Introduction to 9th Grade Planning

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Keep In Mind...



SHS has 4 years of "on-ramp" advancement opportunities.

"Honors" is a course title, not a type of student.

Taking 1 honors course does <u>not</u> mean you must take other honors courses.

Be kind to yourself and create a balanced schedule.

Listen to your teachers' & counselors' recommendations.

Sample Schedule

This is a sample to show what fits in a 9th grade schedule. It does not indicate actual class order.

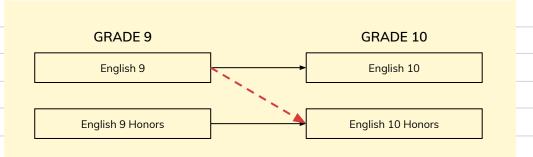
Teachers provide recommendations

- 1. English
- 2. Social Studies
- 3. Math
- 4. Science
- 5. Science Lab (Alt) / PE (Alt)
- 6. World Language
- 7. Lunch
- 8. Arts requirement (one 1 credit or two ½ credits)
- 9. Elective(s) (one 1 credit or two ½ credits) *

^{*} Support classes (ex: workshop/lab/IS) may replace an elective. You will discuss this with your counselor at your Guidance appointment.

English

- ☐ English 9
- ☐ English 9 Honors

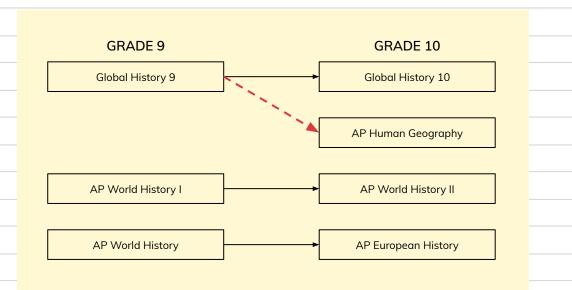




Example of on-ramp opportunity

Social Studies

- ☐ Global History 9
- □ AP World History I
- AP World History



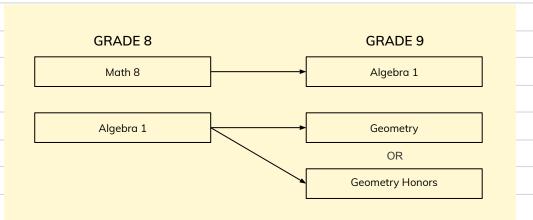


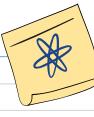
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Math

- ☐ Algebra 1 *
- □ Geometry *
- ☐ Geometry Honors

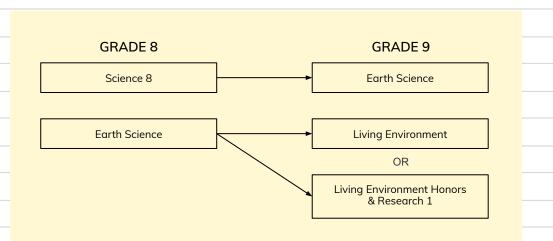
* Support class available





Science

- Earth Science
- ☐ Living Environment
- Living Environment Honors & Research I





World Language

- ☐ Chinese 2 or Honors
- ☐ French 2 or Honors
- ☐ Italian 2 or Honors
- Korean 2 or Honors
- ☐ Spanish 2 or Honors

- Grade 8 languages (level 1) continue in grade 9 (level 2)
- Additional elective languages:
 - American Sign Language 1 *
 - Japanese 1 *
 - Latin 1 *
 - Russian 1 *

^{*} Course may or may not be offered based on annual student enrollment

Physical Education	
	☐ General PE
	Aquatics
	□ Dance 1
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Lunch

- ★ Time to recharge
- ★ Time to reconnect







Courses to explore and expand interests.

Understanding credits:

1 credit

Daily for full year

½ credit

Alt day for full year
(Alt)

½ credit

Daily for half year (Fall/Spring)



The Arts Requirement

Graduation requirement: 1 credit minimum

One 1 credit course

OR

Must be earned within one department:

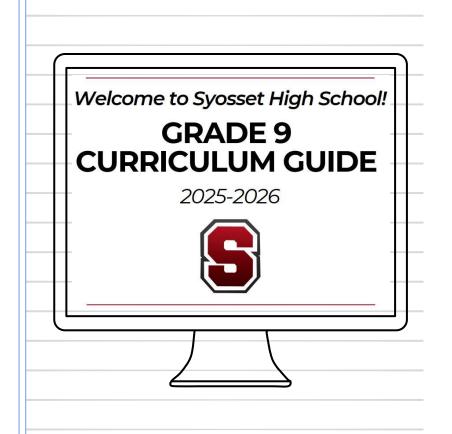
Art Tech
Music Communication Arts
Theater Human Ecology

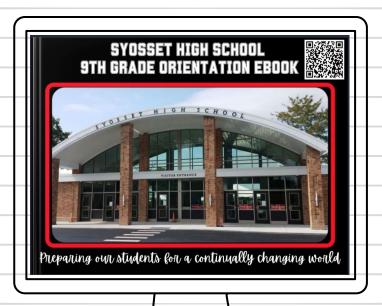


Specific courses satisfy the Arts requirement. On the 9th Grade Planning Worksheet, those courses are listed on the front, and also have a graduation cap icon on the back.

9th Grade Curriculum Guide

- Course descriptions
- Before Guidance appointment:
 Students must use this to
 learn about courses they
 are interested in taking





9th Grade Orientation eBook

- Virtual orientation
- Essential info about SHS
- Answers many FAQs







Jan 23

View teacher recs on portal



Jan 27

Counselor/Student appointments begin



Feb 6 & 11

Parent/Teacher Conferences



Mar 20

Virtual Daytime Orientation for Incoming 9th Grade Parents

Join the 8-9 Google Classroom

scan QR code



or enter invite code

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Things to Consider



SHS has many courses that allow students to cultivate their passions.

Talk to your teachers
& counselor about
selecting classes with the
appropriate level of
challenge for you.

Consider the
time commitment
necessary for academics,
extracurriculars, & social
activities.