

Registration Guide – Freshman

I. Required materials:

- A. Course Catalog
- B. Registration Sheet

II. Registration for 2021-22

- A. Clearly print your name, and sign your course registration sheet
- B. Minimum enrollment is 7.0 credits (study hall), Maximum enrollment is 8.0 credits (no study hall).
- C. Required courses:
 1. English – 1.0 credit English 9 or Comparative Literature
 2. Math – 1.0 credit Integrated Math 1 or Integrated Math 2 ()
 3. Science – 1.0 credit Biology
 4. Social Studies – 1.0 credit World History
 5. PE 9 - .5 credit
 6. Health - .5 credit
- D. Elective courses:
 1. Must take up to 2.0 electives (7.0 total) or up to 3.0 (8.0 total) in freshman year
 2. If you completed Art 1 in Middle School, you cannot repeat it.
 3. If you completed Spanish I with C or better in 8th grade, register for Spanish II. If you were below a C, consider auditing Spanish I for a better grade.
 4. If you want to take Spanish but you struggle in English, you may want to delay taking Spanish I until your sophomore year.
 5. Take courses that support your vocation (career interests) and your avocation (your personal interests).
 6. Read course descriptions carefully and make note of any additional fees.
 7. Make sure you list 4 alternative choices in case a chosen course is canceled due to low enrollment or there are scheduling conflicts.
- E. Signatures
- F. **Unsure? Have questions? Speak with Mr. Wong, Guidance Counselor**
- G. **Talk to your current teachers – they will give you insight into what courses are your best match!**

III. Four-year plan?

- A. Review graduation requirements
- B. Think about . . .
 1. Where do you need more of a challenge?
 2. Where do you need extra support?
 3. What career interests emerged for you from Xello? (December)
- C. Where do the following options fit in your plans?
 1. Advanced Placement
 2. Dual Enrollment
 3. Early College Credit (ECCP)
 4. Start College Now (grades 11-12)
 5. Youth Apprenticeship (grades 11-12)

- D. Understanding what post-secondary institutions are looking for . . .
1. Entering the workforce → gain work experience in the field, career related classes and solid marks in the academic core.
 2. Interested in the trades → math, career related classes and solid marks in the academic core.
 3. Military enlistment → solid marks with physical fitness, both through classes and athletics. World Language is recommended as well as taking Dual Enrollment and AP courses.
 4. Technical college → solid marks, particularly in classes related to field.
 5. Example:
 - Health Sciences – need Biology, Chemistry, Anatomy, Integrated Math 1, Integrated Math 2, and Integrated Math 3, Statistics.
 - Computer Science – need Integrated Math 1, Integrated Math 2, Integrated Math 3, Pre-calculus, Physics as well as business courses and technology education courses.
 - Take advantage of Dual Enrollment, AP and Start College Now.
 6. Universities → take the most challenging courses available and do well in those courses. Look at minimums for the UW System on page 8 of the Course Description Book. World Language credits are required at Big Ten Universities and many private colleges, most universities want to see 2.0 credits of a language as a chosen elective.
- E. Plan understanding that the ability to learn is key to your future career development

IV. Due Date:

- A. Registration sheets are due **TUESDAY, March 23rd**, by end of the day to School Counseling Office.
- B. If you do not want to keep your Course Catalogue, return to the Guidance Office.
- C. **Four-year plan should be completed and used as a reference when you are completing tasks within Xello.**