



Navigating 9th Grade at Garinger High School

Your Guide to Life at the G

Class of 2026 Edition

GARINGER HIGH SCHOOL

Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow

School Profile:

- Home of the Wildcats
- Known as "The G"
- Wear Royal Blue and Grey to show your school pride



Every Class Counts!

- In order to earn class credit, you must pass the class with a 60 or better
- Each class passed= 1 Credit*
- Passing classes helps to move onto Sophomore, Junior, and Senior Year
- 24 total credits are needed to graduate High School
- You may earn more than 24 credits by the time you graduate from Garinger

Freshman	0-5 credits
Sophomore	6 credits (any courses)
Junior	12 credits (must include Math I, English I and English II)
Senior	18 credits (must include Math I, English I and English II)

*Remember you must earn 6 credits before you are promoted to the 10th Grade. There is no social promotion in High School!!

Garinger High School

Graduation Requirements

- **4 English Credits** (English 1, English 2, English 3, English 4)
- **4 Math Credits** (Math 1, Math 2, Math 3, and a higher-level math)
- **3 Science** (Earth Environmental Science, Biology and a Physical Science)
- **4 Social Studies** (World History, Civics, American History , and a 4th Social Studies)
- **1 Health and PE Credit**
- **8 Electives** (If College Bound-2 Foreign Language credits in the same language)
- **24 Total Credits to Graduate in 2026**



Block Scheduling

- **What is a Block Schedule?**

- Students will take 4 classes listed on schedule for each semester
- Classes are 80 minutes long
- SEL and Tutoring time for 30 mins each day
- Some classes are all year long and will follow an "A/B Day" schedule



First Semester Aug-Dec	Second Semester
1. Foundations of Math	1. English I
2. Health/PE	2. Intro to Adobe
3. Intro to Art	3. World History
4. Honors Earth and Environmental Science	4. Math 1

First Semester	Second Semester
1. Honors Math 2	1. Honors English 1
2A. AP Human Geography	2A. AP Human Geography
2B. Beginning Dance	2B. Beginning Dance
3. Honors Biology	3. Honors World History
4. Health/PE	4. Intro to Adobe

Can I take Honors/AP Courses as a Freshman?

Freshman students can take Honors/AP classes. We encourage you to take these classes!

- Honors classes challenge students more than standard courses
- Advanced Placement (AP) classes are college level courses you can take while in High School
 - AP Classes Offered: AP Human Geography, AP World History, AP Computer Sciences Principles

The AP Vision for Science:

9th Grade: Honors Biology
10th Grade: Honors Chemistry
11th Grade: AP Environmental
12th Grade: AP Biology or AP Chem

The AP Vision for Math:

9th Grade: H. Math 2
10th Grade: H. Math 3
11th Grade: H. Pre Calc
12th Grade: AP Calc or AP Statistics

AP Vision for English:

9th Grade: Honors English 1
10th Grade: Honors English 2
11th Grade: Honors English 3 or
AP Language
12th Grade: AP Literature

The AP Vision for History:

9th Grade: AP World History
10th Grade: Honors
Civics/Economics
11th Grade: Honors American
History
12th Grade: AP US History



Course Levels

Standard

-Basic
required
curriculum

Honors

- ~More reading and writing.
- ~Moves at a faster pace.
- ~Students should have good reading comprehension, and are motivated.
- ~More independent work inside and outside of class.

Advanced Placement

- ~AP courses are taught on a college level.
- ~Students should be motivated, and self-disciplined.
- ~AP courses are year long courses on an A/B Day schedule, or everyday all year long.
- ~AP courses require **more** effort and homework than standard or honors level courses.
- ~Students are expected to exercise critical thinking skills, utilize problem solving skills, write fluently and absorb masses of content material on a daily basis.
- ~There will be a **required** summer assignment.

Your class level will depend on your grades and testing scores.

If you do not sign up for the appropriate level YOU WILL BE MOVED.

