

Hunterdon Central

Welcome Class of 2029

Open House & Electives Exploration

January 16, 2025

Orientation Events / Onboarding

Spring of 2025

- Welcome presentations for 8th graders at middle schools
 - January
- Scheduling Classes for 2025-2026 school year –
 - Credentials sent from Counseling Services & Information Technologies
 - Review Program of Studies (website) & make course selections
 - Receive confirmation of course placement (not block and teacher)
- Open House for Students and Families for Class of 2029
 - May 6 from 5 - 7 PM
- Register for fall athletics & activities
 - May and June - website

Orientation Events / Onboarding

Summer of 2025

- Summer courses and engagement opportunities may be available
- Fall athletics and activities begin
 - Marching Red Devils band camp and practices
 - Fall athletics
- Transportation will share bus assignments and times in Genesis
- Formal Orientation
 - Welcome meeting for parents: Monday, August 25th, at 6:30 PM
 - Orientation for all new students: Tuesday, August 26th, all morning

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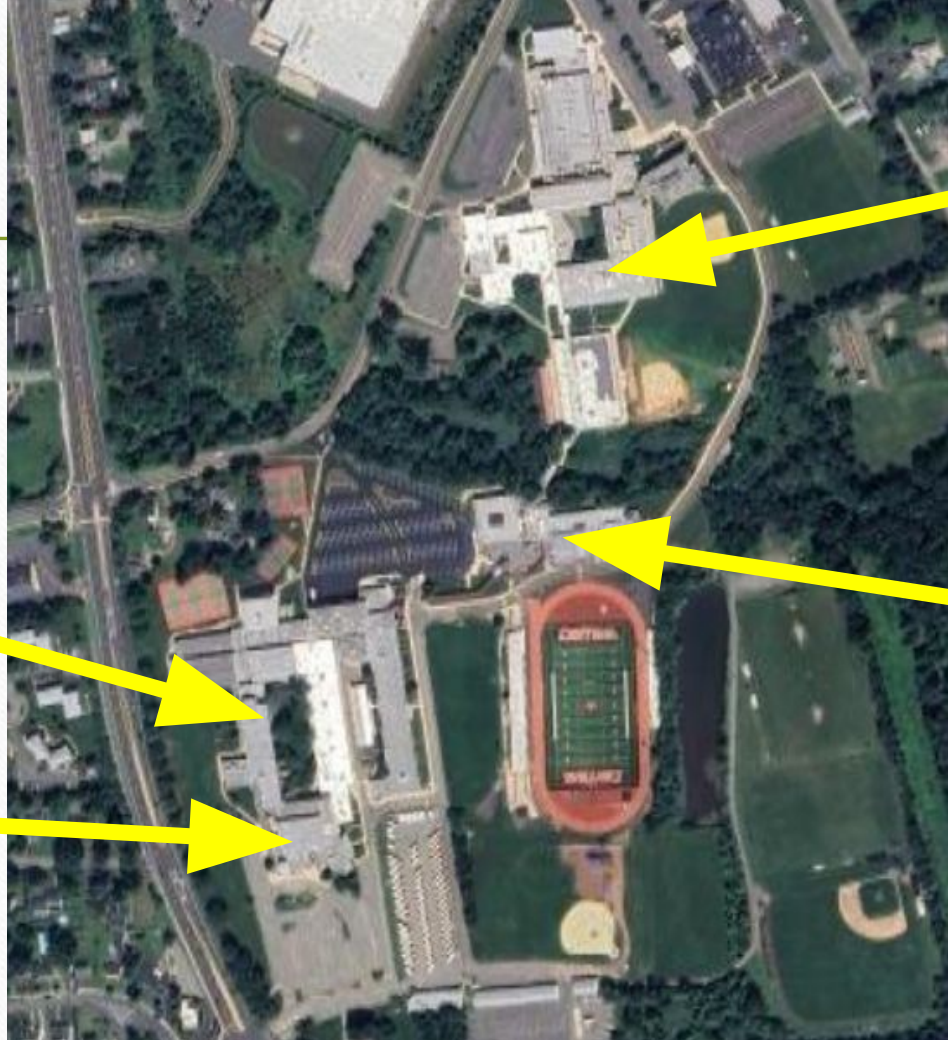
Fall of 2025

- Classes begin on September 2, 2025
 - Beginning of year climate and culture setting
 - A/B day structure – 8 total class blocks with 4 on A day and 4 on B day
 - Opportunities to get involved in clubs & organizations
- Opportunities for parents
 - Back to School Nights
 - Parent Engagement Committee
 - Presentations by Counseling Services

