

2026-2027



8TH GRADE OBHS SCHEDULING INFORMATION

Class of 2030

Administrative Team

Ben Jagger – Principal

Joe Andenoro – Assistant Principal

Alison Fisher – Assistant Principal

Bob Stone – Assistant Principal

John Betz – Director of Athletics

Student Services Department

A–Cr

Dana Stearns

Cs–Hn

Samantha Kigar

Ho–Me

Jason Durell

Mg–Sc

Allie Nicolay

Sd–Z

Abigail Smith

Secretary

Susan Henrickson

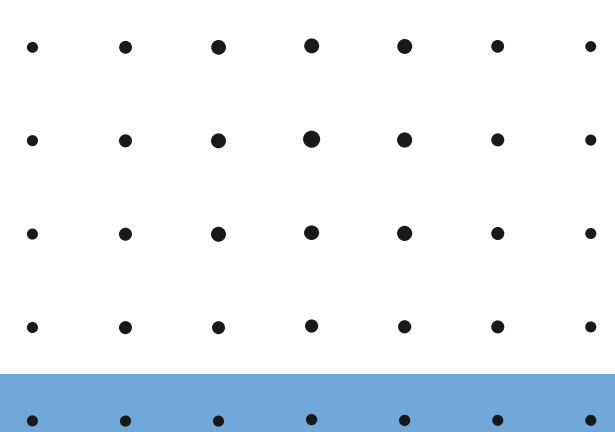
Registrar

Amy Miner

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS: Hannah Knight (A–J) & Katelyn Fetty (L–Z)

SOCIAL WORKER: Shaytell Taylor

MENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST: James Andujar



Graduation Requirements – Part 1

- 4 English
- 4 Math
- 3 Science
- 3 Social Studies
- 1 Fine Art
- .5 Health
- .5 PE
- .5 Personal Finance
- 5.5 Electives

**Students must
earn at least
22 Credits**

Graduation Requirements – Part 2

Students must demonstrate Competency

Test	Competency Score
Algebra I	684
ELA II	684

Graduation Requirements

– Part 3

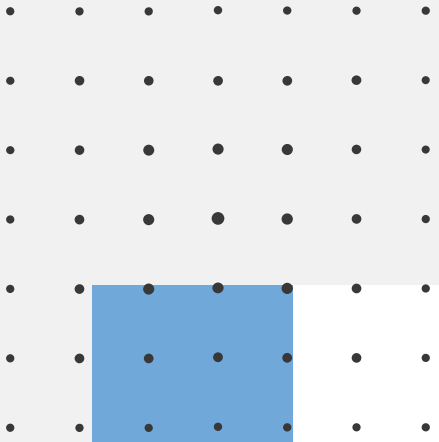
Students must demonstrate Readiness by earning 2 graduation seals. At least 1 of their two seals needs to be from the “State Defined” category.

State Defined Seals

- Ohio Means Jobs Readiness Seal
- State Seal of Biliteracy
- Industry–Recognized Credential Seal
- College–Ready Seal
- Military Enlistment Seal
- Citizenship Seal
- Science Seal
- Honors Diploma Seal
- Technology Seal

Locally Defined Seals

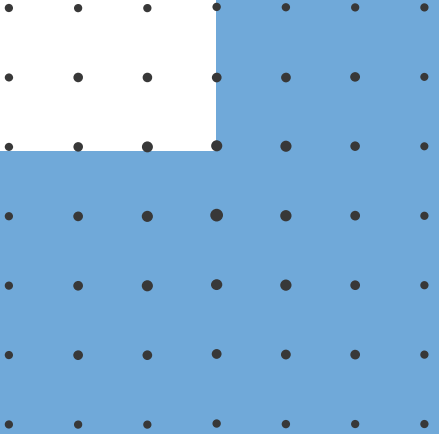
- Community Service Seal
- Fine and Performing Arts Seal
- Student Engagement Seal



Additional Diploma Options

- Academic Honors Diploma
- Career Tech Honors Diploma
- STEM Honors Diploma
- Arts Honors Diploma
- Social Science and Civic Engagement Honors Diploma

For more information regarding requirements for the Honors Diplomas, please visit the ODEW website.

