

# 2023-24 WHS Course Requests

Class of 2024

Students must finalize *in person* with their school counselor:

Wed 2/1, Thurs 2/2 & Fri 2/3

Please see your **Course Recommendations** (in the IC 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 five credits in each academic subject area. As a senior you may choose to focus your interests slightly, although taking courses in at least four disciplines is recommended. Choose honors and AP courses wisely, considering your schedule as a whole and activities in which you participate.
- **You need a teacher recommendation in order to sign up for most honors or AP-level courses.** *Note: Recommendations are not required for AP Psychology, AP European History, honors semester Social Studies electives or junior/senior Science electives.*
- 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 17, 2023 Priority Deadline.** To request an override, see 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.*
- **Students must register for a minimum of 33.5 credits and provide priorities and alternates** as indicated below. Five credits of English and Math are required. 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. To avoid numerous frees in one semester, students should request at least 35.5 credits.
- **Only students with an “Eligible for PE Opt-Out” recommendation may elect to not take PE.** *See the Program of Studies for more information.* Whether or not students are eligible for opt-out, they may choose to take one or even two semesters of PE.

**Priority and Alternates:** Please indicate the priority of your top 5 course selections in numbered rank order, as it may be necessary to go to your alternates if conflicts arise. **If you do not list priorities and alternates, and the course you are requesting is not available, a choice may be made for you without your input.** You must list *different* courses in the “alternate” columns.

Course Requests for Grade 12							
Subject Area	Course Name	Course #	Credits	Priority REQ	Alternate Course 1 (Name) REQUIRED	Alternate Course 2 (Name) REQUIRED	
English <i>(full year or sem1)</i>							
English <i>(semester 2)</i>							
Social Studies <i>(full year or sem)</i>							
Social Studies <i>(full year or sem)</i>							
Math <i>(full year or sem)</i>							
Math <i>(full year or sem)</i>							
Science							
World Language							
Elective 1 <i>(Academic or other)</i>							
Elective 2 <i>(Academic or other)</i>							
Elective 3 <i>(Academic or other)</i>							
Elective 4 <i>(Academic or other)</i>							
Physical Education <i>(optional if approved)</i>							
<b>Special Education:</b> Academic Strategies <i>(enter credits)</i>							
<b>Total credits</b> <i>(minimum of 33.5 and maximum of 40)</i>							

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 free blocks in your schedule, you should request at least 35.5 credits.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_