



2023 – 2024 SCHEDULING

**THE PORTAL OPENS
FEBRUARY 2ND**

DEAR STUDENT,

Pottsville Area High School takes great pride in preparing you for higher education and future employment. Our goal is to provide each student with diverse and challenging learning opportunities as he or she develops into a responsible and creative citizen who understands the rewards of lifelong learning. We offer a wide variety of courses, both required and elective, and urge you to review the courses described on the following pages with your parents/guardians. Some courses have prerequisites and others do not. While making choices about your future endeavors, please consider the program of study associated with your future goals. Your parents can help with this process by providing an adult perspective to complement your school counselor's feedback. Please make an appointment with your school counselor should you have any questions about the scheduling process.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Tiffany Hummel, Principal, and Eleanor Aschman, Assistant Principal

COUNSELING STAFF

Mr. John Gradwell, School Counselor	A - G
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A NOTE TO PARENTS

Information contained in the course selection booklet is intended to serve as a guide in assisting students with scheduling. Details may be adjusted at the discretion of the school counselors and/or administration. After the schedule change period expires, students **will not be allowed to drop a course for any reason.** This includes study halls and courses in the second semester. Additionally, teacher requests and Lunch period change requests will not be honored.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Every student shall complete at least 21 credits, which includes:

- 4 English credits
- 4 Social Studies credits – including AM GOV & ECON
- 3 Mathematics credits
- 3 Science credits
- 2 Arts or Humanities credits*
- 1 Health course
- 1 Physical Education course
- Designated Keystone courses**

**Examples of Humanities are Art, Drama I, YES, Sociology, Foreign Languages, Music, and one credit earned at the Schuylkill Technology Center.

The Pennsylvania Department of Education requires that students pass the Keystone Exams in Algebra I, Literature, and Biology.

Students will also select additional elective courses from those approved for credit toward graduation by the school district including approved career and technical education courses. Additionally, all students will receive one (1) integrated course in Library/Media instruction, which is included in ninth and tenth grade English and Social Studies courses.

Accelerated and gifted students are required to follow the suggested sequence of courses and are not permitted to skip over any course work.

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PROGRAMS OF STUDY

COLLEGE PREPARATORY - This program of study is for the student who wishes to pursue a career that requires four or more years of education at a college or university. All college prep students must successfully complete two consecutive years of the same foreign language. The following courses are required for all college prep students:

10 th	11 th	12 th
1 credit English 10	1 credit of English (American Lit or English Lit)	1 credit English electives
1 credit World History or AP World History	1 credit American History III OR American History III (H) OR AP US History	1 credit of Social Studies (.50 credit American Government AND .50 credit Economics)
1 credit Math	1 credit Math	1 credit Math (recommended)
1 credit Biology	1 credit Science	1 credit Science (recommended)
.50 credit Health	2 credits electives (can include Eng requirements on page 5)	1 credit electives
1 credit Foreign Language	1 credit of Foreign Language	1 credit of Foreign Language
.50 credit electives		

ACADEMIC - Within this program, students gain the minimal requirements needed for some formal education beyond high school either in a technical school, community college, or four-year college or university. The following courses are required for all academic students:

10th	11th	12th
1 credit English 10	1 credit English	1 credit English (page 5)
1 credit World History or AP World History	1 credit American History III OR American History III (H) or AP US History	1 credit of Social Studies (.50 credit American Government AND .50 credit Economics
1 credit Math	1 credit Math	2 credits electives – Math & Science
1 credit Biology	1 credit Science	2 credits electives
.50 credit Health	2 credits electives (can include Eng requirements on page 5)	
1.5 credits electives		

BUSINESS – Students can prepare for either a two or four-year postsecondary educational program.

Business, College Prep – This is for the serious business student interested in pursuing a Bachelor degree in a business related major (i.e. Accounting, Finance, Management, and Marketing).