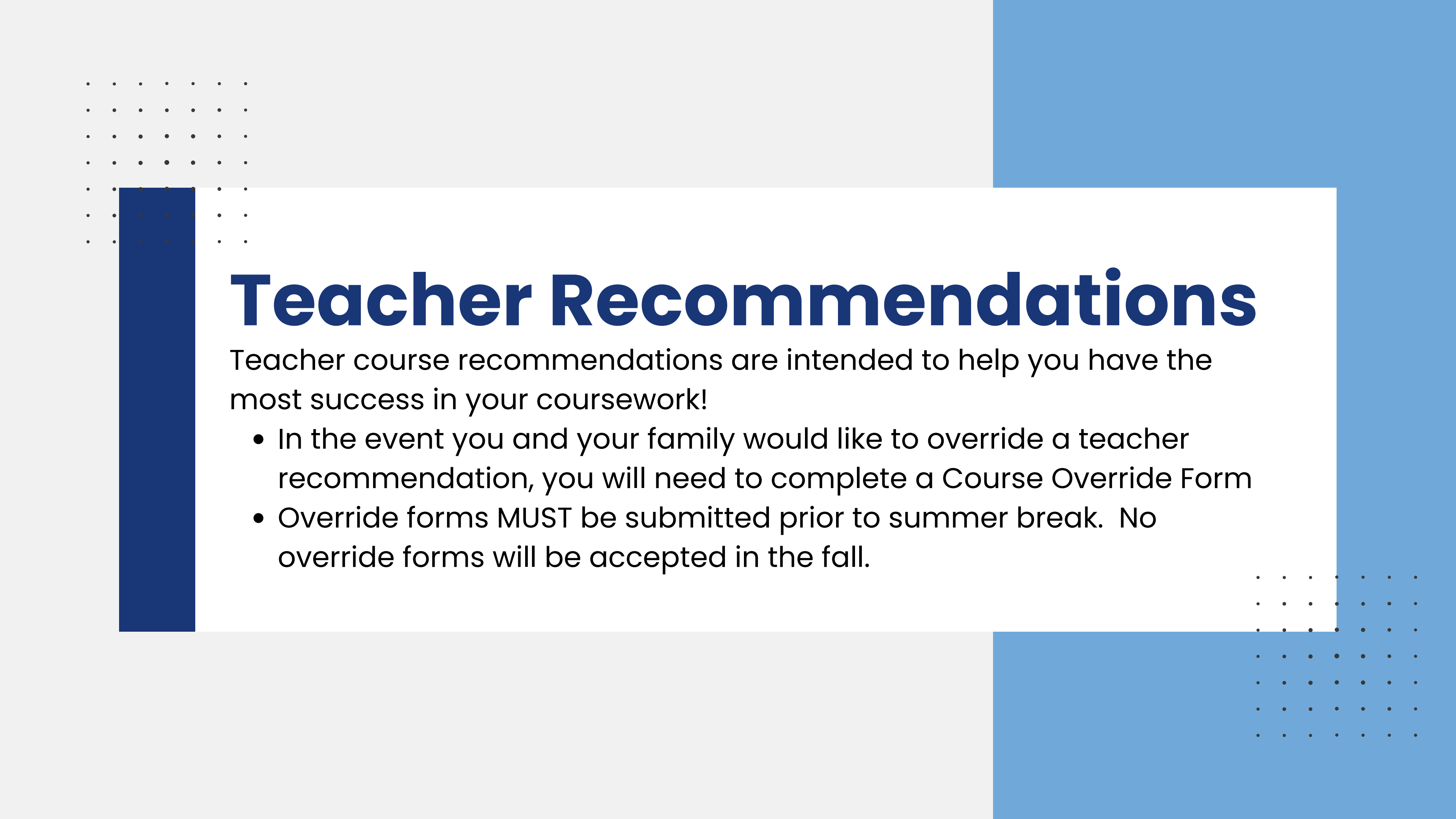


Scheduling Process

Step 1: Talk with your teachers

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- Talk with your current teachers about what they would recommend you take next year
 - Teacher Recommendations are visible in PowerSchool
 - No recommendation = on level recommendation
- Read your grade level request sheet
- Read the Online Course Planning Guide – QR Code on your scheduling sheet



Teacher Recommendations

Teacher course recommendations are intended to help you have the most success in your coursework!

- In the event you and your family would like to override a teacher recommendation, you will need to complete a Course Override Form
- Override forms **MUST** be submitted prior to summer break. No override forms will be accepted in the fall.