Open House Format

9/10 Building

We are here



11/12 Building (Tours
Only Tonight)

Instructional Media
Center (IMC) &
Music/Communications
Building

Counseling Services		Science		Social Studies	
8th Grade Parents-Welcome and Information Session (6:30PM)	Auditorium	Environmental & Earth Science	100	All AP Social Studies Courses, APUSH, AP Econ, AP Human Geography, AP Modern World, AP Euro Medieval, Classical, Geography, Economics	310
Counseling Staff	IMC	Biology	102	Psychology, Intro to Behavioral, Sociology, Holocaust, Genocide Gender Studies, Philosophy	306
ASPIRE (6:30 - 7:30)	150	Chemistry	104		309
World Language		Physics	106	USI USII Global Studies	308
Chinese	132	Electives	108	Music	
French	135	Biomedical Sciences Academy	114/116	Instrumental Music	501
German	131	Mathematics		Vocal Music	500
Latin	133	Algebra 1	139 & 141	Broadcasting	
Spanish	134	Geometry	138	Radio, Television & HCTV / Media & Communications Academy	Studios
Multilingual Learners Programs		Algebra 2	142 & 144	Magnet Programs	
ESL, Bilingual Language Arts and other ML classes	128	PreCalculus	146	Biomedical Science Academy	114 & 116
Business		Calculus, Discrete Math, Linear Algebra	148	Computer Science Academy	136
Business - Multiple Electives	Cafe 173	Computer Science Academy	136	Media & Communications Academy	Studios
Technology, Engineering & Design		Statistics	137	Robotics, Engineering, & Architecture Academies	Cafe 174
TED - Multiple Electives / Robotics, Engineering, & Architecture Academies	Cafe 174	English, Drama & Film		Family & Consumer Science	
Health and Physical Education		9th Grade English	202	Family & Consumer Science	
9th & 10th Grade Health & Phys Ed	Wooden Gym	10th Grade Eng & Journalism	200	Family & Consumer Science	
11th & 12th Grade Health & Phys Ed	New Gym	11th Grade Eng, Creative Writing	204	Intro to Educ. & Early Childhood Education	103
Art		AP Language, Honors College English I & II, Critical Issues & SAT	206	Culinary Arts	103
Art		AP Literature, Crime, Mystery & Media, Sci-Fi & Fantasy, The Short Story	208	Sewing, Design & Fashion	103
Art and Gifted & Talented Art	109 & 110	AP Seminar & Research, Senior Inquiry, Hon. Imaginitive Process, Sports & Literature & Honors American Voices	210	Special Education	
Photography	143	Drama & Public Speaking	214	EKWIPS	414
Nurses		Film	216	Project Trust	415
9/10 Health Office (All nurses)	205	IT & AI		AABLE Program	414
Parent Groups		Genesis and systems assistance	IMC	ACHIEVE	414
Parent Engagement Committee	9/10 Lobby	Artificial Intelligence & Education (specific show time-7pm)	Auditorium	Child Study Team / Special Services	IMC



