

Course Selection for 2024-25



**SJHS Guidance Dept.
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Scheduling Materials

click links below OR
refer to Guidance website for all forms

- Course Selection Form (incoming 10th-12th)
- Graduation Audit Forms Course Description Book
- 4 Year Plan Plan out your four years to see where everything fits.



Important Information in the Course Description Book

- Graduation requirements
- College admission tips
- Suggested college prep curriculum options
- Career Pathways
- Schedule change policy
- Testing Out
- Course descriptions and prerequisites



Michigan Merit Requirement

- 3 Credits Science
- 4 Credits Math
- 3 Credits Social Studies
- 4 Credits English
- 1 Credit PE/Health (or alt. option)
- 1 Credit Visual, Performing, Applied Arts
- 2 Credits World Language (or alt. option)



Michigan Merit Requirement

3 Credits Science

- Biology
- Chemistry or Physics
- Elective/CTE

4 Credits Math

- Algebra 1
- Geometry
- Algebra 2
- Senior Math or Math Related



Michigan Merit Requirements

3 Credits Social Studies

- US History
- Econ / Civics: Starting with Class of 2028 Personal Finance required and embedded in Econ class. Now called Econ/Personal Finance
- World History

4 Credits English

- English 9
- English 10
- English 11
- College Writing, 21st Century Lit & Writing, or AP Literature



Four Year Plan Sample

Four Year Plan

	9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade
English	Eng 9	Eng 10	Eng 11	Eng 12
Math	Alg 1	Geometry	Alg 2	Senior Math or Math Elective
Science	Biology	Chemistry	Physics	
Social Studies	US History	Econ/Personal Fin. Civics	World History	
Other	PE & Health	VPAA		
Other	World Lang.	World Lang.		

Other – May include World Language, Consumer Science, Fine Arts, Art, PE/Health, Woods, CAD, etc.



Modifying the MMC

Click on Links below OR
forms available on Guidance website

- Testing Out- Coming in Spring. Check website.
- PE Waiver
- Personal Curriculum
 - 4 year plan part of personal curriculum
 - Health waiver part of personal curriculum



- Classes are designed to prepare students for work and introduce them to specific careers
- Courses are offered at high schools throughout Berrien County
- Each career pathway is represented
- Students must provide own transportation. Please consult with your counselor prior to applying
- **Off-Campus CTE classes *require* an application**



Off-Campus CTE Application Link

<https://forms.gle/ZPNqToyJ34KWHg1W6>



Due February 16 @ 4PM



PHCA: Professional Health Careers Academy

The **Professional Health Careers Academy (PHCA)** program introduces high school juniors and seniors to professional health careers through both coursework and rotating internships in area healthcare facilities.

[LINK](#)



**Unlock Your Future in
Healthcare: Apply Now for
PHCA**

Feb 2 2024

Kickstart your journey into the world of professional health careers (PHCA) by completing the application packet.

Completed packets should be submitted to your school counselor by March 15th!



SJHS Courses

Graphic Arts
Athletic Training
Foods & Nutrition
Intro to Culinary & Hospitality
Explorations in Medical
Healthcare Careers
Adv Healthcare: Phlebotomy
Woodworking
Mktg/Bus/Accounting
Teacher Cadet

Off Campus Courses

Firefighting
Emergency Med Tech
Criminal Justice
Machine Tool
Prof Health Careers
Academy
CISCO
Welding
Automotive Technology
Cosmetology

*...and SO much
more!*



Take Note

Advanced Healthcare - Phlebotomy:

- Class is 2-hour block, 1st-2nd hour

Economics

- Now called Econ/Personal Finance

Physical Education

- Athletic Performance: for those serious about being faster, stronger, healthier
- Separate boy/girl sections
- Teacher Recommendation required



Special Courses

- Honors Courses
- Advanced Placement Courses (AP)
- Credit Recovery online
- CTE Courses
- Dual Credit
- Online 21F
- Dual Enroll

*See Course Description Book online pg 3 for listing of all the courses above.



