



**UNIONVILLE
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Unionville High School

COURSE SELECTION NIGHT



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The start of an exciting 4 years

- The purpose of this evening is to provide an overview of the high school course selection and scheduling process.
- Please understand that adhering to the scheduling timeline and its related deadlines are critical to the scheduling process.
- We need to know in a timely matter what courses the students would like to take since these numbers drive a large part of the master schedule.

Timeline

February 14-March 1: Course Request

- Complete online course requests
- Check for minimum 5.5 credits and maximum 7.0 credits

April 8-12: Course Request Change Period

- **All** changes to current course requests must be submitted during the course request change period.

June 10 - June 24: Course Level Change Request and Grade Prerequisite Waiver Submission Period

- All students are required to check final grades and course prerequisites for their current course requests. Students **MUST** meet the prerequisites at the end of this school year in order to be eligible for certain courses next year.
- Students who do not meet the prerequisites at the end of the year will be placed in the appropriate course. Students who elect to request a course for which they do not meet the prerequisite must submit a Grade Prerequisite Waiver Agreement through a link on the UHS website by **June 25, 2019**.

Graduation Requirements

Students are required to take a minimum of 22 credits over their high school career.

- 4 credits English
- 4 credits Social Studies
- 3 credits Science
- 3 credits Math
- .75 credit Physical Education
- .50 credit Health
- .50 credit Business Applications course
- 6.25 Electives



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ENGLISH

An Honors-level English student . . .

- Is motivated to intensely study writing, reading, research, grammar, and vocabulary
- Loves reading novels, plays, and short stories independently, ready to discuss insights with the class
- Has a firm, working knowledge of 8th-grade grammar concepts

How is Foundations of Western Thought different?

- An integrated course that studies history and literature
- Meets for 90 minutes: 2 teachers
- Students should be engaged and motivated to discuss and write about how literature, history, and the humanities fit together



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SOCIAL STUDIES



What is the difference between the Honors and Academic levels in Social Studies?

9th Graders take Western Civiliation

Honors

- Greater expectation for content acquisition (class time used to *think critically* about facts).
- High level reading comprehension a must.
- High level of individual motivation, interest in Social Studies, and study skills.

Academic

- Pace designed to meet students' needs.
- More structured coverage of course content.



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SCIENCE

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Honors Biology (students take Keystones)

- ✓ 93% in 8th grade Science *or*
- ✓ 85% in 8th grade Honors Science

Academic Biology (students take Keystones)

- ✓ 70% in 8th grade Science
- ✓ & Concurrent enrollment in Algebra I or completion of Algebra I

Global Science (First Level)

- ✓ Students then enroll in biology as sophomores
- ✓ Keystone exam taken in sophomore year



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MATHEMATICS



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Typical Math Progression:

Pre-Requisites:

- Details available in course selection book
- Monitored yearly; best predictor of success
- Please stop by in the library to ask questions

Honors Students:

- Demonstrated success in prior courses
- Can master concepts at a fast pace
- Consistent completion of homework
- Seeks help when needed

Grade 8

Freshman

Honors
Geometry \longrightarrow Honors
Algebra II
(MA3003)

Geometry \longrightarrow Algebra II Accelerated
(MA3012)

Honors
Algebra I
or Algebra I
Traditional $\begin{cases} \longrightarrow \text{Honors} \\ \text{Geometry} \\ \text{(MA2003)} \\ \longrightarrow \text{Geometry Accelerated} \\ \text{(MA2012)} \end{cases}$

