



# Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Registration

GRAFTON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2028

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# Graduation Requirements:

## Adv. Studies Diploma (26 credits)

Subject	Credits
English	4
History	4
Math	4
Lab Science *from 3 different families	4
Health & PE *to include First Aid/CPR/AED Certification	2
World Language *3 consecutive years or 2 years from 2 different languages	3
Fine Arts or CTE (Career & Tech Ed)	1
Econ. & Personal Finance *counts as virtual course	1
Electives *to include 2 sequential electives	3
Completion of an AP, dual enrollment, Work-Based Learning or CTE credential	

## Standard Diploma (22 credits)

Subject	Credits
English	4
History	3
Math	3
Lab Science *from 2 different families	3
Health & PE *to include First Aid/CPR/AED Certification	2
World Lang., Fine Arts, <u>or</u> CTE (Career & Tech. Ed)	2
Econ. & Personal Finance *counts as virtual course	1
Electives *to include 2 sequential electives	4
Completion of an AP, dual enrollment, Work-Based Learning or CTE credential	

# Additional Graduation Requirements

► To graduate, students must also complete the following:

- Advanced Placement (AP), Honors, International Baccalaureate (IB), Dual Enrollment (DE), Work-based Learning (WBL), or a Career & Technical Education (CTE) credential
- A virtual course (Econ Personal Finance satisfies this requirement)
- First Aid, CPR, AED training (completed through Health/PE 9)
- Sequential Electives

► To help prepare students for post-graduation, students should participate in **one** of the following experiences:

- Earn a credit in an AP, IB, or DE course
- Earn two or more credits in a state-approved CTE sequence
- Complete a WBL experience
- Complete a service-learning experience
- Complete three JROTC courses and earn a CTE credential

# Let's talk credits!

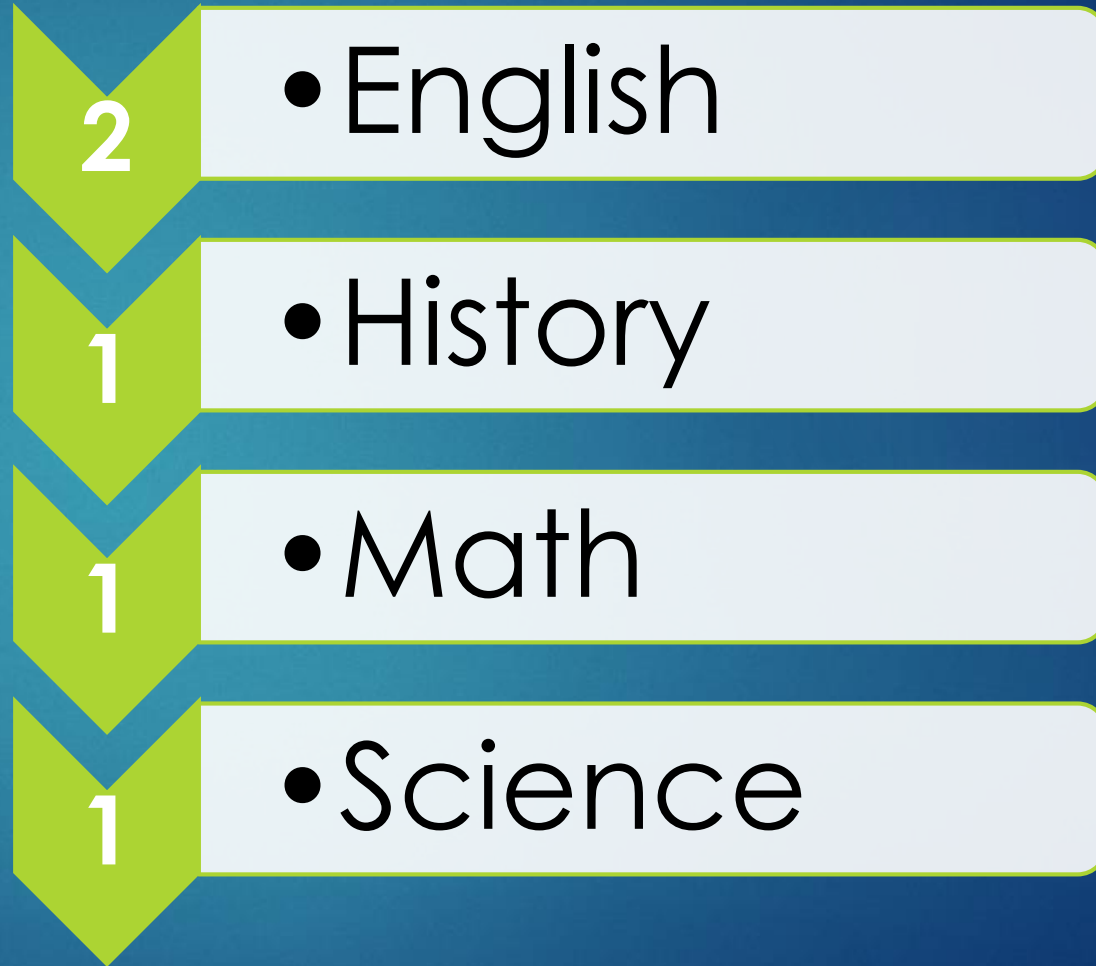
In addition to the credits listed on the previous slide, students will need a certain number of verified credits.