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Scheduling Process

Step 2: Talk with your family

- Talk with your family about the scheduling process
- Discuss the Scheduling Request Sheet with your family – make sure parent/guardian signs request sheet
- Read over the Online Course Planning Guide with your family so you are aware of course descriptions
- Encourage your parent/guardian to attend Rising Bear Night on 1/15 at 6pm

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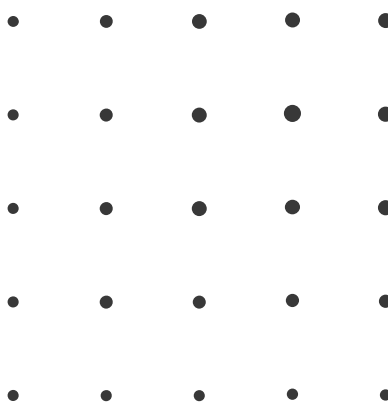
Scheduling Process

Step 3: Student Requests

- Fill in course requests on the Schedule Request Sheet
- Fill in at least 3 alternate elective courses
- Parent/Guardian Signature on your course request sheet

Please complete your course requests prior to your one-on-one with a counselor

- Berkshire 1/21
- Hyatts 1/26
- Berlin 1/28



Scheduling Process

Step 4: Online Requests

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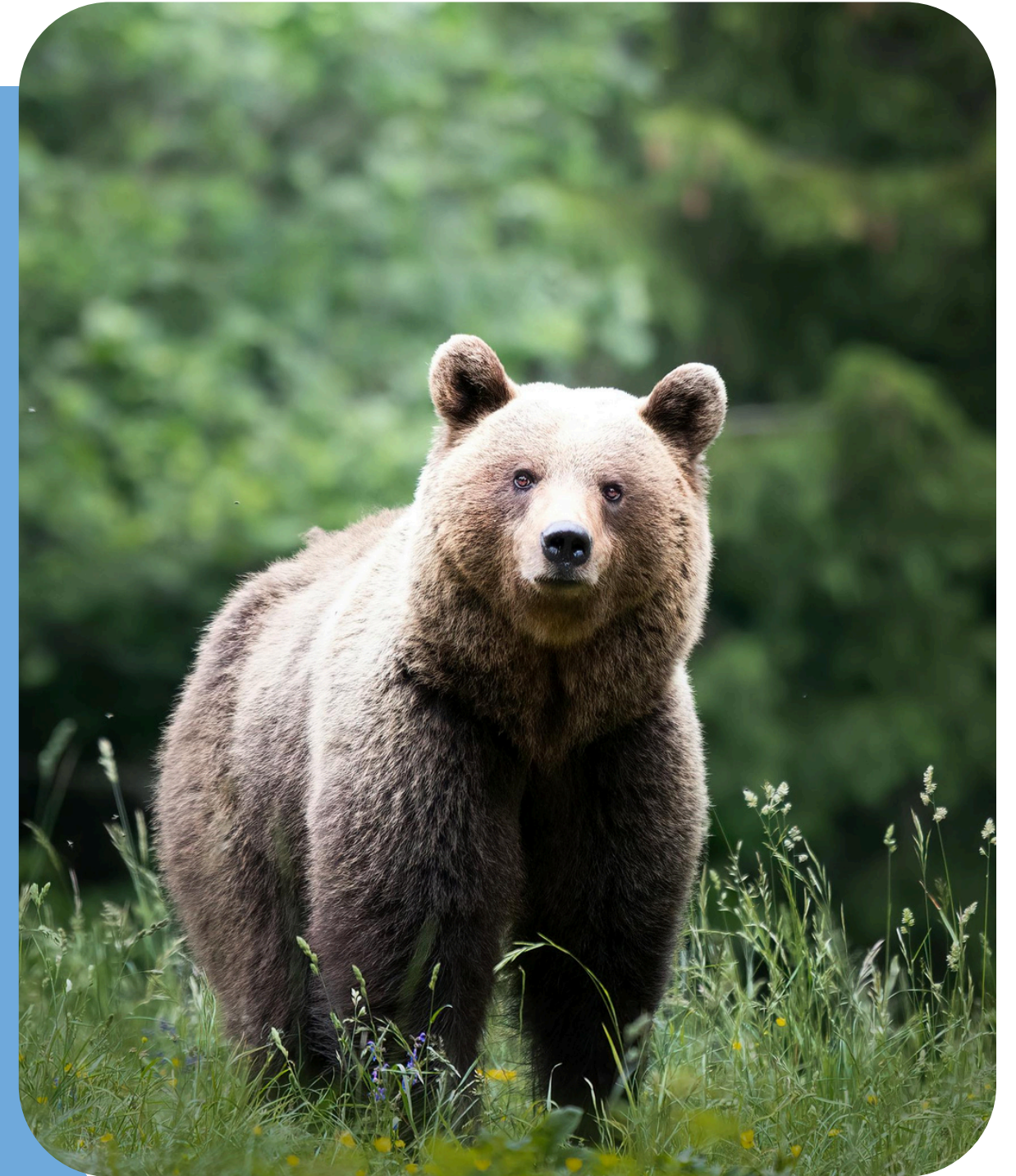
- Enter your requests into PowerSchool before counselors meet with your grade level
- Lunch is automatically added for every student
- Enter 3 Alternative courses into PowerSchool
- Consider your study hall, late arrival, early release requests. You may request these with your course requests.

