

Monta Vista High School

Course Selection— 10th Grade



Class of 2023

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- Course selection process
- Things to consider for 11th grade
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Academics



**Daily
living**

**Extra-
curricular**

4-year Timeline

9th Grade

Getting to know yourself & school

- Transition from middle to high school
- Identifying your learning style & solidifying study techniques
- Develop self-advocacy & independence
- Naviance — interest inventories

10th Grade

Exploration

- Explore — take risks & try new things
- Find out what interests you & what you are passionate about
- Naviance — career & major exploration

11th Grade

Honing in

- Go deeper in your areas of interest (both academic & extra-curricular)
- Seek balance
- Naviance — college exploration

- Tests — AP, CAASPP, PSAT, SAT/ACT

12th Grade

Putting it all together

- Go deeper in your areas of interest (both academic & extra-curricular)
- Seek balance
- Naviance — college applications

- Tests — AP, SAT/ACT

High School Requirements

Requirement	Graduation	UC/CSU eligibility
English	40 credits	4 years
Science	20 credits	2 years
Math	20 credits (through Geometry)	3 years (through Algebra II)
Social Science	30 credits	2 years
PE	20 credits	
Electives	70 credits <u>In addition to 2 out of 3:</u> 10 credits Applied Academic 10 credits Fine Art <i>10 credits World Language</i>	1 year Fine Art 2 years World Language 1 year College Prep Elective
Total Credits	220 total credits	

****1 year course = 10 credits***

Selecting Courses

- Junior year = lots of student choices
- Select courses that are right for you
- Good rule of thumb — match rigor with interests!
- Informed decision making — seek information from teachers, guidance staff, current & former students, parents etc.
- Don't buy in to the Junior Year "*Trap*" — balance is key
- Consider grade expectations

Course Selection Process

Students/families should receive the following by the end of January:

- . K12 online course registration form
- . Course offerings handout
- . “How-to” video for Infinite Campus course selection

It is required to complete both the K12 form and Infinite Campus course selection

Course Selection Timeline

- Infinite Campus Portal: 2/11—3/5
- K12 Course Request Forms due: 3/5
- Course verification/corrections: 3/22—3/26
- Final course verification: Early June
- Tentative schedules sent home: Early August
- Running of the Bulls (ROTB)--add available courses, drop courses: August 9th
- Pick up schedule first day of school: August 16th

11th Grade Core Course Offerings

<i>English</i>	<i>Social Science</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• American Literature• American Literature H• American Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• US History• AP US History• American Studies

<i>Science</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chemistry, Chemistry H, AP Chemistry• Physics, AP Physics 1, AP Physics C• AP Biology	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AP Environmental Science• Physiology

MVHS Math Pathways

Algebra 1

Geometry

Algebra 2

**Algebra 2 /
Trigonometry**

**Applications of
Advanced Math**

Pre-Calculus

**Pre-Calculus
Honors**

AP Statistics*

AP Calculus AB

AP Calculus BC

*AP Statistics may be taken upon successful completion of any upper level math class

11th Grade Elective Courses

- **Fine Arts**

- Art, Photography, 3D Sculpture & Design, Music/Choir, Drama

- **Applied Academics**

- Business, Computer Science, Woodworking, Engineering, Journalism, STEM

- **World Language**

- Chinese, Japanese, Spanish, French

- **General Electives**

- TA, Lab Assistant, Media Assistant, Yearbook, Leadership, AVID

- **PE**

- Racquet Sports, Weight Training, Dance, Basketball

Selecting Courses

- Collect information and data from your resources
- Request your top 6 courses academic courses
- Open periods - 1st / 7th / Sport
- No two classes within the same curricular department
- Balance school and co-curricular activities



Course Selection Support

- MVHS.fuhsd.org website
- Course Selection Parent Q & A Webinars:
 - Rising 11th and 12th graders — 1/28, 5-6pm
- Course Selection Student Q & A Webinar — 1/26, 10-10:30am (after Advisory)
- Elective Night Q & A Webinar — 2/2, 6:30-7:30pm
- EL Course Selection Webinar — 2/9, 5-6pm
- Student Course Information Fair — 2/10 (Advisory)

Campus Life

- MVHS is a *comprehensive* high school! This is a time for your student to:
 - Dig deeper into areas of interest
 - Learn with purpose
 - Have fun
 - Try new things!
- Clubs
- Leadership
- Music
- Theatre
- Spirit
- Dance Team
- Color Guard
- Athletics

Striking Balance

- Consider your options and time commitments carefully!
 - Purpose is to facilitate a conversation at home:
 - Daily living hours
 - Course workload expectations
 - Extra-curricular hours

Top 5 for 11th Graders

1. Maintain balance - consider your load!
2. Choose courses that are right for *you*
3. Continue to explore and deepen *your* areas of interest
4. Foster independence & encourage self-advocacy
5. Don't fall into the "junior year trap"

Next Steps

- Attend Q & A webinars:
 - Students — 1/26, 10-10:30am
 - Parents — 1/28, 5-6pm
- Contact teachers to discuss course selections
- Elective Night Q & A webinar — 2/2
- Turn in K12 course selection form by 3/5
- Complete Infinite Campus portal course selection registration by 3/5