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NORTH FORSYTH HIGH

Registration 2026-2027







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Mrs. Kristin Bowen, Receptionist, 160101
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Parent Portal, Certificate of Enrollment, ADAP, Student Attendance, Tardy Report, Check Outs

Front Administrative Office
Hours: 8:00 AM- 4:00 PM

Mrs. Ranita Christopher, Principal's Secretary , 160113
Mrs. Lisa Morgan, Bookkeeper, 160112
Change of Address, Proof of Residency, Accounting, Bookkeeping Budget, Student Fees

Counseling Office
Hours: 7:30 AM- 4:00 PM

Mrs. Mandy Hoaglund, Counseling Secretary, 160230
Ms. Chris Head, Registrar, 160233
Transcripts, Summer School Registration, Work Permits, Social Security, Military Forms, Record Requests, Report Cards, Student Enrollment Forms

Student Support and Activities
Hours: 8:00 AM- 4:00 PM

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Facilities Requests, Student Parking Passes, Fundraiser Requests, Lockers, Bus/Transportation

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High School 101

Graduation Requirements

Course	Credits Required
English	4
Mathematics	4
Science	4
Social Studies (World, US, Gov't/Econ)	3
Health/Personal Fitness OR 3 units JROTC	1
CTAE/Fine Arts/World Language	3
Electives	4
Total Credits (Minimum) Year Long courses= 1 credit Semster courses= 0.5 credit	23

GPA Scale

	Regular/ Honors Course	AP or Dual Enrollment Course
A 90-100	4.0	5.0
B 80-89	3.0	4.0
C 70-79	2.0	3.0

Formative vs. Summative

Formative Grades= Classwork, Quizzes, Homework
25% of overall grade

Summative Grades= Tests, Projects
75% of overall grade

End of Course Testing

Students must take the End of Course (EOC) for the following:

Lit & Comp II
Algebra Concepts and Connections
Biology/ Honors Biology
US History

College Admissions Testing

PSAT (**PreSAT**)= Grades 9, 10, 11 in October
*All 10th grade students are automatically registered

SAT= Grades 11 & 12
Register: www.sat.org

ACT = Grades 11 & 12
Register: www.act.org

Cumulative vs. CORE GPA

Cumulative GPA= All classes including electives

Core GPA= Core Academic Courses
(Math, Science, Social Studies, English, World Lang)

HOPE GPA

Based on Core GPA, calculated up to a 4.0

Zell Miller= minimum 3.7 GPA + ACT/SAT requirement

HOPE= minimum 3.0 GPA

*Must also meets HOPE rigor requirements

*Check your HOPE GPA on GaFutures.org

Raider Time/ Wellness

Raider Time
Students attend every day
Receive remediation, extra help, and enrichment opportunities

Wellness
Wednesday only
student groups, explore interests

Class Schedule

- 7 periods
- 50 min classes (all 7 periods) Monday, Tuesday, Friday
- 90 min Even/ Odd block classes (4 periods) Wednesday, Thursday
- Raider Time & Wellness Wednesday
- Report Card Each 9 weeks
- Final grade posted at conclusion of course (average of 1st semester & 2nd semester grade for yearlong courses), includes EOC for EOC courses

Strategies for Student Success

1. Advocate for your education
2. Check Canvas and Infinite Campus/ Student Portal
3. Take responsibility
4. Ask for help! Talk to your teachers and use Raider Time
5. Complete all assignments on time and turn them in

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Four Year Academic Plan

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9th Grade

English (**4 credits required**)
Lit & Comp I or Lit & Comp I Honors

Math (**4 credits required**) , **Based on current course and teacher recommendation**
Foundations of Algebra, Algebra*, Geometry, Geometry Honors, Accel Adv Algebra

Science (**4 credits required**)
Biology*, Biology Honors*, Environmental Science

Social Studies (**3 credits required**)
AP Human Geography or World Geography/ US History in Film

World Language
Spanish, French, Russian

CTAE/ **World Language**/ **Fine Arts** (**3 credits required**)
Choose from options in an area of interest

Personal Fitness/ **Health** (**1 credit or 3 credits of JROTC**)
Health & Personal Fitness or JROTC

