Entering 10th Grade Students—2024-2025 School Year

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Please read these guidelines completely as they contain important information about your student's high school course selection. It is important that you understand the course selection process, AP/Honors policy (available on the website) graduation requirements (reviewed below), and the University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU) eligibility requirements (reviewed below) referred to as A-G subjects. Knowing this information will help you and your student make the right choices when picking their classes.

Important Information to Consider:

- All sophomores must be enrolled in six (6) classes
- Students should consult the Course Catalog (available on the website) to view course information and required prerequisites to make informed decisions about class choices. Students can also speak to teachers about class expectations.
- Students should consider their class options carefully taking into consideration not only the rigor of individual classes but
 the overall rigor of their complete schedule. Additionally, there is no guarantee that students will be able to make class
 changes in the future.
- All course selection forms must be signed by a parent / guardian. Students will not be placed in AP / Honors courses without a parent/guardian signature.
- Students earn graduation credits by earning grades of "D" or higher in their classes. For each class passed, five (5) credits will be issued per semester for a total of ten (10) credits per class per year.
- "D" grades do not meet the A-G subject requirements for UC / CSU admissions.
- Courses cannot be repeated for credit unless otherwise noted in the course catalog and on the reverse. A student can only earn a maximum of ten (10) credits per course. If a student chooses to repeat a class for which they have already earned a passing grade and credits, the previously earned credits will be removed from the student's credit total and potentially create credit deficiencies toward graduation. Students should consult with their counselor prior to repeating a course.
- Students should be mindful of the AP/Honors Policy listed on the reverse.
- Two Years of PE is required for Graduation. Students are encouraged to complete this requirement as sophomores. Students may qualify for a PE Exemption for the second year of PE based on successful participation on school sports teams. To qualify for a PE Exemption, a student must successfully complete two seasons of a school sport and submit a PE Exemption Application. The paperwork is also available on the school website under Students-Athletics.

Alameda Unified School District Graduation Requirements: 220 Credits

40 credits in English	60 credits in Electives		
20 credits in Math	20 credits total in 2 out of the 3 categories: • 10 credits in World Language • 10 credits in Visual and Performing Art • 10 credits of Career Technical Education (CTE) may be substituted for one of the categories listed above		
20 credits in Lab Science 10 Biological/10 Physical	5 credits in Navigating Life/Adulting 5 credits in Ethnic Studies		
20 credits in Physical Education	20 Hours of Community Service		
30 credits in History/Social Science 10 MW Hist/10 US Hist/10 Govt/Econ	GPA of 1.75 or higher		

A-G Eligibility Requirements (University of California and California State University) Note: Only semester grades A, B, or C count toward A-G Eligibility Requirements

A. History: 2 years Required	E. Foreign Language: 2 yrs. Required (3 Recommended)		
B. English: 4 years Required	F. Visual/Performing Art: 1 yr. Required		
C. Math: 3 yrs. Req (Alg 1, Geom, Alg 2)* *4 Years Recommended	G. College Prep Elective: 1 yr. Required		
D. Lab Science: 2 yrs. Req (1 Biological & 1 Physical)* *3 years Recommended	UC Minimum Academic 10 th and 11 th grade GPA for Admissions = 3.0 CSU Minimum Academic 10 th and 11 th grade GPA for Admissions = 2.5		

AP/Honors Policy

AP classes are the equivalent to college courses. Please remember that when selecting your AP/Honors courses.

By completing and signing this course selection sheet, students and guardians acknowledge the following:

- Students may only take a maximum of four AP/Honors classes during the course of one school year.
- Once students have registered for the following year's classes, they may drop any AP/Honors class up to May 17, 2024, with no reason or approval process necessary. Drop requests must be made in writing to the counselor by submitting a completed Course Change Request form.
- After May 17, 2024, all AP/Honors drop requests will be reviewed by the counselor and administrative representative. These drops are not guaranteed, and the student may need to remain in their originally chosen class.
- Students interested in taking more than four AP/Honors courses at one time must petition in writing (with a parent signature). You can pick up a petition in the Counseling office. Petitions must be turned in to your counselor by **February 15, 2024,** of the current school year. Students whose petitions are granted still may drop any of their AP/Honors classes up to the final drop date of **May 17, 2024.**
- Students must have submitted their completed, signed Course Selection Sheet to the Counseling Office. Otherwise, students will not be enrolled in any AP/Honors courses.

Please note that signing up for an AP/Honors class is signing on to a commitment. DO NOT sign up for an AP class if you are not sure, as we may not be able to release you from the class due to seat availability in other classes. Also note, seat availability includes the planning for new students not yet enrolled.

The following classes are the only classes which may be repeated for credit towards graduation.

- Academic Strategies
- Advanced Projects Multi-Media Art with prior teacher approval
- Concert Band
- Contemporary Dance 2/3
- Creative Writing
- Digital Filmmaking 2
- Drama 3
- ELD classes
- Jazz Band
- Journalism 2

- Jujitsu
- Leadership
- Musical Theater
- Orchestra
- PE 2
- Sports Medicine 2
- Strength and Conditioning
- Symphonic Band
- Theater Tech
- Yearbook

