

Welcome to the Class of 2026

Informational Meeting



Transitioning from 11th to 12th grade



Presented by the Fox Chapel Area High School

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Class of 2024
Where did they go after high school?

272

212 or 78%

28 or 10%

240 or 88%

Total 2024 Graduates

Attended 4 year college

Attended 2 year college/other

Continuing education

- Of those students continuing their education at four-year institutions, 122 (58%) are enrolled in colleges or universities outside of Pennsylvania.

Admissions Testing Program National Merit Finalists

- Class of 2024 - 6 (22 Commended)
 - Class of 2023 - 9 (16 Commended)
 - Class of 2022 - 9 (13 Commended)
 - Class of 2021 - 7 (13 Commended)
- A "National Merit Commended Scholar" is a student who scores highly enough on the PSAT to be recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Program, but not high enough to become a Semifinalist. They placed within the top 3-4% of test-takers nationally.

Class of 2024 Senior SAT Mean Scores

	Reading/Writing	Math
Class of 2024	613	615
Class of 2023	611	606
Class of 2022	608	613
Class of 2021	611	618
Class of 2020	617	619

- A total of 219 members (81%) of the 272 students in the Class of 2024 took the SAT during their junior or senior year. The national average scores for all 2024 graduates taking the test were 520 in evidence-based reading and writing and 510 in math.

Junior Year Timeline



FALL

- Continue good study habits & course selection
- Explore and narrow educational choices
- Get to know your counselor; interests, options
- Take the PSAT
- Attend college fairs & college visits at FCAHS
- Develop a list of prospective colleges/technical schools/military and other options based on research-keep in mind “Reach, Range and Reserve Schools”
- Register & prepare for ACT/SAT - Either fall or spring - speak with your counselor!

SPRING

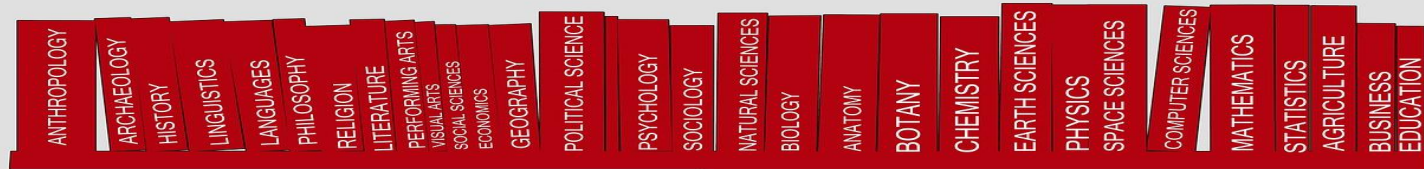
- Narrow your list - plan college visits
- For service academies, the application process starts now!
- Schedule challenging senior courses
- Register for SAT/ACT if you haven't done so!
- Register for AP Tests
- Job shadowing
- Plan summer - internships, volunteering
- Complete 12 hours of community service (If not already done)

SUMMER

- Refine list & begin applications/Draft essays

COURSE SELECTION FOR 12th GRADE

1. Course Selection Guides - A PDF copy will be emailed to all students on February 14 & hard copies be given to all students in QRT.
2. Your child will **complete their course requests online through Power School by February 26** & then review their requests with counselors starting on February 27.
3. Course request windows will remain open during a limited time which will be emailed to all students.



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 Career Portfolio

Welcome to the Fox Chapel Area High School Class Registration System for 2025-2026 ●

[View course requests](#)

Career Clusters

Click the edit button to request a course ➔



Please choose the career cluster you are most interested in exploring.

Number of requests to generate : 1

Grade 11 English

Click the edit button to request a course ➔



Please choose an English course

Number of requests to generate : 1

To select a course in each area click on the pencil. Once the selection is complete, a green check mark will be displayed in that section.



Grade 11 Social Studies

Click the edit button to request a course ➔



Please choose a Social Studies course.

