

# CRYSTAL LAKE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL



## TRANSFER STUDENT GUIDE

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PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME

Welcome Gators! We are excited for you to join in the many traditions that Crystal Lake South High School has to offer including Friday Night Lights, school dances, athletics, plays and musicals, and much more!



We believe our students have more success and feel more connected when they get involved in athletics and extracurricular activities. We encourage you to try new activities and meet new people.

We look forward to meeting you soon!

Josh Nabilio  
Principal

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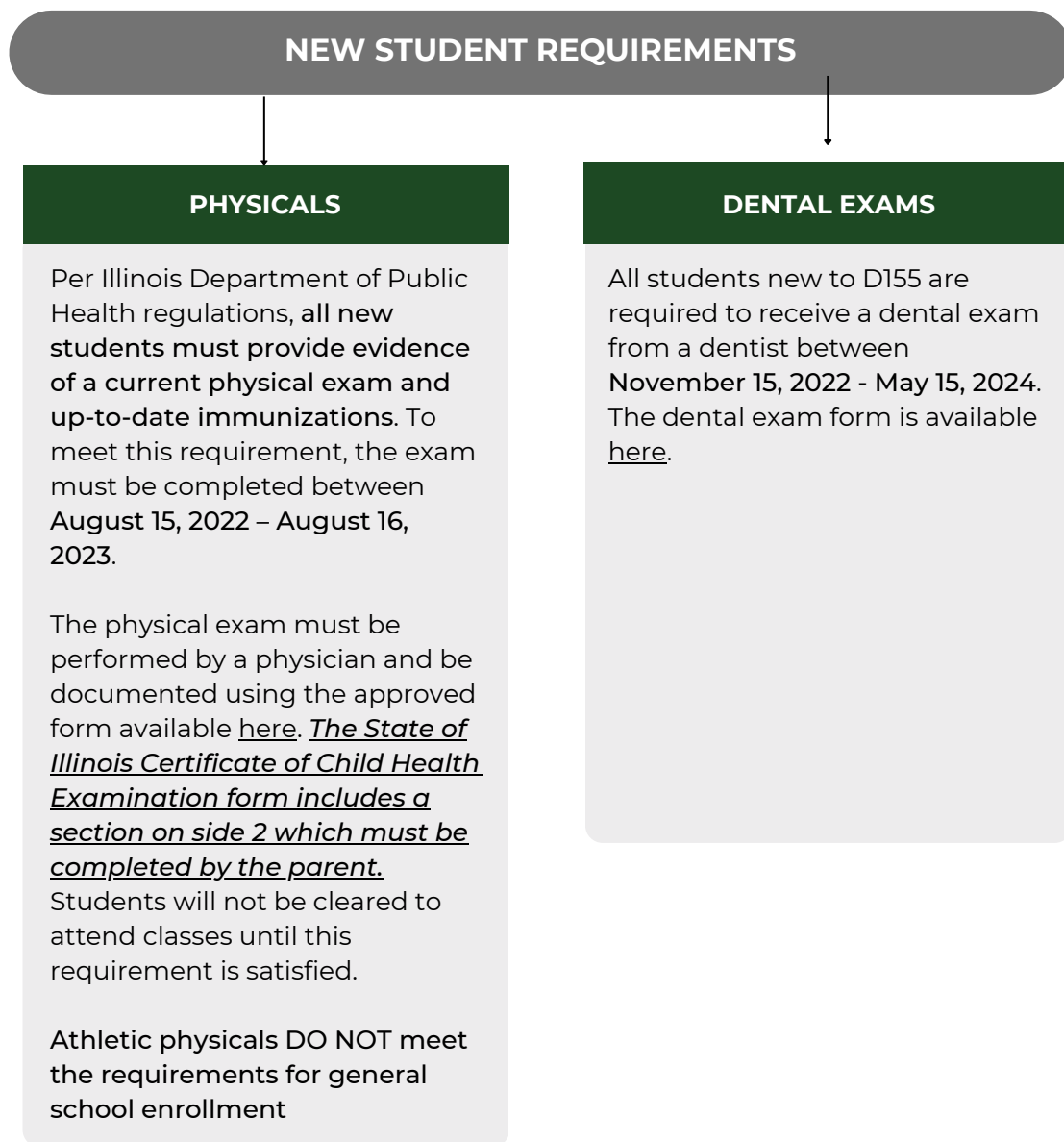
Call the District 155 registrar's office at 815-455-8510 for assistance  
OR

Email: [enrollment@d155.org](mailto:enrollment@d155.org)

## SCHOOL REGISTRATION

School registration is different from school enrollment. School registration happens each year, whereas school enrollment only happens when a student moves into the district. Registration information will be sent to you in May. To help you prepare for registration, you may want to schedule a school physical now as it is part of the registration process. See below for more information.