Business, Academic – This track is for those students considering starting their career in business at a two-year business school, community college, or the workforce. A list of suggestions is outlined below:

10th	11th
1 credit English 10	1 credit of English
1 credit World History or AP World History	1 credit American History III OR American History III (H) or AP US History
1 credit Math	1 credit Math
1 credit Biology	1 credit Science
.50 credit Health	.50 credit Business Law
Accounting I or II	1 credit Accounting II
	.50 credit Math of Personal Finance

<u>12th Business, Academic</u>	<u>12th Business, College Prep</u>
.50 credit English elective	.50 credit English elective
.50 credit Math of Personal Finance	.50 credit Math of Personal Finance
.50 credit American Government	.50 credit American Government
.50 credit Concepts of American Economics	.50 credit Concepts of American Economics

CAREER & TECHNOLOGY – This program of study is for the student who wishes to pursue a career that requires specialized technical training. Students who are interested in furthering their education at a trade school must apply to the Schuylkill Technology Center (STC) for admission to the program of their choice. The following is a list of required course work for all STC students:

10th	11th	12th
1 credit English 10	1 credit English	1 credit of English electives
1 credit Social Studies (taken at STC)	1 credit Social Studies (taken at STC)	1 credit Social Studies (taken at STC)
1 credit Math	1 credit Math	1 credit Math
1 credit Biology	1 credit Science electives	1 credit Science electives
.50 credit Health	3 credits Schuylkill Technology Center	3 credits Schuylkill Technology Center
.50 credit Electives		1 credit Your Employability Skills Program
3 credits Schuylkill Technology Center		

Noteworthy

- ❖ SOME COURSE PREREQUISITES HAVE CHANGED – MAKE SURE YOU READ EACH DESCRIPTION BEFORE MAKING YOUR SELECTION!
- ❖ SENIORS & JUNIORS MAY NOT SCHEDULE A LEVEL ONE FOREIGN LANGUAGE.

Courses Added in 2022/2023

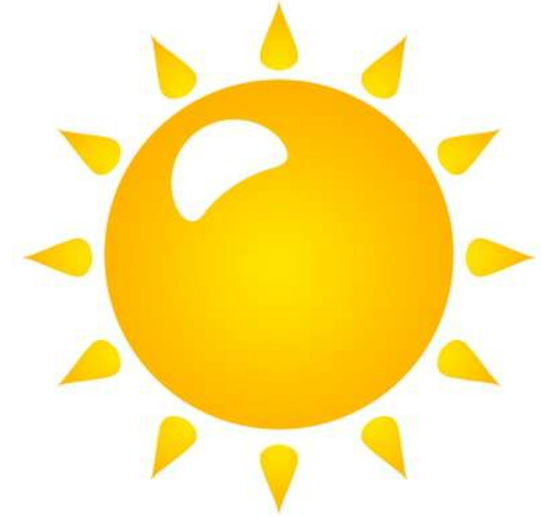
Publications

- 931 Photoshop & Illustrator
- 943 Live Video Production
- 947 Journalism
- 948 Communication Design

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Art

- 716 Ceramics III (H)
- 717 Visual Design



- Piano 1
- Studies in Shakespeare (H)

**WELCOME
BACK**

NEW COURSES for 2023/2024

- 012 WALKING FOR FITNESS
- 452 ASTRONOMY II
- 701 AP 3D ART & DESIGN



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DUAL CREDIT

- ❖ Dual Credit Courses are college level courses that may be taken through an accredited College or University while in high school.
- ❖ Juniors may take 1 class per semester.
- ❖ Seniors may take 2 classes per semester.
- ❖ These courses are AP level.
- ❖ These courses are worth .5 credits here at PAHS – HOWEVER – upon successful completion students will earn 3.0 college credits at the college level.
- ❖ Students must have **3.7 GPA**, good attendance, and a history of academic integrity. Eligibility details are in the Course Selection Handbook.
- ❖ All fees are to be paid to the college or university prior to the start of the course.
- ❖ LCCC is currently offering a variety of courses. The average cost is about \$300.00 per course. Other schools may be will be a different cost. A list of courses and school offering Dual Credit courses will be emailed at a later date.
- ❖ To schedule a course please select Juniors DC 101 & 102, Senior 103 to 106. After you register for a class we will add the name of the course to your schedule/transcript.
- ❖ All courses must be taken during the school year.
- ❖ Dual Credit courses are electives only and will not take the place of a required course for graduation.