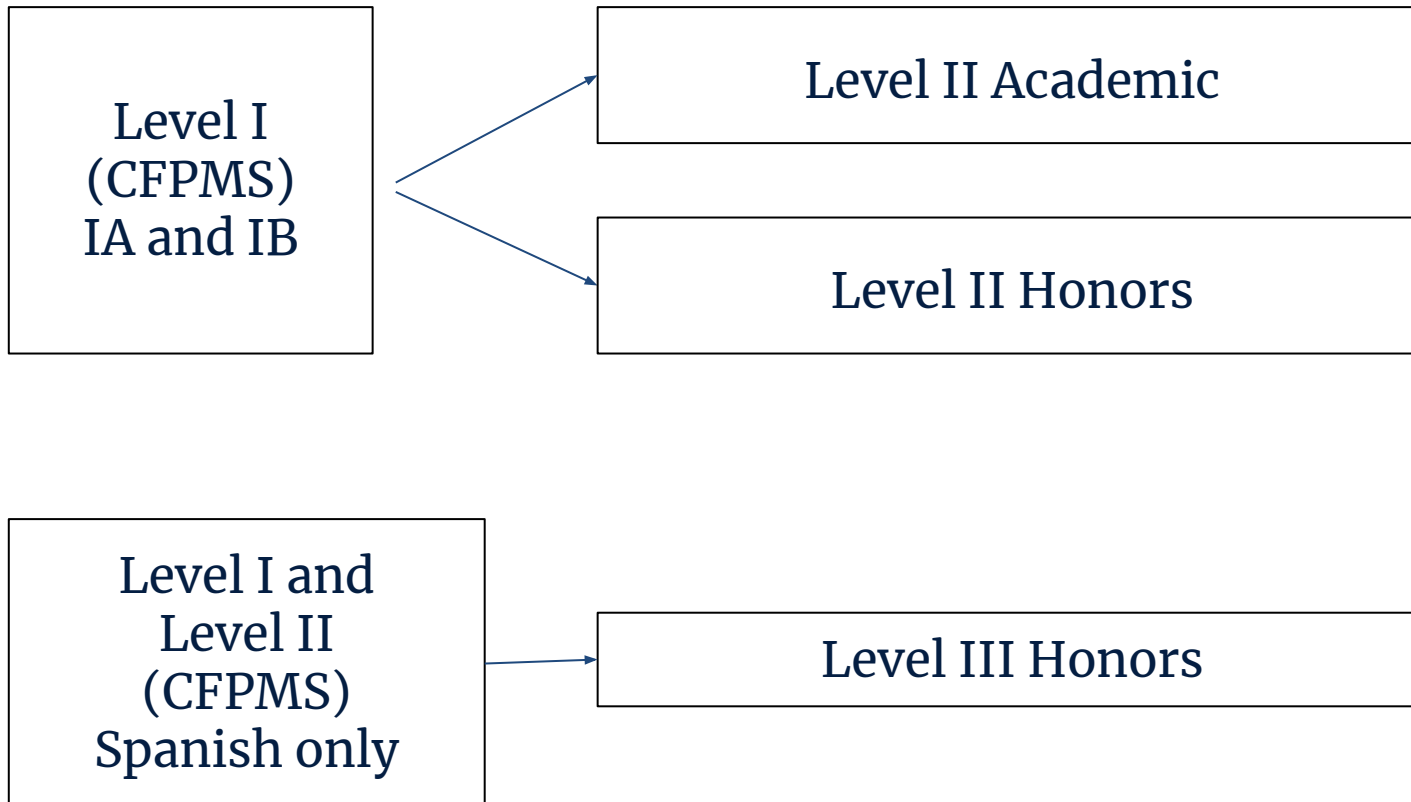
Pre-Algebra $\begin{cases} \longrightarrow \text{Algebra I Accelerated} \\ \text{(MA1012)} \\ \longrightarrow \text{Algebra I} \\ \text{Academic} \\ \text{(MA1002)} \\ \longrightarrow \text{Algebra I A} \\ \text{First Level} \\ \text{(MA1001)} \end{cases}$



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WORLD LANGUAGE

World Language





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Health and Physical Education

All freshmen take the following courses...

