



Catawba Ridge High School



High School Course Selection

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Promotion Standards

In order to promote to the next grade level, students must pass the courses listed below.



<u>Sophomore</u>	<u>Junior</u>	<u>Senior</u>
1 English	2 English	3 English
1 Math	2 Math	3 Math
4 Other	1 Science	2 Science
	7 Others	8 Others
Total of 6 credits	Total of 12 credits	Total of 16 credits

SC Graduation Requirements

- 4 English
- 4 Math
- Biology
- 2 Other Science
- U.S. History
- Government/Economics
- Other Social Studies
- PE or ROTC
- Computer Science
- Career Tech or Foreign Language
- High School 101 (or completion of year long ROTC)
- 6 Electives

= Total 24 credits (*minimum*)

Minimum Diploma Requirements **≠** College Admission!



GPA – Grade Point Average

- All grades count in GPA.
- Consistent performance is key.
- Grades should reflect ability.
- **SC Uniform Grading Scale**
 - “*Weighted*” scale (10 point scale)
 - For SC schools only
 - Used by SC colleges for admission and scholarships
 - (Hope, LIFE, and Palmetto Fellows)
- **4.0 Scale**
 - “*Unweighted*” GPA scale (10 point scale)
 - Mostly used by out-of-state colleges
 - Colleges can recalculate GPA using their own scale



SC Uniform Grading Scale

South Carolina Uniform Grading Scale Conversions				
Numerical Average	Letter Grade	College Prep Weighting	Honors Weighting	AP/IB/Dual Credit Weighting
100	A	5.000	5.500	6.000
99	A	4.900	5.400	5.900
98	A	4.800	5.300	5.800
97	A	4.700	5.200	5.700
96	A	4.600	5.100	5.600
95	A	4.500	5.000	5.500
94	A	4.400	4.900	5.400
93	A	4.300	4.800	5.300
92	A	4.200	4.700	5.200
91	A	4.100	4.600	5.100
90	A	4.000	4.500	5.000
89	B	3.900	4.400	4.900
88	B	3.800	4.300	4.800
87	B	3.700	4.200	4.700
86	B	3.600	4.100	4.600
85	B	3.500	4.000	4.500
84	B	3.400	3.900	4.400
83	B	3.300	3.800	4.300
82	B	3.200	3.700	4.200
81	B	3.100	3.600	4.100
80	B	3.000	3.500	4.000

High School Major

- What is a high school major?
 - Helps students choose electives based on interests
 - A way to explore potential college majors (for free)
 - 4 electives per year in class schedule
 - 16 electives prior to graduation
- 4 classes = Major
- Major = Cord(s) at Graduation

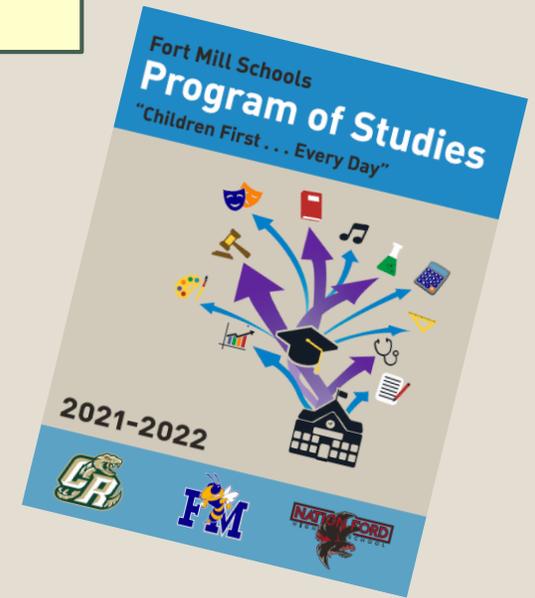


Schools of Study

- Arts and Humanities
 - Arts Cluster
 - Audio-Visual Technology and Communication Cluster
 - Humanities Cluster
- Business and Information Systems
 - Business Management and Administration Cluster
 - Finance Cluster
 - Information Technology Cluster
 - Marketing, Sales, and Service Cluster
- Engineering and Integrated Technologies
 - Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Cluster
 - Architecture and Construction Cluster
 - Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math Cluster
 - Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics Cluster
- Health and Human Services
 - Education and Training Cluster
 - Health Science Cluster
 - Law and Public Services Cluster
 - Hospitality and Tourism Cluster

IGP/Course Selection

- Be prepared for your IGP!
- Read the FMSD “Program of Studies”
 - See course descriptions and prerequisites
- Make Course Selections
 - Core Classes – Teachers recommend
 - Elective Classes – Student chooses
 - Select Alternates – Elective alternates are essential and may be scheduled!



Catawba Ridge High School creates the Master Schedule based upon students' course selections. These course selections will be the basis for the employment of teachers and the development of the Master Schedule. Unless it is our error or students do not meet the prerequisites, your schedule will not be changed. It is very important that you choose your courses carefully based upon graduation requirements and desired electives (including alternate electives).

Individual Graduation Plan

Middle students will meet with a middle school counselor to develop their first IGP. IGPs will be conducted every year in high school. Students will be able to adjust their plan each year based on career interests and classroom performance.

	9	10	11	12
English 4 Units	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH
Math 4 Units	MATH	MATH	MATH	MATH
Science 3 Units (including Biology)	SCIENCE (Biology)	SCIENCE	SCIENCE	SCIENCE (or Elective)
Social Studies 3 Units (including US History & Gov't Econ)	SOCIAL STUDIES	SOCIAL STUDIES	SOCIAL STUDIES (US History)	SOCIAL STUDIES (Govt & Econ)
Electives	<u>REQUIRED</u> - PE or ROTC - Computer Science - Foreign Language OR Career Tech - High School 101 OR Year-Long ROTC		<u>RECOMMENDED</u> - Fine Arts - Foreign Language	

Next Steps

■ Virtual Advanced Placement (AP) Night

- *Link opens February 15 at 5:30pm*
- *View video presentations from AP teachers*
- *Check out AP Human Geography*



■ Virtual Curriculum Night

- *Link opens February 22 at 5:30pm*
- *View video presentations of elective course offerings (not all are available in 9th grade)*

■ Complete your IGP with your middle school counselor.

■ Course Verification forms will be sent home in April.

■ Course selections may be changed at that time.

A green "2021-22 Course Request Verification" form from Calawick Ridge High School. The form is partially filled out with handwritten information. At the top, it says "NO CHANGE (check box if no changes and return)". Below this, there are sections for "Requests: Regular" and "Requests: Alternate". The "Regular" section lists course numbers (e.g., 30101HW, 30101CW) and course names (e.g., English I, Algebra I). The "Alternate" section lists course numbers (e.g., 30101CW, 30101CW) and course names (e.g., Digital Art and Design I, PE OPT 3). There are also sections for "Regular Credit Hours Requested" (8) and "Alternate Credit Hours Requested" (4). A box at the bottom right says "Return to your Middle School Guidance Office by Friday". The form includes detailed instructions and a disclaimer at the bottom.

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