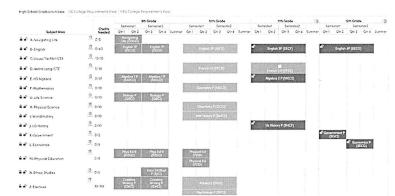
Entering 10" grade Course Selection Form 2024-25					
First Name:	Last Name:		ID #:		
Students will select their courses via their Aeries Academic Plan. Students should refer to the AHS Course Catalog for information about specific classes, requirements, and prerequisites . The AHS Course Catalog is available on our website at https://ahs.alamedaunified.org/ . All 10 th grade students are required to take 6 classes (AUSD Board Policy). Courses with a "P" listed meet A-G College Requirements.					
Course selection steps: 1. Enter your course selection on this Course Selection Form. 2. Update your Academic Plan in Aeries to reflect your choices (instructions available on the website) from January 23 to January 31,2024. 3. Return this course selection sheet to your English teacher by February 2, 2024.					
Students cannot choose the order of classes. Courses offered are tentative pending student signups. Classes that do not fill may be cancelled. Student schedules will be based on class availability and students may <u>not</u> receive their preference.					
Required Subjects—Circle Choice. En	ter each choice in your Aei	ies Aca	demic Plan		
English EECE English 2 P History SMCE MW History P SWPE AP World History P	Math	MDCD MGCE MECE MEAF MFCF	Algebra 1 P Geometry P Algebra 2 P Advanced Algebra 2 P Pre-Calculus P		
MFHF Honors Pre-Calculus P Elective Subjects—Choose 10 and rank in order of preference with "1" as your first choice. Enter ONLY your top 3 choices in your Aeries Academic Plan. Choices 4-10 are your Alternative Selections.					
Physical Education PZGI PE PSGI Jujitsu	VOGE Sports Medicine 1 P		LMAI Cont. Dance 3 P LDCE Drama 1 P LDCF Drama 2 P		
PDGI Dance ELD (English Language Learners) NEBI Beginning ELD NEJI Newcomer English (must sign up for Beginning ELD also) NEJI Intermediate ELD	FFCD French 1 P FFCEFrench 2 P FFCFFrench 3 P FFCG French 4 P FFHF Honors French 4 P FMBI Mandarin 1 P FMKI Mandarin 2 P		LDCG Drama 3 P LIAI Jazz Band P LDAI Musical Theater P LICI Orchestra LXAI Symphonic Band P LLGI Theater Tech LAGD Visual Art 1 P		
NXCG Advanced ELD ScienceQBCI Biology P (Biological)QCCI Chemistry P (Physical)QPCI Physics P (Physical)VOJN Biotech 1 P (Physical)	FMUI Mandarin 3 P FMAI Mandarin 4 P FMHI Honors Mandarin 4 P FSCD Spanish 1 P FSCESpanish 2 P FSCFSpanish 3 P FSCG Spanish 4 P		LAGE Visual Art 2 PLAGF Visual Art 3 P OtherZOBIAcademic Strategies (IEP)PBGL Body Sculpting(Yoga) (elective credit)		
Career Technical Education (CTE) VQJI Comp Sci. Discoveries CTE 1 P VQIN Comp Sci. Principles CTE 2 P RGCI Digital Filmmaking 1 P RGIN Digital Filmmaking 2 LAAE Multimedia Art 1 P LAAF Adv. Multimedia Art P	FSHFHonors Spanish 4 P FSCL Spanish for Heritage Spk Visual Performing Art LIBI Beginning Guitar P LBII Concert Band P LMGI Cont. Dance 1 P LMIX Cont. Dance 2 P	rs	ZXBI Communication in the Real World (IEP) EWCI Creative Writing P SJCI Ethnic Studies P (semester) EXCI Film as Literature P OSGD Leadership SPCI Psychology P EYCI Yearbook		
We understand that 1) these are the classes we have selected and approve for the 2024-2025 school year but there is no guarantee that the student will receive the selected classes; 2) teachers are hired based on course selection requests; 3) requests for other classes not selected may not be honored, including level changes; and 4) signature indicates we agree to all the stipulations in the course selection letter and the AP/Honors Policy both available for review on the website.					
Student Signature:		Date: _			
Parent Signature:		Date: _			

Counselor: _____

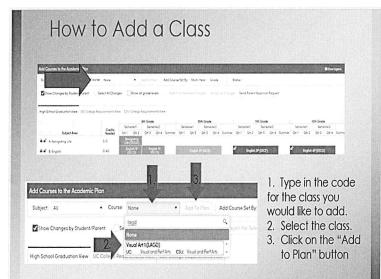
How to Enter Selections in Aeries Academic Plans

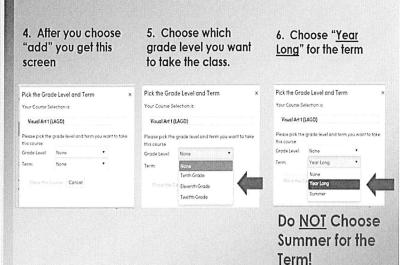
Log into your Aeries Student Account, go to <u>Classes</u> and select <u>Academic Plan.</u> You can only enter information into an Academic Plan from a student account.

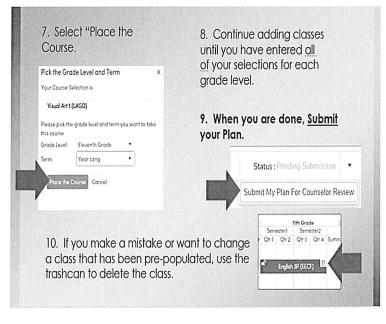
This is what you will see:



Classes you have already completed are in green. Classes you are currently taking are orange. Some classes like English and social studies are pre-populated in blue. Your selections will be teal.







You must <u>Submit</u> your plan to have your choices registered for Course Selection.

Remember, there are no guarantees. Class placement is dependent upon space availability.