Please complete your course requests prior to your one-on-one with a counselor

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Typical Freshman Schedule

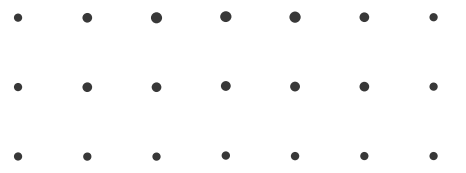
1. English
2. Math
3. Science
4. Social Studies
5. Art / Health
6. World Language
7. PE / Elective
8. Study Hall / Study Hall



Schedules will differ based on interests, goals, etc. this is just to give you an idea of what you might choose to take!

You may have a maximum of ONE Study Hall each semester (this does not include Intervention Study Center, Academic Assist, or Bear Lab)

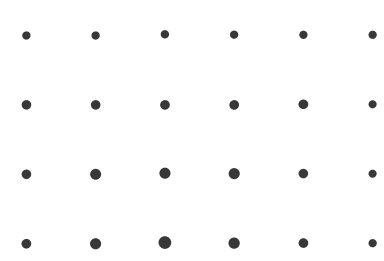
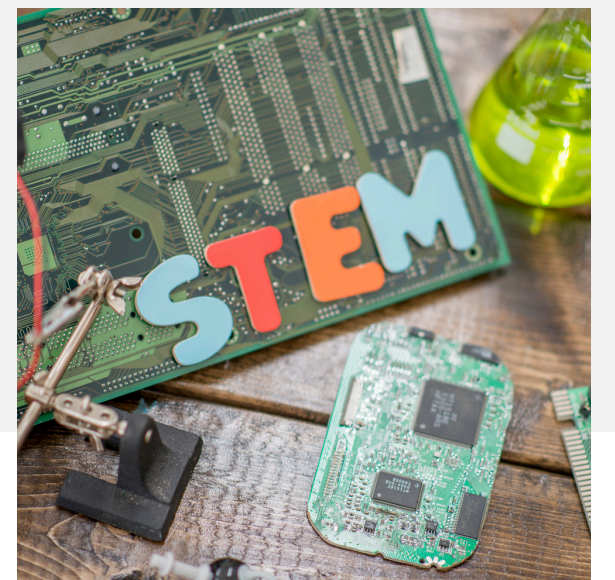
Other Education Options



