HIGH SCHOOL PLANNING FOR STUDENTS
ARE YOU READY?
## GRADUATION RULE

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<th>Areas of Study</th>
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<td>and/or Foreign Language</td>
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<td>Health &amp; Personal Fitness</td>
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**Total Units (Minimum)** 23
8 PERIOD DAY SCHEDULE

- STUDENTS TAKE 8 CLASSES EVERY DAY FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR.
- EACH CLASS IS 45 MINUTES.
- EACH CLASS COUNTS AS 1 CREDIT.
FRESHMAN CLASSES

MOST 9TH GRADE STUDENTS TAKE:

- 9TH LIT/COMP
- AMERICAN GOVERNMENT
- ALGEBRA
- BIOLOGY
- FOREIGN LANGUAGE (IF PLANNING TO ATTEND A 4 YEAR COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY)
DECLARED PATHWAYS

In compliance with House Bill 186, all incoming 9th graders must declare a pathway. The four pathways are:

• CTAE
• Advanced Academic in either English, Mathematics, Science or Social Studies
• Fine Arts
• World Language

Space is provided on the 8th Grade Registration Card for students to declare their chosen pathway. This declaration is up for revision each year.
CTAE PATHWAYS

- ADVANCED ACCOUNTING
- EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
- ENGINEERING
- FINANCE BUSINESS ACCOUNTING
- FINANCE BANKING
- FORESTRY/WILDLIFE
- HORTICULTURE/PLANT SCIENCE TECH
- IT COMPUTER PROGRAMMING
- IT COMPUTER SCIENCE
- IT WEB/DIGITAL DESIGN
- IT NETWORKING
- LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES
- MARKETING & MANAGEMENT
- MEDICAL THERAPEUTIC SERVICES
- MILITARY
- NUTRITION & FOOD SCIENCE
- TEACHING AS A PROFESSION
- TRANSPORTATION/LOGISTICS
- VETERINARY SCIENCE
HONORS AND AP CLASSES

• CHALLENGE YOURSELF.

• IT IS O.K. TO TAKE HONORS IN SOME ACADEMIC AREAS AND NOT IN OTHERS.

• STUDENTS WHO TAKE HONORS CLASSES ARE BETTER PREPARED FOR COLLEGE.

• TALK TO YOUR TEACHERS AND SEE WHAT THEY RECOMMEND FOR YOU.
FRESHMAN ADVANCED PLACEMENT AND HONORS COURSES

• AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

• HONORS 9TH GRADE LIT

• HONORS BIOLOGY

• HONORS GOVERNMENT

• ACCELERATED ALGEBRA I/GEOMETRY

**AHS RECOMMENDS A LEXILE LEVEL OF AT LEAST 1300 FOR AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY**

AP and Honors courses can help you acquire the skills and habits you'll need to be successful in college. You'll improve your writing skills, sharpen your problem-solving abilities, and develop time management skills, discipline, and study habits.
FRESHMAN YEAR

Academically and socially, high school can be a difficult adjustment. Some classes can cause a struggle.
EXTRA SUPPORT PLEASE!!

- FOUNDATIONS OF ALGEBRA
- ALGEBRA SUPPORT
- READ 180/9TH GRADE LIT
- SPECIAL EDUCATION
- SST
- AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING
- SATURDAY SCHOOL
9TH GRADE COUNTS

• SUPERINTENDENT SCHOLAR AWARD
  (3.5 GPA FRESHMAN YEAR, NO GRADE BELOW “B”)

• PROMOTION TO 10TH GRADE- MUST EARN/PASS 5 CLASSES
  (IF YOU FAIL 4 OR MORE CLASSES, YOU WILL BE A FRESHMAN AGAIN IN 2019!)

• HOPE SCHOLARSHIP- THEY LOOK AT ALL OF YOUR GRADES- NINTH GRADE INCLUDED!

AND MOST IMPORTANTLY......GRADUATION
HOPE SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

CURRENT ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS FOR RISING 9TH GRADERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

• RESIDENCY IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA

• GRADUATE FROM A HIGH SCHOOL IN GEORGIA WITH A 3.0 GRADE POINT AVERAGE ON ALL ACADEMIC COURSE WORK ATTEMPTED (PE CLASSES, CTAE, FINE ARTS DO NOT COUNT).

• SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE AT LEAST FOUR COURSES THAT MEET THE RIGOR REQUIREMENT ESTABLISHED BY THE LEGISLATURE
ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS

Art Club
Beta Club
Cougar Pals
Creative Writing
DECA
Drama & One Act
Ecology
Engineering & Robotics
FBLA
FCA
FCCLA
FFA
First Priority
HOSA

International Club
JROTC- Raiders and Drill
Key Club
Literary Meet
Math Team
National Honor Society
One Act Drama
Science Olympiad
Student Government Association
Skills USA
Spanish and French Honors Societies
Tome Society
Tri M Music Honors
ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY

- All students entering as 9th graders are eligible.
- After 1st semester, you must meet GHSA criteria:
  - Pass 5 out of 8 classes
  - Be on “track” for graduation
  - Obtain 5 credits by 10th grade
  - Obtain 11 credits by 11th grade
  - Obtain 17 credits by 12th grade
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KEEP IN MIND

• HIGH SCHOOL STILL HAS A DRESS CODE

• POOR ATTENDANCE WILL NEGATIVELY AFFECT YOUR STUDENT’S ACADEMIC PROGRESS

• DISCIPLINE ISSUES CAN RESULT IN MISSING INSTRUCTIONAL TIME DUE TO IN-SCHOOL OR OUT-OF-SCHOOL SUSPENSION
FALL BASH- AUGUST TBA

• PICK-UP SCHEDULE
• PURCHASE SCHOOL LOCKERS
• PURCHASE YEARBOOKS
• PURCHASE ATHLETIC PASS
• PURCHASE AHS SPIRIT WEAR
• JOIN PTSO AND SIGN UP FOR NOTIFY ME
• LOOK UP BUS ROUTES
CONCLUSION

• THE KEY WORD TO HIGH SCHOOL SUCCESS IS EFFORT.

• 50% OF IQ IS MOTIVATION.

• NEVER BE HESITANT TO WORK HARD.

• THERE IS A LOT OF WORK, BUT ALSO A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO WANT TO HELP.