10th Grade

English (**4 credits required**)
Lit & Comp II or Lit & Comp II Honors

Math (**4 credits required**)
*** **Based on current course and teacher recommendation**
Algebra I, Geometry, Geometry Honors, Accel Adv Algebra, AP PreCalc

Science (**4 credits required**)
Biology*, Chemistry, Chemistry Honors, Earth Systems, Environmental Sci, AP Biology

Social Studies (**3 credits required**)
World History or AP World History

CTAE/ **World Language**/ **Fine Arts** (**3 credits required**)
Choose from options in an area of interest

Additional Electives (**4 credits**)
See registration sheet for all electives

11th Grade

English (**4 credits required**)
American Literature* or AP American Language/Comp*

Math (**4 credits required**)
*** **Based on current course and teacher recommendation**
Geometry, Adv. Algebra, Adv. Algebra Honors. AP PreCalc, AP Statistics, AP Calculus AB/BC

Science (**4 credits required**)
Earth Systems, Enviro Sci, Physical Sci, Physics, Chemistry, AP Chem, Forensic Sci, Bio II, AP Bio, AP Enviro Sci, AP Physics, Epidemiology

Social Studies (**3 credits required**)
US History* or AP US History

CTAE/ **World Language**/ **Fine Arts** (**3 credits required**)
Choose from options in an area of interest

Additional Electives (**4 credits**)
See registration sheet for all electives

12th Grade

English (**4 credits required**)
Advanced Composition, Dramatic Writing, Multicultural Literature or AP Literature

Math (**4 credits required**)
*** **Based on current course and teacher recommendation**
Adv. Algebra, PreCalc, AMDM, Calculus, Statistical Reasoning, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus AB/BC, AP Statistics, College Readiness Math, AP Pre-Calc

Science (**4 credits required**)
Earth Systems, Enviro Sci, Physical Sci, Physics, Chemistry, AP Chem, Forensic Sci, Bio II, AP Bio, AP Enviro Sci, AP Physics, Epidemiology

Social Studies (**3 credits required**)
Government, Economics or AP Government, AP Macroeconomics, AP Microeconomics

CTAE/ **World Language**/ **Fine Arts** (**3 credits required**)
Choose from options in an area of interest

Additional Electives (**4 credits**)
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23 credits Total

*Designates course with an End of Course Assessment (EOC)

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High School CTAE Pathways
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Computer Science	Introduction to Software Technology AP Computer Science Principles AP Computer Science A
Engineering and Technology	Foundations of Engineering and Technology Engineering Concepts Engineering Applications
Film Production	Audio & Video Technology and Film I Introduction to Film Production Film Production Applications
Food and Nutrition	Food, Nutrition, and Wellness Food for Life Food Science
JROTC- Marines	MCJROTC Leadership Education I MCJROTC Leadership Education II MCJROTC Leadership Education III
Healthcare- Public Health	Introduction to Healthcare Essentials of Healthcare Public Health
Healthcare- Sports Medicine	Introduction to Healthcare Essentials of Healthcare Sports Medicine
Marketing/ Management	Marketing Principles Marketing and Entrepreneurship Marketing Management
Marketing: Promotions and Communications	Marketing Principles Promotional and Digital Marketing Integrated Marketing Communications
Education as a Profession	Examining the Teaching Profession Contemporary Issues in Education Teaching as a Profession Practicum
Veterinary Science	Basic Agriculture Animal Science and Biotechnology Veterinary Science

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What World Language Class Should I Take?

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Are you in Spanish I now?

Yes

Are you good in it?

Yes

Does your Spanish teacher recommend you for Spanish II or Spanish II/III?

Yes

Take it!

No

You can always take a World Language later

No

What's the difference??

Yes

Take it!

No

Do you want to take Spanish I next year?

Yes

Take it!

No

Do you want to take French or Russian?

Yes

Take it!

No

Do you want to take French or Russian?

Yes

Take it!

No

Do you speak another language at home? Learn how to take a placement test to potentially earn World Language credits through testing.

