

CHIEF LESCHI SCHOOLS

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SCHOOL MISSION

The mission of Chief Leschi Schools is to Ensure Student Growth and Learning, in both culture and academics, for each student. The focus at Chief Leschi is to prepare students to walk successfully in “two worlds.”

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General School Information

Planning Your Schedule

The counselors will visit classrooms each spring to walk students through the planning and registration process.

Adjusting Your Schedule

If you need to change your schedule, contact your counselor.

High School and Beyond Plan

You will complete your High School and Beyond Plan (HSBP) each year during advisory. It is not locked and can change as you get older, but it is good to think about the future and select courses to match your goals.

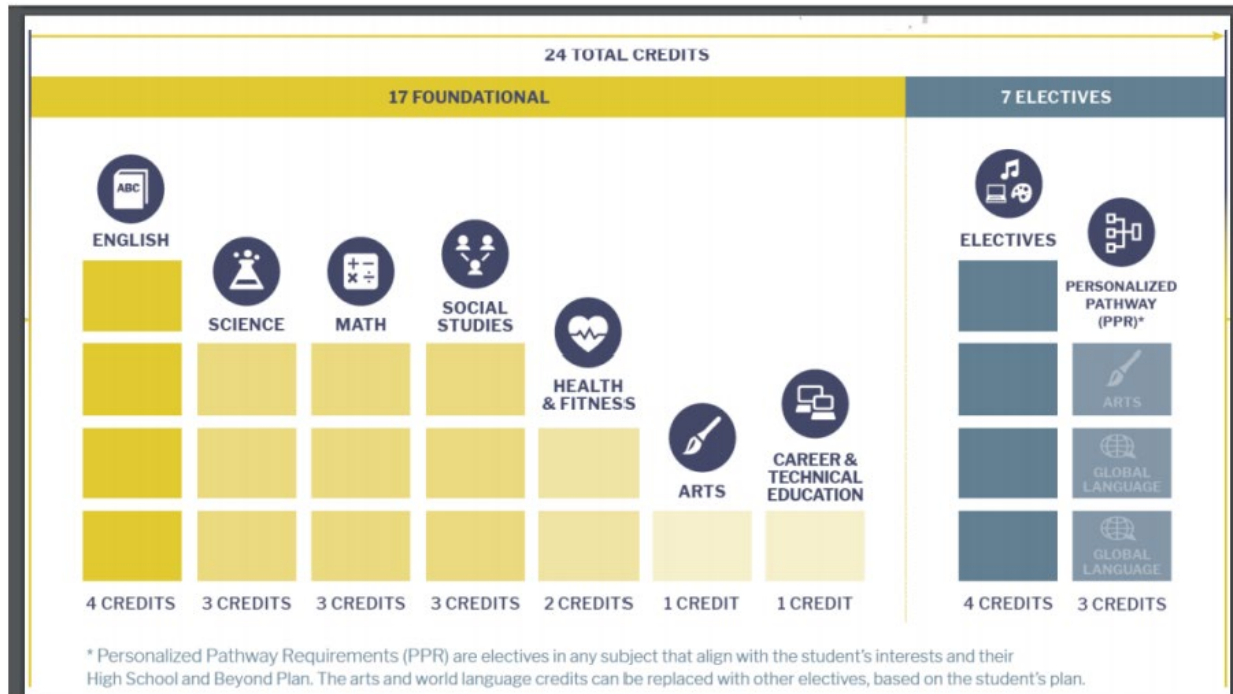
Graduation Requirements

<i>Subject</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Special Requirements</i>
English/Language Arts	4.0	
Mathematics	3.0	Math courses must be Algebra and higher and described in the High School and Beyond Plan.
Science	3.0	At least two credits of the three science credits shall be a lab science.
Social Studies: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• United States History (1.0)• World History (1.0)• Civics (.5)• Current World Problems (.5)	3.0	
Career & Technical Education	1	All students need at least one CTE credit. Two CTE credits in the same pathway can meet the graduation requirement.
Health and Fitness	2.0	Students need a semester (0.5 credits) of Health and three semesters (1.5 credits) of PE
Fine Arts	2.0	One credit may be a Personalized Pathway Requirement.
World Language OR Personal Pathway	2.0	Both credits may be a Personalized Pathway Requirement.
Electives	4.0	
<i>Total Credits Needed</i>	<i>24.0</i>	

In addition, all students must complete the following non-credit bearing requirements:

- High School and Beyond Plan
- Washington State History Requirement
- High school English language arts Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBAC) or state-approved alternative (alternatives listed on page 20)
- High school math Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBAC) or state-approved alternative

Here is another way to look at graduation requirements.



