

Academic Planning for 9th Grade



Winter 2019

WHS School Counseling Team

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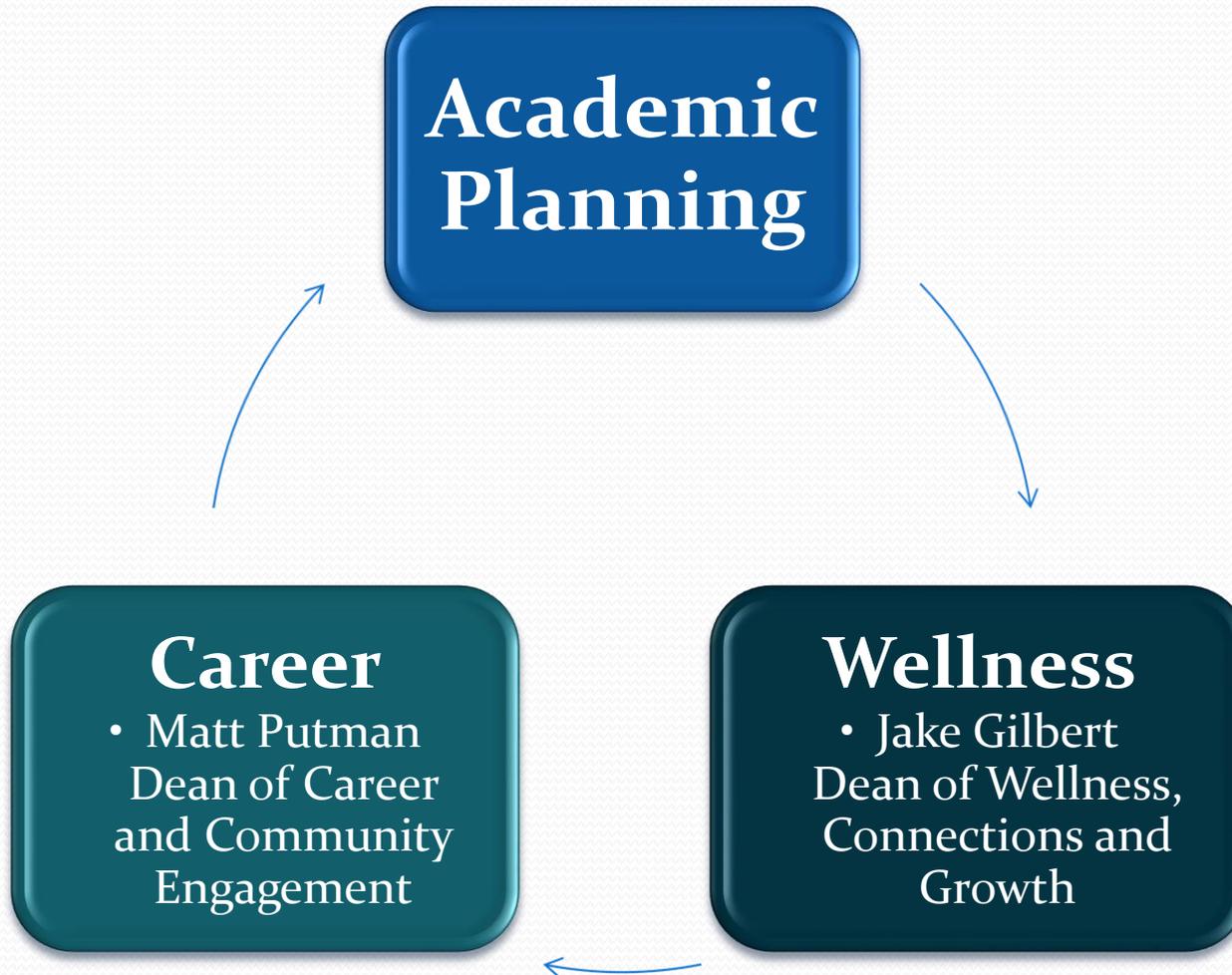
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Welcome to WHS!

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Meeting the Needs of the Whole Student



Timeline for Scheduling

January 24

Deadline to enter course requests in Power School.