*Students must complete 2 years of the same foreign language for 4 year college admission, but world language is not required for high school graduation

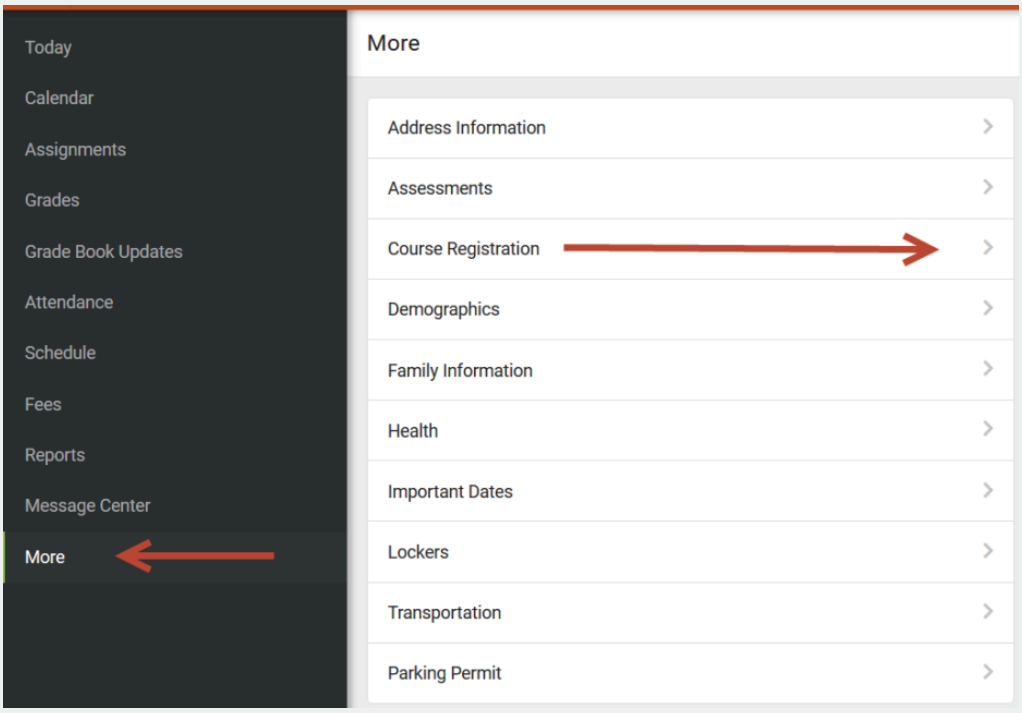
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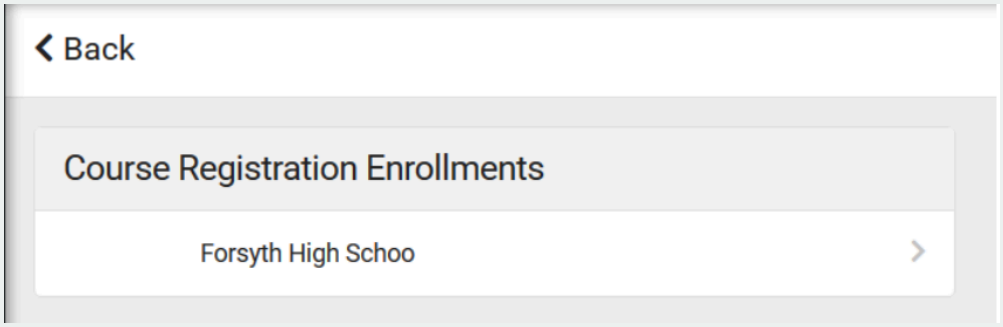
Portal Registration Directions

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- Log into your parent portal account. If you do not have a parent portal account, please contact your student's current school.
- On the left-hand side of your screen, select **More**. Then select **Course Registration.** (See figure below)