Class of 2029

Building a Strong Foundation for Hunterdon Central

Dr. Danielle Zurawiecki
Supervisor of Counseling Services
January 16, 2025



Welcome **CLASS OF 2029**

Mrs. Long – Vice Principal

Mrs. Phillips – Secretary

Ms. Homberg – School Counselor

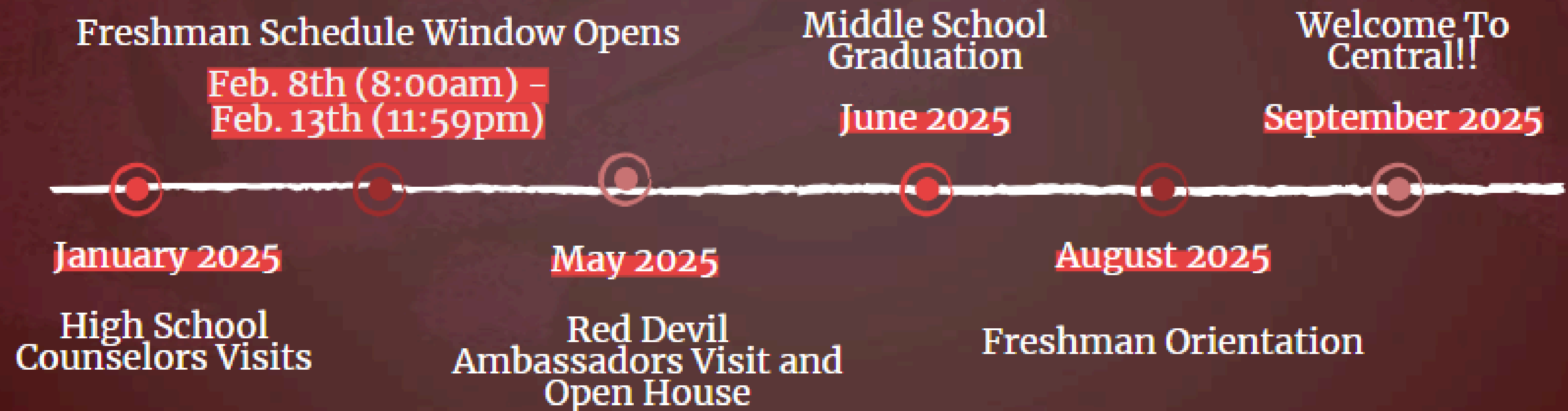
Ms. Sweet – School Counselor

Mrs. Taylor – School Counselor

Mrs. Buckelew – Student Assistance Counselor

Mrs. Stenger – School Nurse

Incoming Freshman Timeline



Topics

- Smooth Transition
- Importance of Academics
- Scheduling & 4-Year Plan
- Extracurricular Involvement
- Balance



Making a Smooth Transition

Planning & Organizing

- The use of a planner or calendar app for school and non-school commitments.
- Creating a doable schedule.
- Determining your priorities.



Time Management

- Appropriately estimating the time needed for activities.
- Meeting deadlines and avoiding rushed work.
- Breaking bigger projects into chunks.
- Learning how to balance work and leisure time.

Practicing Good Habits

- Healthy Sleep (7-8 hours min.)
- Balanced Diet & Physical Movement
- Relaxation Techniques

Stay focused on your **goals**, keeping them realistic and evaluating them regularly.

Use your **resources**! There are many people at HC to help you. This includes counselors, teachers, administrators, coaches, and more.

Importance of Academics



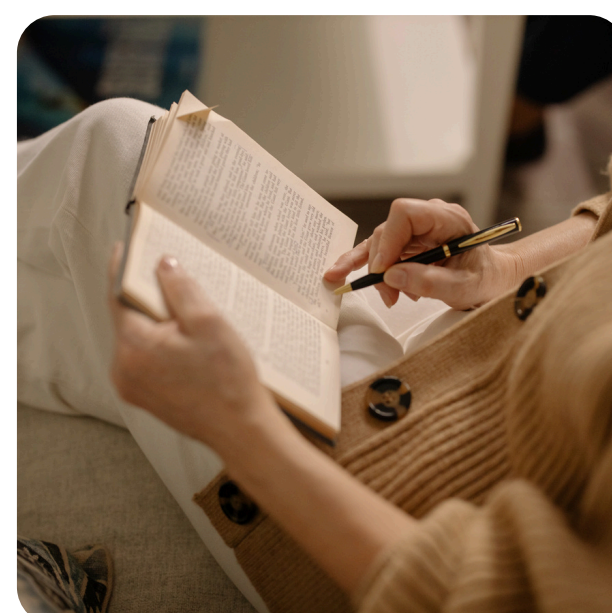
Grades Matter

- Freshman year is the foundation year of your academic performance.



Credits Matter

- Seat Time
- Athletics



Academic Challenge

- What is academic challenge and why is it important?
- Challenge is different for every student.

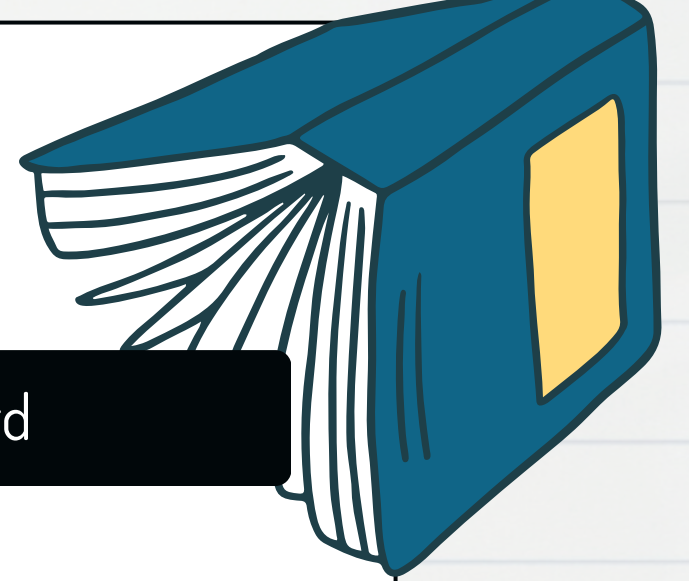


Scheduling

- Use the Program of Studies.
- Develop a 4-year plan.



