

2022-2023
Course Scheduling Information
Class of 2024 (current 10th)



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Course Scheduling Materials



- You should receive today:
 - A Junior Year Course Selection/EDP Sheet (blue)
 - An Appointment Time with a counselor
 - Your most current transcript
 - Synergy instructions
 - Summary of Course Offerings

The GLHS Course Curriculum Guide is available on the Guidance webpage.

- All CTE and EFA Off-Site applications are due January 28th (<https://studentsighup.swmitech.org/GL12>).
- Priority Early College applications are due March 1. Final deadline August 31.

Take a look at the top of your course request sheet...



1. Add your scheduling appointment time to your calendar on your phone or chrome book (with an “alert” to remind you)... DO THIS NOW 😊
2. It is your responsibility to remember to make it to your scheduled appointment on time (or to reschedule)
3. If you forget your appointment time for some reason, the dates and times will be posted outside the Guidance office.
4. If for some reason you can't make your appointment just switch with a friend if possible!

1:1 Scheduling Appointments



Prior to your scheduling appointment:

- ❑ Talk with teachers about best placement for you in core courses.
- ❑ Discuss your plans and course selections with your teachers, case manager, counselor and parents (parent signature required.)
- ❑ Complete the EDP worksheet and course request worksheet (blue.)
Enter your final course requests in Student Vue under course requests by **Wednesday, February 2nd**.
- ❑ Turn in your completed course request sheet/EDP to your seminar teacher on **Wednesday, February 2nd**.

At your scheduling appointment:

- ✓ We will double your check credits and progress toward graduation
- ✓ We will review your course selections and make any needed changes
- ✓ We will review your EDP to make sure your course selections align with your educational and career goals.

Graduation Requirements



28 total credits are required to receive a GLHS Diploma

- English Language Arts 4 credits
- Mathematics 4 credits
- Science 3 credits
- Social Studies 3.5 credits
- Physical Education .5 credit
- Health .5 credit
- Visual, Performing & Applied Arts 1 credit
- Business 1 credit
- World Language 2 credits (same language)

English Language Arts Course Options



English: Four credits of English are required for Graduation

Required ELA courses must include:

(note page 18-20 of the course curriculum guide)

English 9 AB

English 10 AB

English 11 AB

English 12 AB or AP Comp, AP Lit, College English 110/111

Additional English /Language Arts electives include: Debate, Speech, Creative Writing, Multi Media & Reporting, Newspaper and Yearbook Publications (see pages 18-20 in the course curriculum guide)

Students interested in Yearbook Publications should complete an online application. Please see your counselor or Mrs. Jolin (in Room 1406) for the link. Yearbook does require a full year commitment (1.5 credits).

Mathematics Course Options



Math: Four credits of math are required and must include:

Algebra AB/Algebra 3 tri ABC

Geometry AB/Concepts of Geometry AB

Data Analysis AB/Concepts of Data Analysis AB

Fourth Math/Math-Related Credit

A math/math related course must be completed during the **senior year**
(see page 27 of the course curriculum guide)

Additional core math courses include: Trigonometry, Pre Calculus, AP Calculus, Statistics, AP Statistics, Land Surveying and Personal Finance.
Please note page 27 of the course curriculum guide for a listing of math related GLHS courses and CTE programs

Science Course Options



Three credits of Science are required and must include:

Biology or Concepts of Biology

Physics or Chemistry (or Concepts versions)

Third Science Elective

If you did not take Chemistry or Physics your sophomore year, please plan to take this in either your junior or senior year.

Additional science courses include *Environmental Science, Anatomy/Physiology, Earth and Space Science A/B, AP Physics, AP Biology, AP Chemistry* and several CTE Science Related Programs

**Be sure to plan ahead as AP Physics (2023-2024)
and AP Biology (2022-2023) run every other year.**

Social Studies Course Options



Social Studies: Three and one half credits of Social Studies are required for graduation and must include:

Civics

US History or A.P. US History

World History or A.P. World History

Economics

Junior year, you have the option of World History or Advanced Placement World History. Please check with your current USH teacher if you are interested in taking AP World History.

Additional social studies electives include: *Sociology, US History through Film, Psychology, and History of Eastern Religion and Cultures. See pages 32-34 of the Course Curriculum Guide for the course descriptions.*

World Language Options



World Languages: Two credits of the same World Language are required for graduation

Spanish I

Spanish II

Spanish III

Spanish IV

Other options may be available online.

