

**Welcome
Class of 2027!**



Topics to be Covered

1. Who's Who in School Counseling?
2. School Counseling Services
3. Course Request Process & FAQ's
4. Graduation Requirements
5. Department Presentations
6. CTE Presentation



Who's Who in the School Counseling office?

Mr. George Heilshorn

A - L

Mrs. Meaghan Varrell

M - Z

Mrs. Jillian Dubois

Crisis Intervention Counselor

Mrs. Christine Reusch

Secretary/Registrar



What do High School Counselors do?

Assist students and families with:

- Academic Planning
- College and Career Planning
- Social and Emotional Support



How do School Counselors do this?

- School Guidance Curriculum
 - Classroom Presentations
 - Small Group Presentations
 - Interdisciplinary curriculum development
 - Student/Parent workshops & instruction
- Individual Planning
 - Individual counseling
 - Academic Advisement
 - College and Career Planning
- Response Services
 - Consultation
 - Individual & small group counseling
 - Crisis counseling
 - Referrals
 - Peer facilitation
- System Support
 - Professional Development
 - Consultation, collaboration, and teaming
 - Program management and operations



Course Request Process

- Course Selection sheets were given to your students today
- Core Course Recommendation Levels (Regular or Honors) will be given to your students at the end of this week or early next week.
 - Core classes are in: English, Math, Science, and Social Studies.
 - If your student wishes to take an honors level course they will need to fill out a waiver with their signature, a parent signature, and a signature from the recommending teacher for that particular course.
 - Waivers are available in homerooms or from Mrs. Cote.
- HS School Counselor's and Mrs. Cote will meet with students on March 9th and March 10th during the school day to register for classes on Xello.



Course Request FAQs

- Are students making their schedules for next year?
 - No, just requesting courses. Student choices will determine what classes make it into the master schedule. Power School will then build schedules based on all the course requests.
- Will every course listed be offered?
 - Probably not. A few courses might not run because of under-enrollment, scheduling issues, and/or budgetary constraints. That's why students are asked to choose an additional 2 credits of alternative classes.
- How many classes should be requested?
 - ALL students will request 8 credits worth of classes
PLUS
 - 2 credits of Alternates in case a first-choice class is not offered.



What is a CREDIT?

Credits are earned when a high school course is passed.

The amount of credits is based on the the length of the class:

- 1 credit for a semester
- 1/2 credit for a quarter
- 2 credits for a year

A minimum of **26 credits** are required for graduation.

A student can earn **32 credits** in four years if they pass all of their classes each year and have a full 8 credit schedule every year.



Graduation Requirements

□ Art Ed.	0.5 credit
□ Computer Ed.	0.5 credit
□ English	4 credits
□ Math	4 credits
□ Science	2 credits
□ Social Studies	2.5 credits
□ Health & Physical Ed.	2 credits
□ <u>Electives</u>	<u>10.5 credits</u>
❖ TOTAL	26 credits



Class Standing

- Based on the number of years a student has attended high school:
 - Freshman First year
 - Sophomore Second year
 - Junior Third year
 - Senior Fourth year
- If graduation requirements are met early, students may be allowed to “graduate early” after meeting with their school counselor, principal, and parent/guardian to discuss educational or career planning.



Important Tidbits:

1. PowerSchool information will transfer over from Middle School.
 - a. usernames, passwords, & contact information.
 - b. Any new contact information, please notify our front office.
2. The Student Handbook to reference rules and policies is located on our school website under the “For Families and Students” tab.
3. Our Program of Studies is posted on the homepage of our High School website. It contains class descriptions, graduation requirements, college expectations and a whole lot more!



Scan QR Code to access our SHS Scheduling Hub for all information on Course Registration.

Student Course Selection Sheets have this QR Code too!



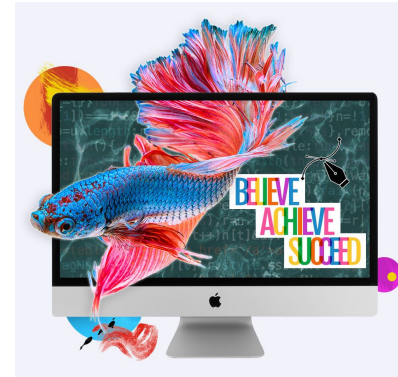
Sing

Chorus or the Spring Musical



Digital Media

**Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator
Animation, Web Design**



Theatre

Act, Direct, Produce, Set Design



Musical Instruments

Join the Band



Which courses meet the English Requirement?

