

Frequently Asked Questions - Rising 9th Graders

FAQ	Resource/Response/Connection
When does the portal open for registration?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The portal opens on March 4 @ 8:00 am and closes March 11 @ 4:00 pm.
How do I add course requests for my student on the portal?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detailed instructions can be found here
What are the course choices for my rising 9th grader:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A resource packet of information can be found here.
Do I need to attend Freshman Festival on March 7, 2020? Will there be a makeup session?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We would LOVE for all rising 9th graders and their parents to join us at Freshman Festival. However, we understand that it takes place on a Saturday and not everyone is able to attend. Your attendance is NOT REQUIRED. All information that is shared at the festival will be available via our website, here.
Who should I contact with questions about my student's schedule prior to the 2020-21 school year starting?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students and parents should defer to their child's MIDDLE SCHOOL COUNSELOR with questions about their 2020-21 schedule until the 2019-20 school year has ended. We would LOVE for all rising 9th graders and their parents to join us at Freshman Festival. However, we understand that it takes place on a Saturday and not everyone is able to attend. Your attendance is NOT REQUIRED. All information that is shared at the festival will be available via our website, here.
How does my student register for online Personal Fitness and Health during the summer and how much does it cost?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forsyth Virtual – please see your students 8th grade counselor to register. Forsyth Virtual online classes cost \$240 per semester class. (\$480 total for Personal Fitness and Health). Registration opens March 15th. Georgia Virtual – please visit www.gavirtualschool.org to create an account and register. Georgia Virtual online classes cost \$250 per semester class (\$500 total for Personal Fitness and Health). Registration for summer online classes opens on March 1st. **Please see your middle school counselor to assist you with online registration questions.

<p>If my student takes online Personal Fitness and Health this summer, will their final summer grades count towards their high school GPA?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No, as with all courses taken prior to August 6, 2020. Your student's high school GPA won't start until they officially begin high school in August.
<p>If my student takes online Personal Fitness and Health (or any other course) this summer, what class can they replace it with?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Your student will choose an alternate elective or core course. PLEASE NOTE: Seats are not guaranteed in the alternative choice.
<p>My student does not feel comfortable taking Personal Fitness in the classroom setting. Is there another way to meet this requirement?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students can take Personal Fitness through Forsyth Virtual Academy, which is an online platform. They can take this course over the summer (\$240 per .5 credit) at the cost of the parent or it can be taken as a part of their 7-period school day at no cost to families. During their Forsyth Virtual class period, the student would report to the Media Center to work on the class. Students are not required to be on campus for Virtual classes that are scheduled for 1st or 8th periods.
<p>If my student plays a sport (at LHS or club sport), can they exempt Personal Fitness?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No. Personal Fitness is a graduation requirement.
<p>When can my student select their elective course requests?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The online portal will open on Wednesday March 4th at 8:00 a.m. for your student to input their elective course requests. The online portal will close on Wednesday March 6th at 4:00 p.m. You can access the waiver document here.
<p>What do I do if I want to change one of the core classes that my student's teacher recommended for him/her?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A waiver is a Google form that is posted on the LHS website and can be completed if a student/parent does not agree with a teacher recommendation for an academic course. The waiver window opens on March 16th at 8:00 a.m. At that time, you and your student will be able to make level-up or level-down changes until it closes on March 23rd at 4:00 p.m. Waiver requests are not guaranteed and not processed first come, first serve.

How many AP classes can my student take during freshman year?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One. AP Human Geography.
Is AP Human Geography a graduation requirement or an academic elective?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AP Human Geography is an academic elective; it is NOT a required course. The Social Studies graduation requirements are: World History (10th), U.S. History (11th), American Government and Economics (12th).
When will my student receive their high school schedule?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The portal will be open for your review on March 31-April 2 to view course selections. <p>When the portal opens on March 31-April 2, the courses listed are not your students final guaranteed schedule. The classes listed are course requests. Electives are not guaranteed. Final schedules will be available through the portal at the end of July just before Roundup Day.</p>
Will there be an opportunity to change my student's schedule after the 2020-21 school year starts?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lambert's course schedule is built based on student requests made in February through March: Scheduling Season. Students who are incorrectly placed (i.e. wrong level or missing pre-requisite courses), missing a graduation requirement (seniors), or whose July schedule resulted in a missing or empty period, will be able to address these changes during the Round Up Days in July and the first two days of the school year.
Do Career Tech Pathway classes (CTAE) also count as elective credits?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes. In addition, students are not required to complete a CTAE pathway to graduate.

<p>Can my freshman student take Dual Enrollment classes?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Legislation on DE is currently under review, and guidelines are expected to be decided in early March. Some Dual Enrollment colleges have age restrictions/grade level requirements for admission. Please consult with the Dual Enrollment Coordinator at the college for guidance.</i> <p><i>Additional information can be found here.</i></p>
<p>My child wants to take (Band, Theater, Chorus, Orchestra) - when will I find out all of the things about Lambert's programs?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students will select GENERIC ELECTIVE NUMBERS for these courses during elective registration window (March 4-11, 2020) and be placed into specific courses based on auditions. ● Audition Information will be shared by Program Coordinators with each of your feeder programs as soon as it is available. ● Coordinators for fine arts programs such as band, theater, chorus and orchestra will be reaching out to our MS partners to share details about upcoming meetings and dates for auditions. Specific questions may go directly to our coordinators, they are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Drama/Musical Theater/Acting/Tech Theater: Carly Berg cberg@forsyth.k12.ga.us ○ Chorus: Ryan Wason rywason@forsyth.k12.ga.us ○ Orchestra: Julie Rosseter - jrosseter@forsyth.k12.ga.us ○ Band: Scott McCloy - smmcloy@forsyth.k12.ga.us ○ Percussion/Color Guard: Tonya Mashburn - tmashburn@forsyth.k12.ga.us