicine (1.0)	Engineering (1.0)
	Honors Chemistry (1.0)	AP Biology (1.0)	AP Chemistry (1.0)
			AP Physics (1.0)

**3 credits of Science required for graduation – including 1 physical science and 1 biological science. (A 4<sup>th</sup> credit is needed for Bear Creek graduation in either science, math, or a language.)**

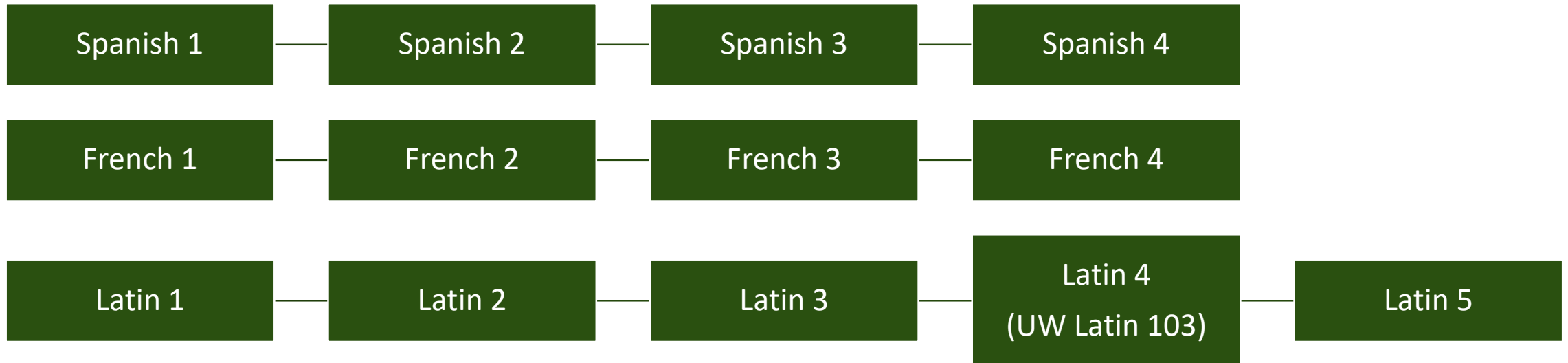
# Math



- **3 credits of Math required for graduation, starting at Algebra 1.**  
(A 4<sup>th</sup> credit is needed for Bear Creek graduation in either science, math, or a language.)
- **Math courses listed above taken in MS count toward the graduation requirement. They do not appear on the transcript or impact the GPA.**



# Languages



**Students must reach third year proficiency for graduation, and two of those credits must be earned in Upper School. (A 4<sup>th</sup> credit is needed for Bear Creek graduation in either science, math, or a language.)**

# The 7<sup>th</sup> Block

- Electives

Fine and Performing Arts			General Electives
<b>Visual Art</b> Graphic Design 1 (0.5) Graphic Design 2 (0.5) Photography 1 (0.5) Photography 2 (0.5) Studio Art 1 (0.5) Studio Art 2 (0.5) Studio Art 3 (0.5) Sculpture and Mixed Media (0.5) Advanced Studio Art (1.0)	<b>Drama</b> Fall Drama (0.5) Spring Drama (0.5)	<b>Music</b> Concert Choir (1.0) Jazz Band (0.5) Concert Band (1.0) Vocal Ensemble (0.5) Mixed Ensemble (0.5)	Yearbook (1.0) Anatomy & Physiology (0.5)
		AP Music Theory (1.0)	AP Computer Science (1.0)

- Study Hall
- Extra academic classes

# The Four Year Plan

- Using the Course Planning Worksheet
- Examples of student 4 year plans
- Course Registration: Tuesday, February 26 – Tuesday, March 5
- Advising and Student support
- Make an appointment with me to discuss a plan to create right sequence for you

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