Mornings at the “G”

Afternoons at CPCC

**Get a head start on college with Dual Enrollment at
Central Piedmont Community College!**

Save thousands on college tuition!

FREE Tuition, FREE Books, FREE Transportation

**To be eligible you must have a GPA of a
2.8 by the end of your Sophomore year**

[Click here to view more about CPCC](#)



Garinger Athletics

- Is it okay to play a sport if I did not play in middle school?
- Yes, absolutely! Just because you didn't play a sport in middle school does not mean you do not qualify to play as a Freshman.
- In High School, you must maintain a GPA of a 2.0 and have less than 10 absences per semester in order to participate in sports

[Click here to check out all of the Garinger Teams!](#)





Course Registration Card

2022-2023

Garinger High School Wildcats



GARINGER HIGH SCHOOL

2022- 2023 REGISTRATION CARD

CLASS OF 2026 — 9th GRADE

Student Label

CMS ID# _____ Language(s) Spoken _____

Name (last, first, mi) _____

HS Counselor Review

Meeting Date: _____

PS Entry Date: _____

Initials _____

REQUIRED COURSES: Every 9th grade student is required to enroll in English I, one math, one science, one World History, and one Healthful Living and Principles of Physical Education. A total of 8 classes need to be selected (X) and two alternates (A).