Note: Culture classes can count toward your electives. Some count as Arts or Health and Fitness.

Minimum College Admissions Standards

Students who wish to attend a four-year college immediately after high school need to meet some additional requirements:

- 3 credits of Math must include Algebra 1, Geometry and Algebra 2. Some schools also require that students complete a Math course during senior year.
- 2 credits in the same World Language or Native American Language. (3 credits are recommended and required by some colleges and universities.)

NCAA Requirements

The NCAA requirement for participating in college sports as a freshman is the completion of 16 core courses. Earning the state-required 4 English, 3 Math, 3 Science, and 3 Social Studies meets 13 of these. The 2 language credits needed for 4-year college admission adds up to 15. Students need to earn one additional credit in one of these areas to meet the NCAA requirement. A third year of language or an additional Math or Science class will make the total 16.

The NCAA also requires that the students' GPA in these 16 courses be at least 2.3. (This is not an overall GPA because courses like PE and Electives are not included.) This GPA needs to be even higher if SAT or ACT scores are low.

Course Offerings



While student choices are limited to electives in middle school, high school students have more options and should build a schedule to prepare for the future they imagine. The work students do in advisory and on Major Clarity (the career and college readiness online platform at Chief Leschi Schools) will help guide these choices. Students can also schedule time with a counselor to help with planning.

Middle School Courses

Middle school has a 6-period day.

6th Grade

All 6th grade students take Math 6, English/Language Arts 6, Science 6, Social Studies and Indigenous World History 6, and Culture/PE 6.

There is one period remaining in the day. Most students take 6th Grade Seminar or an elective: Drama, Art, Drumline, or Coding in Minecraft. Counselors build 6th graders schedules for students.

7th Grade

All 7th grade students take Math 7, English/Language Arts 7, Science 7, Washington State History and Since Time Immemorial 7, Digttools 7, and Culture/PE 7.

If there is one period remaining in the day, students can take Culture elective, Art, Drama, Drumline, or Coding in Minecraft. Counselors build 7th graders schedules for students.

8th Grade

All 8th grade students take Math 8, English/Language Arts 8, Science 8, Early United States History and Indian Sovereignty 8, Digttools, and Culture/PE 8.

If there is one period remaining in the day, students can take an elective: Culture elective, Art, Leadership, Drama, Drumline, or Coding in Minecraft. Counselors build 8th graders schedules for students.

High School Courses



Key definitions:

Prerequisite: These are courses students need to have taken AND PASSED to qualify for a course

Dual Credit: Students can earn both high school AND college credit in these classes. For college credit, they need to earn a grade of C or better.

HSBP: High School and Beyond Plan is a document begun in middle school and updated annually with student plans for courses and career. They will do this primarily in their Advisory.



English/Language Arts

Students need to successfully complete 4 years of English/Language Arts in order to graduate. Honors courses are offered for students looking for more challenging course work.

ELA 9 (open to grade 9, no prerequisites, one period Reading and one period Writing)

Honors ELA 9 (open to grade 9, no prerequisites, one period Reading and one period Writing)

ELA 10 (open to grade 10, no prerequisites, one period Reading and one period Writing)

Honors ELA 10 (open to grade 10, no prerequisites)

ELA 11 (open to grade 11, no prerequisites)

Honors ELA 11 (open to grade 11, no prerequisites)

College in the High School English Language Arts English 131 (open to grade 12; taught as a college course in which students can earn college as well as high school credits; can substitute for passing the ELA SBA for graduation)

Bridge to College English (open to grade 12, passing this course can substitute for passing the ELA portion of the SBA, B or higher can be used for college placement)



Mathematics

Students need to successfully complete 3 years of Math in order to graduate. Some colleges require a fourth year for admission.