**Students will enter
9 Elective Credits and
3 Alternate Credits.**

January/February:

WMS Counselors will meet with you individually to go over course requests.

February 11:

WHS Counselors meet with students at OLMC and SMG. Students will manually choose courses on course list handout.

Timeline for Scheduling

Late April:

Schedules are distributed to WMS students and new students who have enrolled with WWS.

Throughout May:

Schedule changes may be made with a Schedule Change Form signed by a parent.

May 20:

Schedule Change Deadline. After this date, changes can be made according to the WHS Schedule Change Policy.

Graduation Pathways Requirements

New for the Class of 2023

Employability Skills

Demonstrate by **one** of the following:

- Project-Based Learning
- Service-Based Learning
- Work-Based Learning



High School Diploma

Meet Indiana defined credit and curricular requirements



Post-Secondary Readiness

Complete **one** of the following

- ACT
- SAT
- ASVAB
- Industry certification
- Apprenticeship
- CTE Concentrator
- AP/Dual credit
- Locally created pathway



*More Information Regarding Graduation Pathways Will Be Forthcoming

Diploma Tracks at Westfield High School

All students will graduate with one or more of these State of Indiana High School Diplomas

Core 40
College Prep
Diploma—42 credits



**Core 40 with
Technical
Honors—
47 credits**

**Core 40 with
Academic
Honors—
47 credits**

WHS students may graduate with the AP Capstone diploma, in addition to an Indiana Diploma

**AP Capstone
Diploma**

No matter what classes you start with your freshman year, **ALL** students can earn an Academic or Technical Honors diploma.

Graduation Requirements: Core 40

- **English 8 Credits**

- **English 9: 2 credits in Honors, Regular or 3-trimester**
- English 10
- English 11 or AP Language & Comp/AP Seminar
- English 12 (Several Options for 12th)

Students will be placed into the appropriate English 9 course. Students do not need to request English 9, but may choose an Elective in the English Department. English Placement May Be:

- Three-trimester English 9—provides more support and moves at a slower pace
- On-Level (regular) English 9—two-trimesters
- Honors English 9—two trimesters, moves at a faster pace and is more rigorous than On-level

Graduation Requirements: Core 40

- **Mathematics 6 Credits in Grades 9-12**
 - Algebra I: 2 credits
 - Geometry: 2 credits
 - Algebra II: 2 credits
 - Students must take either math or a Quantitative Reasoning (QR) course EACH year of high school

Students will be placed into the appropriate Math course. Students do not need to request Math for 9th Grade. Math Placements:

- Vary greatly, depending on what students are currently taking in 8th grade
- Three-trimester Algebra I or Geometry—provides more support and moves at a slower pace
- On-level Algebra or Geometry—two trimesters
- Honors Geometry—two trimesters
- Honors Algebra II—two trimesters

Graduation Requirements: Core 40

- **Science 6 Credits**

- Biology: 2 credits
- Physical Science: 2 credits of ICP, Chemistry or Physics
- Any 2 additional Science Credits

Students will be placed into the appropriate Science course. Students do not need to request Science, but may choose an Elective in the Science Department. Science Placements Include:

- ICP—Integrated Chemistry and Physics, two trimesters
- ICP I-2/Biology—a combination of Physical Science and Bio, three trimesters.
- Biology—two trimesters
- Honors Biology—two trimesters that are more rigorous and at a faster pace
- AP Physics 1—an option for students currently taking Honors Geometry in 8th grade. Three trimesters.

Graduation Requirements: Core 40

- **Social Studies** **6 Credits**
 - **World History: 2 credits in 9th or 10th Grade**
 - US History in 11th Grade
 - Government and Economics in 12th Grade

Students may take the World History credits in either 9th or 10th Grade. They should select these as electives if they are taking the courses in 9th Grade. Options Include:

- World History and Civilization I, II or III (Select any two)
- Geography and History of the World I and II
- Honors Geography and History of the World I and II/AP Human Geography
- AP World History in 10th

Graduation Requirements: Core 40

- **Physical Education 4 Credits**
 - PE I: 1 credit in 9th grade
 - Health Education: 1 credit in 9th grade
 - PE II: 10th Grade—1 credit
 - Advanced Health or Elective PE: 1 credit

All 9th Grade Students must take PE I and Health. Students should add these requests to their schedule, unless planning to take them during the summer through Indiana Online.

