

CLASS OF 2026

CLASS SCHEDULING MEETING



CHELSEA
BULLDOGS

Please Note

- 27 credits are required to graduate from CHS (if you take a full schedule all 4 years and pass all your classes, you end up with 30 credits)
 - 1 “term” class = 0.5 credit
 - Most AP courses are 3 terms
 - **All scheduling will be done online**
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Junior Meetings

- Individual Meetings with juniors after you input your course requests: Jan 17 - Feb 18.
- We will review your credits and what you need to complete for graduation. We will talk about your postsecondary plans and the college application process.
- Three nights for junior parent meetings with counselors: Thursday, January 30th (P/T conferences), Tuesday, February 18th and Wednesday, February 19th from 1 pm to 8 pm
- Invitations were sent via email to your parents

Scheduling Process

- Please understand that the “Master Schedule” is developed in the spring based on the classes you request in February. Put careful thought in your selections. Changing classes later can be impossible due to full sections.
- Enter your schedule requests: from today through Monday, February 3rd. Your Bulldog Block Teachers will check that you have completed this task.
- 3 Schedule change windows: in June, at the beginning of the school year, and one last opportunity at the end of trimester 1.

Prerequisites and the “CHS Course Offerings” catalog

- Be sure to refer to the course catalog so that you know the prerequisites for classes **BEFORE** selecting a course:
- **'25-'26 CHS Course Offerings Catalog link:**
<https://bit.ly/4fUqnBu>
It is listed on the second page of the course selection sheet. Or you can find it on the counseling office website.
- If you sign up for a class for which you have not met the prerequisite, **you will be dropped from the class.**

Clarifications

- Study Skills or Academic Learning Lab will be placed in your schedule by our T.C.s or counselors (you cannot select these classes)
 - 21F Virtual courses: enter “Counselor Entry”
 - You will receive an email from Mrs. Kay later today with instructions for how to enter your course requests in PowerSchool.
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Course changes and/or Name Changes

No longer offered: **Debate**

OLD NAME	NEW NAME
American Literature	English 11
College Prep English	English 12
Foundations of Art	Draw Paint Print I
Draw Paint Print I	Draw Paint Print II
Draw Paint Print II	Draw Paint Print III

PLEASE NOTE: PowerSchool Request Screen is going to have the old name

Next Year...

12th Grade:

- Individual meetings with counselors at the beginning of the school year
 - Continue college visits - up to 3 in Fall
 - Attend visits at CHS!
 - You will apply to college in the Fall
 - Eligible to take consortium classes
 - You can retake the SAT at an outside testing center if you wish (find them at collegeboard.org)
 - Dual Enrollment
 - AP Exams
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Consortium Classes

- Sign up started in December - it was emailed to you and your parents
- If you decide to sign up now, remember that you must add it to PowerSchool but also submit an application through the SWWC website
- This applies to the consortium classes offered at CHS too (Moss, Rickli, etc)
- Click [here](#) for the application, then click on Chelsea SWWC application

Directions for Registering for Classes

- Complete course selection in PowerSchool **no later than Monday, February 3rd** Review with your 2nd hour teacher during Bulldog Block on Tue, February 4th.
- **Important:** the following classes require completion of a form and/or an application before they can be added to your schedule: **Independent Study, Cadet Teaching A.M./P.M. Release, Virtual or Online Class, Dual Enrollment Course.** Request an appointment with your counselor in order to obtain the virtual form. It will need to be signed by you and your parent/guardian before the class can be added to your schedule. Forms will be sent to your school email via **SignNow**
- Go online to register after today's meeting

English - Pathways

Grade	Standard Courses	Honors Courses
9	English 9	Honors English 9
10	English 10	Honors English 10
11	English 11	AP Lang. and Comp.
12	English 12 or English Electives	AP Lit. and Comp.

English - 4 credits required

of Terms

English Requirements

1	Acting ('26-'27)	
3	AP Literature & Comp	
1	Contemporary Literature	
2	CP English (English 12)	
1	Creative Writing ('26-'27)	
1	Journalism A	<u>Journalism # of terms</u> 1 term select A 2 terms select A & B 3 terms select A & B & C
1	Journalism B	
1	Journalism C	
1	Lit, Film & Media ('26-'27)	
1	Passion Project ('25-'26)	
1	Songs as Poetry ('25-'26)	
1	Writing for Change ('25-'26)	

- You have completed 3 CR so far
- 1 credit = 2 classes is what you need in senior year
- Our regular level course is now called English 12 (but on the PowerSchool screen you will still request it as College Prep English)
- Our advanced English is AP Lit
- Or you can choose English electives but only Journalism & Contemporary Lit. are NCAA approved
- Selective colleges require a minimum of the regular Eng course (ex. MSU, U-M)