Algebra 1 (open to grades 9-12; no prerequisites)

Geometry (open to grades 9-12; prerequisite is Algebra 1)

Algebra 2 (open to grades 9 -12; prerequisites are Algebra 1 and Geometry)

Precalculus (prerequisite is Algebra 2)

Bridge to College Math (open to grade 12; prerequisite is passing Algebra 1 and Geometry and attempting Algebra 2; passing this course can substitute for passing the Math SBA)



Science

Students need 3 years of Science to graduate. All of the science courses below qualify as lab sciences.

Biology (open to grade 9)

Biology: Ecology and Natural Resources (open to grades 9-12; also counts as CTE and a Biology credit)

Chemistry (open to grades 10-12)

Honors Chemistry (open to grades 10-12)

Chemistry: Natural Resources and Conservation (open to grades 10-12; prerequisite is Ecology and Natural Resources; also counts as CTE and Chemistry credit)

Physics (open to grades 11-12)

Environmental Science (open to grades 11-12; also counts as CTE and a lab science; prerequisite is Ecology and Natural Resources or Natural Resources and Conservation, offered alternate years)

Fisheries Management (open to grades 11-12; also counts as CTE and a lab science; prerequisite is Ecology and Natural Resources or Natural Resources and Conservation, offered alternate years beginning with the 23/24 school year)

Biology 100: Addiction and the Brain (open to grades 11-12, this College in the High School course earns 5 credits at University of Washington if standards are met, this can count as a third year of lab science)



Social Studies

Students need three years of Social Studies to graduate. Typical schedules have no Social Studies in 9th grade but a full year in 10th, 11th and 12th. Indigenous perspectives are integrated into all Social Studies courses.

World History (open to grade 10)

US History (open to grade 11)

Civics (one semester only; open to grades 11-12)

Current World Problems (one semester only; open to grades 11-12)



Culture

Access to Culture courses is a special privilege for students at Chief Leschi. The schedule was built to allow students to take one course each year of high school. In addition, Indigenous Culture is infused into many other courses, including Physical Education and Social Studies.

Cultural Projects 1 (open to grades 9-12; no prerequisites)

Cultural Projects 2 (open to grades 10-12; prerequisite is Cultural Projects 1)

Drum and Dance (open to grades 9-12; no prerequisites)

Canoe Family (open to grades 9-12; no prerequisites)

Physical Education/Health



Students need a semester of Health and three semesters of high school PE to graduate.

High School Physical Education (open to grades 9-12)

Health (one semester course; open to grades 9-12 but typically completed in 9th grade)

AVID



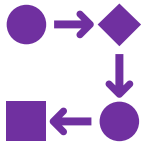
In the AVID Elective class students will receive academic and social support to help them succeed in rigorous courses, graduate on time, and support post high school readiness. They will be part of the same AVID classroom community until graduation, taking college campus tours together, team building, and learning to advocate for themselves and one another.

Students must be nominated and apply to participate. AVID classes are offered for all secondary grades.

Freshman Seminar



Ninth grade students in this course will improve their skills to be successful students in high school and beyond. This elective course covers test-taking, studying, and researching skills.



Career and Technical Education (CTE)

Every student must take one or more CTE course to meet graduation requirements. Completing two courses in the same pathway is one of the possible pathways to graduation.

Audio and Visual Technology Pathway

Graphic Design (open to grades 9-12; no prerequisites; one semester course; dual credit)
Explore the fundamentals of art and design using Adobe Photoshop and other industry software.

Audio Visual Production 1 (open to grades 10-12; dual credit; prerequisite is Graphic Design)
Develop your inner storyteller by learning how to professionally shoot and edit videos.

Audio Visual Production 2 (open to grades 11-12; prerequisite is AV Production 1)
Expand your visual storytelling skills by participating in this advanced course.

Digital Photo/E-Yearbook (open to grades 11-12; dual credit; prerequisite Graphic Design or AV Production 1)
Continue building your AV skills with a focus on photography, design, layout and publishing

Production Arts (open to grades 11-12) Learn how to design and market custom merchandise.

Culinary Arts Pathway

Culinary 1 (open to grades 9-12; dual credit)

Culinary 2 (open to grades 10-12; dual credit)

Culinary 2/(Indigenous Culinary) (open to grades 10-12; dual credit; prerequisite is Culinary 1)

Culinary 3 (open to grades 10-12; dual credit; prerequisite is Culinary 2)

Food Service Management (open to grade 12, prerequisite is Culinary 3) One semester course.

