

PHS CLASS MEETINGS

Welcome!



HOUSEKEEPING

- Hallway/Bathroom Etiquette
- ID Reminder
- Learning Labs
- Tiger Time
- Peer Group
- Parking
- Clean up after lunch
- Put classrooms back as they were found after Club Meetings
- Be mindful posts and text messages. There are no truly *private* posts.

PHS Student Council

Class of 2027

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Vice President: Noah Lee
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Graduation Requirements

90 Credits (11th)

60 Credits (10th)

30 Credits (9th)

Community Service-10th grade

Please see Dr. Dinan with any questions!

Racial Literacy Requirement/PIRL



- Language Arts Literacy 20 Credits
- Mathematics 15 Credits
- Science 15 Credits
- US History 10 Credits
- World History 5 Credits
- World Languages 5 Credits
- PE/Health/DE 16 Credits
- Visual/Performing Arts 5 Credits
- 21st Century Life/Careers 5 Credits
- Financial Literacy 2.5 Credits
- 21.5 Credits of Electives

Total Credits- 120!

Graduation Requirements cont.

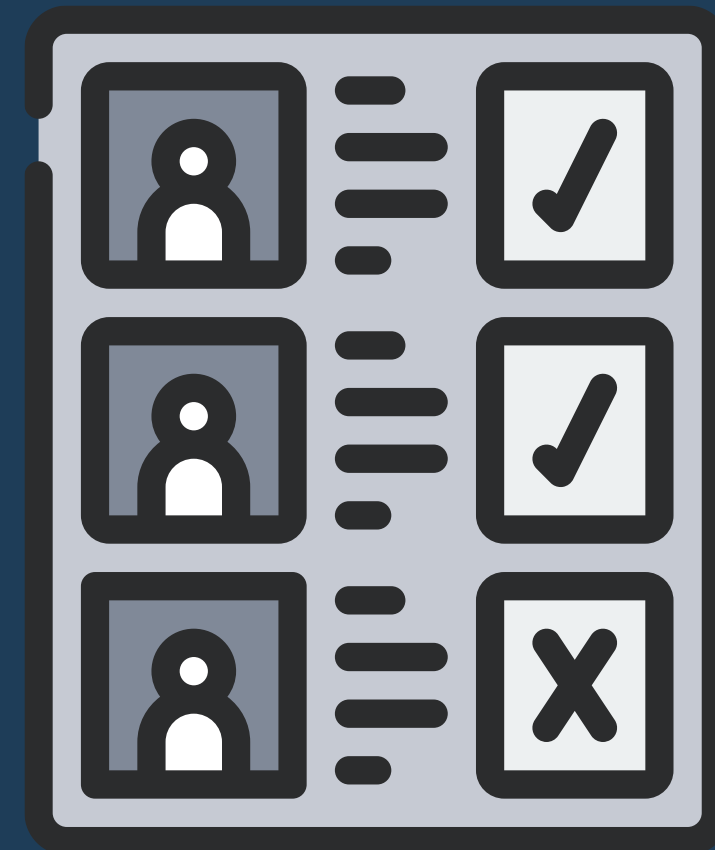
NJSLA/NJGPA

- Math
- English



Attendance

- Full Year Course = 18 absences
- Half Year Course = 9 absences
- 3 lates / 3 MPI = 1 absence



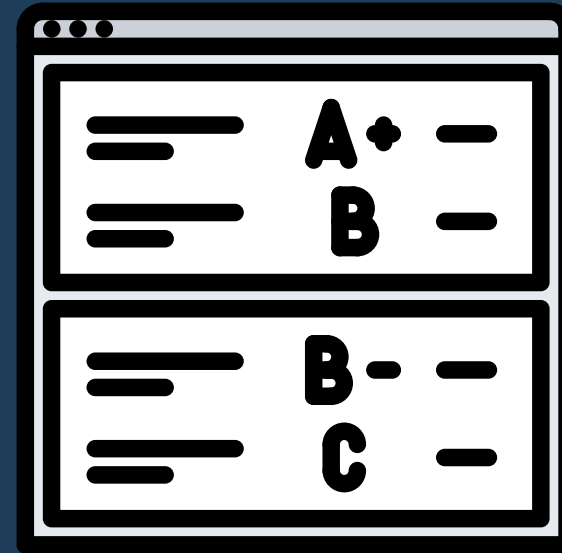
Course Selection in PowerSchool

- Use the Parent/Student Portal to input your requests
- When selecting courses:
 - Look at the prerequisites in the Program of Study
 - Make sure you are eligible based on your grade level
 - If a recommendation is required, please discuss with your teachers first!