- Then select **North Forsyth High School**

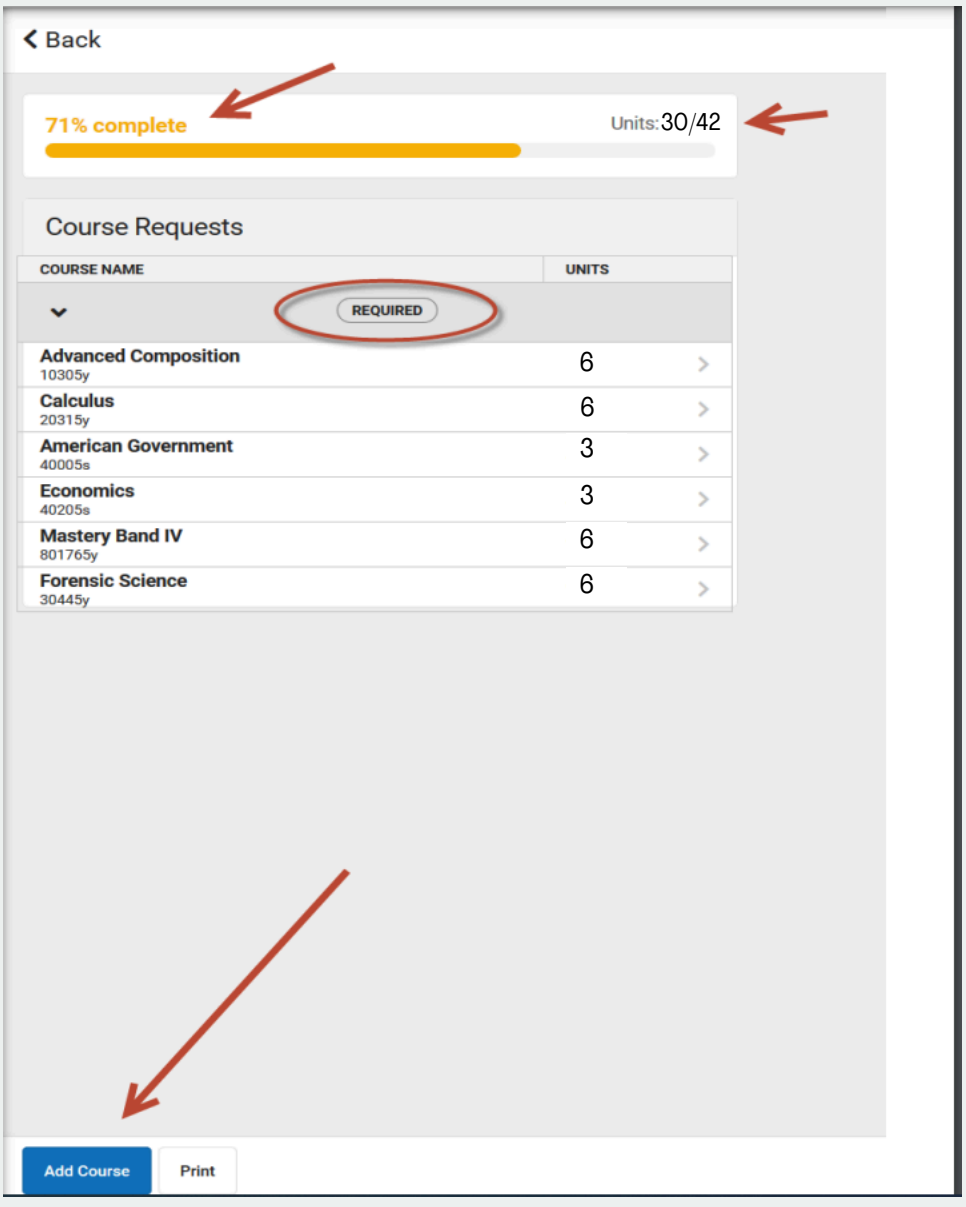


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- The next screen will show you your student's recommended courses for next year. These will be listed under **Required**. You will also notice at the top of the screen a percent complete bar and Units (xx/xx). Each course is comprised of units. Normally, a yearlong course equals 6 units and a semester course equals 3 units. You will be able to select elective courses until you reach the maximum of 42 units. All courses requested after the 42 units will be Alternate Courses.
- At the bottom of the screen is a blue box- **Add Course.** Select this box.