English - notes from the department

- AP Literature is 3 terms - no exceptions (unless you drop out after first trimester because you can't handle it)
 - Please note - in Journalism, you are writing for publications on a deadline - no procrastination allowed. If you have attendance issues or trouble completing assignments, this is not the class for you.
 - You are able to take Contemporary Literature or Journalism again even if you have had it before, but only 0.5 credit can count towards your senior English requirement.
 - You cannot take Passion Project, Songs as Poetry, or Writing for Change if you had the class before.
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Math - Pathways

Grade	Applied - Teacher rec only	CP	Accelerated & Honors
9	Algebra 1 (A/B/C)	Algebra 1	Geometry or Honors Geometry
10	Geometry	Geometry	Algebra 2 or Honors Alg 2
11	Alg 2 A & Math Elective	Algebra 2 A & B	Pre-Calculus or Honors Pre-Calc
12	Math Electives	Pre-Calculus or Math Electives (Teacher Recommendation)	AP Calculus or AP Statistics

Math - 4 credits required

Mathematics Requirement

- 2 Pre-Calculus
- 2 Honors Pre-Calculus
- 1 Intro to Statistics
- 1 Project Geometry
- 3 AP Calculus
- 3 AP Statistics

- You have completed 3 CR so far; some of you already have 4 (if you took Algebra in M.S.)
- 1 credit = 2 classes is what you need in senior year
- If you already have 4 math credits, you need to take 1 course as a senior (minimum)
- All the classes that have a + sign on the digital course selection sheet, count as a math class in your senior year (example: personal finance)

*Application required

**Transportation not provided

+ Senior Math Credit

WBL= Work Based Learning CTE
Year 2 Program

Math - notes from the department

Please note prerequisite for Pre-Calculus: B- or better in Algebra 2 or Honors Algebra 2 (or teacher approval).

Please note that more selective universities want students to take math in their senior year and they do not count personal finance or any other business or computer class as a math course (even though CHS does). So if you are planning on applying to MSU or U-M for example, you should plan on taking math classes offered from the math department in your senior year.

Social Studies - Pathways

Grade	Required Course
9	Civics (1 Term)
10	World History(2 Terms)
11	U.S. History (2 Terms)
12	Government (1 Term) Economics (1 Term)

Social Studies - 3.5 credits required

Social Studies Requirement

- 1 Economics
- 1 US Government
- 3 AP Economics-Macro/Micro
- 3 AP US Gov Politics & Comparative

- You have completed 2.5 CR so far
 - 1 credit = 2 classes is what you need in senior year
 - You are required to take Economics (1 term) but you can take AP Econ if you prefer (3 terms)
 - You are required to take US Gov (1 term) but you can take AP Gov if you prefer (3 terms)
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Social Studies - notes from the department

- You can choose to take the one trimester version of Economics and US Government, or one of the two as an AP Course or both as AP Courses.
- AP Classes are 3 terms - no exceptions (unless you drop out after first trimester because you can't handle it)
- AP Economics at CHS covers Microeconomics and Macroeconomics, so there are 2 AP Exams available to you in May for that class.
- AP Government at CHS covers American and Comparative Government, so there are 2 AP Exams available to you in May for that class.
- Here is the [AP Credit Policy link](#)
- Electives: women in history is now offered every year



WOMEN IN HISTORY

Did you know that a young woman named Alice Paul risked her life on a hunger strike to fight for the right to vote? Or that Elizabeth Friedman used her codebreaking skills to take down entire criminal networks? What about Ruth Bader Ginsburg cleverly arguing a case about a man to challenge gender discrimination laws?

In Women in History, we're diving into the drama, the brilliance, and the rebellion of the women who made history—and broke all the rules while doing it.

Course Information:

- 1 Trimester History Elective
- Open to Grades 9 - 12
- Explore women's role in history (everything your traditional history class missed) through movies, projects, stories, and guest speakers.
- Discuss historical specifics in connection to current events to help you better understand our current world.