Graduation Requirements: Core 40

- **Electives** **12 Credits**
 - Directed Electives (5 credits)
 - World Languages, Fine Arts or Career/Technical Electives
 - College and Career Pathway Courses are Recommended (7 credits)

Students enrolled in yearlong Spanish I or French I at WMS should request to take Spanish II or French II at WHS.

****Update to Handout: Students may elect to take Spanish II Honors or French II Honors. They do not have to be placed into Honors by the World Language Dept.****

Additional Requirements for the Academic Honors Diploma

- 47 Total Credits Required
- Complete all Core 40 Requirements, *plus*:

World Language

3 years of one World Language, or 2 years of 2 different Languages

2 Additional Credits in Math Beyond Algebra II

2 Credits in Fine Arts (Art, Interior Design, Music, Theater, or Yearbook)

- A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 at graduation
- No Grade Below a C- in any class required for either Core 40 or AHD
- Two college-level courses through AP or dual-credit classes, or specific SAT/ACT scores prior to graduation

AP Classes

- College Board curriculum is widely recognized by colleges and universities
- *Possible* college credit, depending on the AP exam score.
 - Public colleges in Indiana are required to award college credit for scores of 3, 4, or 5
- Fees - \$94 for the exam, \$142 for Seminar & Research; will be included in book fees

ACP and Other Dual Credit Classes

- Both high school and college credit may be awarded
- College curriculum—a variety of colleges and universities offer dual credit
- Credit is based on the grade earned in the class and *may* be transferrable to other universities
- Fees – vary depending on the program, but are greatly reduced

AP, ACP and Dual Credit Webinar online at
www.whscounselingcenter.com/course-book/

Additional Requirements for the Technical Honors Diploma

- 47 Total Credits Required
- Complete all Core 40 Requirements, *plus*:

Earn 6 HS credits in a CTE college and career prep pathway

Earn 6 college credits from dual credit courses in CTE pathway

OR Earn a state-approved, industry based certification or credential

- A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 at graduation
- No Grade Below a C- in any class required for either Core 40 or THD
- Two college-level courses through AP, ACP or dual-credit classes, or specific SAT/ACT or Accuplacer scores

Ways to Earn the Technical Honors Diploma at WHS

**Project
Lead the
Way**

- **4-Year Engineering Pathway**
- **4-Year BioMedical Sciences Pathway**

Ways to Earn the Technical Honors Diploma at WHS

Business, Marketing
and Computer Science

Tourism and
Hospitality

Construction,
Manufacturing &
Technology

Adv Tech Education
Through Ivy Tech

J. Everett Light Career
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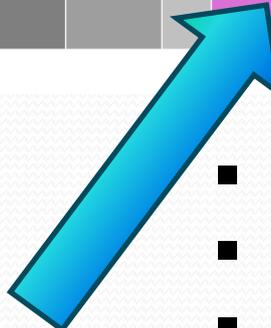
- 6 or more high school credits in related course-work

AND

- 6 dual college credits *OR* industry-based certification

Sample Freshman Schedule

Day	Terms		P1	P2	P3	P4	P5
A	14-15	T1	ICP SCI (L) I-2 Kapernaros, Lauren Room: 2407 P1(A) T1	Tech Systems Marley, Michael Room: 1263 P2(A) T1	Algebra I-1 O'Neill, Terry Room: 2421 P3(A) T1	IED Hon (PLTW) 1 Marley, Michael Room: 1261 P4(A) T1	Spanish I-1 Scheidler, Sarah Room: 2208 P5(A) T1
		T2	Intro Comp Sci Podell, Karen Room: 1207 P1(A) T2	English 9-1 Thompson, Krystal Room: 1223 P2(A) T2	Algebra I-2 Bouchie, Douglas Room: 2427 P3(A) T2	Biology (L) I-1 Hardacre, Cole Room: 2406 P4(A) T2	Wld Hst/Civ II (Mdle Ages) Temples, Sam Room: 1425 P5(A) T2
		T3	Spanish I-2 Contreras, Megan Room: 2237 P1(A) T3	English 9-2 Gibbs, Sarah Room: 2227 P2(A) T3	IED Hon (PLTW) 2 Marley, Michael Room: 1261 P3(A) T3	Biology (L) I-2 Bergeron, Kristin Room: 2408 P4(A) T3	Photo I Sterling, John Room: 1241 P5(A) T3