Survey of Literature**

World Literature

American Literature

British Literature

(AP Literature and Language **OR** AP Language & Composition can substitute for American or British Lit)

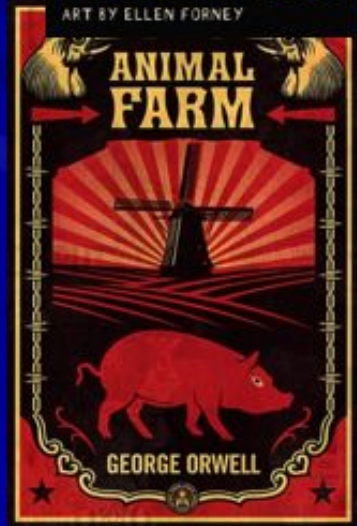
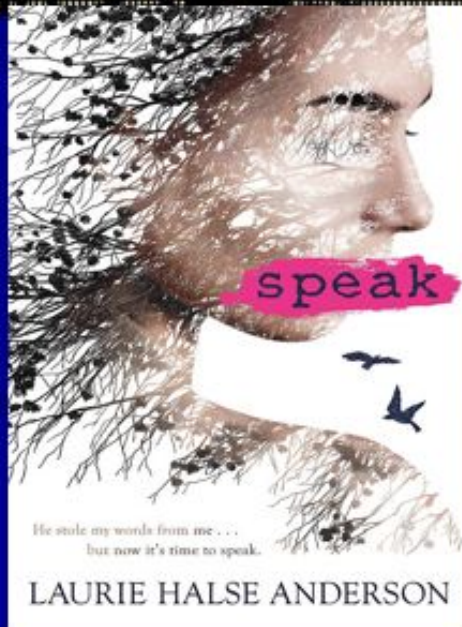
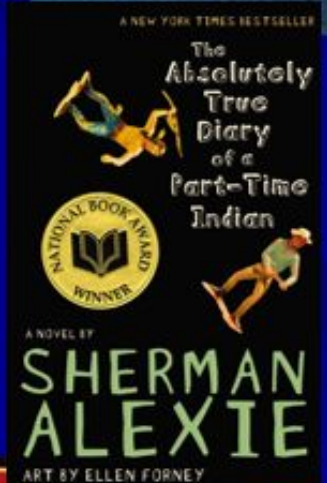
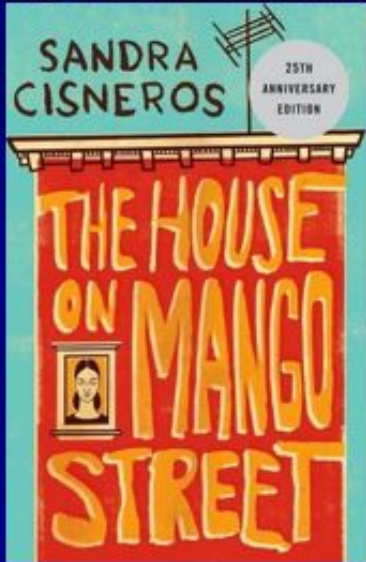
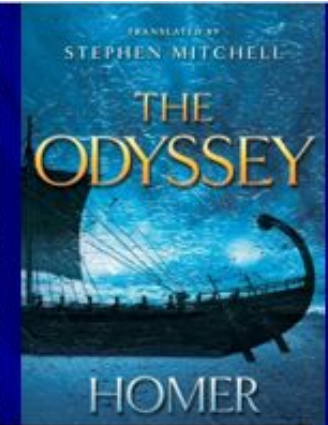
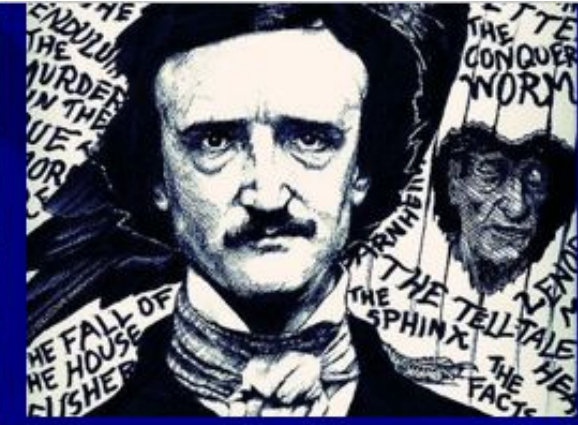
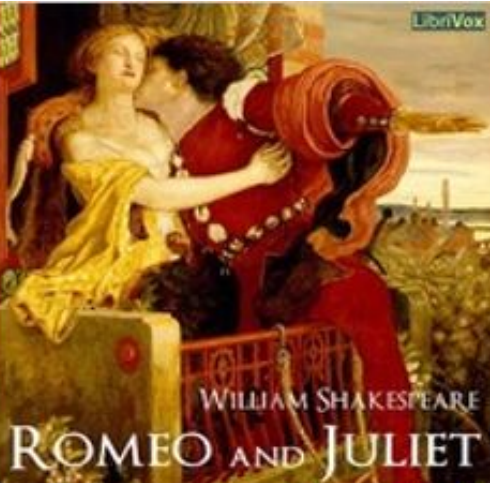
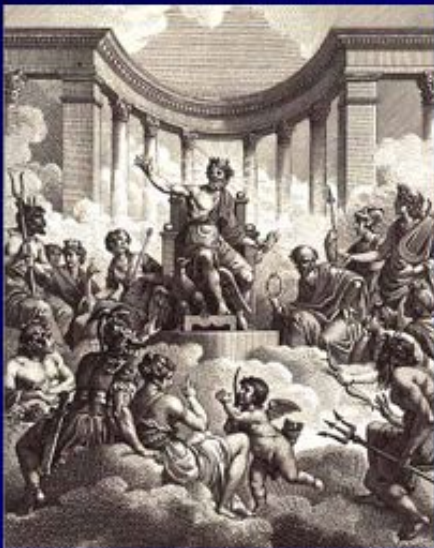
**English courses must be taken in this order.*