## STUDENT HEALTH INFORMATION



Parents can provide the completed physical exam form by:

- Email a scan/photo of the form to [cls nurse@d155.org](mailto:cls nurse@d155.org).



## PLACEMENT INTO CORE COURSES

All students at Crystal Lake South High School are assigned to specific courses in English, math, and science. Courses in these core subject areas are leveled to best serve individual students by aligning to the student's subject aptitude, previous coursework experiences, and readiness for learning. Although some courses are not offered at every level, a general description of the levels is provided:

1. **General** - courses that build upon previously attained fundamental skills while preparing students for higher levels of rigor
2. **Honors** - courses that challenge students who have demonstrated a capacity to learn at an accelerated pace



Course placement is determined through a review of current academic achievement scores, transcripts, and recommendations captured during the counselor enrollment appointment.

## CHOOSING ELECTIVE COURSES

Crystal Lake South encourages students to participate in elective coursework that supports students' individual post-secondary goals. Our elective offerings are designed to align with career pathways, foster student talents, and encourage exploration of interests.



[Click here](#) to view full District 155 Curriculum Guide.

# PROMOTING STUDENT SUCCESS

Each student at Crystal Lake South High School is assigned a school counselor to assist with academic planning, social-emotional needs, and post-high school goals.

Students needing assistance balancing their academic workload, extracurricular involvement, community involvement, and other obligations are encouraged to contact their school counselor to explore solutions.

## BALANCE

Each day students must balance a variety of school-related activities and personal obligations.

Students should consider these four factors as they choose elective courses and seek to manage their time and energy.

### ACADEMIC WORKLOAD

- Students are encouraged to participate in rigorous coursework aligned with their individual post-high school goals.
- Achieving a 2.75 or higher grade point average is a strong indicator of academic success.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Student volunteerism is valued as a learning opportunity and as a service to others.
- Every student is encouraged to participate in community service during their 4-year high school experience.

### EXTRACURRICULAR INVOLVEMENT

- Club and team memberships provide opportunities to make meaningful social connections and develop interpersonal & intrapersonal skills.
- Each student is encouraged to join at least one school activity or school athletic team during each year of high school.

### LIFE BALANCE

- The combined impact of academic coursework, extracurricular involvement, community employment, community service, and other obligations can create unhealthy stressors for some students.
- All students are encouraged to consider the collective workload associated with their day-to-day routines as they balance their unique obligations.

## IN-SCHOOL SUPPORTS FOR STUDENTS

Direct support for academic needs and social-emotional challenges is available to all students.

### ACADEMIC SUPPORTS

An array of academic supports is available at Crystal Lake South High School. These supports are available before school, during school, and after school to meet students' individual needs. Examples of our school's supports include:

- Gator Learner Center
- STEM Center
- Advisory structure & counseling lessons
- Student Services Support

### SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL SUPPORTS

A full team of school social workers and school psychologists is available to help students develop coping strategies and to connect them with outside-of-school resources that may be valuable in forming long-term solutions to present-day difficulties. More information about social-emotional support at School High School can be found [here](#).

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must earn 20.25 credits to graduate. Specific course requirements are listed.



\*The Career Experiences Program (CEP) requirement will be met by successful completion of all tasks assigned in the required seminar/advisory period each year. This graduation requirement begins with the class of 2025. All seniors must complete the FAFSA.

|                            |                    |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Classroom Driver Education | 0.25 credit        |
| Computer Education         | 0.5 credit         |
| Consumer Education         | 0.25 credit        |
| Electives                  | 6.0 credits        |
| English                    | 4.0 credits        |
| Health Education           | 0.50 credit        |
| Mathematics                | 3.0 credits        |
| Physical Education         | 1.75 credits       |
| Science                    | 2.0 credits        |
| Social Studies             | 2.0 credits        |
| *Career Experience Program | 0 credits          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>               | <b>20.25 UNITS</b> |



## ONE-TO-ONE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

All students at Crystal Lake South High School are assigned a Google Chromebook as part of District 155's one-to-one technology program. Chromebooks are an integral part of our approach to teaching and learning, and students are expected to have their fully charged Chromebook in school each day. Student Chromebooks are optimized for learning. Access to selected device settings is controlled by school personnel in order to minimize distractions. More information about school-assigned Chromebooks, including details about technical support, is available [here](#).