English

___ English I

___ English I Honors + ✓

___ English Language Development 9 Novice/English I English Learner Novice (2 course selections)

___ English Language Development 9 Intermediate/English I English Learner Intermediate (2 course selections)

Mathematics

___ Foundations of NC Math I/NC Math I (2 course selections)

___ **NC Math I Honors +/NC Math 2 Honors + (Both A/B Day)** (2 course selections) ✓

___ NC Math II

___ NC Math II Honors + ✓

Science

___ Earth/Environmental Science

___ Earth/Environmental Science Honors + ✓

___ Biology I Honors + ✓

Social Studies

___ World History

___ World History Honors + ✓

___ **AP World History ++ (A/B Day)** ✓

Physical Education

___ Health and Physical Education

___ **Health and Physical Education (A/B Day)**

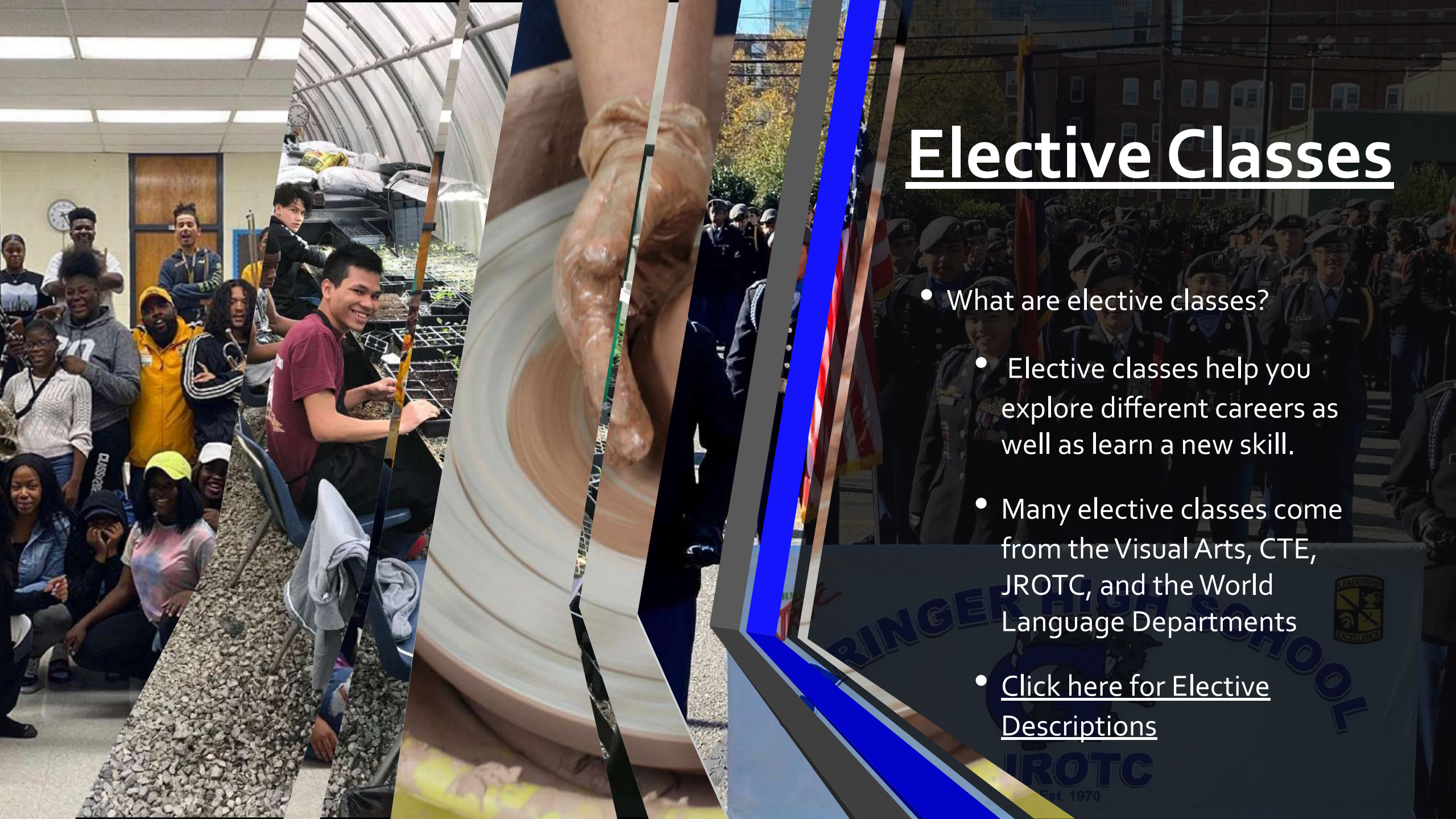
It is recommended that you communicate with your child's teachers and/or school counselor when selecting courses for the 2022-2023 school year. Consider courses that will provide your child a *challenging and successful* educational experience. Students must select a total of 8 classes and 2 alternates. Students are encouraged to sign up for at least one Choice Pathway on the back of the registration card. Please sign below that you have carefully considered the course selections and understand that all course selections require a year commitment. We understand that dropping a course after the first 10 days of the school year will result in a grade of "F" for the year in the course. Students who score at Levels I or II on state EOG tests may be subject to administrative schedule changes for academic reasons.

Garinger High School 2022 - 23 Choice Pathways grade 9

Choose elective courses below in a specific pathway that supports your dreams and vision. Your commitment in high school to at least one pathway will lead to career, internship, and post-secondary opportunities.