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- Each class is 70 minutes long and is worth one credit
 - 5 credits a trimester/15 credits per year
 - Most on-level academic courses are two trimesters
 - **60 credits possible in 4 years of high school**

Grade Point Average

- Each letter grade is awarded a grade-point in order to calculate your Grade Point Average (GPA)
- Final grade is 80% trimester grade, 20% final exam
- Weighted Grades

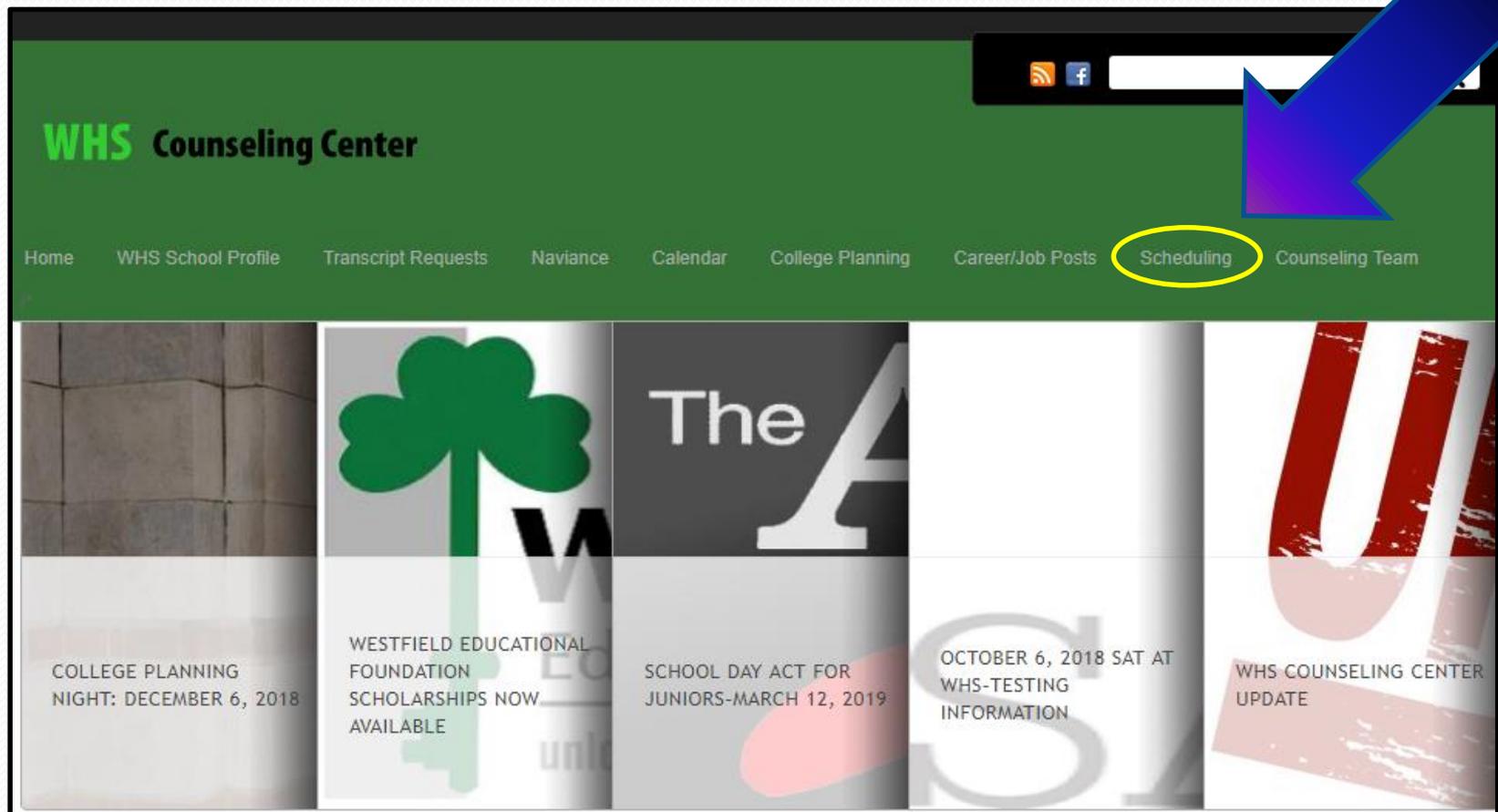
GRADING SCALE					
A	4.0	93-100%	C+	2.3	77-79%
A-	3.7	90-92%	C	2.0	73-76%
B+	3.3	87-89%	C-	1.7	70-72%
B	3.0	83-86%	D	1.0	65-69%
B-	2.7	80-82%	F	0.0	0-64%