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- ✓ TAKE NO MORE THAN **8** CREDITS AND NO LESS THAN **6**
- ✓ THE PORTAL WILL OPEN ON FEBRUARY 2nd AND CLOSES FEBRUARY 16th
- ✓ MAKE SURE YOU CAN LOG ONTO YOUR SKYWARD ACCOUNT BEFORE THE PORTAL OPENS AND REPORT ANY PROBLEMS TO GUIDANCE.
- ✓ THE COURSE SELECTION BOOK WILL BE ON YOUR IPAD AND ON THE GUIDANCE WEBSITE.
- ✓ DO NOT REQUEST ANY COURSE THAT HAS LETTERS **LS** or **ES** IN FRONT OF THEM UNLESS YOU HAVE AN IEP AND YOUR ROSTER TEACHER TELLS YOU TO SELECT THESE NUMBERS.

SKYWARD ONLINE SCHEDULING INSTRUCTIONS

1. USE THE ICON ON YOUR IPAD
2. Log in with your PASD username and password
(schedule – top right – course request)
Do not type the ctide.net on the end of your username.
3. Select courses for 2023/2024
4. Add/subtract courses you want or don't want by clicking next to the course number.
5. No need to Save ... Skyward does this for you upon exiting.
6. Print out two copies: one for you and one for Guidance
7. Have parent/guardian sign and date your copy and return the signed copy to Guidance immediately



What lunch do I choose?

SELECT 2 OF THE FOLLOWING – unless you go to STC :

001 = FIVE DAYS A WEEK - SEMESTER 1 - NO SCIENCE LAB

002 – FIVE DAYS A WEEK - SEMESTER 2 - NO SCIENCE LAB

*(*THE FOLLOWING FULL YEAR SCIENCES **DO NOT** HAVE A LAB:
424 GENETICS, 442 PHYSICAL SCIENCE, AND 453 PHYSIOLOGY)*



ARE YOU TAKING AN HONORS SCIENCE WITH A LAB?

(421, 426, 431, 435, 436, 439, 460, 461)

REQUEST THESE NUMBERS:

003 = FIVE DAYS A WEEK - SEMESTER ONE
- WITH A SCIENCE LAB

004 = FIVE DAYS A WEEK - SEMESTER TWO
- WITH A SCIENCE LAB



DO YOU ATTEND SCHUYLKILL TECHNOLOGY CENTER?



SELECT ONLY 1 LUNCH!

If you WENT to STC in August/Semester 1 or A CYCLE?

THEN SELECT 002

If you WENT to STC in January/Semester 2 or B CYCLE?

THEN SELECT 001



CHOIR OVER YOUR LUNCH IS 735N– THIS IS CHOIR FOR NO CREDIT!

IF YOU SELECT 735N - DO NOT SELECT ANY LUNCH NUMBER ABOVE!

HOW DO I KNOW WHAT LEVELS TO TAKE?

121, 221, 421 – DO YOU EASILY GET AN **A**? ARE YOU A ROCK STAR? THINGS COME EASY OR YOUR WORK ETHIC IS ABOVE AND BEYOND? THEN 121, 221, 421 IS WHERE YOU SHOULD BE.

122, 222, 422 – DO YOU GET C's OR LOW B's? DO YOU STRUGGLE A BIT? HAVE TO WORK HARDER THAN USUAL? DON'T PUT A LOT OF EFFORT INTO YOUR STUDIES? NOT SURE ABOUT COLLEGE? THEN 122, 222, 422 WILL BE JUST FINE.

423 – NOT PLANNING ON TAKING LAB SCIENCES. NOT REALLY A SCIENCE FAN? WORK HARD BUT IT'S JUST NOT EASY? THEN 423 BIOLOGY WILL WORK FINE.

241 ECONOMICS OR **242** CONCEPTS OF ECONOMICS? GOING TO COLLEGE? THEN **241**. GOING TO BUSINESS, TRADE SCHOOL, OR INTO A CAREER? THEN TAKE **242**?

STILL NOT SURE? LOOK AT YOUR CURRENT SCHEDULE AND/OR TALK TO YOUR TEACHERS or GUIDANCE COUNSELOR.

YOUR CURRENT & PAST TEACHERS, MRS. HUMMEL, AND GUIDANCE

WILL REVIEW YOUR REQUESTS.