Scheduling & Your 4-Year Plan



Gather Information

- Review the Program of Studies
- Understand how to Schedule on Genesis
- All documents are on our online scheduling page

Consult

- Review teacher recommendations with student
- Reach out to current counselor
- Talk with your student

Plan Backward

- Many paths to where we want to be!



Hunterdon Central Regional High School

A sound mind in a sound body.

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Staff and Student Email

Congratulations to our 2024-2025 Teacher of the Year, Adam Leonard, and

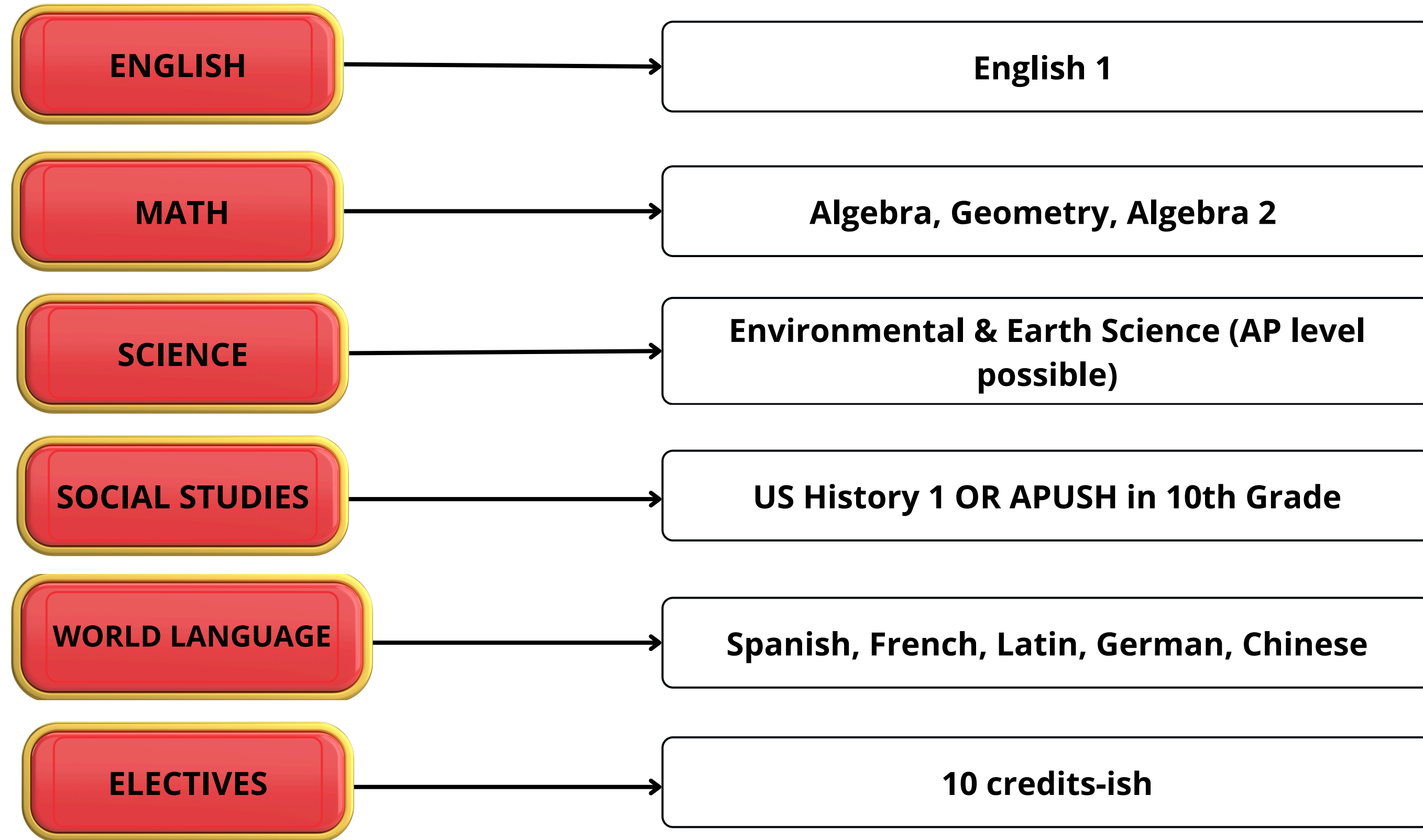




Central Graduation Requirements

Content Area	5 credits	10 credits	15 credits	20 credits
English Language Arts				
Mathematics <ul style="list-style-type: none">Algebra I or the content equivalentGeometry or the content equivalentThird year of math that builds on the concepts and skills of algebra and geometry				
Science <ul style="list-style-type: none">Laboratory biology/life science or the content equivalentLaboratory/inquiry-based science course (i.e., chemistry, environmental science, or physics)Laboratory/inquiry-based science courseCentral students take Environmental & Earth Science first				
Social Studies* <ul style="list-style-type: none">5 credits in World History/Global StudiesAt least 10 credits in United States HistoryCentral students take US History first				
Health, Safety, and Physical Education** <ul style="list-style-type: none">Students must be enrolled in Health/PE for every year of enrollmentCentral students take two, 2.5 credits per year	3 ³ / ₄ credits in health, safety, and physical education during each year of enrollment			
World Languages***				
Visual and Performing Arts				
Financial, Economic Business, and Entrepreneurial Business Literacy				
21st Century Life and Careers				

9th Grade Course Selection