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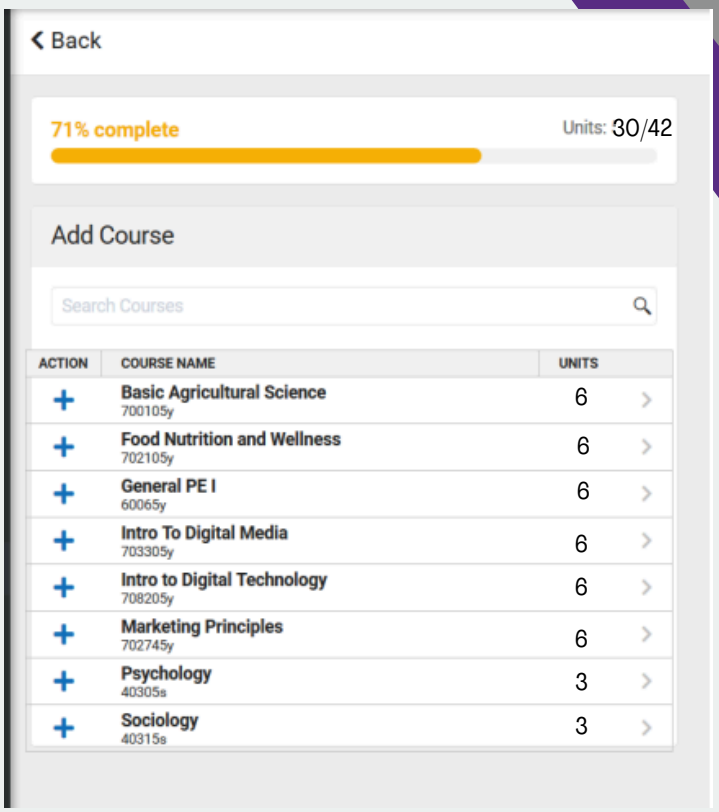
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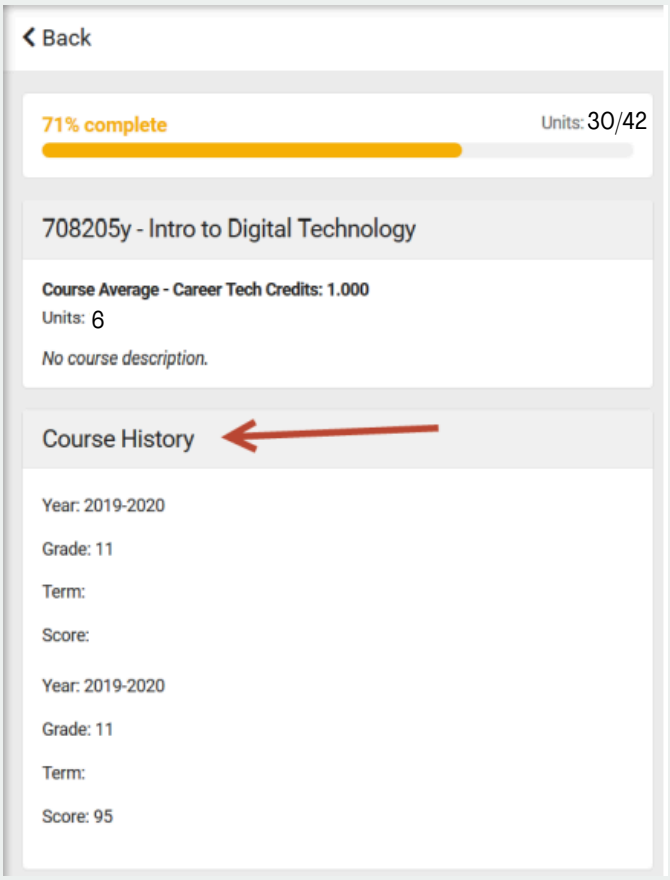
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- The next screen will list all elective course options. If you know the course number or name, you can type it in the search bar. If you see it listed, **select the arrow** next to the course name.



- If **Course History** appears, this means the student has already taken or is currently taking the course. Do not select this course. Click the back button and make another choice.