JROTC/ Aerospace



Olentangy Academy – STEM



Schedule Change Process

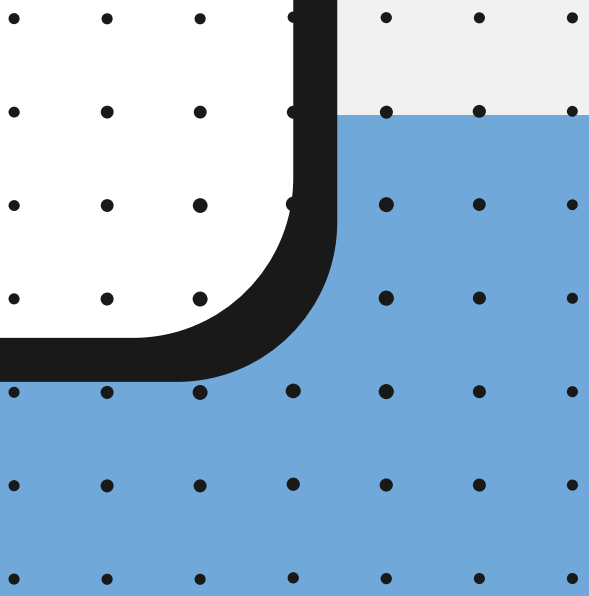
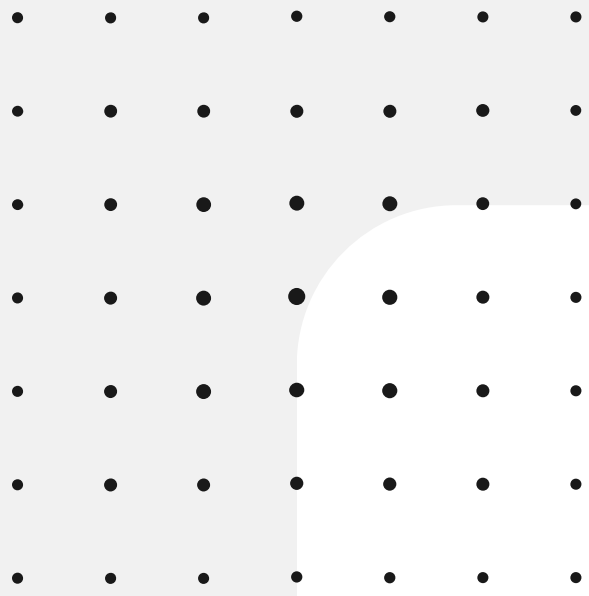
New this year!

Changes to course requests are due **May 1st!** After this date, any schedule change requests will follow a formal review process and cannot be guaranteed:



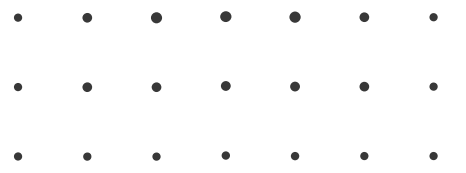
1. Students must get a schedule change request form from Student Services.
2. Return completed request form to their School Counselor.
3. The Schedule Change Committee will review all requests and determine whether or not this change will be approved
4. Your School Counselor will notify you about the status of your request once it has been processed

Please take time to really think through your schedule now and make sure you request the courses, late arrivals, study halls, etc. you are hoping to take next year!



OBHS DEPARTMENTS

English

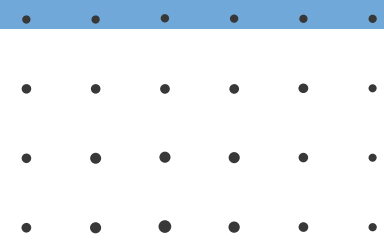


4 credits required to graduate. Freshman Year options:

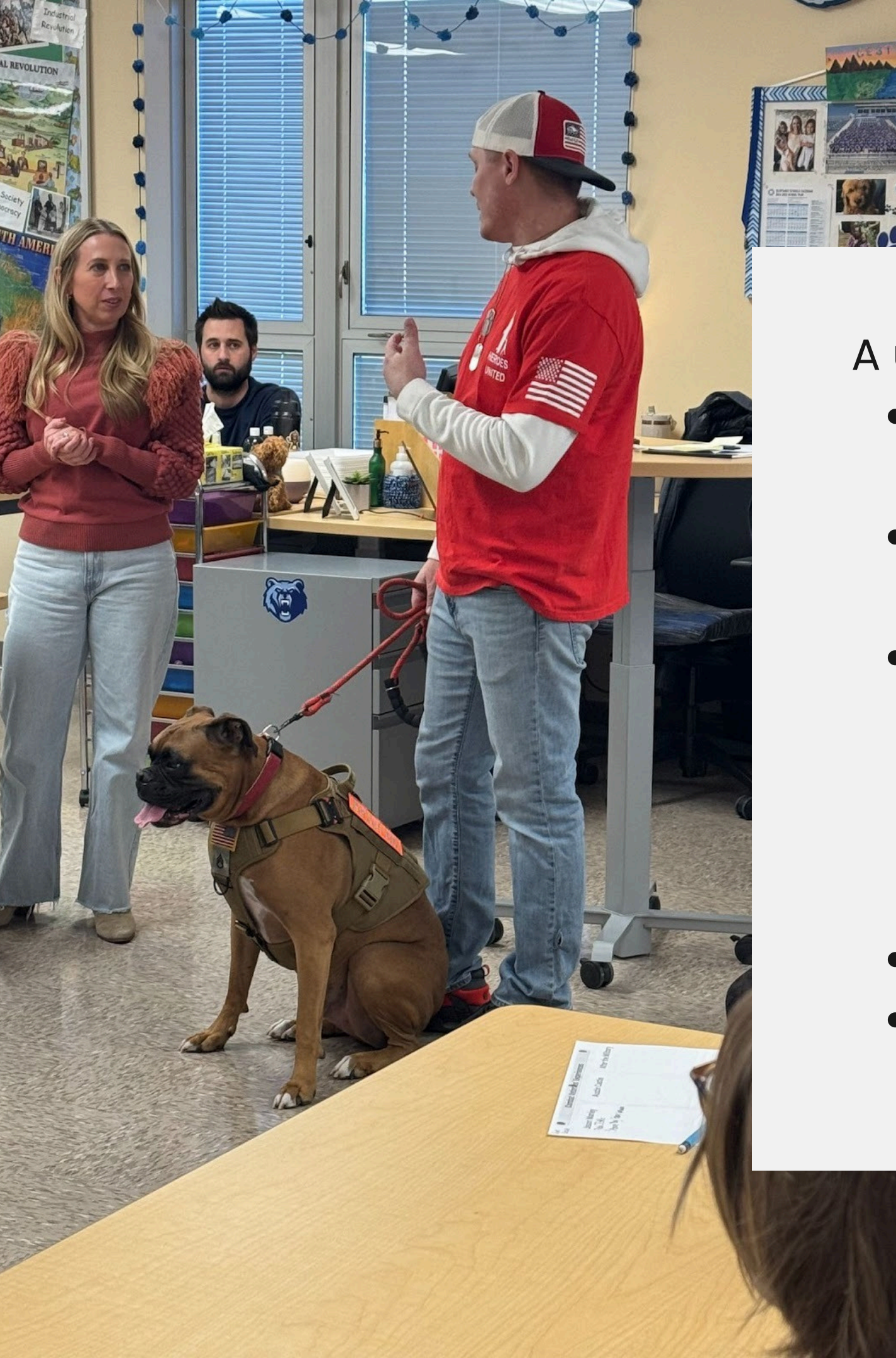
- English 9
- Honors English 9
- Interdisciplinary Studies (English 9 and World History

Elective Courses

- Speech
- Etymology
- Creative Writing with Style
- Intro to Journalism – full year (teacher recommendation required)



Interdisciplinary Studies 9



A unique, project-based approach to English 9 and World History!

- The same history content and reading / writing skills are emphasized!
- Students in ID classes are prepared for any level course open to them as sophomores (honors or Advanced Placement)
- The main difference is the blending of history and English, and the project-based learning environment--ideal for students who need a creative approach to learning, a hands-on approach to showing mastery, and a dynamic, shifting class environment.
- Students take 2-3 Field Trips to museums and Ohio landmarks.
- Guest speakers supplement our classes: Local Artists and Veteran

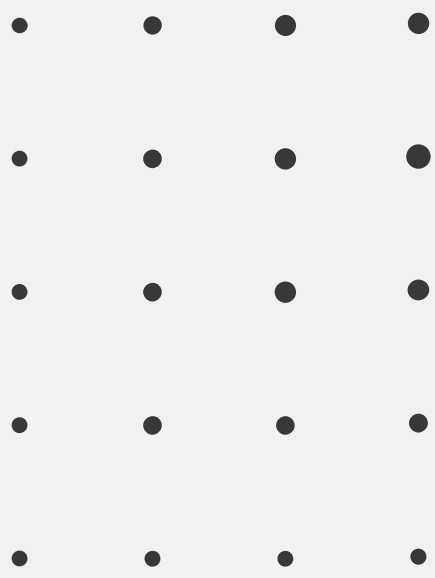
Social Studies

3 credits required to graduate

- World History
- Honors World History
- Interdisciplinary Studies (English 9 & World History)
- AP World History (must have HIGH recommendation from current teacher)



Science



3 Credits required

- Physical Science
- Honors Physical Science

Math

4 credits required

- Must include Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II or Alg. II equivalent
- Multiple levels of each course available

Elective course

- Intro to Computer Science

World Languages & Cultures

Though not required for graduation, three years of one World Language or two years of two different World Languages is recommended for admission to most colleges. Honors Diploma Candidates should review World Language requirements to ensure they are on track.