Science - Pathways

Grade	Fundamental	College Prep	Honors
9	Biology 1	Biology 1	Biology 1
10	Physical Science 1 & 2 (1 term each)	Chemistry	Chemistry
11	Chemistry B & Physics A (1 term each) or Chemistry 1B (1 term) and Science Elective (1 term)	Physics (2 terms)	AP Physics 1
12	Science electives	Science electives	Science electives

Science - 3 credits required

Science Courses

- 1 **Biology 2 Anatomy**
- 1 **Biology 2 Genetics**
- 1 **Environmental Science**
- 1 **Forensic Science**
- 3 **AP Biology**
- 3 **AP Chemistry**
- 2 **AP Physics 1 +**
- 2 **AP Physics Mechanics "C"+**

- If you completed 2 trimesters of Physics as a junior, you are all set with science
 - If you are planning to go into the medical field or a science field, taking a 4th year of science is very important
 - Here are some electives
 - 25-26: AP Biology will be offered
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Science electives

- Biology 2 can be taken in two terms or can be selected for either 2A or 2B (they are separate classes - anatomy & physiology vs. genetics)
- Next year AP Biology will be offered (this year AP Chem was offered - they alternate years).
- AP Physics C Mechanics - different than AP Physics 1 (a more conceptual first year class). AP Physics C Mechanics is what a college student in Engineering, Computer Science, or another STEM field would take as their first semester college physics. It is a two trimester course and calculus based. Consider this class if you want to major in a STEM field such as engineering. Questions? Ask Ms. Bolakowski in room 222

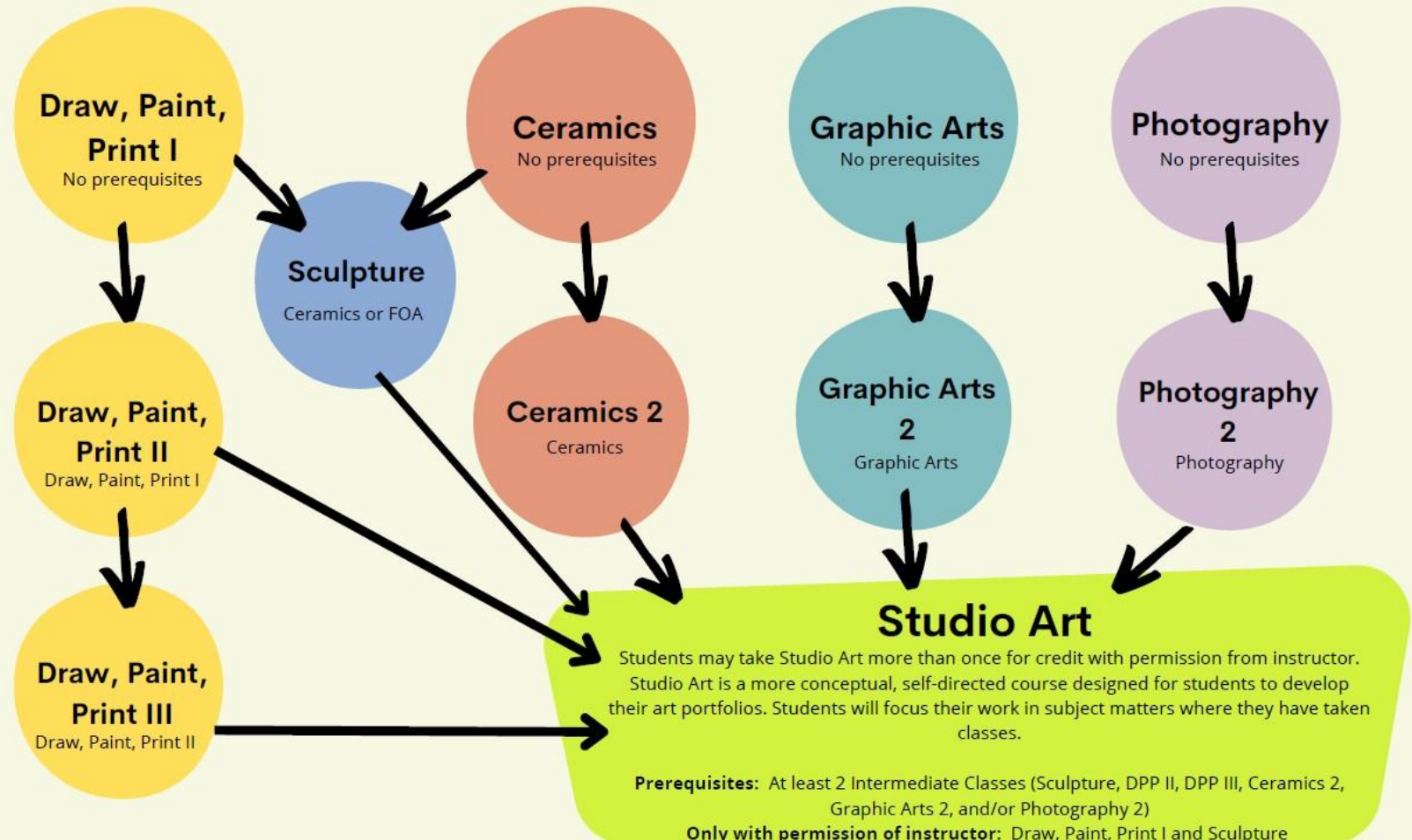
World Languages - 2 years

Have you completed your second year of the same language yet? If you haven't, consider adding it to your senior year schedule. Benefits of completing a minimum of 2 years:

- More doors of opportunity open to you when applying to colleges.
- The possibility to save money and time in college - students have reached back out to our language teachers for example to thank them because they were able to test out of required language classes in college. Saved time, effort and lots of money!