2024-2025 COURSE LISTINGS

VISUAL ARTS

Art 1 (sem)
Art 2 (sem)
Art 3 (sem)
Art 4 (sem) - DC
Art 5 (sem)
Art 6 (sem) - DC
AP Design (year)

BUSINESS EDUCATION

Accounting - CTE
Applied Business Tech - CTE
Marketing - CTE
Personal Finance (sem)
Advanced Marketing: School Store - CTE

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE

Child Development (sem)
Foods and Nutrition (year) - DC/CTE
Intro to Culinary Arts (sem) - CTE
Intro to Hospitality Management (sem) - DC

PERFORMING ARTS

Chorale
Concert Choir
Marching Band/Symphonic Band
Marching Band/Wind Ensemble
Philharmonia Orchestra
Symphony Orchestra
Chamber Orchestra

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

Intro to Engineering: PLTW - Year 1
Principles of Engineering: PLTW - Year 2
Graphic Arts 1 - DC/CTE
Graphic Arts 2 - CTE
Intro to Woodworking - CTE
Adv Woodworking Yr 1 1 & 2hr - CTE

KEY:

H Denotes Honors
AP Denotes Advanced Placement
DC Denotes Dual Credit Courses
CTE Denotes Career & Technical Education
(See page 41 for a full list of off-site CTE class offerings)

LANGUAGE ARTS

English 9
H English 9
English 10
H English 10
English 11
H English 11
21st Century Lit & Writing
H College Writing - DC
AP Literature

ELECTIVES

Dual Lit Reading
Journalism 1 (Yearbook/Mazenblue)
Adv Journalism (Newsmagazine/Wind-Up)

MATHEMATICS

Algebra 1
Dual Literacy - Math
Geometry
H Geometry
Algebra 2A
Algebra 2B
Algebra 2
H Algebra 2
Pre-Calculus - DC
H Pre-Calculus - DC
MAPS
AP Statistics
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC

OTHER: ADDITIONAL COURSES

AP Computer Science Principles (year)
Athletic Training - (year) DC/CTE
FIRST Robotics
Independent Study
Explor Med & Healthcare Careers - DC/CTE
Adv Healthcare: Phlebotomy 2hr - DC/CTE
Online Courses (21F)
Peer to Peer (sem or year)
Teacher Cadet (year) - CTE
Work Based Learning (year)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Recreational PE Boys (sem or year)
Recreational PE Girls (sem or year)
Health Boys (sem)
Health Girls (sem)
Athletic Performance Boys (sem or year)
Athletic Performance Girls (sem or year)

SCIENCE

Biology
H Biology
AP Biology
Physical Science
Human Anatomy & Physiology
Chemistry
H Chemistry
AP Chemistry
Physics
H Physics
AP Physics
Environmental Science (sem)
Forensic Science (sem)

SOCIAL STUDIES

American Civics (sem)
Economics/Personal Finance (sem)
US History/Geography
AP US History/Geography
AP Comparative Government
World History/Geography - DC
AP Prin. of Macroeconomics
Criminal Law (sem)
Psychology 1 (sem)
Psychology 2 (sem)

WORLD LANGUAGES

French 1
French 2
French 3
French 4
Spanish 1
Spanish 2
Spanish 3
AP Spanish Lang & Culture

OTHER

Academic Achievement
Academic Mentor
Assisted Credit Recovery
Expanded Opportunities
External Course Submission
Online classes - upon approval by admin.
Online Summer School



Considering Honors & AP Courses

- Solid work ethic
- Enjoy a challenge
- Daily homework may not be graded
- Maturity to handle a grade less than an “A”.
- **Teacher recommendation is required**



Honors & AP Eligibility

- 3.8 GPA (unweighted) in specific subject area

- Cumulative Core GPA:

8th Grade	3.5 & teacher approval
9th Grade	3.3 or better
10th Grade	3.4 or better
11th Grade	3.5 or better

- **Teacher Recommendation**

Teachers will be talking with each student between Feb 12 - Feb 21 to determine course placement.

When selecting these courses in PowerSchool, students will only be able to choose (click on) courses for which they have been approved (they will appear in bold).



Brand New Class offering

AP ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

New Elective Course for 2024-2025 School Year

See your science teacher for more information!

Ecosystems & Ecology

Global Climate Change

Land & Water Use

Sustainability

Renewable Energy & Resources



Course #: 356



Online Courses

- Must be highly motivated, organized and effective with time management.
- Must complete at least 40% by the end of the quarter to receive CR for that quarter.
- Select Online 21F (21000) on course form.
- Complete the [online course application](#) and return to the guidance office by March 4.