Electives:

- Mythology
- Philosophy
- Foundations**
- Dystopian Literature
- Introduction to Journalism
- Short Story
- Debate
- Everyday English
- Creative Writing
- SAT Prep
- Public Speaking
- NYT Best Sellers



**WHAT WE READ
AS FRESHMEN!**



What we may be writing as Freshmen!

- Frequent if not daily journal writes!
- Vocab and Grammar Work
- Narrative Piece
- Analysis Essay
- Informative Essay
- Compare and Contrast Essays
- Culminating Research Paper



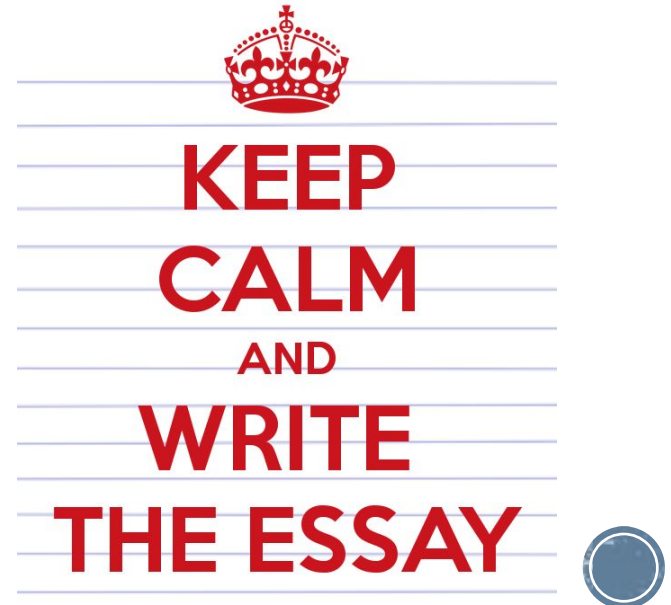
Competencies!!!!