Number of requests to generate : 1

Grade 11 Math

Click the edit button to request a course ➔



Please pick your math course. Make sure that you meet the prerequisite for the course that you select.
If you are choosing Calculus. Calculus AB AP or Comp. Science, you must request all three courses listed

Number of requests to generate : 1

Grade 11 Science

Click the edit button to request a course ➔



Please pick your science courses. If you are choosing Bio II AP, Chem II AP, or Chem Acc; please

Please choose the career cluster you are most

interested in **Grade 11 Math**

Number

Please pick your math course. Make sure that you meet the prerequisite for the course that you select. If you are choosing Calculus, Calculus AB AP or Comp. Science, you must request all three courses listed

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	Course Name	Number	Course Description	Credits	Prerequisite Note	Alerts
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ALGEBRA I	3063		1		Prerequisites have not been met
<input type="checkbox"/>	ALGEBRA II	3183		1	At least a 73% in Algebra I and Geometry	
<input type="checkbox"/>	ALGEBRA II ACC	3193		1	At least an 83% in Algebra I Accelerated and in Geometry Accelerated	
<input type="checkbox"/>	ALGEBRA III	3244		1	At least a 73% in Algebra II	
	BUSINESS CALCULUS	3283		1	At least a 73% in Pre-Calculus or Pre-Calculus Accelerated or at least a 93% in both Algebra III and Trigonometry	Prerequisites have not been met
	CALCULUS	3273		1	At least a 73% in Pre-Calculus or Pre-Calculus Accelerated or at least a 93% in both Algebra III and Trigonometry	Prerequisites have not been met
<input type="checkbox"/>	CALCULUS -2	3275		0	At least a 73% in Pre-Calculus or Pre-Calculus Accelerated or at least a 93% in both Algebra III and Trigonometry	
<input type="checkbox"/>	CALCULUS -5	3274		0	At least a 73% in Pre-Calculus or Pre-Calculus Accelerated or at least a 93% in both Algebra	

make sure that you pick all 3 courses associated with that course.

Number of requests to generate : 1

FCAHS College in High School(CHS) Course Options

FCAHS Course	College	College Course Name	Credit	Cost
Argument	University of Pittsburgh	COMMRC 0500 Argument	3 credits	\$225
Government and Political Science AP	University of Pittsburgh	PS 0200 American Politics	3 credits	\$225
Business Calculus	University of Pittsburgh	Math 0120 Business Calculus	4 credits	\$320
Statistics AP	University of Pittsburgh	STAT 0200 Basic Applied Statistics	4 credits	\$300
Calculus AB AP	University of Pittsburgh	Math 0220 Analytical Geometry and Calculus 1	4 credits	\$320
Precalculus	Seton Hill	SMA 120 Precalculus	4 credits	\$230
Precalculus Acc	Seton Hill	SMA 120 Precalculus	4 credits	\$230
Calculus	Seton Hill	SMA 130 Calculus I with Analytical Geometry SMA 225	4 credits	\$230
Linear Algebra	Seton Hill	Linear Algebra	3 credits	\$230
French III	Seton Hill	SFR 100 Introduction to French Language and Culture I	3 credits	\$230
French IV	Seton Hill	SFR 105 Introduction to French Language and Culture II	3 credits	\$230
French V AP	Seton Hill	SFR 205 Intermediate French Language and Culture	3 credits	\$230
German III	Seton Hill	SGE 100 Introduction to German Language and Culture I	3 credits	\$230
German IV	Seton Hill	SGE 105 Introduction to German Language and Culture II	3 credits	\$230
Latin III	Seton Hill	SLT 105 Elementary Latin Language and Culture II	3 credits	\$230
Latin IV	Seton Hill	SLT 200 Introduction to Latin Literature	3 credits	\$230
Latin V	Seton Hill	SLT 202 Vergil	3 credits	\$230
Spanish III	Seton Hill	SSP 100 Introduction to Spanish Language and Culture I	3 credits	\$230
Spanish IV	Seton Hill	SSP 105 Introduction to Spanish Language and Culture II	3 credits	\$230
Spanish V AP	Seton Hill	SSP 205 Intermediate Spanish Language and Culture	3 credits	\$230
Accounting II	Duquesne University	ACCT 214 Financial Accounting	3 credits	\$385

***Two new courses recently added as CHS courses through Duquesne:**

**1. Modern European History AP
&
2. AP Psychology**



FOX CHAPEL AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Fox Chapel Area High School
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Transcript For: ██████████
Grade: 12 Birth Date: ██████████
Student ID: ██████████ State ID: ██████████
CEEB#: 393620