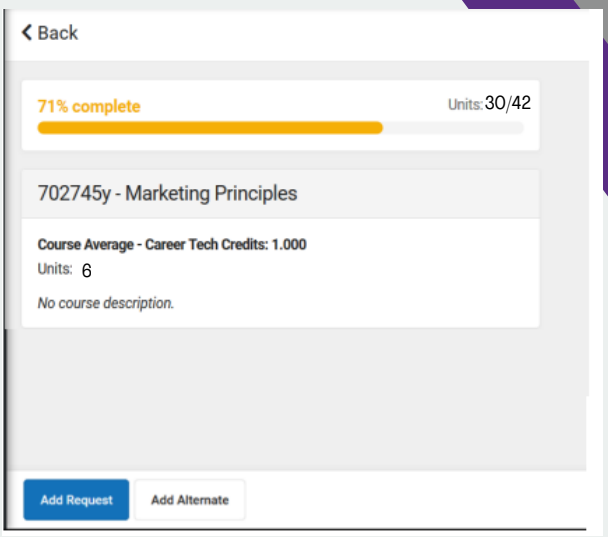
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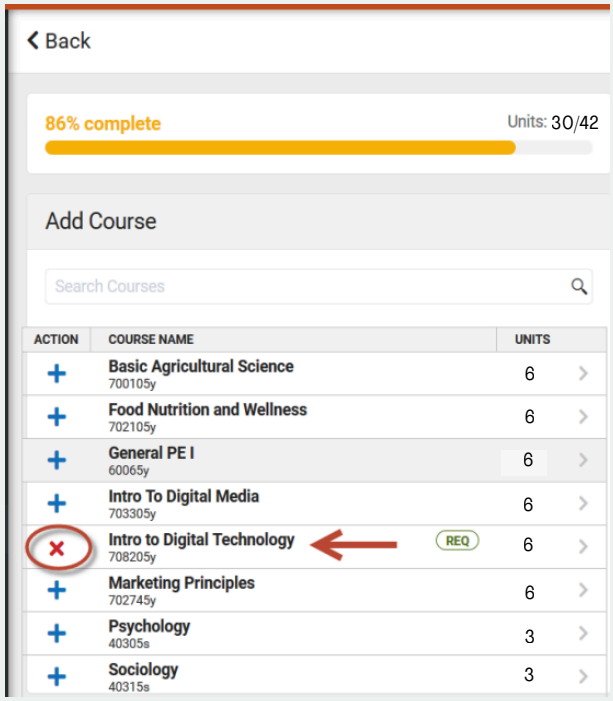
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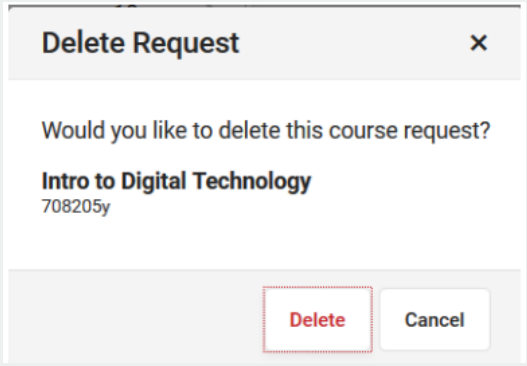
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- If you do not see Course History, then you can select either **Add Request** or **Add Alternate** at the bottom.



- Once you select the course, it will put a red X next to that course. If you selected the course in error or would like to change your selection, just select the course again and a pop up screen will appear asking if you would like to delete the course request.





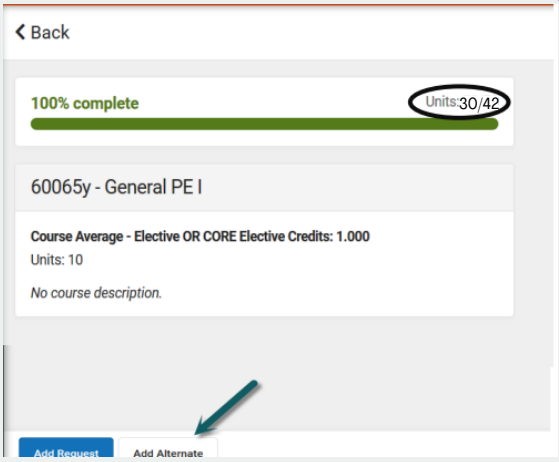
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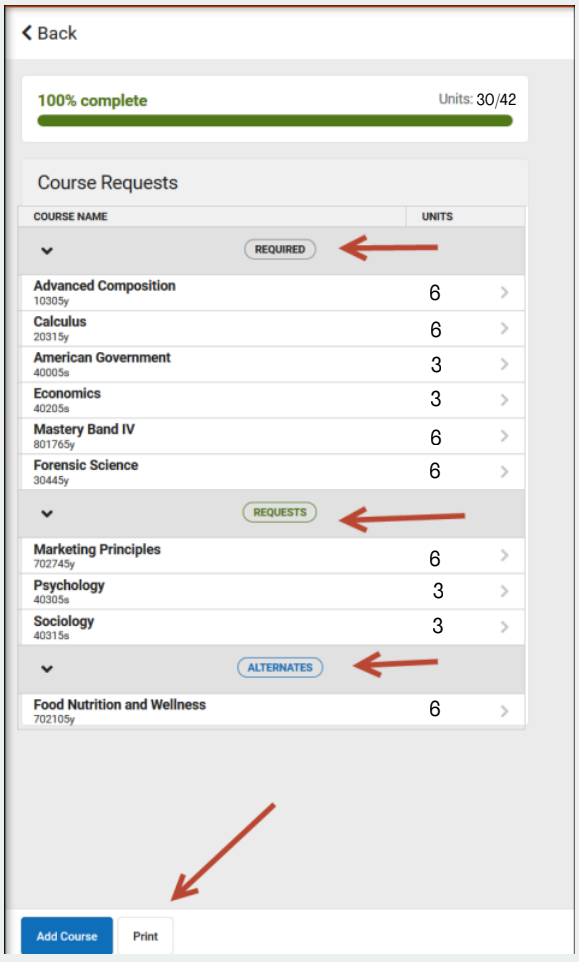
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- Once you have selected enough courses, the completion bar at the top is 100% complete. You will need to **select at least 3 alternate courses.** You will follow the same procedure you did when you selected your elective requests, except **choose alternate**.



