FAQs for incoming 9th grade Haverford High School Students

What time does school start? End? How long are the blocks?	School starts at 7:30AM and ends at 2:22PM. You need to be in your first block class by 7:30AM, so arrive by 7:25AM. Blocks are 85 minutes long. There are four blocks in the school day.
When is lunch scheduled? How long is lunch?	Lunch is scheduled during block 3. You will find out what lunch you are scheduled for when you receive your schedule at the end of the summer. Lunch is 30 minutes long.
How many gyms do I need to take?	1.5 credits of Physical Education (PE) are required to graduate. Students need to take 9th grade PE (.5 credit), Health 10 (.5 credit) and one additional PE/Health class (.5 credit).
What types of electives are offered for ninth graders?	There are many different electives available for ninth graders. There are electives in Business, English, Family Consumer Science, Fine Arts, Music and Technology just to name a few. Please check out the Course Selection Guide and the Course Listing Brochure for incoming 9th grade students available on the High School Counseling website.
Can I take a study hall?	It is recommended that ninth graders have a full schedule (8.0 credits), which does not include study halls.
How many Arts and Humanities credits are required for graduation? What courses fulfill the Arts and Humanities requirement?	2.0 credits of Arts and Humanities are required for graduation. There are many courses available to fulfill the Arts and Humanities requirement. Some of those include courses in the disciplines of English, Fine Arts, Music and World Language.
Do I need to take two years of a world language to graduate?	Although world language is not required to graduate it does fulfill the Arts and Humanities requirement needed for graduation. Also many colleges and universities require the completion of 2 to 3 years of the same world language at the high school level for admission.
How do I get to take Advanced Placement (AP) courses in tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades?	There are many opportunities to schedule AP courses. Be sure to meet with your School Counselor in 9th grade to talk about all of the scheduling possibilities.