Course Selection Process

- **The Portal is now open for you to enter requests**
***** Remember that these are requests, not your actual schedule *****
- **Even if you are applying for Peer Group, Teen Pep, Princeton University courses, etc. please still enter a full schedule (8 periods)**
 - **Keep in mind which courses you would drop if you were to be accepted into one of these placements**

Course Selection Process



Only choose a course that you are eligible for based off your current mid-year grades



Check to ensure you meet prerequisite grades based off final grades



If you are on the cusp of meeting a grade requirement, remember to check in with your counselor at the end of the year to check final grades.

PowerSchool Sample

ENGLISH GRADE 12

English IV or AP English Literature is a 12th grade requirement.

Number of requests to generate : 1

SCIENCE GRADE 12

Please choose a course.

Number of requests to generate : 1

MATH GRADE 12

Please choose a course.

Number of requests to generate : 1

SOCIAL STUDIES GRADE 12

Please choose a course.

Number of requests to generate : 1

WORLD LANGUAGES

Please choose a course.

Number of requests to generate : 1

PE AND HEALTH GRADE 12

PE 11/12 and Health is a 12th grade requirement.

Number of requests to generate : 1

Click the edit button to request a course ➡

English Grade 12

	Course Name ▲	Number	Course Description	Credits
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AP English Literature & Composition	H14041		5
<input type="checkbox"/>	English (D)	H14514		5
<input type="checkbox"/>	English (PF)	H14513		5
<input type="checkbox"/>	English 4	H14540		5
<input type="checkbox"/>	English 4 ICRP	H14533		0
<input type="checkbox"/>	English IV	H14040		5
<input type="checkbox"/>	ESL Eng 10	H14923		0
<input type="checkbox"/>	ESL Eng 11	H14933		0
<input type="checkbox"/>	ESL Welcome Center	H91900		5
<input type="checkbox"/>	School to Work	H94516		5

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☒ You may select up to 1 course. You have selected 0 course(s).

Why Challenge Yourself?



1

Prepping for college level courses

2

Accelerated, Advanced, and AP courses help boost your Weighted GPA

3

Creating a more competitive transcript

4

Passing AP classes (and exams) may save you money if they can fulfill college class requirements (depending on the policies of your institution)

5

Quality over quantity

Alternates

- **Please choose alternate electives you would enjoy taking!**
- **You should select at least 3-5 electives as alternates.**
- **Popular classes tend to fill up quickly!**

Grade 9 Sample Schedule

- English I
- Mathematics
- Biology I
- US History I
- World Language
- PE & Health 9
- 21st Century/Arts/Financial Lit.
- Other Elective

Grade 10 Sample Schedule

- English II
- Mathematics
- Chemistry, Physics or Enviro Sci
- US History II or AP US History
- World Language
- PE & Driver's Ed
- 21st Century/Arts/Financial Lit.
- Other Elective

Grade 11 Sample Schedule

- English III
- Mathematics
- Science
- World History & Cultures
- PE & Health 11/12
- 21st Century/Arts/Financial Lit.
- World Language or Other Elective
- Other Elective

Grade 12 Sample Schedule

- English IV
- PE & Health 12
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Course Offerings- English Language Arts

- English I, II, III, & IV
- AP English Language & Composition
- AP English Literature & Composition
- English Plus
- ESL English



English Elective Courses

- Creative Writing
- Filmmaking
- Journalism I/II
- Media Studies
- Multi-Media Special Effects
- Public Speaking
- Video Production I/II
- 21st Century Literature
- Elements of Cinema
- Great Books
- Philosophy
- Game Design
- Literature and Social Justice



Course Offerings & Electives- Mathematics

- Algebra I
- Geometry/Accel.
- Algebra II/Elements/Accel
- Applications and Modeling of Math
- Pre-Calculus/Accel
- Calculus
- AP Calculus AB/BC
- Multivariable Calculus
- Intro to Stats*
- Discrete Mathematics*
- AP Statistics- Grades 11 and 12 only