Additional Requirements



Required Courses: If you have not earned credit yet for any of the following required courses, you should select them for the next school year:

Health (.5 credit)

Intro to Fitness (.5 credit)

Business (1 credit)

- See pages 14-17 of the *Course Guide* for business course options.

Visual, Performing and Applied Arts (1 credit)

- See page 12 of the *Course Guide* for a listing of VPAA courses.

Test Prep (.5 credit) is strongly recommended for the junior year (see page 12 of the *Course Guide*)

CTE/EFA Off-Site Options



- **Career & Technigal Education (CTE) Programs and Education for the Arts (EFA)** offer career training opportunities, possible college credit and co-op opportunities for students in Kalamazoo County (studentapplication.swmitech.org or see pages 41-50)
 - There is **NO cost** to the student for participating
 - **Students are responsible for their own transportation** to and from all off-site CTE/EFA programs
 - Most CTE/EFA off-site programs run for two blocks for the entire school year and will earn you 3.0 credits. Teacher Academy runs 5th block for 1.5 credits.
- CTE/EFA applications are due January 28th. We will be reviewing applications and students will receive a verification letter regarding their status.
 - CTE/EFA applications must be submitted online. See program options listing on pages 41-50.
- Many of the county wide CTE and EFA programs have limited space available and it is not unusual for you to be placed on a waiting list for a program.

Early College



- **Early College** is a rigorous five year high school program that will combine the best of high school with an early college experience.
- EC students will have the opportunity to earn their high school diploma along with college credits (up to an Associate's Degree) after completing 5 years of high school.
- For the Class of 2023, the State of Michigan does require a commitment to the EC Program by the end of the sophomore year.
- **Informational meetings will be held in the High School Media Center on February 3 and April 28th. On March 22nd a informational meeting will be held online at 7:00 pm.**

Early College continued



- Interested students should plan accordingly for sophomore year:
 - ❑ Attend an EC Information Meeting
 - ❑ Complete the EC application by March 1st for priority deadline and August 31st for final deadline
 - ❑ Sign up for or switch into Career and College Readiness
 - ❑ Apply this spring to KVCC/KCC/WMU
 - ❑ Take the Accuplacer placement test at KVCC
 - ❑ If you decide to take college courses as a junior, plan one block for each Fall/Winter course (1.5 per year) and complete the necessary paperwork with your counselor after meeting with the EC Academic Advisor

Planning Ahead



- **NCAA:** National Collegiate Athletic Association has set specific minimum academic standards for (college) freshman-eligibility.
- Potential athletes should create an account with the NCAA Eligibility Center.
- Potential athletes are advised to check the listing of NCAA-approved courses, test scores and grade point average on the Eligibility Center's Website. This can be viewed at www.ncaaeligibilitycenter.net.
- All GLHS NCAA approved courses are noted under *Standards* along with the course descriptions in the *Course Curriculum Guide*.
- Please note that not ALL virtual classes are NCAA approved.

Course Selection Reminders



Make sure your completed blue course selection sheet includes:

- Student Name and Parent Phone number
- A total 7.5 credits of requests (not including seminar and EFA after school programs)
- Three alternative courses
- Code Numbers and Course Titles
- An updated Educational Development Plan (EDP)
- **Parent Signature**
- **Teacher Signatures** for Advanced Placement or Concepts courses
- Enter your course request in Synergy - see handout

Your Course Selection Sheet/EDP must be completed and returned to your seminar teacher on Wednesday, February 2nd.

Just so you know...



January 28th: CTE/EFA Applications are Due - you can still apply after January 28 but you will not be guaranteed a seat.

April: Sophomores with a cumulative 3.5 gpa at the end of the 2nd tri-mester will be invited to apply to the National Honor Society. A letter will be mailed to eligible students with more information.

June: Testing Out and AP summer materials will be available.

April – August: The Master Schedule will be built; teacher responsibilities assigned; and individual student schedules will be finalized.

QUESTIONS:



You can review the scheduling presentation again and access the course curriculum guide on the GLHS guidance department webpage under scheduling.

Be sure to talk with you parents and teachers about your goals, plans, and course requests.

We look forward to meeting with you!

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