

URSULINE
ACADEMY

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Welcome
Parents of the
Class of 2023



Graduation Requirements

28 credits

- 4 credits
 - Theology, English, Math, Social Studies, Science
- 3 credits
 - World Language
- 1 credit
 - Physical Education
- 1 credit
 - Fine Arts
- 1 credit
 - Computer Science
- ½ credit
 - Speech
- 1 ½
 - Elective credits

Four-year course plans are made with advisors in January/February.



Typical Sample Schedule

- There are a total of 8.0 credits divided among two school days (known as A-day & B-day) during the regular school day (8:45 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.).
- Courses rotate every other day.
- All students are required to take a minimum of 7.0 credits per year.



Typical Sample Schedule

- ▶ Typical Schedule for Freshman:
 - ▶ 7 Credits with a fall and spring study period
 - ▶ English – 1 credit
 - ▶ Social Studies – 1 credit
 - ▶ Theology – 1 credit
 - ▶ World Language – 1 credit
 - ▶ Math – 1 credit
 - ▶ Science – 1 credit
 - ▶ Wellness/Speech/Visual Arts/Performing Arts/Electives
 - ▶ Fall and Spring Study Period– carry no credit



Tips for Scheduling

Your daughter will be automatically enrolled in the following courses:

- English I
- Early World History
- Algebra I/Geometry Year I
- Physics I
- Theology



Tips for Scheduling

➤ World Language

➤ A student must take 3 consecutive years of their selected World Language beginning with Freshman year. Fourth year is optional.

➤ Arabic

➤ French

➤ Mandarin Chinese

➤ Spanish



Tips for Scheduling

- **The following courses must be taken before the end of Sophomore year:**
 - Speech
 - Wellness - 0.5 PE credit

Tips for Scheduling

Electives available for Freshman 2019-2020

Electives

Band	Jazz Choir
Ceramics I	Journalism
Ceramics II (after Ceramics I)	Light & Sound Design
Color Guard	Musical Theatre
Dance I-IV	Relief and Engraving
Digital Photography I	Screen Printing
Film Making I	Set Design
Freshman Choir	Stage Makeup & Design
Fundamentals of Acting	String Ensemble I-IV
Improvisation	Studio Art I
Introduction to Costuming	Studio Art II (after Studio Art I)
Introduction to Theatre	

- See Compendium link for additional information on New Parent Page



Personal Counseling

Tanya Hamilton, Personal Counseling Dept. Chair

- Role of Personal Counseling
 - Social/Emotional
 - Academic Support
 - Course Planning

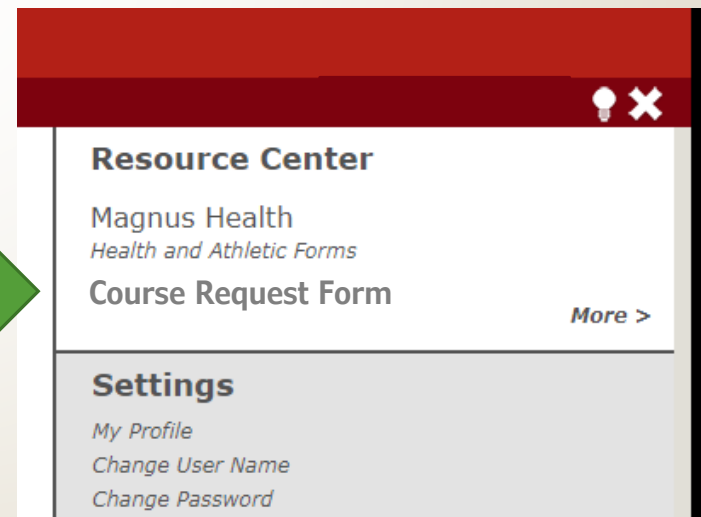
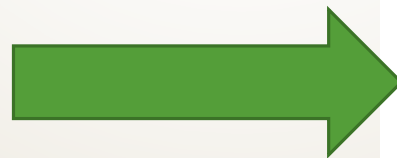


Personal Counselors

- ▶ Keisha Gaddis – Last name begins with **A - G**
 - ▶ kgaddis@ursulinedallas.org – ext. 1812
- ▶ Mary Campise – Last name begins with **H - L**
 - ▶ mcampise@ursulinedallas.org ext. 1877
- ▶ Tanya Hamilton, Department Chair- Last name begins with **M - R**
 - ▶ thamilton@ursulinedallas.org – ext. 1810
- ▶ Patty LaValle - Last name begins with **S - Z**
 - ▶ plavalle@ursulinedallas.org – ext. 1811

Course Requests Process

- Login to My Backpack:
(<https://backpack.ursulinedallas.org>)
- Wednesday, May 1 beginning at 10:00 AM
– Thursday, May 2 ending at 4:00 PM.
- The Class of 2023 Course Request Form is located in the Resource Center at the top right of the screen.





Sample Survey

7. JOURNALISM *

Select this course if you are interested in taking Journalism.

Select your answer



8. PHYSICAL EDUCATION *

1.0 credit of Physical Education is required for graduation. Select Wellness if you are interested in taking it this Summer or this upcoming school year. All students must complete 0.5 credit of Wellness by the end of sophomore year. The 0.5 credit can be obtained in another PE class, Band Color Guard, Dance, Rangerettes, Cheer or an Ursuline athletic team.

Select your answer



9. WORLD LANGUAGE *

All students must take three consecutive years of the same World Language. Students who have previous instruction and/or experience in the language of their first choice must take the placement test. No placement test is required if a student wishes to select a language in which they have no previous experience. You will receive notification on May 17 indicating your placement and your schedule will be updated accordingly.

Click here to read the course descriptions of the World Language Courses available.

<https://www.ursulinedallas.org/academics/courses>.

Select your answer





Summer School Course Requests

April 25-30

- ▶ Use your parent login on **My Backpack** from 9:00 am April 25 to 6:00 pm April 30, 2019.
- ▶ Course descriptions and schedules are in the [Summer 2019 Courses for Class of 2023](#) on the [New Students page](#) of the Ursuline website.
- ▶ Questions?
Contact Amy Gilchrist or Estela Ayala at summerschool@ursulinedallas.org.



Laptop Rollout for ALL New Students Thursday, June 6

- ▶ Students will receive delivery of their laptops and be trained on its basic functions and programs.
- ▶ 9:30 – 11:30 or 1:30 – 3:30 (assigned based on Summer School schedules)
- ▶ Summer School Orientation will take place the same day from 12:00 to 1:00.



Student Life

Kayla Brown - Dean of Students

- Freshmen Orientation

- August 16th - 8:45-3:45

- Transfer Student Orientation

- August 16th - 8:30-11:00

- Advisory



Rachel Clark

Freshman Grade Dean

- **Role of the Grade Dean**

- **Social Events**

 - Mixers with Jesuit & Cistercian

 - Homecoming and Harvest Dance

- **Intramurals**

 - November 20th-22nd

- **Class Retreat**