4 Major Competencies

- Common Core State Standard Assessments
- Used to ensure students leave our classes with the required skills necessary to succeed in the future

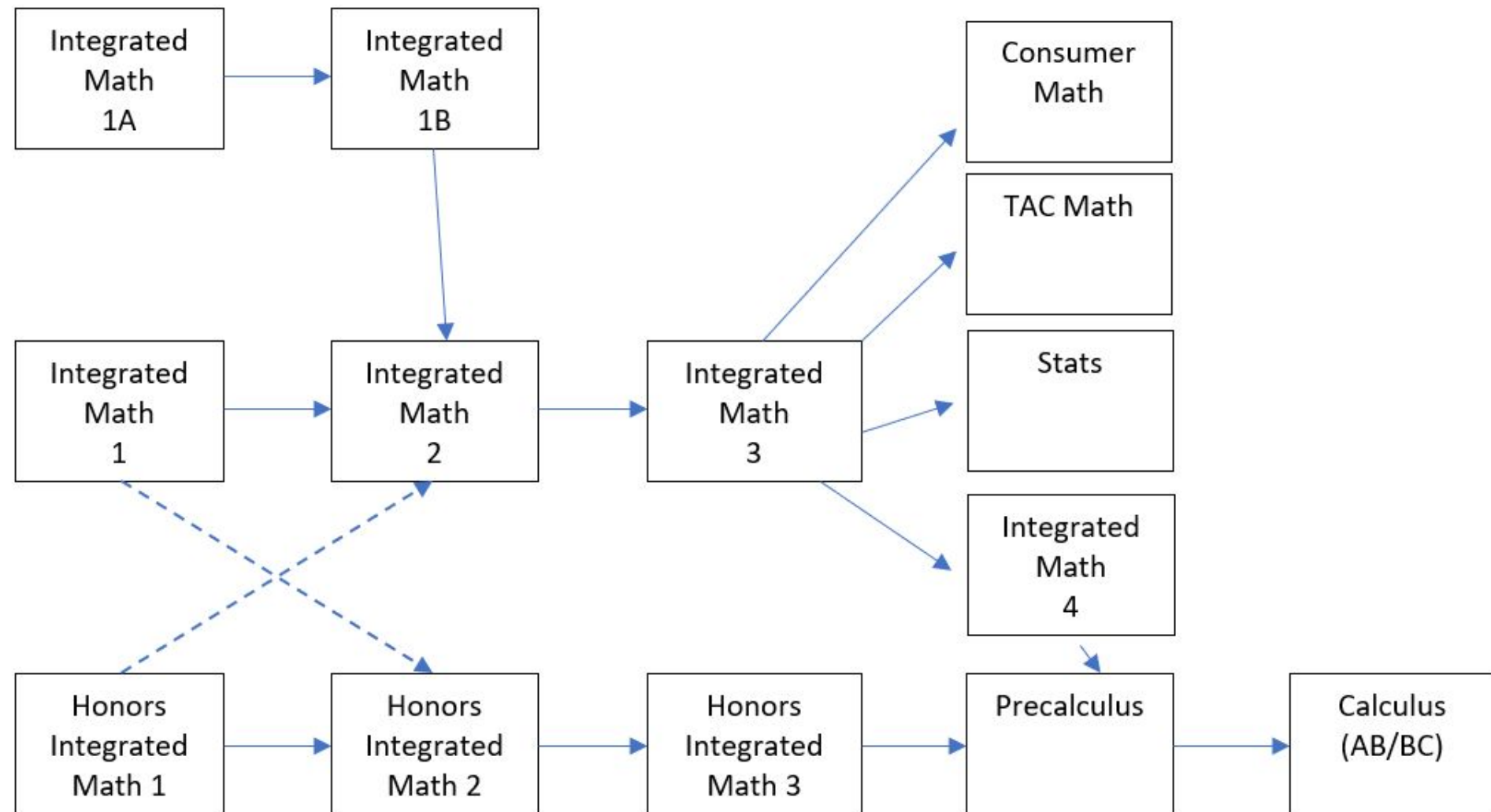
1. Reading Comprehension
2. Writing for a Variety of Audiences
3. Speaking & Listening
4. Research & Inquiry

Students will need to score a 3 out of 4 on each competency and pass the course with nothing less than a 60%



Which courses meet which the Math Requirement?