- Once that is complete, select the **Back** arrow at the top to return to the course request page. This will bring you back to the main screen and show you all courses requested and alternates. Double check your Required, Requested, and Alternate selections and then select the **print** button at the bottom of this page.



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Scheduling 101

To ensure that NFHS is able to properly staff and schedule students for the 2026-2027 school year, students and families need to review their schedules in detail during the elective selection and course waiver window. Students should consider their extracurricular involvement, balance of schedule, as well as the specific courses that they are requesting.

Early January 2026

- Core academic teachers will complete recommendations for students. Teachers spend significant time considering work ethic, grades, and scores. We encourage students and parents to consider these recommendations and reach out to teachers with questions.

January 22, 2026- January 30, 2026

- Students will complete the online elective portal and any course waiver requests (for courses they were not recommended for) during the open portal window.

February 2026

- Counselors will meet one on one with every current NFHS student through English classes at North Forsyth High School. Current NFHS students may reach out to their individual counselor to schedule an appointment, if they do not have an English class on campus.

March 2, 2026- March 6, 2026

- The portal will open for View Only for students to view their course requests and ensure that all waivers and application based classes have been processed correctly. **After this point, schedule corrections will only be considered if it meets one of the schedule correction criteria. Change Requests will no longer be considered.**

August 2026

- Following the release of schedule in the summer, students will only be able to request a schedule correction for the reasons below. Following the end of the schedule correction window, schedule corrections will no longer be considered.

All students should carefully consider their course selections in the spring, as NFHS will only allow schedule corrections before the school year starts for the following reasons:

  - The student has already earned credit in the course.
  - The student has not met the course prerequisites.
  - The student needs a specific class to complete a pathway.
  - The student has a dual enrollment conflict.
  - A Senior needs a specific class to graduate.
  - Administrative balancing of classes.
- All other requests will be denied. If a student waives into a class during the waiver process, **they will not be eligible to waive back out**. Department chairs and counselors will review all waiver requests.