IF YOU DO NOT MEET THE PREREQUISITES OR ARE NOT

RECOMMENDED BY A TEACHER

YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TAKE THE COURSE(S) YOU ARE

REQUESTING!

SO READ THE BOOK, LOOK AT YOUR TRANSCRIPT FOR PAST GRADES,

AND KNOW YOUR

ABILITIES & INTERESTS!!!!

A VERY WISE WOMAN ONCE SAID:
DON'T BUY A CAR YOU CAN'T PAY FOR!

KNOW YOURSELF!!!!

“Knowing yourself
is the beginning of
all wisdom.”

– Aristotle

Sample Sophomore schedule

STUDY HALL – IF YOU LEAVE A BLANK SPACE YOU’LL GET A STUDY HALL

PERIOD	COURSE	CREDIT	SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
1	ENGLISH	1	121 OR 122 ENGLISH 10	121 OR 122 ENGLISH 10
2	MATH	1	332 ALGEBRA 2 OR 322 GEOM OR 315 ALGEBRA 1B	ALGEBRA 2 OR GEOM OR ALGEBRA 1B
3	SCIENCE	1	421, 422, 423 BIOLOGY – IF ACCELERATED CHEMISTRY	421, 422, 423 BIOLOGY – IF ACCELERATED CHEMISTRY
4	HISTORY	1	221 OR 222 WORLD HISTORY OR 252 AP WORLD	221 OR 222 WORLD HISTORY OR 252 AP WORLD
5	LUNCH	0	LUNCH	LUNCH
6	ELECTIVE	1 OR .5	512 FRENCH II, 542 SPANISH II OR 522 GERMAN II	512 FRENCH II, 542 SPANISH II OR 522 GERMAN II
7	ELECTIVE OR REQUIRED	1 OR .5	023 HEALTH	702 INTRODUCTION TO ART
8	ELECTIVE OR STUDY HALL	1 OR .5 OR 0	720 INTRO TO MUSIC	612 EXP. MICROSOFT OFFICE
9	ELECTIVE OR STUDY HALL	1 OR .5 OR 0	STUDY HALL	STUDY HALL
	TOTAL CREDITS	7.0		

Sample JUNIOR schedule

STUDY HALL – IF YOU LEAVE A BLANK SPACE YOU’LL GET A STUDY HALL ***SAT PREP COURSES:** 157 COLLEGE ENGLISH CONCEPTS & 356 COLLEGE MATH CONCEPTS

AP WORLD HISTORY IS AN ELECTIVE – IT DOES NOT TAKE THE PLACE OF AM HISTORY 3

PERIOD	COURSE	CREDIT	SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
1	ENGLISH	1	149 ENGLISH LIT (H) OR 148 AM LITERATURE OR AP LANG (H) OR 2 HALF CREDIT ENGLISH: 133 MYTH & LEGENDS	149 ENG LIT (H) OR 148 AM LITERATURE OR AP LANG (H) OR 2 HALF CREDIT ENGLISH: 143 SPEECH (H)
2	MATH	1	332 ALGEBRA 2 or 334(H) OR 322 GEOM OR 321 (H) OR 340 TRIG (H) Or 342 TRIG FUND.	332 ALGEBRA 2 or 334(H) OR 322 GEOM OR 321 (H) OR 341 PRE-CALC (H) Or 342 TRIG FUND.
3	SCIENCE	1	432 CHEM(H), 432 CHEM, OR 454 WEATHER	432 CHEM(H), 432 CHEM, OR 451 ASTRONOMY
4	HISTORY	1	230 AM HIST 3 (H) OR 231 AM HIST 3 OR 251 AP US HISTORY	230 AM HIST 3 (H) OR 231 AM HIST 3 OR 251 AP US HISTORY
5	LUNCH		LUNCH OR LAB/LUNCH	LUNCH OR LAB/LUNCH
6	ELECTIVE	1 OR .5	513 FRENCH III, 543 SPANISH III OR 523 GERMAN III	512 FRENCH III, 542 SPANISH III OR 522 GERMAN III
7	ELECTIVE OR REQUIRED	1 OR .5	702 INTRO TO ART	011 PHYS ED
8	ELECTIVE OR STUDY HALL	1 OR .5 OR 0	951Y PUB	951Y PUB
9	ELECTIVE OR STUDY HALL	1 OR .5 OR 0	927 BAND FRONT/CONCERT BAND	756 CONCERT BAND
	TOTAL CREDITS	8.0		

Sample SENIOR schedule

STUDY HALL – IF YOU LEAVE A BLANK SPACE YOU’LL GET A STUDY HALL **SAT PREP COURSES**: 157 COLLEGE ENGLISH CONC. & 356 COLLEGE MATH CONC.