Math Requirement Track



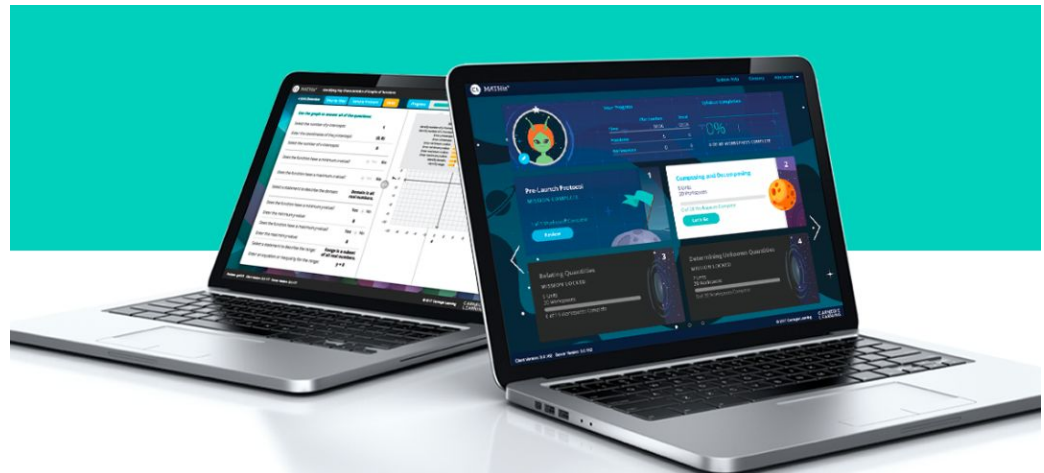
IM1 and Honors IM1 Resources

**CARNEGIE
LEARNING**

LONG + LIVE + MATH

Consumable book

MATHia®
Web-based
component



IM1 and Honors IM1 Topics

a) -6, 1, 8, 15, 22
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Common Ratio? No
 Common Diff? Yes
 Check: **Arithmetic**

b) 324, 108, 36, 12, 4
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Common Ratio? Yes
 Check: **Geometric**

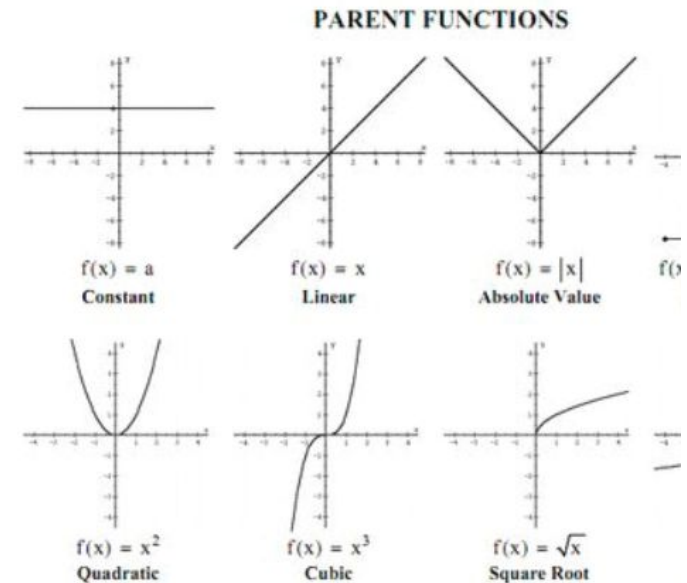
GRAPHING LINEAR EQUATIONS USING ALL THREE EQUATION FORMS

INTERCEPT / POINT-SLOPE / STANDARD FORM

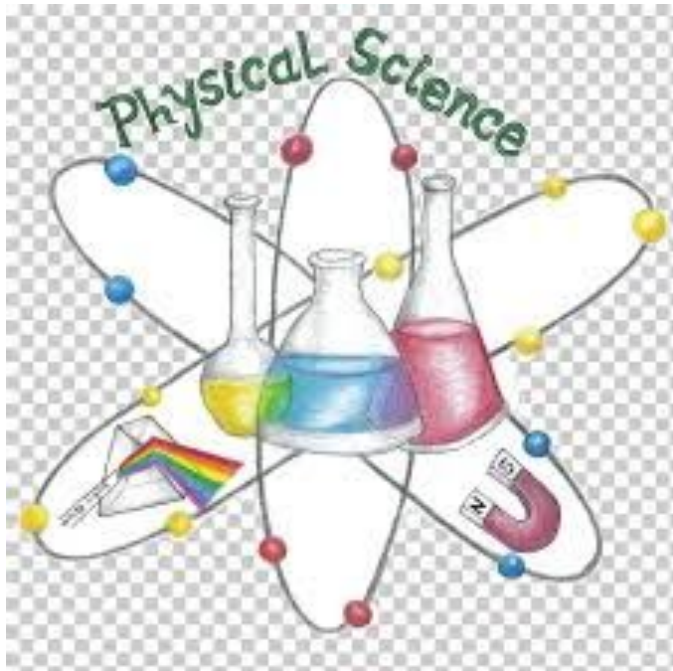
INSTRUCTIONS: SKETCH THE GRAPH OF EACH LINE.