# More on Credits...

For BOTH Advanced Studies and Standard Diplomas, students are **required** to have **5** verified credits.



# GHS Bell Schedule

	A-Day	B-Day
<b>Block 1</b> 7:20-9:03 (103 minutes)	1A	1B
<b>Block 2</b> 9:08-10:03 (55 Minutes)	2AB (meets daily)	
<b>Block 3/ Lunch*</b> 10:08-12:18 (100 Minutes)	3A	3B
<b>Block 4</b> 12:23-2:05 (102 minutes)	4A	4B

\*There are 3 different lunches during 3<sup>rd</sup> block. Lunch times are determined by 3A/ 3B classes  
Students in Grades 9-11 must take a full course load which is 7 credit bearing classes. Students cannot take more than 7 credit bearing courses per year. Please see Superintendent Reg. IGBGA for more information

# Honors Program

## Who is Eligible?

- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students enrolled in ALL of the following:
  - ✓ Advanced English 8
  - ✓ HS credit Math (Alg. or Adv. Geom.)
  - ✓ HS credit World Lang.
- Parents MUST HAVE signed and returned the agreement form.

### World Languages

- 4 consecutive years of a World Language
- example: Spanish I-IV

### AP Courses

- Must take 6 AP courses (DE courses and qualifying Governor's School classes may be used to meet one or more Honors Program requirements)
- Must be in 4 different content areas (ex: Sci., Math, WL, English)

### Community Service

- Minimum of 20 hrs. community service outside of school

### GPA Requirements

- 9<sup>th</sup> Grade: 3.25 or above
- Grades 10-12: Cumulative GPA of 3.50 or above

### Other Criteria

- Must remain enrolled in 7 classes/year
- May not expunge a grade, repeat a course, or drop a class after add/drop period
- May not have a final grade below a "C"



# York County Community Service Program

The YCSD offers recognition to students who perform 150 hours of community service during grades 9-12

Optional program

Hours earned must be documented on the Community Service Microsoft Form found on the Grafton High School – School Counseling – Community Service link

Students who complete the requirements are recognized with the YCSD Community Service Seal on their diploma

# Specialty Programs



## Available beginning 9<sup>th</sup> grade

- ▶ NJROTC (Naval Science) at York High School or Tabb High School based on zip code.
- ▶ SOA (School of the Arts) Bruton High School
- ▶ IB (International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme) York High School
- ▶ Governor's Health Sciences Academy (Bruton High School).
- ▶ YRA (York River Academy) Yorktown Middle

## Available beginning in 11<sup>th</sup> grade

- ▶ New Horizons Career & Technical Center
- ▶ Dual Enrollment/Early College Program
- ▶ Governor's School for Science and Technology (GSST)

# English

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

English 9

\*Advanced English 9

## 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

English 10

\*Adv. English 10: AP Seminar

## 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

English 11

\*AP English 11 (Language Composition)

