

## **SOPHOMORE REGISTRATION GUIDELINES 2024-2025**

1. **Guideline for building your junior program** – You are encouraged to consider your academic aspirations as you plan your junior program; seek out the advice of your teachers, counselor and parents as you select your program. It should be a balanced schedule that will sufficiently **challenge you** in each subject area **without overwhelming yourself**. All students **must** be scheduled for a minimum of six courses per semester in addition to P.E. Remember that in 11<sup>th</sup> grade, you will also be devoting time to preparing for the SATs/ACTs and researching colleges.
2. Our **Course Catalog for 2024-2025** is available online at: <https://www.greatneck.k12.ny.us/Page/8882>  
Please review it carefully regarding your choices in each subject area.
3. **Graduation Requirements**: Make sure you are close to completing your remaining requirements: **Art/Music/Drama (1 cr); Practical Arts (.50 cr); Computer (.50 cr); Health (11<sup>th</sup> grade)**
4. **All juniors will continue** with their English, Social Studies, Math and Science courses. We strongly recommend that you continue the study of your Foreign Language (L.O.T.E.) throughout high school.
5. **AP Courses** – *Speak to your teachers immediately if you wish to be considered for an AP course for next year.* It is necessary that you receive departmental approval in order to register for an AP course. Should any courses be open to self-selection (for those not recommended), you will be notified via email and be sure to follow the instructions carefully. Students are not permitted to pursue the self-select process for more than one AP course and should be cautious about not enrolling in more AP courses than they can comfortably handle. *Remember, AP courses are not for everyone and are not required in order to be admitted to college.*
6. **Physical Education** – All students must be registered for P. E. classes each semester. AM Fitness is a PE alternative (departmental approval required).
7. **Lunch** – All students should plan for a lunch/break during their school day.
8. **Nassau Tech. (BOCES)** offers technical or vocational training in more than 50 occupations at any one of their 6 area centers. Students selecting this program can earn 4 school credits per year. Each student spends 1/2 day (A.M. or P.M.) at Barry Tech Nassau Tech Center. The remaining 1/2 day is devoted to study in required subjects for graduation here at North. More information can be found on their website: <https://www.nassauboces.org/barrytech>
9. **Schedule Change Policy** – You are making a commitment to this schedule for your **entire junior year**. In those cases when a change is absolutely necessary, a couple of policies to keep in mind are:
  - a. Dropping a course – No full-year course shall be dropped from a student’s schedule after the mid-point of the second quarter, and no half-year course shall be dropped after the mid-point of the first quarter.
  - b. Add/Drop Combination – **must be** completed within the first two weeks of the year or start of the course.
  - c. Course level changes **must be** made by the mid-point of the second quarter (changes made only if there is space in the new course). Grades do not follow from one level course to another.