Dual Credit Courses

- School District pays the tuition fee.
- Must have a minimum Accuplacer Test Scores (test taken at LMC), ACT or SAT scores.
- **Dual credit is available for World History.**
Talk to your teacher about the difference between World History-DC and World History to determine which is better for you.
 - 431 World History
 - 431DC- World History Dual Credit



Dual Credit Courses

- ▷ Honors College Writing
- ▷ Pre-Calculus
- ▷ Honors Pre-Calc
- ▷ Art 4, 6
- ▷ Athletic Training
- ▷ Foods & Nutrition
- ▷ World History DC
- ▷ Graphic Arts
- ▷ Intro to Hospitality
- ▷ Exploring Healthcare Careers
- ▷ Advanced Healthcare 2hr

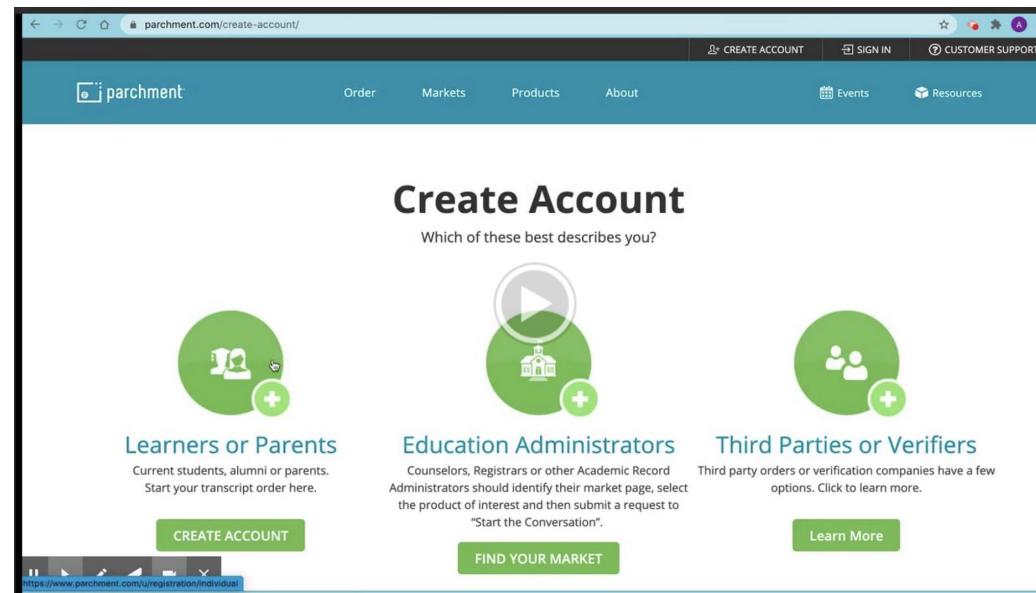
Pg 3 in Course Description Book lists all classes offered and codes them if honors, AP, DC, or CTE



How to order your transcript through Parchment.com

You will need your transcript to enroll in Dual Credit classes.

Order your free transcript to view through Parchment.com (instructions Link):





Building Master Schedule

- Student Centered
- Number of students who sign up determines number of sections
- Be sure to plan your schedule carefully!
Making schedule changes can be difficult and other times just not possible





Teacher Recommendations

- Teachers will inform students what course should be taken the following year in that subject area
- When selecting these courses online, students will only be able to choose (click on) courses for which they have been approved



4 Steps

1. Work with parents to select 6 courses + 3 alternates.
2. Complete Course Selection Form (due in guidance office by March 4th, 3pm).
3. Parent signature required on form.
4. Enter courses in PowerSchool through PIV (Parent Portal) starting February 21-March 1, by 3pm.



Course Selection Form

- Write name and next year's grade.
- Note semester or year-long courses.
- Complete the “schedule grid,” using course numbers.



Instructions for Online Selection

- Enter Parent Portal (Parent Internet Viewer).
- Click on “Class Registration”.
- Click on “pencil icon” to select a course in a subject area.
- Select box next to appropriate course.
- Click “okay”.
- Continue until you have selected enough courses for 6 credits + 3 alternates.
- For schedule modifications that are not recognized in Powerschool, see your counselor.



Timeline for Scheduling

- Teacher Recommendations Feb 12-20
- CTE Application (Off Campus Only) Feb 16
- Powerschool Open 3pm, Feb 21- March 1
- Course Selection Forms Due Mar 4

EMC applications due Feb 16th

<https://www.berrienresa.org/programs/berrien-early-middle-college>

QUESTIONS?