*indicates semester course



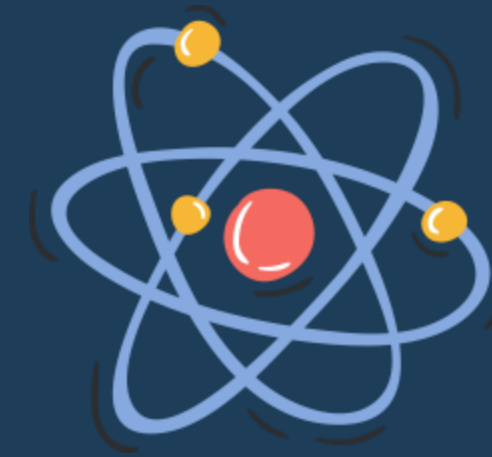
Business/Computer Science Electives

- Personal Finance
- Entrepreneurship
- Economics
- Business Ethics
- AP Macroeconomics/Micro
- Contemporary Economic Issues- 12th only
- Accounting
- Cybersecurity
- Python Programming
- App Development
- Intro to Java/Object Java
- AP Computer Science A
- AP Computer Science Principles
- Algorithms & Data Structures



Science Course Offerings

- Chemistry (Accelerated)
- Biology (Accelerated)
- Forensics
- Anatomy/Physiology
- Environmental Science
- Physics (Accelerated)
- Engineering Physics
- Planetary Science Accelerated
- Genetics
- Research Program
- La Horticultura
- **Sustainable Environmental Systems**
- **Exploring Horticulture**



AP Science Courses

- AP Chemistry
- AP Biology
- AP Environmental Science
- AP Physics C-Mechanics
- AP Physics C-Electricity & Magnetism

Semester Science Courses

- Engineering
- Exercise Science

Social Studies Course Offerings

- **United States History I**
- **United States History II or AP United States History**
- **World History & Cultures or AP World History & Cultures**



Social Studies Electives

- **Racial Literacy and Justice**
- **Contemporary Crises & Current Events**
- **Latin America**
- **Middle East**
- **Africa**
- **Russia**
- **World Religion**
- **Human Behavior**
- **Accelerated Sociology**
- **AP Human Geography**
- **AP European History**
- **AP Government & Politics**



Electives- Visual/Performing Arts

- **Choir**
- **Orchestra**
- **Band**
- **AP Music Theory (Placement Test Required)**
- **Studio Art I-IV**
- **Art of Craft**
- **AP Art History**
- **Drama, Drama II, Drama Seminar**
- **Musical Theatre**
- **Dance**



World Languages

- **French II-VI/ AP/ Advanced**
- **Spanish I-VI/ AP/ Advanced**
- **Latin I-IV/ AP**
- **Japanese I-IV/ AP**
- **Mandarin I-IV/ AP**
- **Italian I-IV/ AP**
- **Latin Studies: Mythology**
- **East Asian Studies**



Course Offerings & Electives- Physical Education

- PE & Health 9
- PE & Driver's Education
- PE & Health 11/12
- Teen Prevention Education Program (PEP)
- Option II

