

# 2024-25 WHS Course Requests

Class of 2028

Form due to the Middle School Guidance Office by **Friday 2/16**

*Students review their choices with their high school counselor in person on Thurs 2/29 and Fri 3/1*

Please see your **Course Recommendations** (in the Infinite Campus Backpack) in planning your academic program for the next year. Further, a thoughtful contemplation and discussion with your school counselor often helps in clarifying your options and planning for the future. You can access the Program of Studies through the Weston High School website – Academics page.

**Please note:**

- **You do not have to take all the courses for which you were recommended.** Generally, students take one course in each academic subject area. Choose honors or additional academic courses wisely, considering your schedule as a whole and activities in which you participate. It can be beneficial to have some open time.
- You **must** have a teacher recommendation in order to sign up for an honors-level course.
- You can only sign up for academic courses **for which you have been recommended** or that do not require recommendations.
- **If you would like to take an honors or AP course but were not recommended, you should complete the override request process by the February 29, 2024 Priority Deadline.** To request an override, download the Override Request Form available on the Guidance & Counseling section of the high school website. *Students should begin the override process as soon as course recommendations are available and **not** wait for their course selection meetings with counselors.*
- We are unable to honor requests for specific teachers.
- **Students must register for a minimum of 33.5 credits as well as alternate electives** as indicated below.
- The maximum number of credits per semester is 20 and per year is 40. Students typically take between 33.5 and 36.5 credits per year. *Note – students enrolled in fewer than 35.5 credits will likely have at least 5 and as many as 9 open blocks/study halls per 8-day rotation.* To avoid numerous study halls in one semester, students should request at least 35.5 credits.

**Alternates:**

- It is important to include alternates for electives since it may be necessary to go to your alternates if conflicts arise or the course you are requesting is not available. *If you do not provide alternates, a choice may be made for you without your input.*
- If you are requesting an entry-level World Language course other than Spanish (Latin I, Novice French, or Novice Mandarin), please provide an alternate language in the case that the course you prefer is not offered.

| Course Requests for Grade 9  |             |          |         |  |
|--|-------------|----------|---------|--|
| Subject Area   | Course Name | Course # | Credits |  |
| English  | English 9   | 110CY    | 5       |  |
| Social Studies   |             |          |         |  |
| Math   |             |          |         |  |
| Science  |             |          |         |  |
| World Language   |             |          |         |  |
| Elective 1   |             |          |         |  |
| Elective 2   |             |          |         |  |
| Elective 3   |             |          |         |  |
| Elective 4   |             |          |         |  |
| Freshman courses: Physical Education, Health, and Digital Literacy |             |          | 3.5     |  |
| Special Education: Academic Strategies ( <i>enter credits</i> )    |             |          |         |  |
| <b>Total credits</b> ( <i>minimum of 33.5 and maximum of 40</i> )  |             |          |         |  |

| Alternate Entry Level World Language<br><i>(only needed for Latin I, Novice French, or Novice Mandarin)</i> |          |         |
|---|----------|---------|
| Course Name   | Course # | Credits |
|   |          |         |
| <b>Alternate Elective Requests</b><br><i>(REQUIRED, in ranked priority order)</i>                           |          |         |
| Course Name   | Course # | Credits |
|   |          |         |
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NOTE: Schedules with fewer than 35.5 credits will result in one semester with numerous study halls. If you do not want the possibility of numerous study halls in your schedule, you should request at least 35.5 credits.

Student Name (*print*): \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Freshman Year Recommendations

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## Notes about the recommendation page...

- “*Required Courses*” is a default Infinite Campus heading. The courses listed are a combination of required and recommended courses.
- “*Courses with program priority displayed in bold.*” is a default message in Infinite Campus and is not applicable to recommendations.
- There is no need to sign and return this page, as parents/guardians should sign the bottom of the completed **Course Request Form**.

## Special Notes by Department:

**History/Social Studies:** Recommendations are necessary for students interested in taking Honors 9th grade World History.

**Mathematics:** Recommendations are necessary for students interested in taking Honors Geometry or requesting additional courses.

**Science:** Recommendations are necessary for students interested in taking Honors Physics.

### World Language:

- Language instruction is proficiency-based. Students are recommended for the next level if they earn a C+ or better in their 8th grade courses.
- The designation of another language denotes that the student, due to excellent performance in the current language, might consider taking a second world language.
- Students who continue with the same language studied in middle school are more likely to progress to the higher levels of language proficiency that prepares them for the Seal of Biliteracy upon graduation.

**Music:** Jazz Band is a 1-credit course that fits into the schedule along with Band, which is 4 credits. If recommended, enter into the course request form as a 5 credit combination course.