AP WORLD HISTORY IS AN ELECTIVE, AP GOVERNMENT TAKES THE PLACE OF AM GOV, BUT YOU MUST SCHEDULE ECONOMICS

PERIOD	COURSE	CREDIT	SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
1	ENGLISH	1	AP LITERATURE (H) OR 2 HALF CREDIT ENGLISH: 133 MYTH & LEGENDS	AP LIT (H) OR 2 HALF CREDIT ENGLISH: 158 WRITING A RESEARCH PAPER(H)
2	MATH	1	332 ALGEBRA 2 or 334(H) OR 322 GEOM OR 321 (H) OR 340 TRIG (H) Or 342 TRIG FUND.	332 ALGEBRA 2 or 334(H) OR 322 GEOM OR 321 (H) OR 341 PRE-CALC (H) Or 342 TRIG FUND.
3	SCIENCE	1	432 CHEM(H), 432 CHEM, OR 454 WEATHER	432 CHEM(H), 432 CHEM, OR 451 ASTRONOMY
4	HISTORY	1	235 OR 236 AM GOV	241 ECON OR 242 CONCEPTS OF ECON
5	ELECTIVE OR REQUIRED	1 OR .5	714 CERAMICS I	254 PSYCHOLOGY
6	ELECTIVE	1 OR .5	514 FRENCH IV, 544 SPANISH IV OR 524 GERMAN IV OR AP PHYSICS OR	514 FRENCH IV, 544 SPANISH IV OR 524 GERMAN IV
7	LUNCH		LUNCH OR LAB/LUNCH	LUNCH OR LAB/LUNCH
8	ELECTIVE OR STUDY HALL	1 OR .5 OR 0	970 WORK STUDY	971 WORK STUDY
9	ELECTIVE OR STUDY HALL	1 OR .5 OR 0	972 WORK STUDY	973 WORK STUDY
	TOTAL CREDITS	6.0		

SUGGESTED SEQUENCE OF SOCIAL STUDIES COURSES

In addition to the courses listed below, students are encouraged to schedule Social Studies electives.

Accelerated Students - These courses are recommended for the College Prep and <i>Business, College Prep</i> programs of study.			
9th	10th	11th	12th
American History II	World History	American History III (H) OR AP U.S. History (H) OR AP World History (H) taken with AP US History (H) OR Am History III (H)	AP Government (H) AND Econ OR AP U.S. History (H) AND Amer Gov AND Econ OR AP World History (H) AND Amer Gov AND Econ OR Amer Govnt AND Econ
Non-Accelerated Students - Recommended for College Prep & <i>Business, College Prep</i> programs of study.			
9th	10th	11th	12th
American History II	World History	American History III	American Government AND Economics
Non-Accelerated Students - Academic and Business Academic programs of study.			
American History II	World History	American History III	American Government AND Concepts of Economics

SUGGESTED SEQUENCE OF SCIENCE COURSES

In addition to the courses listed below, students are encouraged to schedule Science electives.

Accelerated Students - These courses are recommended for the College Prep and Academic programs of study.

9th	10th	11th	12th
Biology (H) AND Intro to Lab Sciences	Chemistry (H) AND Genetics (H)	Physics (H) AND Genetics (H) (Bio major) *Adv Chem (H) OR AP Chem (H) Human Physiology (career in Health field)	Physics (H) OR AP Bio (H) (Bio Major) *Adv Chem (H) OR AP Chem (H) Human Physiology (career in Health field) AP Physics 1 (H) (engineering or medicine)

Non-Accelerated Students - These courses are recommended for College Prep, Academic, Career and Technology, and *both Business* programs of study.