## 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

English 12

\*AP English 12 (Literature and Composition)

\*DE English 111/112

\*Weighted Credit

# History

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

World History I

\*AP Human Geography

World Geography

## 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

World History II

\*AP World History

\*AP European History (Virtual VA)

\*Weighted Credit

## 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

VA & US History

\*AP US History

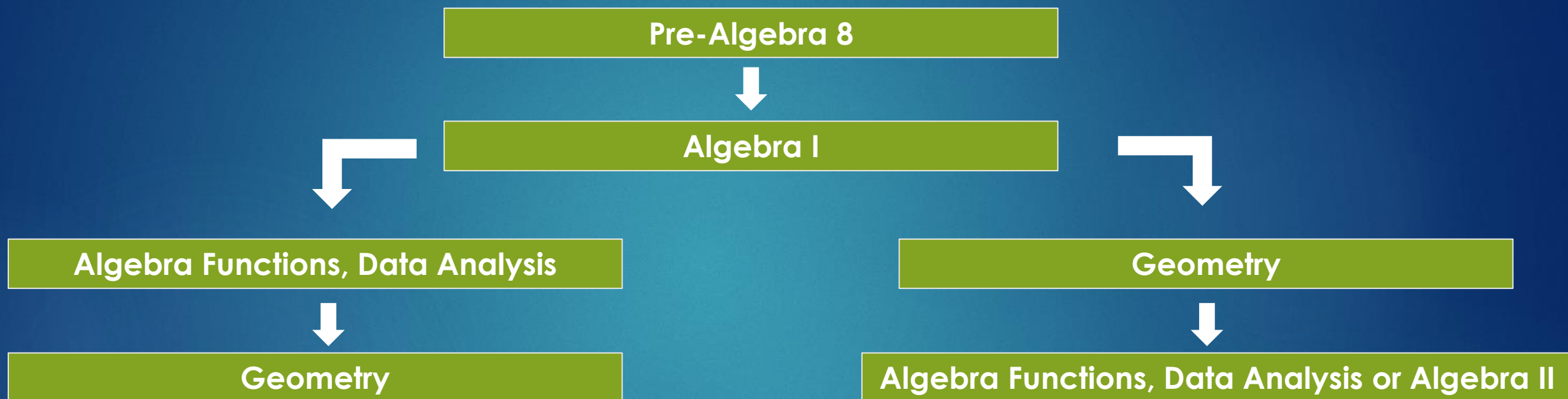
\*DE US HIS 121/122

## 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

VA & US Government

\*AP US Government

# Mathematics Sequence (Option 1)



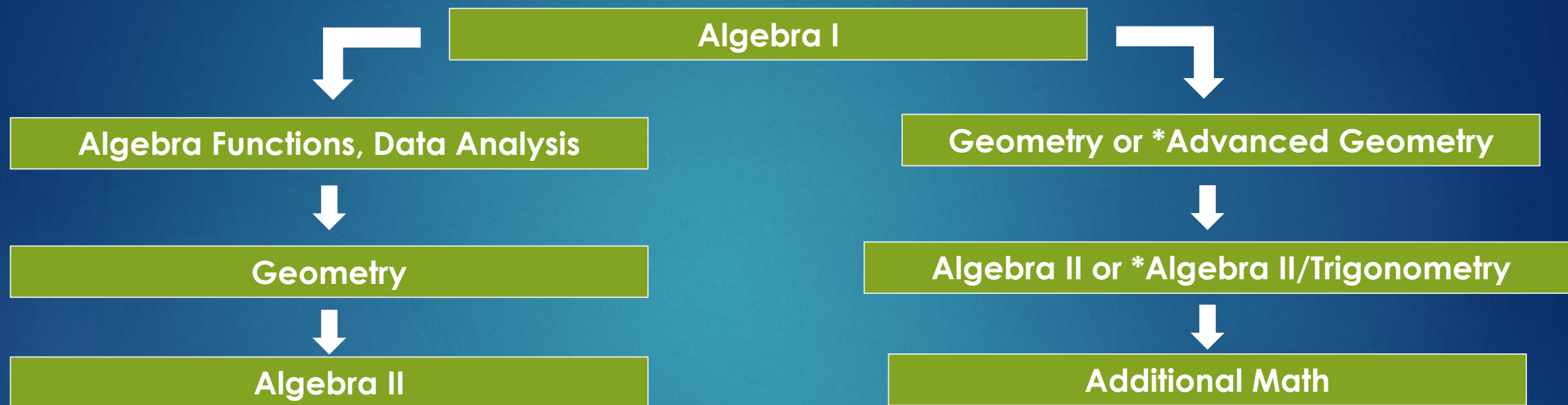
## Additional Math Course Offerings

Data Science  
Algebra III/Trigonometry  
Probability & Statistics/Discrete Math  
Math Analysis  
Calculus

AP Calculus AB  
AP Calculus BC  
AP Statistics  
AP Computer Science A  
AP Computer Science Principles



# Mathematics Sequence (Option 2)



## Additional Math Course Offerings

Data Science  
Algebra III/Trigonometry  
Probability & Statistics/Discrete Math  
Math Analysis  
Calculus

AP Calculus AB  
AP Calculus BC  
AP Statistics  
AP Computer Science A  
AP Computer Science Principles

# Science

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

Environmental Science  
Biology

## 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

Biology  
Chemistry  
Earth Science

## 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Grade options

Atmospheric Science & Climatology

Ecology

\*AP Biology

\*AP Chemistry

\*AP Environmental Science

\*AP Physics I

\*Biology II/Anatomy & Physiology

\*Biology II/Marine Science

Physics

Advanced Studies Diploma students need to take  
4 sciences from 3 different science disciplines



# Health/PE

## Required for Graduation

Health/PE 9 (First Aid/CPR/AED training)

★ May be replaced by NJROTC I or SOA Dance Arts I

Health/PE 10/Drivers Ed

(all 10<sup>th</sup> graders take Driver's Ed in the fall semester)

## Electives

PE 11

PE 12

## **World Languages**

Spanish - I, II, III, IV, AP

French - I, II, III, IV, AP (AP currently Virtual Virginia)