Electives: Art

CHELSEA HIGH SCHOOL ART DEPARTMENT



Electives - Fitness Classes

- You can have a fitness class each trimester
 - You cannot have more than one fitness class in one trimester such as Advanced Fitness and Team Sports
 - You can take Exercise Science and have three fitness classes for the year (because Exercise Science is a regular class)
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Electives: Business

- Business Foundations 1 A & B are separate classes (you can take B without having completed A).
- Business Foundations 1B, Personal Finance, and Accounting count as math in your senior year.
- Marketing A (retail), B (restaurant) and C (hotel) are different classes and you do not have to go in order. You cannot take A more than once, same with B and C.
- Part of the marketing class is to run the school store.
- If you are planning on studying business in college you really should take accounting.

Electives: Family and Consumer Science

- Foods 1: you need to maintain a 70% or higher in order to be able to take Foods 2 or Foods 3.
 - You must take Foods 1 in order to take Foods 2 or 3. You can take Foods 3 after taking Foods 1.
 - Introduction to Sewing: you will incur an additional expense if you choose not to use the fabrics that are available for use in the class
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Music

- Band, Orchestra AND Choir are 3 trimester classes!
 - If you encounter a scheduling conflict between your music class and a core class, it is essential to speak with your music director promptly to create a solution.
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Electives: Computer Science

- AP Computer Science is a 3 trimester course.
Prerequisite courses: Computer Science I and
Computer Science II
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Electives: Tech Classes

- Having the Engineering/Robotics SWWC course here on our campus is an incredible advantage.
 - Mr. Moss is a resource for all your questions - dmoss@chelseaschools.org
 - CAD is the common thread in all tech classes. If you take the Principles of Engineering consortium class, you learn lots about CAD there.
 - Students can take any tech classes as well as Principles of Engineering class - they are all different.
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More notes about your senior schedule

- If you are applying to selective colleges, remember that we have to submit your senior schedule with the application. They want to see that you continue to challenge yourself in senior year. Avoid A.M./P.M. releases. Choose challenging classes.
- Once your college application is submitted, any changes to your senior schedule must be communicated with all colleges you have applied to, as the change could impact your admission.
- If you are tight on credits and will barely make it to 27 credits, you cannot take A.M./P.M. Release. You do not earn credits for releases.

NCAA

- Let your counselor know if you would like to play sports in college
 - You need to follow a NCAA approved curriculum
 - 16 Core Courses required. Minimum 2.3 **Core GPA**
 - Bold classes on the course selection sheet are NCAA approved
 - The CHS Course Offerings catalog also indicates if a CHS course is NCAA approved
 - More detailed information on the website:
<https://chs.chelseaschools.org/counseling-office/college-and-career-readiness>
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NCAA

DIVISION I ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

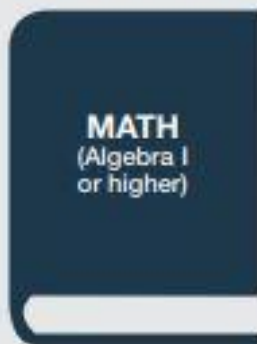
College-bound student-athletes enrolling at an NCAA Division I school need to meet the following academic requirements to practice, compete and receive an athletics scholarship in their first year of full-time enrollment.

Core-Course Requirement

Complete 16 core courses in the following areas:



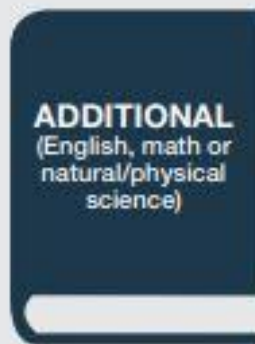
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3 years



2 years



1 year



2 years



4 years

CHS Consortium Tour

If you want to tour the consortium programs housed at Chelsea High School (i.e. Cybersecurity, Engineering/Robotics, Exercise Science, Health Sciences) fill out the form on the QR code



Final Comments

- Start having conversations with your parents, counselor and teachers regarding which courses you will be taking next year
 - Be sure to log in and check your Chelsea gmail account for scheduling information and any updates from the counseling office
 - Great resource to check out: the [Counseling Office Link on the CHS website](#)
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