9th	10th	11th	12th
Concepts in Science AND Intro to Lab Sciences	Bio (H) (Sci major) OR Biology	Chemistry (Sci major) OR Chemistry AND <i>other Science electives</i>	Physical Science AND/OR <i>other Science electives</i>

***Two years of Chemistry are strongly recommended for those students planning to major in the Sciences.**

Students who do not score Proficient or higher on the Keystone Biology Exam must take Keystone Biology.

SUGGESTED SEQUENCE OF ENGLISH COURSES

In addition to the courses listed below, students are encouraged to schedule English electives.

Accelerated Students - These courses are recommended for the College Prep, Academic and <i>both Business</i> programs of study.			
9th	10th	11th	12th
English 10	English Literature (H) or American Literature AND College English Concepts	AP Lang & Comp (H) or Shakespeare (H) AND Mod Lit, Myth Legend, Det. Fict	AP Lit & Comp (H) or Writing the Research Paper (H) Dramatic Lit (H) Speech(H)
Non-Accelerated Students - These courses are recommended for College Prep, Academic and <i>Business, College Prep</i> programs of study.			
9th	10th	11th	12th
English 9	English 10	College English Concepts AND English Literature (H) or American Literature	Writing the Research Paper (H), AND Shakespeare (H), Dramatic Lit (H) Speech(H)
Non-Accelerated and Accelerated students - These courses are recommended for Career & Technical and <i>Business, Academic</i> programs of study			
English 9	English 10	American Literature	Modern Lit. & Short Stories AND Myth & Legend Detective Fiction

Students who do not score Proficient or higher on the Keystone Exam must take Keystone Literature.

SUGGESTED SEQUENCE OF MATH COURSES

In addition to the courses listed below, students are encouraged to schedule Math electives.

Accelerated Students - These courses are recommended for the College Prep and Academic programs of study.					
7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
Pre-Algebra	Algebra IB	Algebra II (H) OR Algebra II	Geometry (H) OR Geometry	Trig (H) /Pre Calc (H) AND Adv Algebra (H) College Math Concepts Computer Programming I & II (H)	AP Calc (H) or Calc (H) AND Fund of Math, Intro Trig AP Stats (H), Adv Alg (H) Intro Stats College Math Concepts Comp Prog I & II (H) OR AP Computer Science (H)
Non-Accelerated Students - Recommended for College Prep, Academic, Career and Technology, and Business programs of study.					
7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
Pre-Algebra	Algebra IA	Algebra IB	Algebra II (H) OR Algebra II	Geometry (H) OR Geometry AND College Math Concepts, Intro Stats, Adv Algebra (H) Comp Prog I & II (H)	Trig/Pre (H) or Fund Math AND AP Calc (H), Calc (H), College Math Concepts, Intro Stats, Adv Alg (H), AP Stats, Comp Prog I & II (H) OR AP Computer Science (H)
Pre-Algebra	Algebra IA	Algebra IA	Algebra IB	Algebra II AND College Math Concepts	Geometry AND College Math Concepts OR Intro Stats

Students who do not score Proficient or higher on the Keystone Algebra I Exam must take Keystone Algebra I.

*** Strong Math students are permitted to double up with Geometry (H) to prepare for Calculus by senior year.*

FINALLY THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- ❖ **SCHEDULES ARE TO BE DONE BY FEBRUARY 16TH** Save a copy of your schedule when you are done and either email it to Guidance or drop off a paper copy.
- ❖ Parents will receive and email encouraging them to assist you with your selection then sign off that they saw it and approve of your selection.
- ❖ STOP BY OR CONTACT GUIDANCE IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS – BUT YOU MUST LOOK AT YOUR TRANSCRIPT ON YOUR IPAD BEFORE YOU CONTACT US!
- ❖ WE DO NOT MAKE SCHEDULE CHANGES AFTER MAY – IF YOU HAVE A CHANGE, DO IT BEFORE SCHOOL IS OVER
- ❖ SUMMER SCHOOL – IF YOU FAIL A CLASS – SEE GUIDANCE FOR DETAILS ON MAKING UP THIS CREDIT BEFORE YOU LEAVE SCHOOL IN MAY.
- ❖ JUNIORS MAY REQUEST WORK STUDY FOR 9TH PERIOD ONLY! 972 AND 973 – YOU MUST HAVE A JOB!
 - ❖ JUST FOR SENIORS: WORK STUDY – YOU MUST HAVE A JOB AND PASS YOUR KEYSTONES
 - ❖ DIVERSIFIED OCCUPATIONS –SEE GUIDANCE FOR DETAILS
 - ❖ EMERGING HEALTH –SEE GUIDANCE FOR DETAILS
- ❖ Special Education – roster teachers will assist