French

Level I, II, III, IV, and AP

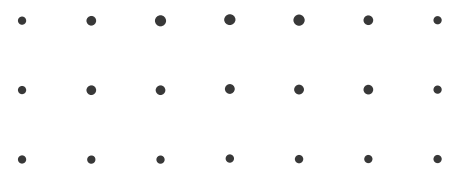
German

Level I, II, III, IV, and AP

Spanish

Level I, II, III, IV, and AP

Health & Physical Education

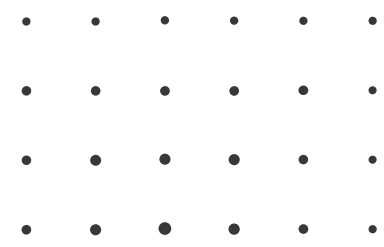


Students need:

1 semester of Health – can be in person or virtual

2 semesters PE – can be in person or virtual

- Schedule for Health if you have not already taken it
- Schedule for a PE if you are not waiving or not taken PE
- PE Elective Option (not for PE credit):
 - Conditioning and Weight Training



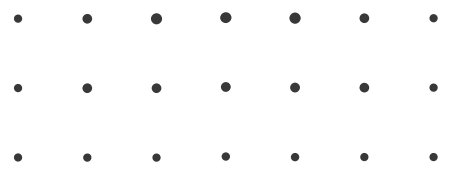
NEITHER PE CLASSES NOR CONDITIONING & WEIGHT
TRAINING COUNT TOWARD ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY

Family & Consumer Science

Semester-long courses

- Food for Fitness
- Design
- Cultural Cuisine
- Human Relationships

Business

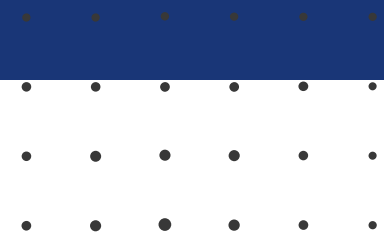


Graduation Requirement

- Personal Finance – not open to freshmen, but plan to take later

Semester-long Electives

- Business Foundations
- Business Technology
- Digital Media Management & Communications



Performing Arts

One Fine Art credit is
required for graduation

- Band
- Choir
- Orchestra

Can audition for upper level performing arts classes. Schedule what you are hoping to take and counselors will make changes if needed upon receiving audition results

- Theatre
 - Intro to Theatre (prerequisite for all other Theatre classes)
 - Acting
 - Stagecraft
 - Theatre Seminar
 - Performance Ensemble

Visual Arts

AP Art History

**Art 1 (prerequisite for
all other courses)**

Drawing

Painting

Ceramics

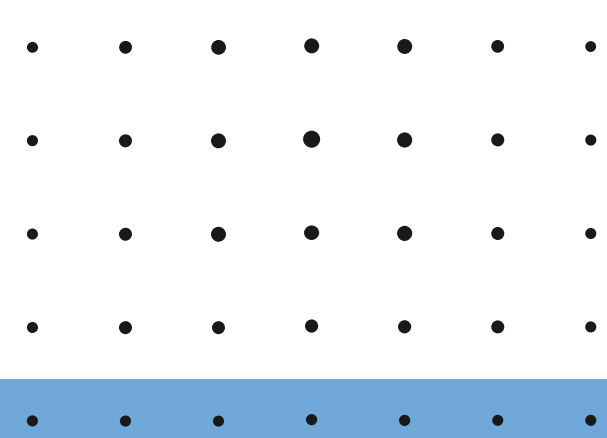
Jewelry & Metals

Photography

Digital Art & Design

Modeling &
Animation

Sculpture



Industrial Technology

- CAD I
 - CAD II
 - Architectural Design
 - Applied Manufacturing & Materials I
- Engineering & Design I
 - Engineering & Design II

Reminders

- Talk with your current teachers and your family
- Review the course description guide online - QR Code
- Fill out Course Request Sheet
- Schedule Requests into PowerSchool by your grade level one-on-one mtg time

Any changes to your course requests are due by May 1st



Please feel free to reach out to your School Counselor!

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