CTE Choice Pathway Selection <i>Only select one</i>	Course(s) Selection <i>Must select one</i>	JROTC Pathway	Course(s) Selection	Performing Arts Pathway	Course(s) Selection	World Languages Pathway	Course(s) Selection Students must complete Level I course in MS in order to enroll in a Level II course.
Financial Pathway (Wealth)	☐ Business Essentials	JROTC Cadet Program	☐ JROTC I/Leadership Lab I <i>ROTC is a double blocked, year-long course.</i>	Band	☐ Band I (Beginning) (A/B Day) ☐ Marching Band (No Credit) * ☐ Music Theory * Marching Band meets after school. Students may elect to take this course for no credit.	Spanish	☐ Spanish I ☐ Spanish I (A/B Day) ☐ Spanish II (P)
Biomedical PLTW* <i>Honors Pathway</i>	☐ PLTW Principles of Biomedical Science					Chorus	☐ Chorus (Beginning) (A/B Day)
Culinary & Hospitality	☐ Culinary I ☐ Culinary II	Visual Arts Pathway	Course(s) Selection	Dance	☐ Dance (Beginning) (A/B Day)	French	☐ French I ☐ French II (P)
Environmental Sustainability	☐ Natural Resources I ☐ Natural Resources II	Ceramics	☐ Ceramics (Beginning) ☐ Ceramics (Beginning)(A/B Day)	Orchestra	☐ Orchestra (Beginning) (A/B Day)	General Electives ☐ Journalism I ☐ Novice Strength Training ☐ African American Studies ☐ Latin American Studies ☐ Psychology ☐ Sociology ☐ Psychology(A/B Day) ☐ Latin American Studies(A/B Day) ☐ African American Studies(A/B Day) ☐ AP Human Geography ++ (A/B Day) ✓ *per admin approval	
Game Art Design	☐ Game Art Design ☐ Game Art Design (A/B Day)	Contemporary Craft & Design	☐ Contemporary Craft & Design (Beginning)				
Graphic & Digital Design	☐ MS Word and Powerpoint ☐ MS Word and Powerpoint (A/B Day) ☐ Intro to Adobe Apps ☐ Intro to Adobe Apps (A/B Day)	Visual Arts	☐ Visual Arts (Beginning) ☐ Visual Arts (Beginning) (A/B Day) ☐ Visual Arts (Intermediate)				
Marketing	☐ Marketing ☐ Marketing (A/B Day)						
Software Development-Coding	☐ AP Computer Science Principles ++ (A/B Day)						

Choose Your Future



Elective Classes

- What are elective classes?
- Elective classes help you explore different careers as well as learn a new skill.
- Many elective classes come from the Visual Arts, CTE, JROTC, and the World Language Departments
- [Click here for Elective Descriptions](#)



CTE Pathway

Prepare for your Future Career

**PROVIDING OUR STUDENTS SKILLS THEY NEED TO LEAP
SWIFTER, STRONGER, HIGHER IN LIFE! - WILDCATS**

Biomedical PLTW* (PLTW)

Honors Pathway

- 1st Principles of Biomedical Science*
- 2nd Human Body Systems**
- 3rd [Medical Interventions**](#)

*Scores of 6 and above = College credit

**1 Credit, PBS

**2 Credits, HBS

***Certification:** CPR/AED

Culinary* (CUL)

- 1st Culinary Arts and Hosp I
- 2nd Culinary Arts & Hosp II Apps
- 3rd [Culinary & Hospitality III](#)

Recommended: Internship

Certifications: ServSafe / Safe Plate

Marketing - CRM* (MRKT)

- 1st Marketing
- 2nd [Marketing Applications](#)
- 3rd Introduction to CRM
- 4th Customer Relationship Management I

Certifications: Introduction to Salesforce Trailhead

Software Development*(SfDev)

- 1st AP Computer Science Principles
- 2nd Python I
- 3rd [AP Computer Science A](#)

Certifications: Microsoft Technical Associate: Data Fundamentals, Microsoft Technical Associate: Software Fundamentals

Game Art Design* (GAD)

- 1st [Game Art Design](#)
- 2nd Digital Design & Animation
- 3rd 3D Modeling
- 4th Unity 3D

Certifications: Autodesk 3DS Max/Unity Programming



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CTE Pathways

2022-23

*Aligned CMS CTE District Pathway

Graphic & Digital Design* (ADB)

- 1st Intro to Adobe Apps
- 2nd Adobe Visual Design
- 3rd [Adobe Video Design](#)

Certifications: Adobe Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, Dreamweaver, and Premiere

Financial Planning* (BUS)

- 1st [Business Essentials](#)
- 2nd Financial Planning I
- 3rd [Financial Planning II](#)

***Certifications** – Everfi

Environmental Sustainability* (EnvSus)

- 1st Natural Resources I
- 2nd [Natural Resources II](#)
- 3rd Sustainable Agriculture I
- 4th [Sustainable Agriculture II](#)

***Certification:** OSHA

Job Connect

- 11th Career Management
- 12th Internship

Certification: Working Smart / Microburst

Electives

- Accounting I (12th grade only)
- MS Excel
- MS Word and PowerPoint

CTE Pathways

[Introduction to CTE from Ms. Lassiter McCullers](#)