- ❖ AP Summer Assignments & AP COURSE PAYMENT & Dual Credit – *ALL MONEY IS DUE BY THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL.* IF MONEY IS NOT PAID THE COURSE WILL BE DROPPED FOR A STUDY HALL. ALL AP COURSES HAVE A SUMMER ASSIGNMENT – DO NOT LEAVE SCHOOL IN MAY WITHOUT TALKING TO YOUR FUTURE TEACHER OR STOP BY GUIDANCE FOR A COPY.

- ❖ HONORS LEVEL COURSES & SUMMER ASSIGNMENTS – *SOME HAVE THEM* – CHECK WITH THE TEACHER BEFORE YOU LEAVE SCHOOL FOR THE SUMMER OR CALL GUIDANCE. *NOT DOING YOUR SUMMER ASSIGNMENT DOES NOT MEAN YOU CAN DROP THE CLASS – IT MEANS YOU MAY FAIL IT OR BE OFF TO A ROUGH START.*
- ❖ EMT DOES NOT COUNT AS THE HEALTH REQUIREMENT! EMT IS NOW IN THE SCIENCE SECTION.
- ❖ If a student is interested in applying/attending Schuylkill Technology Center (STC) for THE FIRST TIME for next year, they should still request a full year of courses as if they are not attending STC. The School Counselors will adjust the schedules of those students accepted to STC.
- ❖ Having trouble with YOUR Skyward account, please contact Guidance and we will submit a Help Ticket.

Parental access to Skyward will not allow students to schedule. They must use their own school account!!!

WILL I GET EVERYTHING I ASK FOR POSSIBLY **AND** POSSIBLY NOT



A CONFLICT IS WHEN:

- A COURSE YOU REQUESTED MEETS AT THE SAME TIME AS ANOTHER COURSE
- DOESN'T RUN BECAUSE NOT ENOUGH PEOPLE REQUESTED IT
- HAS TOO MANY PEOPLE IN IT
- IS ONLY OFFERED A FEW TIMES IN A DAY OR SEMESTER

HOW DO I KNOW IF I HAVE A CONFLICT?

- GUIDANCE WILL CALL OR EMAIL YOU OR YOUR FAMILY TO NOTIFY YOU OF THE PROBLEM IN THE SUMMER

HOW DO I RESOLVE THE CONFLICT?

- GUIDANCE WILL OFFER YOU OPTIONS
- YOU MAY HAVE TO MEET WITH GUIDANCE IF YOUR OPTIONS DO NOT WORK – THEY WILL ASK YOU TO COME IN IF NECESSARY

DO'S:

LIST ALTERNATIVES ON YOUR SCHEDULE; EITHER IN SKYWARD OR ON YOUR PAPER SCHEDULE! IF GUIDANCE KNOWS AHEAD OF TIME WHAT YOUR ALTERNATES ARE, IT WILL SAVE TIME IN GETTING YOUR SCHEDULE DONE ACCURATELY.

DON'T'S:

- DON'T AVOID THE INEVITABLE! CALL GUIDANCE BACK ASAP OR EMAIL ASAP.
- DON'T BE SHOCKED TO GET A TEXT MESSAGE FROM GUIDANCE.
- IF GUIDANCE SAYS HERE ARE YOUR OPTIONS **A, B, OR C**, **DON'T ASK FOR X, Y, OR Z!!** THERE IS NO TIME FOR BARGAINING OR GOING BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD.



ALTERNATES

WHAT ARE THEY?

WELL, THEY ARE NOT COOTIES OR SOMETHING BAD!