German - I, II, III, IV, AP

## **Virtual Virginia**

Latin - I, II, III

ASL – I, II, III

# Electives

## Fine Arts

9120 Art I

91601/91612 Crafts

91751/91752 Ceramics

14101/14102 Drama I

14351/14352 Technical Theatre

9260 Chorus I

9237 Band

92221/92222 Music Appreciation

9245 Beginning Guitar-Acoustic

## Career & Technical Education (CTE)

### Business & Information Technology

6136 Business Management

### Technology Education

8435 Basic Tech Drawing

### Marketing

8110 Marketing Exploration

## General/English Electives

### English

1220 Yearbook (with English teacher recommendation only)

13001/13002 Public Speaking

### General Topics

V10012 Computer Science Foundations (Virtual Virginia)



# Pathways

## Business & Information Technology

Business Management



Computer Info. Systems OR Accounting  
OR IT Fundamentals OR Cybersecurity



Computer Info. Systems II OR  
Entrepreneurship Education

## Marketing Education

Marketing Exploration



Marketing I OR  
Sports & Entertainment Marketing



Marketing II OR Sports & Entertainment  
Management II

\* Marketing courses have Co-Op options (except Marketing Exploration)

## Technology Education

Basic Technical Drawing/Design CAD



Engineer Drawing/Design CAD



Architectural Drawing/Design CAD



Advanced Drawing/Design CAD



# What's Next?

Explore the Course Planning Night! Visit the teachers and ask questions about the courses available!

Review the **Program of Studies (online at [yorkcountyschools.org](https://yorkcountyschools.org))** and begin identifying courses that align with academic, personal, and career goals.

School counselors will work with students and families to review academic, personal, and career goals and plan coursework for 2024-2025.

## Rising 9<sup>th</sup>

Counselors will visit 8<sup>th</sup> graders February 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Students will work with the GMS and GHS counselors to select courses based on teacher recommendation and interest. This will be done online through ASPEN. Students and families can view course requests on ASPEN.

Together, we can increase  
your student's chances of success at  
Grafton High School!

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