Electives and Magnet Programs

REMINDERS

- Students could elect up to 10 elective credits, each year.
- Students will also select alternates for each of the elective choices, priority 1-5
- Full year electives are 5 credits and semester electives are 2.5 credits.
- Reminder, graduation requirements include:
 - 5 credits in Fine Arts
 - 5 credits in 21st Century Life & Careers or Career Tech Ed
 - 2.5 credits in Personal Finance

Magnet Program

Initial Course

Architectural Design

#830 Residential Design

Biomedical Sciences

#481 - Introduction to Biomedical Sciences

Computer Science

#381 Computer Science Academy
1/Advanced Placement Computer Science
Principles

Engineering

#806 Pre-Engineering

Media &
Communications

#850 Introduction to Media and
Communications

Robotics

#815 Introduction to Robotics



Extracurricular Involvement



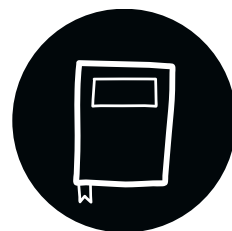
A Time of Discovery

- So many options with 100+ clubs at HC, plus everything outside of school.
- You don't need to stick with everything you try - branch out and discover!



Quality over Quantity

- Shorter list of activities with more involvement in each activity.
- A few quality activities with greater involvement is plenty.
- Choose activities that you are most passionate about.



Everything Counts!

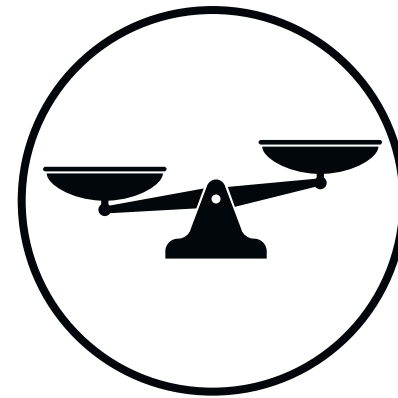
- Activities outside of HC are equally as important as school-sponsored activities.
- Consider activities like family responsibilities and hobbies; anything that you give consistent hours to is an activity!



Find Balance



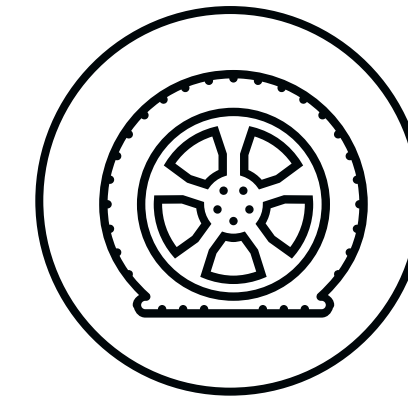
- Challenging yourself versus over doing it!
- TRUST the recommendations of your teachers



- BALANCE your life – academically, socially, emotionally



- Asset based approach
- Seeks to unlock students' potential by focusing on their talents



- Avoid a flat tire!



**Thank
you!**