

TCA Course Registration for the 26-27 Academic School Year

Infinite Campus 9th grade High School Registration:

Registration Period: February 23rd - March 8th

➤ **How to Register for High School Courses:**

- 1) Log in to the Infinite Campus Parent or Student Portal: [Infinite Campus Links](#)
- 2) Follow the [Academic Planner Instructions](#): Use the directions given for navigating the Academic Plan within the Infinite Campus Portal.
- 3) Select Your Courses: On the Academic Plan page, choose your courses from the drop-down menu and be sure to save your selections.

Resources:

HS Course Catalog: [TCA High School Course Catalog](#)

Graduation Requirements: [TCA Graduation Requirements](#)

Honors forms: [Honors Expectations Form](#)

- Students who wish to enroll in an honors course must complete the Honors Expectations form. The honors form must be completed in collaboration with the current area teacher, and signatures from the teacher are required.
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9th Grade Course Selection:

HISTORY:

All 9th graders are required to take World History 9, a one-semester course in the 9th grade year.

- ☐ World History and Geography 9
- ☐ Honors World History and Geography 9

ENGLISH:

All 9th graders must take an English course. This is a full-year course.

- ☐ Classics and Composition I
- ☐ Honors Classics and Composition I

SCIENCE:

Science Flow Chart: [Science Flowchart](#)

All students must take 3 full years of science to meet graduation requirements.

- ☐ Biology
- ☐ Earth Science
- ☐ Honors Biology

Math:

Math flowchart: [TCA Math Flowchart](#)

All TCA students must take 3 full years of math to meet TCA graduation requirements.

- ☐ Math course placement will be completed with your current math teacher.
The Algebra 2 enriched course number is **4206FA/FB (2 semesters)*

FOREIGN LANGUAGE:

Students must complete three years of a single/same language to meet the foreign language graduation requirement.

NOTE: Students that do NOT pass all 4 semesters of JH Classics, MUST take Latin in 9th grade.

- ☐ French I
- ☐ Latin I/II (Level placement based on JH Classics teacher)
- ☐ Spanish I

FINE ARTS PATH:

There are 4 ways to meet the fine arts graduation requirement:

- **ART Path:** Complete Art I, Art II, Art III, and Art IV.
- **BAND Path:** Complete 4 years in band (Wind Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, and/or Symphonic Band).
- **CHOIR Path:** Complete an upper-level choir in the 11th and 12th grades.
- **ART/MUSIC Appreciation Path:** Complete one fine arts elective plus the Art/Music Appreciation course (one semester) offered during the 11th and 12th grade years.

When electing for art, band, or choir paths, year-long fine arts courses will count toward elective credits after the first completed year.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION:

All 9th graders will be placed in H&W and PFD9.

To meet the PE graduation requirements, students must take the following courses:

- **Personal Fitness Development 9** (PFD9); *9th grade required PE course.*
- **Health and Wellness** (H&W); *9th grade required course.*
- **1 semester of PE:** Weights & Conditioning (9th-12th) **or** Fitness for Life (FFL offered 10-12th).

ELECTIVES:

Using the Electives drop-down list, please elective options

You are required to complete the Electives section. Most 9th graders enrolled in a full-year Fine Arts course will not be room for additional electives; however, It is important to submit elective requests to have alternative options in case of a scheduling conflict.

Please provide 3 different elective options.

- Consideration will be given to your top choices, but they are not guaranteed.
- Elective choices might not be available due to scheduling conflicts and/or lack of requests. You may be placed on an alternative course.
- Study Hall is in the “Non-Credit” section.

Honors Expectations:

Complete the Honors Form with the current area teacher; teacher signatures are required.

Honors forms: [Honors Expectations Form](#)

Students and guardians should be mindful that Honors courses are weighted (with a 4.5 scale for an A), and the curriculum in these classes is more rigorous than traditional classes. Students can anticipate dedicating 30 to 45 minutes of homework on average each night for each Honors class, which is a considerable time commitment. Enrolling in additional Honors classes will require an increase in nightly homework and enhanced time management skills.

Honors students are expected to consistently exhibit integrity, motivation, maturity, intellectual curiosity, and higher levels of class participation. If a student receives a grade lower than a “C” in either semester, they must reapply to continue in the Honors Program for that subject. Furthermore, students must complete the entire academic year to fully benefit from the depth of knowledge and enriching experiences of honors courses.

Due to the increased workload of Honors courses, additional fees are added to these courses when compared to traditional courses.

TCA HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Subject Area	Graduation Credits Required (1 semester = 1 credit)	Required Courses
English	8	9th - Classics and Composition I / or Honors 10th - Classics and Composition II / or Honors 11th - American Lit / or Honors / American Studies 12th - World Literature & Comp / AP English Literature / Artes Liberales
Rhetoric	2	12th - Required Senior year
Social Science	7	9th - (1 semester) World History & Geography 9 / or Honors 10th - World History & Geography 10 / AP Euro History 11th - US History / Honors American Studies / AP US History 12th - Civics / AP Government / Artes Liberales
Math	6	3 years and at least through Algebra II
Science	6	3 years and 2 courses must be labs
Language	6	3 years of the same language (Latin, Spanish, French)
Fine Arts	2	Options to meet the Fine Arts requirement: 4 years of either Art, Band, Choir, or One Fine Arts elective, and the Art/Music Appreciation class (offered 11 th or 12 th grade)
PE Elective	1	Weights & Conditioning (9 th – 12 th) or Fitness for Life (10 th – 12 th)
Electives	8	Electives receiving credit see Course Catalog
Health & Wellness PFD9 (PE)	2	9th grade – Required freshmen year 9th grade - Personal Fitness Development 9 - Required freshmen course
<i>JH Classics/Latin</i>		7th/8th-grade Classics (passed all 4 semesters or must take Latin 1 in 9th grade)
<i>JH Computer Apps</i>		7th/8th-grade Computers (passed all 4 semesters or must take HS Computer Science)
Total Credits =	48 (min)	56 (max) credits with additional electives

Please refer to the HS Graduation Requirements posted on the TCA website for a detailed explanation of all courses and requirements.

Example of 9th Grade Schedule

<u>Fall Semester</u>	<u>Spring Semester</u>
1) English	1) English
2) Math	2) Math
3) Science	3) Science
4) Foreign Language	4) Foreign Language
5) World History 9 (1 semester)	5) Health & Wellness
6) Fine Arts – Art/Band/Choir	6) Fine Arts – Art/Band/Choir
7) Personal Fitness Development 9 (PFD9)	7) Personal Finance

Freshman schedules include the following required courses:

- English, Math, Science, Foreign Language,
- World History 9 (1 semester); Health & Wellness (1 semester)
- PFD9 (1 semester of PE); Personal Finance (required for all 9th graders)

To finalize their schedules, 9th graders need to select a Fine Arts Path:

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- *Band path*: Complete 4 years in band (Wind Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, and/or Symphonic Band).
- *Choir path*: Complete an upper-level choir in the 11th and 12th grades.
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- Into to Theatre also meets fine arts elective credit; requires Art/Music Appreciation to complete the graduation requirement.

Notes on Scheduling:

- All academic schedules must include at least 48 credits to fulfill graduation requirements.
- Students can choose a study hall throughout high school if the required courses are being met. Study hall does not receive credit, but students do have the option of including study hall in their schedule without hindering their 48 required credits.
- Refer to the HS Course Catalog to confirm the prerequisites for a course, associated fees, and whether courses are repeatable for credit.
- When electing for either art, band, or choir paths, year-long fine arts courses will count toward elective credits after the first completed year.