- $y = -3x + 14$ (Yellow dot)
- $-.5y + .5x = 2.5$ (Cyan dot)
- $y + 4 = -\frac{1}{3}(x - 1)$ (Purple dot)
- $y = \frac{2}{2}x + 6$ (Blue dot)
- $y + 3 = -3(x + 3)$ (Green dot)
- $y + \frac{1}{3}x = 5$ (Red dot)

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Which courses meet the Science Requirement?



□ Physical Science

- Freshman Year

□ Biology

- Sophomore Year

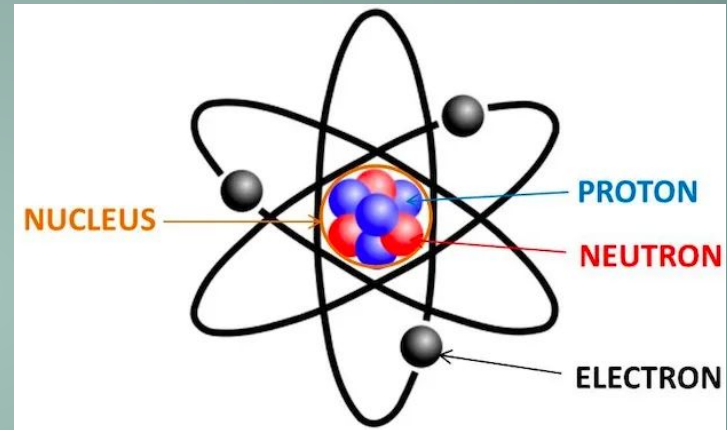


What is Physical Science?

Physics



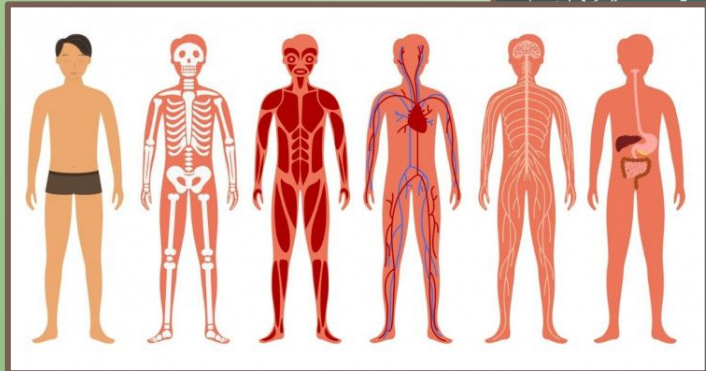
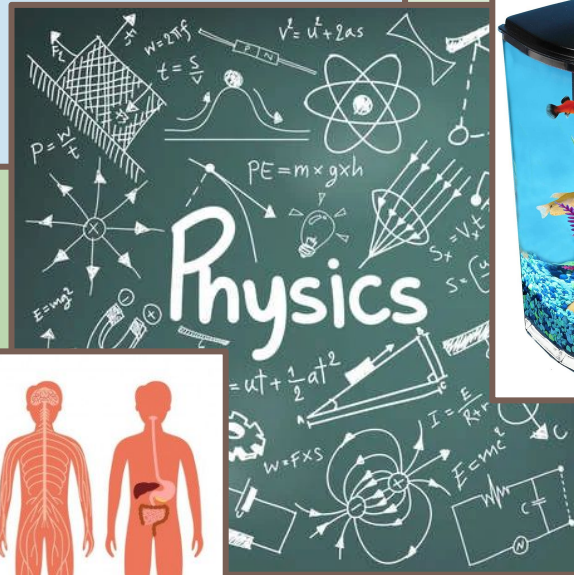
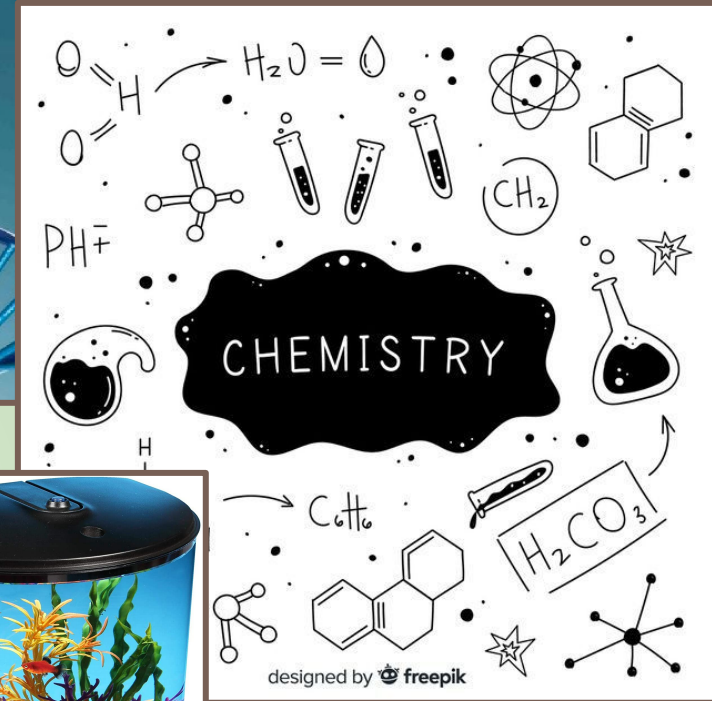
Chemistry



