



2023-2024 - 9th Grade Course Selection Instructions

These directions are intended for current 8th grade students who will attend Winters Mill High School (WMHS) during the 2023-2024 school year. Course selections should be based on your educational and career goals and made with advice from your parents, teachers, and school counselors. Refer to the **23-24 Program of Studies** for information about courses and admission to Maryland colleges & universities.

- 1.) Write your name and middle school on the top of the sheet (page 2).
- 2.) With the help of school counselors and recommendations from 8th grade teachers, select appropriate courses:
 - ✓ Choose 8 credits.
 - ✓ Consult the **Program of Studies** and **Teacher Recommendations** for the right course level.
 - ✓ Mark your requests with an "X" in the box.
 - ✓ Fill in the alternate box. These courses will be selected without consultation if your original courses cannot be scheduled as requested.
- 3.) Read the **Scheduling Guidelines** below, and then sign the bottom of this sheet.
- 4.) Take a copy of your **Course Selection Worksheet** home and discuss with your parents. If changes need to be made, please make them in writing to the WMHS School Counseling Office by **February 2, 2023**.
- 5.) All students who will attend WMHS during the 2023-2024 school year and their parents/guardians are invited to attend a Scheduling Information Session on **January 10th at 6:30 pm at Winters Mill** and/or an Academic Open House on **February 2 from 5 pm – 7 pm at Winters Mill**. WMHS counselors will be available to share information about courses and answer questions.



Scheduling Guidelines



- Students taking Honors Science in Grade 9 should take both Honors Conceptual Physics and Honors Chemistry of Earth & Space Science.
- Students who will enroll in LFI courses and/or Adaptive Physical Education will be scheduled individually. Please consult the WMHS Special Education Department.
- Literacy is a course that focuses on basic reading skills, functional reading, vocabulary, and comprehension skills. Students will be scheduled in Literacy based upon assessment data and a recommendation from 8th grade teachers. Students taking English 9 level 1 must also take Literacy.
- Winters Mill High School will make every effort to schedule the courses you select, including alternates when necessary. We reserve the right to make schedule changes in the event of schedule conflicts, insufficient course enrollment, or when teacher services are not available to offer the course.
- Students are expected to follow their printed schedule. Since teachers are hired and books/materials are purchased based upon the choices made on course selection worksheets, a schedule change will not be made unless there is a sound educational reason for the requested change.
- Student schedules will be available in **Home Access Center** in August.
- No person will be denied admission to any school, any program, or any course of study in Carroll County Public Schools on the basis of age, color, genetic information, marital status, mental or physical disability, ancestry or national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. Any student having inquiries regarding the application of these rights should contact Mr. Michael Brown, Principal, at 410-386-1500 or the Director of Students Services, 125 N Court Street, Westminster, MD 21157, 410-751-3000.

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Name: _____

Middle School: _____

ENGLISH (Based on teacher recommendation)

	050711	Literacy*	Foundational	1.0 cr
	050111	English 9	Foundational	1.0 cr
	050116	English 9	Academic	1.0 cr
	050018	English 9	Honors	1.0 cr

*Recommendation needed for Literacy- also select English 9 L1.

MATH (Based on teacher recommendation)

	201211	Conceptual Algebra	Foundational	1.0 cr
	201316	Conceptual Algebra*	Academic	1.0 cr
	201816	Algebra I*	Academic	1.0 cr
	201918	Algebra I	Honors	1.0 cr
	203918	Geometry	Honors	1.0 cr

* Some students have been recommended for both Con. Alg and Alg I.

SOCIAL STUDIES (Based on teacher recommendation)

	100311	US History	Foundational	1.0 cr
	100116	Government	Academic	1.0 cr
	100118	Government	Honors	1.0 cr
	100119	Government	AP	1.0 cr

SCIENCE (Based on teacher recommendation)

	155311	Conceptual Physics	Foundational	1.0 cr
	155316	Conceptual Physics	Academic	1.0 cr
	155318	Conceptual Physics*	Honors	1.0 cr
	151418	Chemistry of Earth & Space Science*	Honors	1.0 cr

* Students taking Honors Science should take Physics & Chemistry.

Total Credits Top Chart _____

	300006	Health I	Health	0.5 cr
	250006	PE I	Physical Ed.	0.5 cr
		PE Electives: Personal Fitness/Weight Training/Individual-Dual Sports/Team Sports		0.5 cr ea.
	702016	French I	World Lang	1.0 cr
	700016	Spanish I	World Lang	1.0 cr
	700116	Spanish II	World Lang	1.0 cr
	709418	Hon Spanish for Native Speakers	World Lang	1.0 cr
	719306	Sign Lang I (a)	World Lang	0.5 cr
	719406	Sign Lang II (a)	World Lang	0.5 cr
	450216	Foundations of Technology	Tech Ed	1.0 cr
	450616	Exploring Computer Science	Tech Ed	1.0 cr
	450519	AP Computer Science	Tech Ed	1.0 cr
	600016	Art I	Fine Arts	1.0 cr
	600618	Hon Art II (b)	Fine Arts	1.0 cr
	060506	Drama I	Fine Arts	0.5 cr
	061006	Drama II	Fine Arts	0.5 cr
	060606	Technical Theater (c)	Fine Arts	0.5 cr
	650016	Band I (d)	Fine Arts	1.0 cr
	652516	Percussion (e)	Fine Arts	1.0 cr
	652416	Orchestra	Fine Arts	1.0 cr
	654816	Chorus (d)	Fine Arts	1.0 cr

(a) Students taking Sign Language I should take Sign Language II in the same year.

(b) Hon Art II requires a teacher recommendation if not take Art I.

(c) Students taking Technical Theater must take Drama I first.

(d) Students taking Band I or Chorus must also take Health I & PE I.

(e) Students taking Percussion should NOT take Health I OR PE I.

	501117	Ag Mechanical Technology	Agriscience	1.0 cr
	500118	Hon Intro. to Ag	Agriscience	1.0 cr
	350417	Principles of Business	Business	1.0 cr
	350616	Business Communications & Keyboarding	Business	1.0 cr
	053008	Hon Film & Lit	English	0.5 cr
	053906	Journalistic Writing	English	0.5 cr
	056106	Mystery & Detective Fiction	English	0.5 cr
	056208	Hon Pop Culture & Composition	English	0.5 cr
	402506	Intro. to Foods	FACS	0.5 cr
	403306	Advanced Foods	FACS	0.5 cr
	400916	Principles of Fashion	FACS	1.0 cr
	405606	Flower Design	FACS	0.5 cr
	570116	LET I	JROTC	1.0 cr
	570216	LET II	JROTC	1.0 cr
	103006	American Revolution/ Civil War	Social Studies	0.5 cr
	106006	World Geography	Social Studies	0.5 cr
	106019	AP Human Geography**	Social Studies	1.0 cr

**AP Human Geography is an elective that requires teacher recommendation. Students should also take AP or Hon Gov.

ALTERNATES (List 2-1.0 credit and 2-0.5 credit courses)

0.5 credit courses	1.) 2.)
1.0 credit courses	1.) 2.)

Total credits (should equal 8): Recommended Classes (top chart) _____ + Other Classes _____ = _____