

12TH GRADE COURSE SELECTION – SPRING 2025



ACADEMIC HISTORIES

-  = on track for graduation
- Unweighted GPA vs. Weighted Local GPA
- Rank
- Pay attention to anything highlighted
- Any semester 'D' or 'F' can be replaced by retaking the course online
 - Course and grade stay on transcript, but the new grade reflects in the GPA and the old grade is removed
 - See me after spring break to sign up

IB GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- 4 English credits
- 4 Math credits + Algebra I prior to 9th grade
- 4 Science credits
- 4 Social Science credits
- 4 World Language credits
- 4 Electives
 - 2 Pre-IB Electives
 - 1 IB Elective
 - 1 Theory of Knowledge (TOK)

THE IB CORE

- Creativity-Activity-Service (CAS) – Input, evidence, document, signatures, reflect
- Theory of Knowledge – Paper and presentation (IA)
- Extended Essay – Deep inquiry and research and to write something intelligent, unique, provocative in thought, and well edited
- ***ALL components must be completed in order to earn your high school diploma!***

IB DIPLOMA POINT SYSTEM

- 6 IB Courses + TOK
 - 1 or 2 courses in 11th grade (IB elective and possibly math)
 - 4-5 courses in 12th grade + TOK
- For each subject, you can earn up to 7 points, earned through Internal and External Assessments
- 24 total points needed to earn the diploma
- At least 12 points must be earned in Higher Level (HL) courses, which must include:
 - Biology
 - History
 - English Literature
- Optional 4th HL courses:
 - Spanish
 - French

WHY TAKE AN EXTRA HL COURSE?

- IB will take the top 3 scores from HL courses
- If you're particularly strong in French or Spanish, the extra HL course could boost your total HL points
- All points still count towards overall total (24 points needed)

COURSE SELECTION

- Choose World Language course for next year
 - IB Spanish 5 = SL
 - IB Spanish 6 = HL
 - IB French 5 = SL
 - IB French 6 = HL
- Choose math course for next year OR elective
 - Math Applications and Interpretations SL
 - Math Analysis and Approaches SL
 - Elective

IMPORTANT DATES/TIMELINE

- **February 25**, 6:30 PM (LOLHS Commons): 11th Grade College Info Night
- **March 5 & 6**: School Day SAT for all juniors (no action needed)
- **Spring 2025**: Recommend taking ACT and SAT once each (retake whichever test you score higher on)
- **Spring/Summer 2025**:
 - Visit colleges and begin making list of schools to apply to
 - Begin college essays
 - Community Service/CAS
 - Log community service hours online or in person
 - CAS should continue to be logged in Managebac
 - Extended Essay – keep up with all deadlines



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- Resources available to you through myPascoConnect
- College Search, interest inventories, etc.