

American School Foundation of Monterrey
Course Planning Guide 2022-2023
Grade 8 Into Grade 9

PART A: GENERAL INFORMATION

This course planning guide is intended to help you plan your courses for next year. We will try as much as possible to arrange your courses and schedule for next year based on the choices you make when you complete the actual course selection form online. You will be assigned to courses based on limits in enrollment AND the eligibility process(es) used for each course, which may include one or more of the following: grade requirement, application, pre-course work, rigorous course agreement, or teacher recommendation. **Any Honors, Pre-AP or AP course requires one or more of the aforementioned eligibility processes.**

Please use the [Course Selection Website](#) to go to the ASFM website for the following documents and videos to help you plan which courses you want to take next year: Course Planning Guide, ASFM Course Catalog, Grade 9 Course Syllabi, and PowerSchool Class Registration Video.

PART B: CORE COURSES - REQUIRED (3.5 credits)

All students in grade 9 are required to take:

- a. Physical & Health Education 9 (1 semester - 0.50 credit)
- b. Spanish 9 **OR** Spanish Language & Culture (1 year – 1.00 credit each course, SLC is only for international students)
- c. Social Studies 9 (1 year – 1.00 credit course)
- d. Science 9 (1 year = 1.00 credit course)

PART C: CORE COURSES - REQUIRED CHOICES (3.00 credits)

Please carefully consider your options for the core courses listed below. Be sure to read the course description for each course on the web page listed above and review any prerequisites and/or application processes that may be required.

English Choice	English 9 OR English Honors 9 (1 year – 1.00 credit) each course
Mathematics Choice	Integrated Math I OR Integrated Math Honors I (1 year – 1.00 credit each course)
Computers Choice	Computer Science 9 OR Computer Science 9 Honors (1 semester – 0.50 credit each course)
Fine Arts Choice	Art 9, Drama 9, HS Band,, HS Choir, Improvisation 9-12 (1 semester – 0.50 credit each course)

PART D: ELECTIVE COURSES - REQUIRED CHOICES (0.50 credits)

Please carefully consider your options for the elective courses listed below. Be sure to read the course description for each course on the web page listed above and review any prerequisites and/or application processes that may be required for each course.

You will select one elective (0.50 credit) for the year and a pool of three (3) alternate electives that you would like to take. If we can't place you in the elective choice #1, then we would assign you to one of the three elective choice alternates. However, for the year you will be assigned only one elective for your schedule that is equivalent to 0.50 credits.

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ASFM Elective Course Titles – Semester	Credit	ASFM Elective Course Titles – Semester	Credit
Art 9	0.50	Drama 9	0.50
HS Choir	0.50	First Tech Challenge Robotics 9-12	0.50
HS Band	0.50	Intro to Business 9	0.50
Improvisation 9-12	0.50		

Adding the credits together for your choices in Parts B, C, and D will give you a full course load with 7.0 total credits for the school year