



Rising 9th Grade Registration

GRAFTON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2028

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Graduation Requirements:

Adv. Studies Diploma (26 credits)

Standard Diploma (22 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	

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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

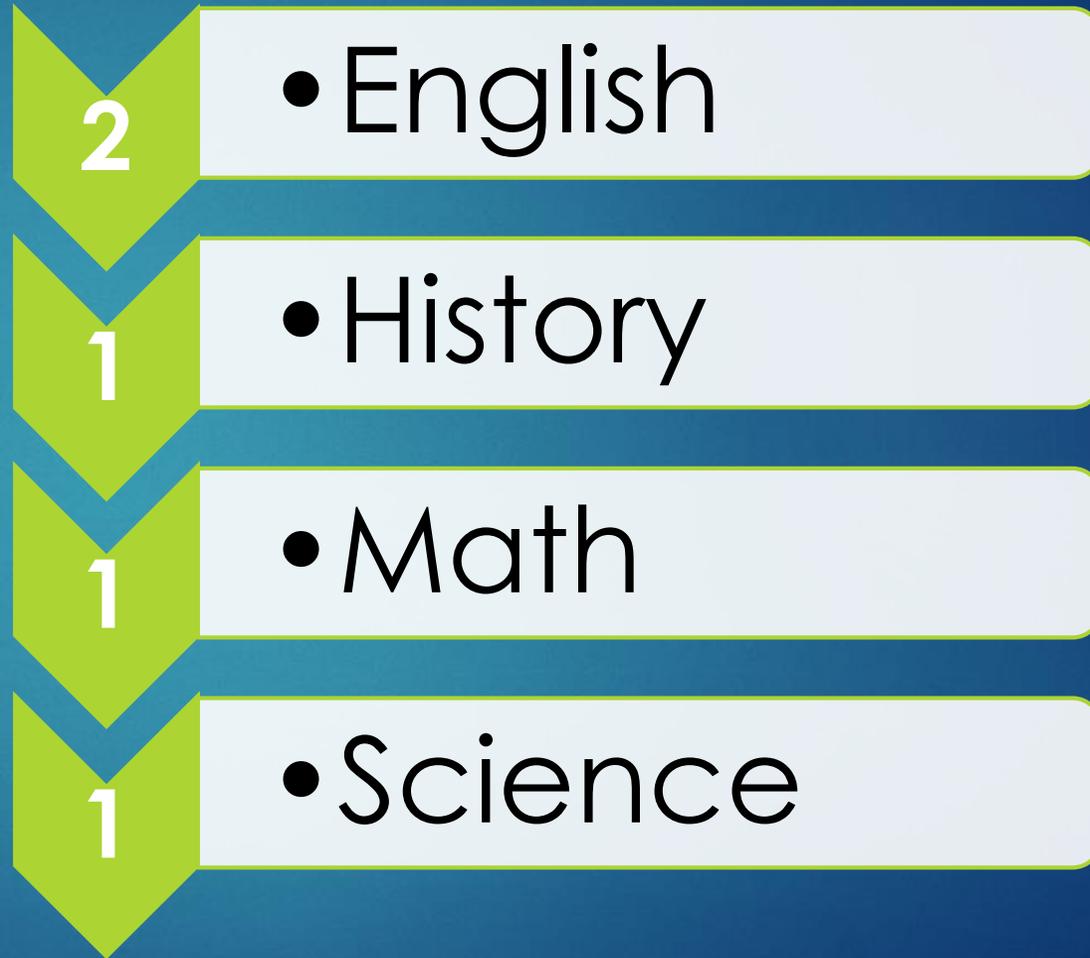
Let's talk credits!

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

*There are 3 different lunches during 3rd 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?

- 8th 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

- 9th 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 9th 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 11th grade

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

English

9th Grade

English 9

*Advanced English 9

10th Grade

English 10

*Adv. English 10: AP Seminar

11th Grade

English 11

*AP English 11 (Language Composition)

12th Grade

English 12

*AP English 12 (Literature and Composition)

*DE English 111/112

*Weighted Credit

History

9th Grade

World History I

*AP Human Geography

World Geography

10th Grade

World History II

*AP World History

*AP European History (Virtual VA)

*Weighted Credit

11th Grade

VA & US History

*AP US History

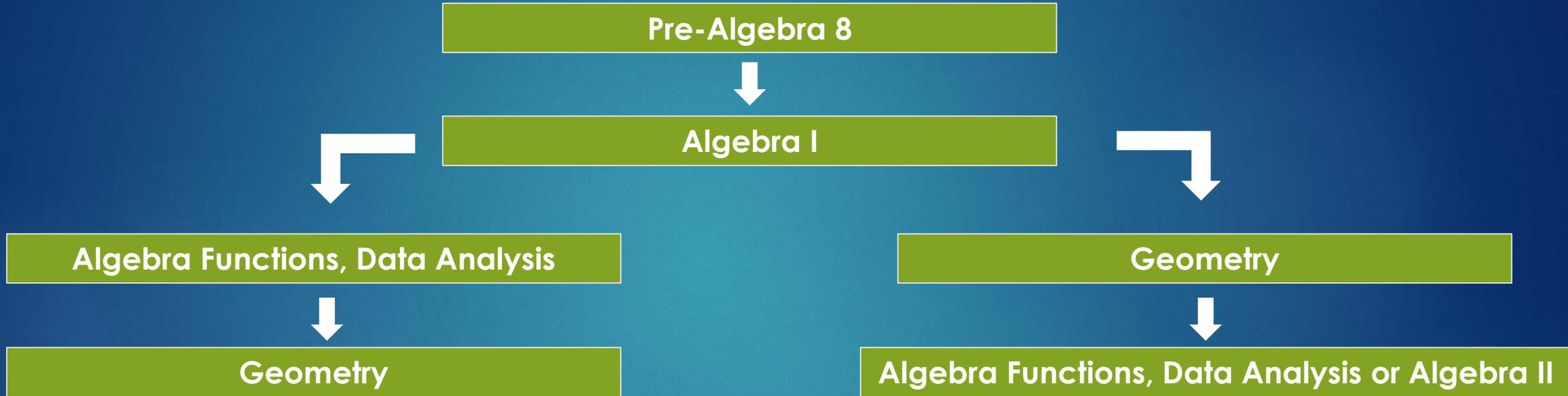
*DE US HIS 121/122

12th 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

9th Grade

Environmental Science
Biology

10th Grade

Biology
Chemistry
Earth Science

11th and 12th 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 10th 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://www.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 9th

Counselors will visit 8th graders February 1st and 2nd. 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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