[Intro to CTE Pathway from Mr. Summerour](#)

[A View from our PDC from Mr. Williamson](#)

CTE Pathways/Electives

- [Biomedical Science Project Lead The Way - Ms. Fennell](#)
- [Principles of Biomedical Science- Ms. Fennell](#)
- [Financial Planning - Mr. Lowe](#)
- [Principles of Business and Finance- Mr. White and Ms. Wright](#)
- [Culinary Arts Pathway - Ms. Burgess](#)
- [Environmental Sustainability - Mr. Dickens](#)
- [Game Art Design - Mr. Ricks](#)
- [Graphic & Digital Design - Ms. Brooks](#)
- [Marketing - Ms. Goggins](#)
- [Marketing - Mr. Smith](#)
- [Marketing CRM - Ms. Purcell](#)



Visual Arts Pathway

**Make Visual Arts Your Creative
Choice!**



Visual Arts Courses Offered to 9th Graders:

Ceramics Beginner: Students will be crafting works of art including ceramics and drawing. We will learn the history of art, steps of specific craft making, as well as foundations of art including principals and design.

Contemporary Craft and Design Beginner: Explore different materials like clay, collage, yarn and painting. Learn about different cultures and art styles.

Visual Arts Beginner (also offered A/B day): Explore different materials like pencils, paint, oil pastels and sculptural materials! Learn about artists and art history. No drawing experience necessary

A large group of students and two adults are posed in a room, likely a school hallway or classroom. The group is diverse in age and ethnicity. Several students are holding musical instruments, including saxophones, a trumpet, and a tuba. They are dressed in casual attire, with some wearing yellow and black tracksuits. The background shows a whiteboard with some writing and a blackboard. The overall atmosphere is positive and collaborative.

Performing Arts Pathway

Performing Arts Classes Offered to 9th Graders:

- **Beginning Band***- A performance-based class where students develop fundamental skills of music by playing an instrument.
- **Beginning Chorus***-Students study the fundamental skills of music, sight-singing, proper vocals, and vocal health. Any student who loves to sing is welcome to join!
- **Beginning Dance***-Students learn basic choreographic principles, structures and processes.
- **Beginning Orchestra***-Students develop fundamental skills of music, characteristic tone production, music terminology, posture, bowing, intonation, and expressive skills through ensemble playing and the study of simple orchestral literature.

* All Classes are year long classes and will follow the A/B Schedule*



JROTC Pathway



JROTC

Program Overview

The U.S. Army Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) is one of the largest character development and citizenship programs for youth in the world. The goal of the JROTC program to "instill in students in United States secondary educational institutions, the values of citizenship, service to the United States, and personal responsibility and a sense of accomplishment."

JROTC Co-Curricular Activities:

- Precision and exhibition military drill competitions

- Air rifle competitions (optional)

- Raider Challenge competitions

- ROTC Leadership and Academic Bowl (JLAB)

- STEM Camp, JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge (JCLC).

Classes Offered to 9th Graders:

- JROTC I/Leadership Lab I

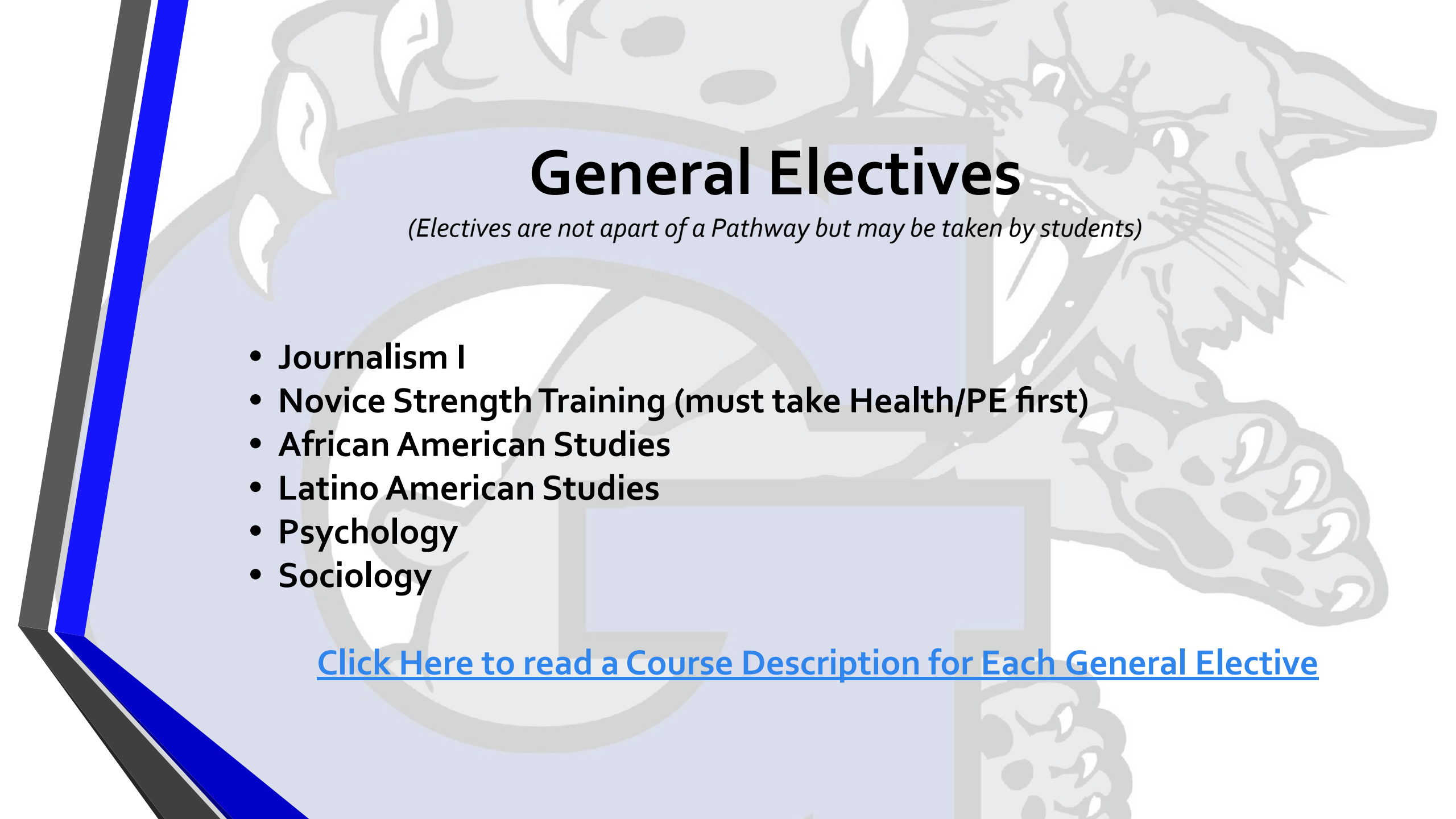
(This class is a year long class. JROTC I in the Fall and Leadership Lab I in the Spring)

World Language Pathway

If you would like to attend a 4 year College/University after High School you must take two levels of the same World Language while in High School

- **Spanish 1&2**
- **Spanish for Spanish Speakers & Honors Spanish 2 for Native Speakers**
- **French 1&2**

It is okay if you do not take these courses your 9th grade year. You can still take any of these World Languages while in the 10th, 11th, or 12th Grades.



General Electives

(Electives are not apart of a Pathway but may be taken by students)

- Journalism I
- Novice Strength Training (must take Health/PE first)
- African American Studies
- Latino American Studies
- Psychology
- Sociology

[Click Here to read a Course Description for Each General Elective](#)

Dates to Remember

- **March 14-18- Students will receive Course Registration Card**
 - Use this time to ask questions about your schedule
- **March 21-29- High School Counselors will meet with students to discuss final course selections**

Next Step: Meet Your Counselor



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