THEY ARE NOT YOUR FIRST CHOICE, BUT THEY ARE SOMETHING THAT YOU WILL BE HAPPY TO GET IF A COURSE REQUESTED DOES NOT FIT INTO YOUR SCHEDULE!

EXAMPLE:

IF I DON'T GET GERMAN – GIVE ME SPANISH

IF I DON'T GET INTRO TO ART – GIVE ME INTRO TO BUSINESS

IF YOU CAN'T DO THIS SKYWARD & YOU MEET THE PREREQUISITE FOR THE ALTERNATE, THEN JUST WRITE IT ON YOUR PRINTED SCHEDULE THAT YOU WILL BE DROPPING OFF IN GUIDANCE.

ALTERNATES ARE USED WHEN YOU HAVE A CONFLICT, SO ONLY PICK CLASSES YOU WILL BE HAPPY TO GET IF SOMETHING DOES NOT FIT.

****EVERYONE MUST HAVE AT LEAST 2 ALTERNATES****



WHAT IF I CAN'T ADD SOMETHING TO SKYWARD?



REMEMBER SKYWARD WILL NOT ALLOW YOU TO ADD A CLASS FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

A – YOU TOOK IT ALREADY AND PASSED IT

B- YOU DON'T MEET THE PREREQUISITES

THE ONLY CLASSES THAT CAN BE REPEATED FOR CREDIT ARE: *PHYS ED, CHOIR, BAND, BAND FRONT, STC*



READ THE PREREQUISITES – IF YOU DON'T MEET THEM, DON'T ASK FOR THE CLASS!

FOR EXAMPLE: I WANT 254 PSYCHOLOGY, BUT I'M A SOPHOMORE – THIS IS A SENIOR ONLY COURSE.

OR I WANT 431 (H) CHEMISTRY BUT TOOK 423 BIOLOGY.

IF YOU DO MEET THE PREREQUITES AND SKYWARD WON'T LET YOU SELECT IT – THEN WRITE IT ON THE PRINTED COPY OF THE SCHEDULE THAT YOU ARE GETTING SIGNED BY YOUR PARENT/GUARDIAN AND DROP IT OFF IN GUIDANCE. IT WILL BE MANUALLY ADDED TO YOUR SCHEDULE.

FOR EXAMPLE: YOU ARE IN PRE-CALCULUS AND NEED IT FOR CALCULUS

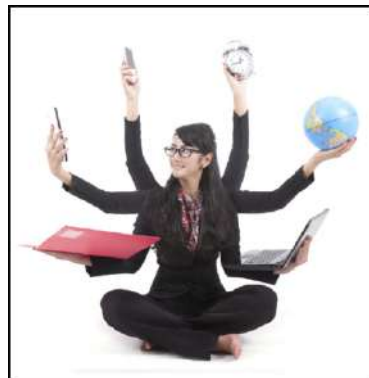
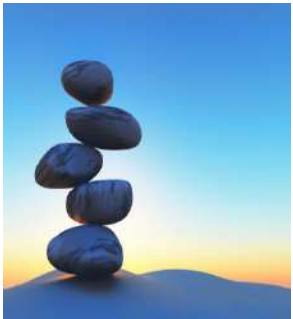
OR YOU ARE IN CERAMICS 1 AND WANT TO TAKE CERAMICS 2



- KNOW YOUR ABILITY LEVEL!
- DON'T OVER EXTEND YOURSELF.

Just because you can take a class, doesn't always mean you should!!

- CONSIDER YOUR LIFE: *SPORTS, FAMILY, WORK, FRIENDS*
THEY ALL PLAY A SIGNIFICANT ROLE
IN HOW WELL YOU WILL DO
IN YOUR COURSES
AND
HOW HAPPY YOU
WILL BE!



1 - SELECT YOUR COURSES USING YOUR SCHOOL ACCOUNT
ON YOUR IPAD BEGINNING: **FEBRUARY 2ND**

***Always review with your family!! They need to sign a copy of your course selection sheet.

2 - AT THE END, SAVE A COPY OF YOUR SELECTION OR PRINT IT.

3 - EMAIL OR DROP OFF A PRINTED COPY TO THE GUIDANCE
OFFICE!

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