Science Electives



Earth Science



HEALTH & WELLNESS

Freshmen Requirement: Physical Education (1 credit)

Sophomore Requirement: Health (1 credit)

HEALTH ELECTIVES

- Leadership & Coaching
- Nutrition & Well-being
- Exercise Science

P.E. ELECTIVES

- Physical Education
- Exercise Science
- Team Sports
- Fitness Activities



Which courses meet the Social Studies Requirement?

(9) Honors Modern World History OR World Cultures & Geography

(10) Honors US History OR US History OR AP US History

(11) Honors Government OR Government

(11) Honors Economics OR Economics OR Marketing I (CTC)



World Cultures & Geography



What we study:

- Themes of geography
- What is culture?
- Different places all around the world
 - Includes countries in South America, Asia, and more!
- Map skills

Types of projects we do:

- Current events!
- Travel Brochures and more!



Honors Modern World History

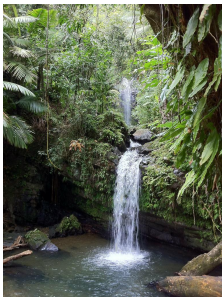
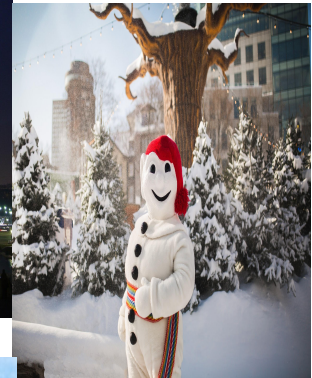
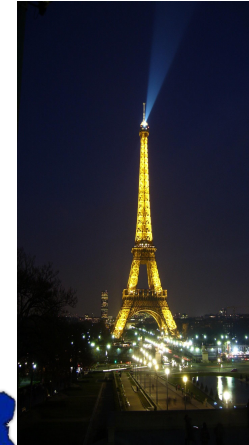
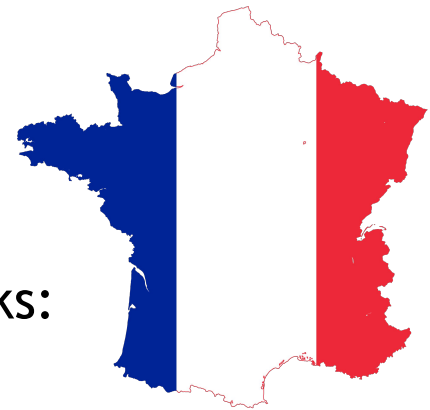
What we study:

- The Age of Exploration
- Empires of the World!
 - Includes Mongolian, Ottoman, Mali Empires and more!
- Types of governments throughout history
 - Yes, we study the British Monarchy!
- Revolutionary movements throughout history
- Advancements in technology and inventions that changed the world