What Each Grade is Worth

Course Level	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D	F
Regular	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.0	0.0
Honors	4.5	4.2	3.8	3.5	3.2	2.8	2.5	2.2	1.0	0.0
AP/ACP	5.0	4.7	4.3	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	1.0	0.0

WHS Course Catalog

Course Catalog and Course Offerings List available online at www.whscounselingcenter.com



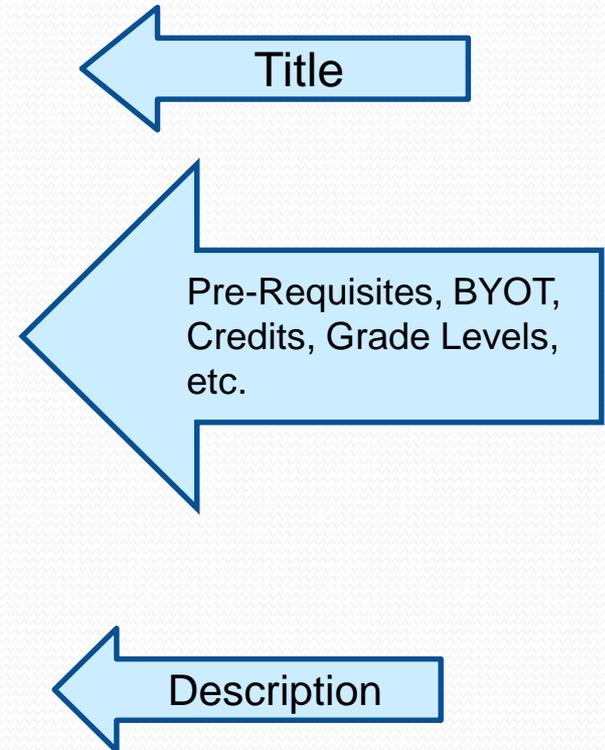
The screenshot shows the WHS Counseling Center website. The header is green with the text "WHS Counseling Center" in white. Below the header is a navigation menu with the following items: Home, WHS School Profile, Transcript Requests, Naviance, Calendar, College Planning, Career/Job Posts, Scheduling, and Counseling Team. The "Scheduling" link is circled in yellow. A large blue arrow points from the top right towards the "Scheduling" link. Below the navigation menu is a row of five promotional banners. The first banner is titled "COLLEGE PLANNING NIGHT: DECEMBER 6, 2018". The second banner features a green shamrock and is titled "WESTFIELD EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS NOW AVAILABLE". The third banner features the text "The A" and is titled "SCHOOL DAY ACT FOR JUNIORS-MARCH 12, 2019". The fourth banner features the text "OCTOBER 6, 2018 SAT AT WHS-TESTING INFORMATION". The fifth banner features a large red "U" and is titled "WHS COUNSELING CENTER UPDATE".