Education Careers Pathway

Relationships and Human Development (open to grades 9-12; offered first semester; no prerequisites; dual credit)

Child Development (open to grades 9-12; offered second semester; no prerequisites; dual credit)

Education Careers/Internship (open to grades 11-12; no prerequisite; dual credit; can be used as an ELA credit)
Second semester of this course includes working in an elementary classroom.

Medical Careers Pathway

Intro to Medical Careers (open to grades 9-12; no prerequisites; dual credit; one semester course)

Medical Terminology (open to grades 10 -12; no prerequisites; dual credit)

This course benefits students interested in a medical; dental; or veterinary career.

Sports Medicine 1 (open to grades 11-12; no prerequisites)

Provides and overview of Athletic Training and Sports Medicine and related careers.

Sports Medicine 2 (open to grade 12; prerequisite is Sports Medicine 1; dual credit, offered alternate years) Advanced overview of Athletic Training and Sports Medicine techniques and skills.

Natural Resources Pathway

All of the courses in this pathway are both CTE and Science credits. Students earn one credit for each course but pathway credit for both CTE and Science.

Biology: Ecology and Natural Resources (open to grade 9, no prerequisites)

Chemistry: Natural Resources and Conservation (open to grade 10, prerequisite is Ecology and Natural Resources)

Environmental Science or Fisheries Management (open to grades 11-12, prerequisites are Ecology and Natural Resources and Natural Resources and Conservation, courses alternate years)



Internship

The Intro to Internship course is open to all juniors and seniors. First semester students will learn employment skills like resume writing, interview skills and professional collaboration. Second semester students apply those skills in the workplace in an internship in the field of their choosing. The internship might occur during the same class period but could extend later; students will negotiate working hours with their employer before accepting an assignment.

This course counts as the second course in all of the pathways offered at Chief Leschi Schools.

Introduction to Internship (open to grades 11-12, counts as a course in all CTE Pathways, no prerequisites)

Annual Nondiscrimination Notification (Methods of Administration)

Chief Leschi School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The Chief Leschi School District offers classes in many career and technical education (CTE) program areas:

AV Production Culinary Education Medical Natural Resources

All students are able to choose to pursue any of these pathways under Chief Leschi Schools' open admission policy. For more information about CTE course offerings contact **Nancy Nelson**, CTE Director, Nancy.nelson@leschischools.org. Lack of English language proficiency will not be a barrier to admission and participation in career and technical education programs. The following people have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies:

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Language

Students need two years of the same language (and sometimes three) for admission to a four-year college.

Lushootseed 1 (open to grades 9-12; no prerequisites)

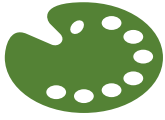
Lushootseed 2 (open to grades 10-12; prerequisite is Lushootseed 1)

Lushootseed 3 (open to grades 11-12; prerequisite is Lushootseed 2)

Spanish 1 (open to grades 9-12; no prerequisites)

Spanish 2 (open to grades 10-12; prerequisite is Spanish 1)

Spanish 3 (open to grades 11-12; prerequisite is Spanish 2)



Fine Arts

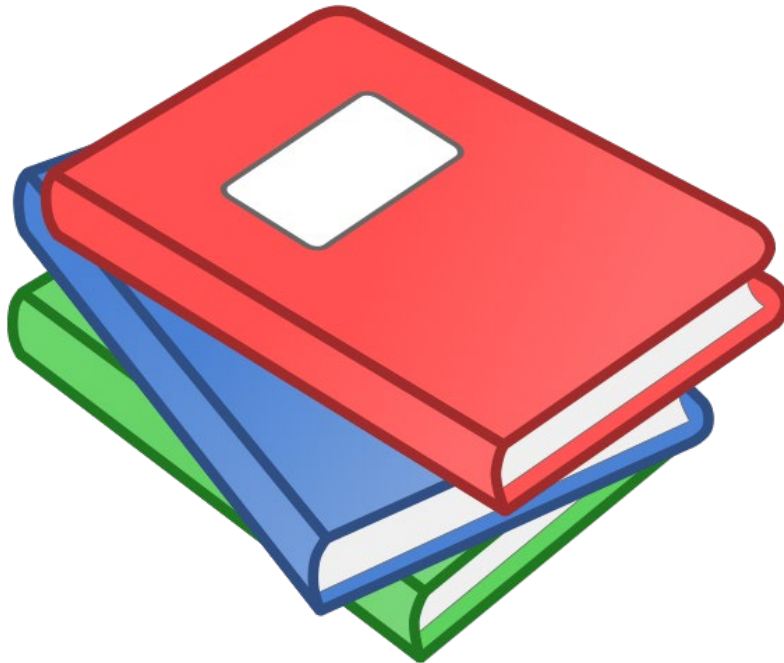
Students need one full year of a Fine Arts course to graduate. Some Culture classes can also count as Fine Arts, as can courses from the CTE Audio Visual Production Pathway.