## SOFTWARE SYSTEMS & USER ACCOUNTS

01

### Skyward

Skyward enables parents to view real-time data about their child's educational experience including demographic information, grades, attendance, class schedule, and health information. Access is secured by a unique username and password. Details about account creation will be sent to parents once registrars approve applications during the New Student Online Enrollment (NSOE) process.

02

### Canvas

Our school uses Canvas to manage and support students' learning experiences. The online platform provides access to classroom activities, teacher resources, and collaborative tools that help students engage in their coursework.

03

### SchoolLinks

Post-secondary planning is a critical component of our school's approach to student success. SchoolLinks, an online tool, provides students access to many tools that aid college, career, and life readiness preparation so that students have a smooth transition after graduation. Parents can access their child's profile so they can actively engage in the planning process with their child.

## ACTIVITIES



Students who participate in extracurricular activities and clubs develop life skills, create strong peer-to-peer relationships, feel more connected to their school, and are more likely to experience academic success. We encourage all students at Crystal Lake South High School to join at least one extracurricular activity or club each year.



[Click here](#) for more information about activities and clubs, or contact our Activity Directors, Anna Carroll and Patrick Kelly, at [acarroll@d155.org](mailto:acarroll@d155.org) and [pkelly@d155.org](mailto:pkelly@d155.org).

ACES  
Aavidum  
Art Club  
Band  
Bass Fishing  
Gator Buddies  
Choir  
Color Guard  
CLS Soundcheck  
CLS Theater  
Fall Play  
FCCLA  
French Club  
Freshmen Class  
Gator Leadership Crew  
Gator Nation  
Gator Prints  
German Club  
Gay/Straight Alliance  
Jazz Band  
Junior CLass  
Key Club  
Math Team  
Media Club  
Model U.N  
Musical  
National Honor Society  
Robotics  
Scholastic Bowl  
Science Olympiad  
Senior Class  
Sophomore Class  
Spanish Club  
Speech Team  
Spring Play  
Student Council  
Yearbook



# ATHLETICS

Students at Crystal Lake South High School may take part in a variety of competitive sports teams.

[Click here](#) for more information about registration and fees associated with participation in athletics. You may contact Athletic Director, Jason Bott at [jbott@d155.org](mailto:jbott@d155.org) with questions about eligibility requirements.

| FALL                       | WINTER                   | SPRING                     |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Cheerleading               | Basketball Boys & Girls  | Baseball                   |
| Cross Country Boys & Girls | Competitive Cheerleading | Lacrosse Boys & Girls      |
| Dance                      | Competitive Dance        | Soccer Girls               |
| Football                   | Gymnastics Girls Co-Op   | Softball                   |
| Golf Boys & Girls          | Swimming Boys Co-Op      | Tennis Boys                |
| Soccer Boys                | Wrestling                | Track & Field Boys & Girls |
| Swimming Girls Co-Op       |                          |                            |
| Tennis Girls               |                          |                            |
| Volleyball Girls           |                          |                            |

Crystal Lake South High School offers many summer sports camps designed to enhance athletes' readiness to participate. Watch for a notice about summer camps in the spring.





## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q

Why do I need to provide proof of residency?

A

District 155 requires all new students to demonstrate they reside within the district boundaries.

Q

What if my student wants to participate in athletics?

A

The principal's concurrence form is to be completed at the time of enrollment and then connect the student w/ building athletic sec.

Q

When will my child receive a class schedule?

A

Students receive their class schedules following the completion of enrollment and after meeting with their assigned school counselor.

Q

My child wants to participate on an athletic team. Is there a fee to take part in athletics?

A

Yes. All student athletes are required to pay a \$100 participation fee per sport (\$200 maximum per student; \$400 maximum per household). See our school's Athletics webpage for more detail.

Q

My child is a student athlete. Will an athletic physical meet the requirements for a school physical exam?

A

Athletic physicals do not satisfy the requirement for a physical exam prior to the start of school. See page 3 for more details about health requirements or contact our school nurse, Sarah Folkening, at [sfolkening@d155.org](mailto:sfolkening@d155.org), for more information.

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