What to Look for in the Course Description Book

Student Media—Yearbook

- **Prerequisite:** successful completion of Journalism, Photo I or Graphic Design. Students may also get approval from Yearbook Advisor.
- This is a BYOT Class
- Recommended grade levels: 9, 10, 11 & 12
- Being in two or more trimesters is preferred

A one, two or three credit course, Student Media—Yearbook is a workshop class to plan, prepare and produce Westfield High School's yearbook, the Shamrocket, for the current school year. Photography or writing experience is helpful, but students can be trained on yearbook construction guidelines. Students may specialize in specific roles such as a photographer, copywriter, business staffer, or design staffer. They may also be responsible for a broader range of jobs. Shamrocket staff members are expected to spend time outside of class time working in order to complete necessary tasks. Grades will be based on class participation, timely completion of projects and the final exam.



Reviewing Your Schedule

Things to Look For:

Schedules distributed to WMS at the end of April

Trimester	Period	Course
T1	P1(A)	Geog/Hist of the Wrld I
T1	P2(A)	Spanish I-1
T1	P3(A)	Geometry 1 Hon
T1	P4(A)	ICP SCI (L) I-2
T1	P5(A)	Elect PE Strngh&Cndtng Female Ath 1F

Trimester	Period	Course
T2	P1(A)	Spanish I-2
T2	P2(A)	Biology (L) I-1
T2	P3(A)	Geog/Hist of the Wrld II
T2	P4(A)	Ceramics I
T2	P5(A)	English 9-1

Trimester	Period	Course
T3	P1(A)	Geometry 2 Hon
T3	P2(A)	Biology (L) I-2
T3	P3(A)	Ntrn & Wellns
T3	P4(A)	English 9-2
T3	P5(A)	Health Education

Do you have 5 classes each trimester and 15 total classes?

Look for balance between Academics and Electives each trimester

Be sure there are both parts of each course listed (Example: English 9-1 and English 9-2)

Reviewing Your Placements

**Look at your schedule as a whole. Find a good balance!
You want to be challenged, but not overwhelmed.
It should be difficult, but not impossible.**

- **Opting-Out of Honors**
 - If a student wishes to move from an Honors course to an on-level course, they can opt-out of Honors into an On-Level class
- **Opting-Into Honors**
 - In some circumstances, if a student wishes to move into an Honors course, parents can sign an Opt-In Form to do so. (Not available in all academic areas.)
- Email/talk to your High School Counselor for more information about Opting-Out or Opting-In Honors classes

Summer School through Indiana Online



- Students may take up to 2 credits online over the summer
- \$50 Technology Fee per Credit
 - A fee waiver will be available for eligible students
- Students must register online for courses in April and May at www.indianaonline.org. Detailed information will be emailed home this spring.
- Counselors then approve course requests upon registration
- Possible courses include PE, Health & Wellness, Social Studies and elective credits
 - Counselors typically don't approve English, Math, Science or World Language credits **unless** students are retaking for a higher grade

PE I and Health through Indiana Online



- Both Health and PE I are required for graduation.
 - They are two separate courses
 - All students **must** take them.
- Students *may* choose to take one or both during the summer through Indiana Online.
- Students should tell their counselor during the WMS scheduling meetings if they planning on taking Health and/or PE I in the summer.

If students wish to take *Strength and Conditioning for Athletes* in 1st trimester, they **MUST** take PE I online over the summer. Coaches will tell you in which trimesters students should enroll in *Strength and Conditioning*.

Registration for Students New to WWS

Parents must pre-register students online for the 2019-2020 school year.

- Birth Certificate, Immunizations, Proof of Residency are required to register a student.

If registered by **March 15**, student course requests will be a part of the master schedule with WMS students

Counselors meet with Students on Feb. 11 at OLMC & SMG

Other new students will be scheduled a meeting with their counselor.

Online Registration opens for new students on February 1, 2019 at www.wws.k12.in.us

Online Scheduling Instructions

Log in to your student Power School Account.

Click on *Class Registration* on the left side of the screen, under *Navigation*

Follow directions carefully. Enter 12 total credits

- 9 credits + 3 alternate credits

Hit *Submit* when you are done

Click on *View Course Requests* to review and print

Online Scheduling Instructions

- Go over your course requests with parents
- If anything needs to be changed, you can do so in PowerSchool prior to the January 24th deadline
- Your WMS counselor will answer questions and make appropriate or necessary changes when they meet with you.