Art (open to grades 9-12, no prerequisites)

HS Drama (open to grades 9-12, no prerequisites)

Drumline (open to grades 9-12, no prerequisites)

Additional Education Options



Pathway to Promise

Students who meet the following criteria from the districts listed above are assured admission to UW Tacoma:

- 2.7 cumulative high school GPA
- 510 math and 540 evidence-based reading writing (optional)
- Completion of all College Academic Distribution Requirements (CADRs) by the time one graduates from high school (in addition to Algebra 1, Geometry and Algebra 2, a math-based course must be completed senior year, 4 years of English, 3 years of Social Studies, 2 years of World Language, 3 years of Science)
- A well written personal statement and activities log

Guaranteed Admission Program

Students who meet the following criteria are guaranteed admission to Central Washington University, Eastern Washington University, Evergreen State University, Washington State University, University of Washington Tacoma and Western Washington University.

- 3.0 cumulative high school GPA
- Completion of all College Academic Distribution Requirements (CADRs) by the time one graduates from high school (in addition to Algebra 1, Geometry and Algebra 2, a math-based course must be completed senior year, 4 years of English, 3 years of Social Studies, 2 years of World Language, 3 years of Science)

Dual Credit and College in the High School

When students earn a C or higher in a dual credit course, they also earn college credit through Pierce College, Bates Tech or Clover Park Technical College. Students can only earn this credit *if they register for it during the year they are taking the course*. If a student enrolls in any college after graduating from Chief Leschi, they can transfer these credits. This can save a lot of time and money!

College in the High School courses also generate college credit. Students in these courses are officially enrolled in the college giving them the credit. The college has control over the curriculum, assignments and assessments in the courses.

There are no fees for taking these courses, or for earning the college credit associated with them. Redeeming the credit will automatically generate a college transcript with the institution offering the credit, and there are steps each student needs to complete to complete this process.

Running Start

Running Start is a program that allows students to take some or all of their high school coursework at a local community college. Full-time Running Start students can complete a high school diploma college credit or an AA degree at the same time.

The switch to college level instruction and expectations can be a challenge for some students and a

wonderful opportunity for others. Students need to arrange their own transportation and purchase course materials. Talk to your counselor if you are considering this option.

Credit Retrieval Options

Edgenuity is a teacher-supported class where students earn missing credits by completing online courses. This is an option for students who are behind in earning the credits needed for graduation.

Alternative Routes to Graduation

In addition to completing 24 credits and a High School and Beyond Plan (HSBP), students need to complete one of the following eight graduation pathways. The selected pathway should align with the HSBP.

1. Achieve cut scores on the SBA for ELA and Math (Qualifying IEP students can use an alternate assessment; cut scores are set each year by the state)
2. Achieve cut scores on the SAT or ACT.
3. Pass both semesters of Bridge to College ELA and/or Math
4. Pass a dual credit course in ELA and Math
5. Combine any of the above four options – meet the ELA requirement with one and Math with another
6. Achieve cut score on the ASVAB test.
7. Pass a series of at least two courses in a CTE pathway that aligns with the HSBP. Courses must either be dual credit or lead to an industry recognized credential.

GED program

Chief Leschi has partnered with Grays Harbor College to offer a GED program on campus. Please contact your counselor for more information.

Transcripts

The process for getting an official transcript sent to a school or employer is different for current students and former students.

Current students can complete a [transcript request form](#) in the office or email enrollment@leschischools.org to request a transcript.

Former students must complete a [records request form](#). The forms are also on the CLS website under Departments, Enrollment and Student Records.