Wellness 1

- Explore the 6 Dimensions of Wellness in this course
- Class meets 3 out of the 6 days in a cycle for 1 semester

Team Building and Leadership

- Work together and get to know your classmates' strengths while practicing the essential skills that all great teams exhibit
- This course includes a culminating field trip at the end of the course
- Class meets 3 out of the 6 days in a cycle for 1 semester

Elective program highlights

Elective teachers are present tonight

World Language: 3 languages- French, German, Spanish

Art: Survey (semester long) and Full year courses. Art I begins the Portfolio program open to 9th grade students

Technology and Engineering Education: Two options...

Project Lead the Way: Students can start in 9th grade towards a 4- year honors program with potential college credit. Or...

1/2 year elective hands-on project-based courses

Business Applications: ECA is now an open elective with no summer online option. New Computer Science course- AP Computer Science Principles. Intro. To Personal Finance is now a semester course. See course selection guide for information.

Music: Some of the ensembles do require an audition. There are other courses that do not require an audition - Theory, Guitar, Technology

Family and Consumer Sciences: 1/2 year courses- foods, interior design, child development

How many classes can fit in my schedule?

UHS operates on a 6 day cycle and students must have 5.5 credits a school year.

There are 7 class periods in a school day.

Need 5.5 Total Credits		
Year	6/6	1
Year	3/6	.5
Semester	6/6	.5
Semester	3/6	.25

	1	English	
	2	Math	
	3	Social Studies	
Lunch and Learn			
	4	Science	
	5	Team Building	Wellness
	6	Business Elective	
	7	Full Year Elective	

PE 9 is 3/6 days per cycle. Only a 3/6 course could fit or a study hall will be scheduled automatically.

Wellness I is 3/6 days per cycle. Only a 3/6 course could fit or a study hall will be scheduled.

Important Considerations:

1. Not all courses are offered every period or every semester.
2. If you have a study hall preference, select the appropriate combination in your course requests. It is a preference, not a guarantee.

Timeline Review

February 14 - March 1: Course Selection Window

April 8-12: ADD/DROP Course Request Change Period and Grade Prerequisite Waiver Submission Period

Students will log back into PowerSchool account and edit course requests directly in PowerSchool. Consider Quarter 3 grades. This is the last opportunity for students to make changes to course requests, with the exception of course level changes. A link to submit a Grade Prerequisite Waiver will be available on the UHS website.

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Can sort by Course Name or Number

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[View course requests](#)

9th Grade English

Please select an English course for 9th grade. If choosing "Eng Fdns of Western Thought Honors" you must select "SS Fdns of Western Thought Honors" in Social Studies.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Course Name	Number	Course Description	Credits	Prerequisite Note	Alerts
<input type="checkbox"/>	English 9 First Level	ENG100 1	English 9 First Level includes the study of specific novels, short stories, poetry, grammar, and vocabulary. While analyzing thematic and literal meanings, as well as literary devices, students will concentrate on attaining the skills needed to reach proficiency on the Keystone Literature exam in 10th grade.	1	60% in 8th grade English	
<input type="checkbox"/>	English 9 Academic	ENG100 2	English 9 Academic focuses on a variety of literary genres, while analyzing thematic and literal meanings as well as literary devices. This course emphasizes instruction and practice in oral and written composition and also improvement of language	1	60% in 8th grade Core English, Honors English, or Honors Creative Writing	

9th Grade Health
This is required Health class for 9th grade. No selection required

HEALTH 1002 - 0.25 Credits
This course explores

ESSENTIAL COMPUTER APPLICATIONS
Please select an Essential Computer Applications course.

Click the edit button to request a course ➡

9th Grade Art & Music - Electives

Click the edit button to request a course ➡

9th Grade World Language - Electives

Click the edit button to request a course ➡

9th Grade Tech Ed - Electives

Click the edit button to request a course ➡

Question and Answer Time

Department Representatives and Counselors will be available in the Cyber Cafe and in the Library/Media Center until 8:30 pm