Have all requests in Power School by the end of the day on January 24, 2019

Putting Your Course Requests in PowerSchool

Navigation

- Grades and Attendance
- Grade History
- Attendance History
- Teacher Comments
- School Bulletin
- Class Registration**
- My Schedule
- INT
- Pe Co

Welcome to the Westfield High School Class Registration System for 2019-2020

Before registering for classes, please read the course descriptions in the course book thoroughly! Also pay attention to the notes here on this page. You need to choose 15 credits (2 trimester courses are 2 credits) and 2 Alternates. The alternates **HAVE** to be chosen in the last section. Before choose courses, you need to choose the Career Pathway that best fits your interests **AT THIS TIME**.

[View course requests](#)

Career Pathway - Required Click the edit button to request a course →

Please choose the Career Pathway that best matches your future goals **AT THIS TIME!** It will not affect any of your course choices, and there is no wrong answer. You must choose 1 or you will not be able to submit at the end.

US Government - Required Click the edit button to request a course →

U.S. Government is a graduation requirement for all seniors. You may select the one trimester Government class OR you may select the two trimester AP Government class.

Economics - Required Click the edit button to request a course →

Economics is a requirement for Core 40, AHD & THD. You may choose either Economics, the two

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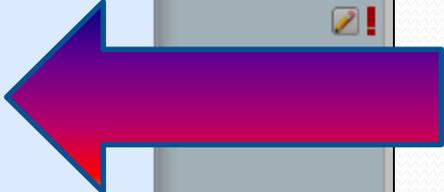
New this year: All students must enter a possible Career Pathway when choosing their courses.

Check the Pre-Requisite Notes to be Sure That You Have Met the Requirements

10th Grade Science Classes

Please choose ALL the science classes you intend to take next year. All sophomores should take a minimum of two science classes towards your requirements (i.e. ICP, Biology, Chemistry or Physics).

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Course Name	Number	Credits	Prerequisite Note	Alerts
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adv Sci (L) Astron	2493SC33	1	Must have passed Algebra I. It is recommended that the student earned a C or higher in Algebra I.	 
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adv Sci (L) Hum Gen	2493SC18	1	Successful completion of Biology I-1 and I-2 or Honors Biology (C or higher is recommended).	 
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adv Sci Robotics	2493SC19	1	Must have successfully completed Physics I or AP Physics, or enroll in one of them concurrently.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Anatomy & Phys I-1	2493SC15	1	This is a BYOT class. Must have successfully completed Biology I-1 and I-2 or Honors Biology (C or higher is recommended). Must also have earned a B or better in ICP or be enrolled in Chemistry. Must sign up for Phys & Anatomy 2.	 
<input type="checkbox"/>	Anatomy & Phys I-2	2493SC15	1	Must also sign up for Phys & Anatomy 1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	AP Env Sci (L) 1	2493SC37	1	This is a BYOT course for 10th, 11th and 12th graders. Must have passed Biology I or Biology I Honors. Must have passed Chemistry I or earned an "A" in both trimesters of ICP. Must also request AP Env Sci 2 and 3.	 



Trouble Shooting an Error Message

The screenshot shows a web interface for course selection. At the top, there is a green text block: "Classes & two alternates. Most business classes are one trimester long except for Accounting (which are two trimesters)." Below this is a section titled "Engineering & Tech Education" in red. It contains a red instruction: "Please choose all of the Engineering & Tech Educ electives you plan to take next year. Remember each class you select goes towards your total 15 classes and two alternates. Most of these classes are part of the Engineering & Tech Education program." To the right of this text is a course card for "Constr Proc I-1" (2493IA41 - 1 credits) with a yellow notepad icon. A large purple arrow points from the right towards this course card. Below the course card is a white error message box with a close button (X) that reads: "Request Submission Failed Prerequisites not met for '2493IA41'". A second large purple arrow points from the right towards this error message. Below the error message is a section titled "English Electives" in purple, with a purple instruction: "Please choose the English electives you plan to take next year. Remember each class you select goes towards your total 15 classes and two alternates." To the right of this text is a purple instruction: "Click the edit button to request a course" followed by an edit icon and a green checkmark.