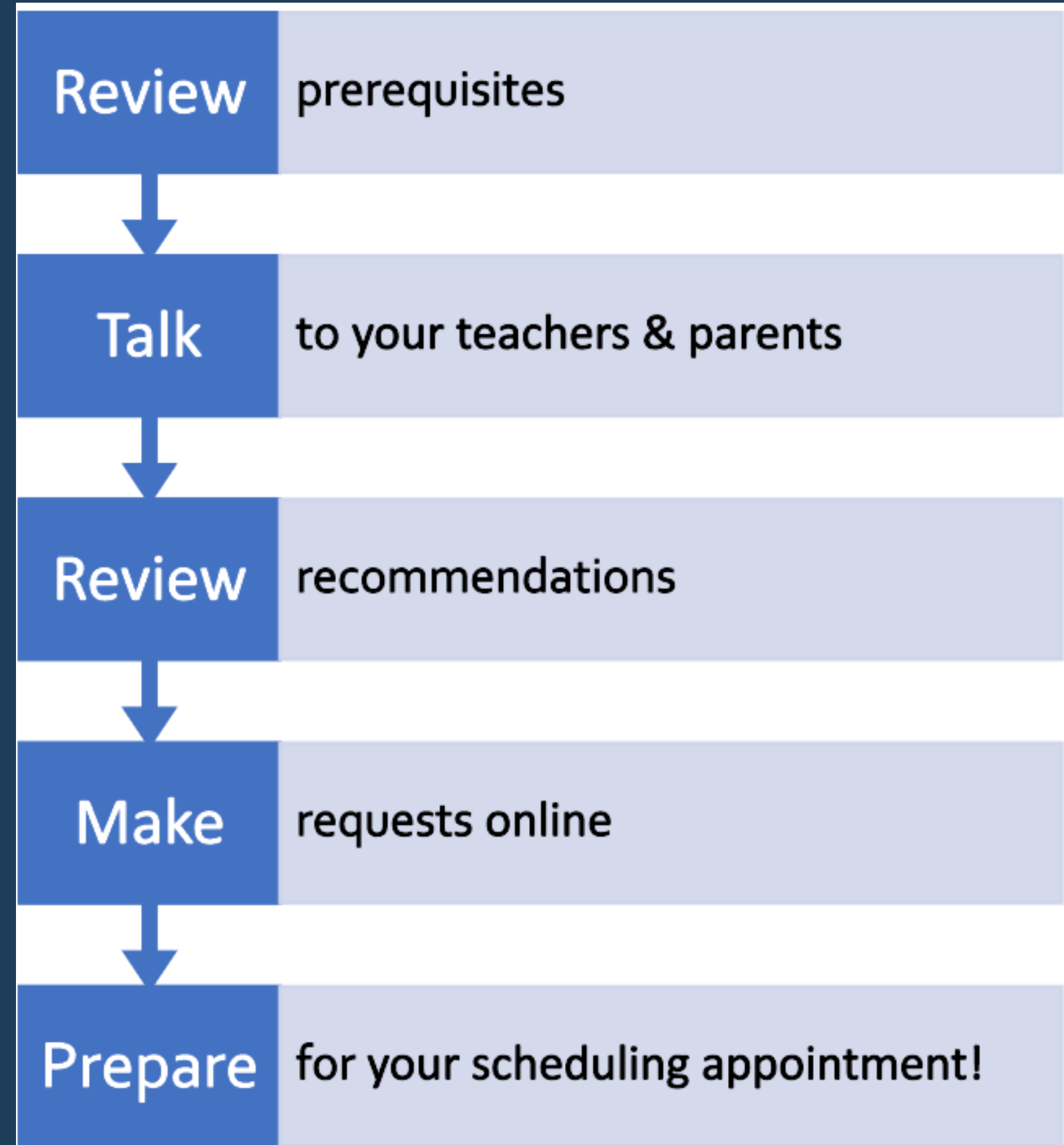
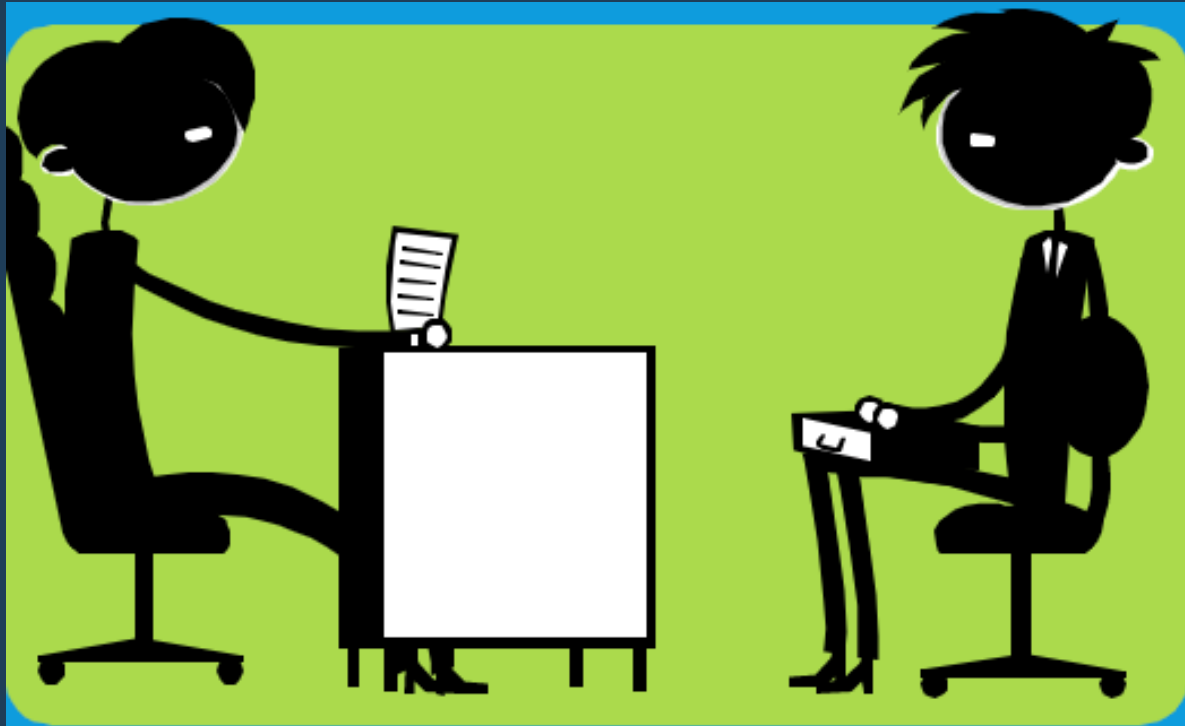