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	S1	S2	Y1	Current Schedule	
21-22 Fox Chapel Area High School				MUSIC THEORY AP	
ALGEBRA I 7TH			100 A 0.00	CALCULUS BC AP	
GERMAN II 8TH			95 A 0.00	ECONOMICS AP	
GERMAN I 7TH			100 A 0.00	ORCHESTRA-3	
GEOMETRY 8TH			96 A 0.00	ORCHESTRA-2	
ENGLISH 9 ACC	95 A 1.00			GOVT/POLI SCI AP	
US HISTORY II ACC		97 A 1.00		ENGLISH 12 ACC - MOD FILM	
ALGEBRA II ACC		94 A 1.00		STATISTICS AP	
BIOLOGY I ACCELERATED			95 A 1.00	GRAD PROJECT	
FCAO GERMAN III	95 A 1.00			PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENT	
ORCHESTRA-2	100 A 0.50			ACT 158 PROFICIENT	
ORCHESTRA-2	100 A 0.50			Career Portfolio	
ORCHESTRA-2		100 A 0.50		FCAO SOCIOLOGY	
FCAO DISCOVERY HEALTH - A		97 A 0.50			
FCAO PHYS ED		94 A 0.50			
22-23 Fox Chapel Area High School				SAT 12/02/2023	
SS HEALTH			95 A 0.50	Numeric	
ENGLISH 10 ACC		96 A 1.00		EBRW 780	
WORLD HISTORY AP	94 A 1.00			Math 770	
PRECALC ACC		93 A 1.00			
CHEMISTRY I ACCELERATED			95 A 1.00		
PHYSICS ACCELERATED		93 A 1.00			
GERMAN IV	96 A 1.00				
ORCHESTRA-2	100 A 0.50	103 A 0.50			
PHYS ED 9/10	99 A 0.50				
23-24 Fox Chapel Area High School				QPA/Credit Summary	
ENGLISH 11 AP		92 A- 1.00		School Year	
US HISTORY AP	93 A 1.00			W-QPA	
CALCULUS AB AP	0.00		92 A- 1.00	NW-QPA	
CHEMISTRY II AP			94 A 1.00	Earned Credit	
GERMAN V AP		97 A 1.00		Grade 12	
FCAO SAT PREP	100 A 0.50			Grade 11	
COLLEGE/CAREER ESSENTIALS				Grade 10	
SUMMER	99 A 0.50			Grade 9	
ORCHESTRA-2	99 A 0.50	100 A 0.50			
ADVENTURE SPORTS		99 A 0.50			
SERVICE LEARNING	0.00		100 P 0.00		
				Student Attendance	
				Absent	
				2021-2022 7.0	
				2022-2023 2.0	
				2023-2024 2.0	
				2024-2025 0.0	

Non-Weighted Cumulative GPA: 3.98 Weighted Cumulative GPA: 4.37
Total Earned Credit: 23.00

Graduation Requirements for FCAHS

- 4 credits in English**
- 4 credits in Social Studies**
- 3 credits in Science**
- 3 credits in Mathematics**
- 2.5 credits in PE/Health Education (1 credit health & 1.5 credits of PE)**
- 0.5 credit in College & Career Essentials**
- 9 credits in additional electives (2 in Arts & Humanities*)**
- 1 credit for proficiency requirement (Keystone Exams or assigned project)**
- 27 Total credits**

**Additional Requirements for
Graduation :
Graduation project and 12 hour
service learning**



*** Included are arts and crafts, music, media, tech. Ed., family and consumer sciences, foreign language, English electives, and Social Studies electives**

PLANNING FOR TESTING

Juniors and Seniors: College Admissions Tests: [ACT](#), [SAT](#) & [AP exams](#)

Recommended Testing by Grade Level

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Types of Tests</u>
Seniors	Aug., Oct.- Jan.	SAT Reasoning Test should be taken once during first semester of Senior year if needed
	Sept.-Dec.	ACT (American College Test) may be taken in addition to or in place of SAT Reasoning Test.
	May	AP Exams (Advanced Placement Exams) Take when completing an AP course, when appropriate. Meet with your counselor.

Score Reporting for SAT/ACT

- Students may elect through either College Board or ACT which schools will receive scores from specific test dates.
- Your test scores, with your permission, may appear on your H.S. transcript HOWEVER--We can only put ALL or NONE of your scores on the transcript. You do NOT have the score choice option on your h.s. transcript!
- Some schools only accept scores directly from the testing agency (either College Board or ACT). It is YOUR responsibility to look carefully at the admissions criteria. “Official” scores may indicate “only accepted by the testing agency”

A.P. (Advanced Placement) Exams

More than 30 exams offered

- AP Exam scores are reported on a 5-point scale as follows:

5 Extremely well qualified

4 Well qualified

3 Qualified

2 Possibly qualified

1 No recommendation

- * Earn college credit and/or advanced placement (*Check with each college's policy on credit for exams*)
- * 90% of 4-year colleges/universities in the U.S. provide credit and/or advanced placement for qualifying scores
- * Exams given in May - Register in April

More information? - Talk with an A.P. teacher and/or school counselor or visit www.collegeboard.com/student/testing

AP Exam Important Information:

The 2025 AP Exams will be administered in schools as paper-and-pencil exams over two weeks in May.