If you see an error, check the course number to determine why it is not allowing you to sign up. You may not have met a course pre-requisite, or maybe you didn't sign up for all required trimesters of the course.

Select Three Alternate Credits

Music Electives

Click the edit button to request a course →



Please choose all of the music electives you plan to take next year. All band and advanced choir classes require you to choose all three trimesters.

Multi-Disciplinary Electives

Click the edit button to request a course →



Please choose the Multi-Disciplinary electives you plan to take next year. Only seniors may select Mentoring, Ind Co-op and Senior Seminar.

Theatre

Click the edit button to request a course →



You may select all the Theatre classes you would like to take next year.

Basic Skills Development

Click the edit button to request a course →



If you currently have an IEP and know you will take Basic Skills Development next year, you may select all three trimesters. Make sure you select the correct BSD courses by grade level.

10th Grade Alternates

Click the edit button to request a course →



You need to choose 2 alternates from this list. Remember a two trimester class counts as your two alternates.

Requires 15 credit hours.
Requesting 0 credit hours.



Scroll all the way to the bottom to select your two alternate credits



Hit Submit and Review Your Course Requests for Accuracy

Welcome to the Westfield High School Class Registration System for 2016-2017 : [Redacted]

Before registering for classes, please read the course descriptions in the course book thoroughly! Also pay attention to the notes here on this page. You need to choose 7 credits (2 trimester courses are 2 credits) and 2 Alternates. The alternates HAVE to be chosen in the last section, titled 9th Grade Alternates.

9 English Required [Click the edit button to request a course =>](#)

Ninth grade English placement is based on middle school data (grades and various test scores). Ninth graders will be placed in either English 9, English 9 3T, English 9 Honors or EL. Your English class will be listed on the schedule that is mailed home in late April.

9 Math Required [Click the edit button to request a course =>](#)

Ninth grade Math placement is based on middle school data (grades and various test scores). Your math class will be listed on the schedule that is

View course requests

Click here to see a list of all your course requests

Cr Num	Course	Type	Cr Hrs	Requirements
1. 2493IA25	Princ Blomed 1 (PLTW)	Required	1.00	Must have passed Biology or request it concurrently. Must also request Princ Blomed 2.
2. 2493IA26	Princ Blomed 2 (PLTW)	Required	1.00	Must have passed Biology or request it concurrently. Must also request Princ Blomed 1.
3. 2493PE11	Physcl Ed I	Required	1.00	If you wish to take PE I over the summer, please tell your counselor when you have your individual scheduling meeting.
4. 2493PE21	Health Education	Required	1.00	If you wish to take Health over the summer, please tell your counselor when you have your individual scheduling meeting.
5. 2493B60	Pers Fin Resp	Elective	1.00	Recommended for grades 9 and 10.
6. 2493FL23	Spanish II-3	Elective	1.00	Students must receive a C- or higher in Spanish I-2. You must also request Spanish II-4.
7. 2493FL24	Spanish II-4	Elective	1.00	You must also request Spanish II-3.
8. 2493SS31	Wld Hst/Civ I (Ancient)	Elective	1.00	This is a study of Ancient History. World History classes do not need to be taken in order. This course does meet one of the 2 World History requirements for graduation.
9. 2493SS33	Wld Hst/Civ III (Mod)	Elective	1.00	This is a study of Modern History. World History classes do not need to be taken in order. This course does meet one of the 2 World History requirements for graduation.
Total Credit Hours Requested				9.00
1. 2493A40	Ceramics I	Alternate	1.00	
2. 2493E71	Journalism	Alternate	1.00	
Total Alternate Hours Requested				2.00

Check to see that you have
9 Credit Hours
 and
3 Alternate Hours
 Requested



Print your course requests for your records.

As You Leave Tonight...

Teachers will be in the Auditorium Atrium to discuss their classes and programs. This is great way to learn about classes.

Take a deep breath...we are here to help! Feel free to contact your high school counselor with any questions or concerns.

Important information, including tonight's presentation, handouts, and Course Catalog will be online at www.whscounselingcenter.com

January 24: Deadline to enter Course Requests in PowerSchool