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Frequently Asked Questions

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1. **Will my child have the opportunity to change their mind about electives after selections are made in parent portal.**
   - Elective registration is from Thursday, January 22 at 8am to Friday, January 30 at 4pm. You may make changes during this time frame. Students must make their selections and choose three alternate selections in the event that your student does not get their first choice. Once the portal is closed on January 30th, there will not be a chance to amend these choices. If you select a semester class "s", please select 2 to ensure a full schedule.
2. **Will my child have an opportunity to change the courses their 8th grade teacher recommended for the upcoming school year?**
   - Yes, during the waiver period students can request to take another course, as long as your student has the pre-requisite to take the course. **The waiver period is from January 22nd at 9am through January 30th at 4pm.** Note: any student who waives into a course **MUST** stay with that choice. Students are NOT allowed to drop out of any course he/she waived into. Teachers spend time considering recommendations, so we encourage students to really think about their extracurricular involvement and work ethic when considering waiving into a more rigorous course.
3. **What is the purpose of the course waiver?**
   - The purpose of the course waiver is for students and/or parents to disagree with the recommended courses made by the student's teacher. Students and/or parents will need to complete the course waiver if you want to change a core academic or elective class a student has been recommended for.
4. **I am typing in an elective course and it is not working? Why can I not add this elective?**
   - This may be happening for a couple of reasons. Some electives require a prerequisite course. If you have not taken the prerequisite course, you will not be able to sign up for the class. If you are looking to add an upper level world language course, your teacher must recommend you for the course. If you would like to add these upper level courses despite the teacher recommendation, you will have to fill out the waiver form.
5. **What are alternate courses?**
   - If an elective fills up, we utilize an identified alternate course to ensure a complete schedule. Another scenario would be if there is a conflict with the elective courses selected. We do the best we can to put you in all your first choice electives; however, we cannot always accomplish this goal. If you do not select alternate courses, you will be added to courses with availability.
6. **If I have submitted an application for a course, when will my schedule reflect the class(es) I have applied for?**
   - Once the completed applications have been turned in and the teachers have accepted or denied students for these classes, counselors will adjust schedules accordingly. Application courses include Office Aide, Newspaper, Yearbook, IE2, Raider Station, Library Science, AP Capstone,- and Internship Forsyth.
7. **Should I take Health/Personal Fitness in the summer?**
   - There is no recommendation to take these courses over the summer; however, if you choose to do so, there is a protocol that must be followed in order to receive credit for the course. If you choose to take these state REQUIRED courses over the summer through GAVS it is your responsibility to complete the Self Pay Acceptance form on Infinite Campus at the end of the term. NOTE: STUDENTS WILL NOT BE GUARANTEED AN ELECTIVE CHOICE BECAUSE THEY DECIDED TO TAKE THESE COURSES OVER THE SUMMER. ELECTIVES WILL BE CHOSEN BASED ON SEATS AVAILABLE. We encourage you to select Forsyth Virtual Academy, if your student chooses to take the course over the summer, if offered through FVA. Please note, students can ONLY take 1 credit self-pay over the summer and/or during each semester.

Frequently Asked Questions

8. **Should I take virtual courses?**
    - Every family should evaluate their student's ability to manage virtual courses and online learning. Information regarding Forsyth Virtual and/or Georgia Virtual registration will be shared through our website later this spring. Students must have reliable transportation and be off campus for their virtual courses.
9. **What time does school start and end?**
    - School starts at 8:25 am and ends at 3:40pm
10. **How much time do I have between classes?**
    - There is a six minute transition period between classes.
11. **What do I bring to school the first day of school?**
    - Each teacher will advise your student about their expectations for supplies. The first day they should bring paper and pen/pencil and one folder/notebook.
12. **Can I prepay my lunch account like I did in middle school?**
    - Yes, you may login to Schoolbucks (myschoolbucks.com) and put money on your account. Please see our website, under "Quick Links" for this url if you are unfamiliar.
13. **When will I eat lunch?**
    - We eat lunch during 4th period or 5th period, depending on the daily bell schedule.
14. **Where do I catch the bus, and when will it pick me up?**
    - All bus routes are available in Parent Portal. It is important to find your bus number, time of pick up, and the afternoon slot number so you know where to find your bus at the end of the day.
15. **How do I join a club?**
    - We will host Club-a-palazoo, a club fair, for all students at the beginning of the school year, during Raider Time. Students can view all club offerings on the NFHS website, under the Extracurricular tab.
16. **What is Raider Time?**
    - Raider Time is a dedicated time built into the schedule for students to receive remediation, enrichment, and extra help from teachers. Students will register for a Raider Time session each day of the week.
17. **How do I join a sports team?**
    - Check the NFHS website at NFraidersathletics.com for a complete list of our sports programs by season. Most sports teams will require a tryout, so make sure you check early in the year so as not to miss out.
18. **Will I be able to select a locker?**
    - Yes, students will have the opportunity to select a locker at the beginning of the year, if they are interested.

You can access information regarding registration on the NFHS website, under Student Services, Counseling, Course Registration:

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Self-Pay Courses

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