May 5–9 and May 12-16.

For more information- click on:

<https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/courses/exam-dates-and-fees>

SAT Testing Opportunity- Juniors Only

- DIGITAL SAT SCHOOL DAY TEST DATE- JUNIORS
- TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2025
- AT FOX CHAPEL AREA HIGH SCHOOL
- REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MONDAY,
MARCH 3, 2025
- REGISTRATION FORMS IN THE FCAHS COUNSELING
OFFICE

Remaining Testing Dates 2025

<u>Date of Test</u>	<u>Name of Test</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>
March 8, 2025	SAT	February 22, 2025
May 3, 2025	SAT	April 18, 2025
June 7, 2025	SAT	May 16, 2025
April 5, 2025	ACT	Feb 28, 2025
June 14, 2025	ACT	May 9, 2025
July 12, 2025	ACT	June 6, 2025

- Late registration deadlines and standby registration is available on all tests. Please check college board website (www.collegeboard.org) & ACT (www.act.org) for more details.

Confirmed 2025/2026 SAT Dates:

Fall 2025

- * August 23, 2025
- * September 13, 2025
- * October 4, 2025
- * November 8, 2025
- * December 6, 2025

Spring 2026

- * March 14, 2026
- * May 2, 2026
- * June 6, 2026

Confirmed ACT Dates 2025/2026

Date of the Test	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
6th December 2025	31st October 2025	14th November 2025
6th February 2026	2nd January 2026	16th January 2026
10th April 2026	6th March 2026	20th March 2026
6th June 2026	1st May 2026	15th May 2026

Career Readiness Indicator for the Future Ready PA Index

- Academic Standards for Career Education and Work
- By the end of grade 11, students will have a portfolio comprised of at least 8 pieces of evidence showing the standards are meaningfully addressed.
- Strengths Explorer Assessment; Resume; Interview
- Starting in 9th grade, these items are completed through the School Counseling curriculum as well as the required College & Career Essentials Course

WHAT'S NEXT?

1. Discuss course requests for 12th grade with your child
2. Discuss 12th grade plan & post secondary goals
3. Continue exploring career clusters (Naviance)
4. Learn about summer opportunities (Schoology & Naviance under “enrichment programs”)
5. Encourage your child to volunteer & participate in activities of interest:
 - ✓ Leadership
 - ✓ Team Building
 - ✓ Enhance Resume
 - ✓ Explore Interests
 - ✓ Social Opportunities

Information on FCAHS clubs is posted on Schoology. Clubs continue to be offered virtually.



**NEXT
STEPS**



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SELECT A SCHOOL ▾

School Counseling

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- Academic Help and Study Skills
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Our Counselors



Right: Mr. John Baxter, Mrs. Rachel Machen, Mrs. Dana DeComo, Mr. Ben O'Connor, Mr. Tim McLister

Assignments

Our counselors are assigned by student last name. For last names starting in:

- A-C: [Mr. Tim McLister](#)
Extension 2439
- D-G: [Mr. John Baxter](#)
Extension 2441
- H-K: [Mrs. Dana Papalia](#)
Extension 2444
- L-O: [Mrs. Rachel Machen](#)
Extension 2445
- P-S: [Mr. Ben O'Connor](#)
Extension 2442
- T-Z: [Ms. Tara DeComo](#)
Extension 2440

Naviance- Careers

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Interview archive

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I'm thinking about

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What's in the Archive?

Where Can I Find Information/Resources?

- **School Counseling [Website](#)**
- **School Counseling [Schoolology](#) Page** - Any news/information our office receives regarding college/career/academic events/programs, job postings, [summer](#) & [volunteer](#) opportunities, etc. —Updated weekly!
*Opportunities also posted in **Naviance**.*
- **School Counseling Evening Seminars-** Sessions for 11th and 12th grade parents on financial aid process and FAFSA completion.
- **Emails** - Department Chair emails parents & students important school counseling dates, lessons, scholarships, etc.

FCAHS Counseling Department:

Student Last names:

Assigned Counselor:

A - C	Mr. Tim Mclister - Ext. 2430
D - G	Mr. John Baxter - Ext. 2441
H - K	Mrs. Dana Papalia - Ext. 2444
L - O	Mrs. Rachel Machen - Ext. 2445
P - S	Mr. Ben O'Connor - Ext. 2442
T - Z	Ms. Tara DeComo - Ext. 2440

School Counseling Support Staff - Mrs. Maria Helgert & Mrs. Chris Andrews
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Thank you for joining Us!