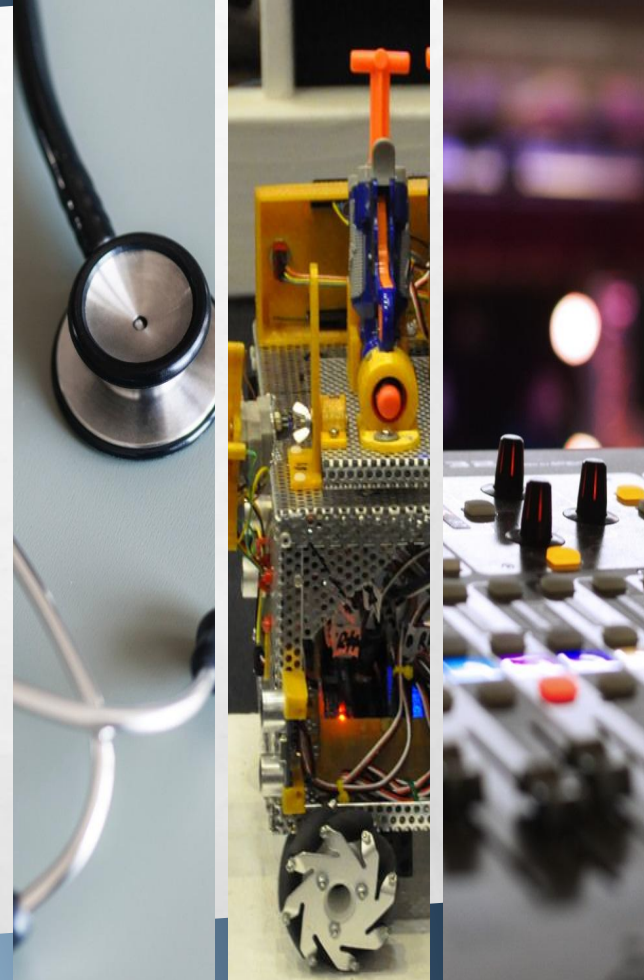
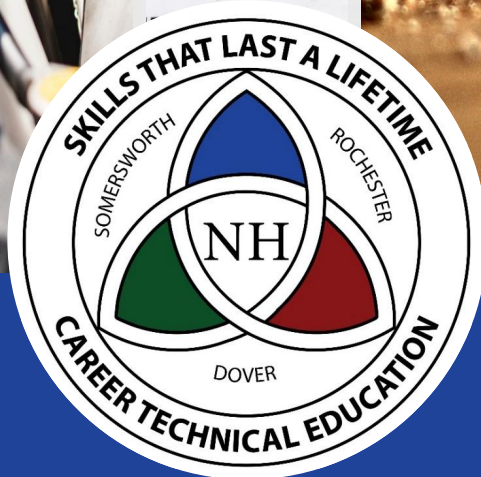
World Languages

At SHS we offer two World Language tracks:
Spanish and French





where *YOUR* future, meets *YOUR* opportunity...



Somersworth Career Technical Center
Career Technical Education(CTE)
Careers, Jobs, Passion & Opportunities!

Pathway Planning starts NOW!

Consider a “new” way to think about after high school...

Old way of thinking included 2 trends:

- “I must be *college bound* OR *job bound*.”

A better way to think of “after high school” for students is to frame it around – Career Pathways!

- *what is the **BEST** Program of Study for my student based on their interests and aspirations?*

The *BEST* FIT MAY include CTE:

- CTE experiences in high school **EXPANDS** post-secondary opportunities, including college
- CTE is an opportunity to take advantage

CAREER TECHNICAL EXPERIENCES (1/2 CREDIT)

Audience - 9th and 10th Grade

Automotive Strand

- Introduction to Automotive

Broadcast Technologies Strand

- Acting & Directing for the Screen
- Introduction to Media
- Drones, GoPros, & Robot Cameras

Building Trades Strand

- Woodworking Technology I & II
- Basic Home Repair

Culinary Arts Strand

- Introduction to Baking
- Cooking for 2

Animation & Web Design

- Introduction to Digital Media
- Adobe Photoshop & Adobe Illustrator

Marketing Strand

- American Advertising
- Making the Most of Microsoft Office
- Sports Marketing
- Personal Finance (10th Grade)

Pre-Engineering Strand

- Engineering Basics

Design of Theater Technology

- Intro to Theater Production

Career Pathway Planning Strand:

- Career Pathways and a Touch of Life Skills

New Diploma Track?

Diploma of Distinction

Third diploma track to recognize students:

- Academic Achievement
- Character
- Contributions to the community.

We would like to get your feedback!

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