Other Course Options

- Princeton University classes (11th & 12th)
- Mercer County Technical Schools (11th & 12th)
- Option II (See the athletic department website)
- Independent Study



Program Planning/ Recommendations



Why Should You Take Planning Your Schedule Seriously?

Changing your schedule once you receive it has limits

If you want to make a change after school starts, we have to get approval from your parent/guardian, teacher, and department supervisor

A student who is allowed to withdraw from a year or semester course at any time after the deadline will be removed from the class roster. A record of Withdraw (W) will be maintained throughout the remainder of the year and recorded on the student's permanent transcript.

Why Should You Take Planning Your Schedule Seriously?

Deadline	Schedule Change Desired/Grade Transfer
September 27, 2024	Drop/Add Without Penalty <i>(Note: Dropped classes will not appear on the transcript.)</i>
Before/Prior to the End of Q1	Grades Will Not Transfer to New Class
After the End of Q1 <i>(Q2 to December 20th, 2024)</i>	Grade in New Course = Grade in Previous Accelerated Course + One Letter Grade Increase
Last Day Before Winter Break <i>(December 20, 2024)</i>	No More Schedule/Class Changes

No new elective additions may be added after the second to last Friday in September for a semester course and the last Friday in September for a full year course

Scheduling Revisions

June 7th, 2024 is the last day to make changes to your course requests

Once Schedules are Released:

- **Email your counselor to make an appointment**
- **Contact counseling services for:**
 - **Correction of an incomplete or incorrect schedule**
 - **Need to fulfill district and/or state of New Jersey graduation requirements**
 - **Alteration of a schedule due to failure of a course**
 - **Alteration of a schedule as a result of summer school**



Scheduling Revisions

Schedule changes will NOT be made for the following reasons:

- **Class during the AM/PM session**
- **Course selection based on a "trial period"**
- **Course choice based on a preferred teacher**



Summer Considerations



Finish up your
Community Service!



Financial Literacy and/or
Racial Literacy online



PHS Summer Workshops
(if offered)

What is SCOLIR? Why Do I Want to Use it?

- **PHS's brand new College & Career Readiness tool!**
- **Support in discovering your strengths and interests as you plan for college and careers**
- **Check your email for a welcome email from SCOLIR and a link to login**
- **We will use this instead of Naviance**

The logo for SCOLIR, featuring the word in a stylized blue font. The 'O' is replaced by an infinity symbol.

Graduation Requirements True/False

- 1. A total of 120 credits are required to graduate from PHS**
- 2. Students must take two years of US History and one of World History**
- 3. Statistics is one of the three math classes you must pass**
- 4. Four years of PE and Health are required**

Graduation Requirements True/False

5. Passing the NJGPA is all you need to meet state graduation requirements

6. A minimum of two years of World Language is required

7. Students must pass four years of English

8. Courses taken in middle school count towards graduation



Questions?