

TOPS UNIVERSITY DIPLOMA

4 English Classes

English I
English II
English III
English IV
English IV DE

4 Math Classes

Algebra I
Algebra II
Geometry
Advanced Math
Algebra III DE

4 Science Classes

Biology
Chemistry
Physical Science
Envr. Science
Adv. Chem DE
Physics
Biology II DE

4 SS Classes

Civics
U.S. History or
U.S. History DE
Geography
Afr. Am. History
World History
Western Civ I DE

8 Elective Classes

PE
PE & Health
Spanish I
Spanish II
Art/Music/Drama
+ 3 additional electives
*Personal Finance

*State change for 2024-25
(exception: Seniors)

*Courses listed above yellow
line are required.



SCHEDULING DATES

LUTCHER HIGH SCHOOL

MIDDLE SCHOOL SCHEDULING FAIR (STUDENTS) - FEB. 5
MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENTING NIGHT - FEB. 5
HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULING FAIR (STUDENTS) - FEB.7
HIGH SCHOOL PARENTING NIGHT - FEB.7



ST. JAMES HIGH SCHOOL

MIDDLE SCHOOL SCHEDULING FAIR (STUDENTS) - FEB.6
MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENTING NIGHT - FEB.6
HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULING FAIR (STUDENTS) - JAN.31
HIGH SCHOOL PARENTING NIGHT - JAN.31



STUDENT SCHEDULING WEEKS



11TH GRADE SCHEDULING - WEEK OF FEB.19
10TH GRADE SCHEDULING - WEEK OF FEB. 26
9TH GRADE SCHEDULING - WEEK OF MAR. 4
8TH GRADE SCHEDULING - WEEKS OF FEB. 19 & 26



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10TH GRADE SCHEDULING - WEEK OF FEB. 26
9TH GRADE SCHEDULING - WEEK OF MAR. 4
8TH GRADE SCHEDULING - WEEKS OF FEB. 19 & 26

2024-2025

HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULING STATE DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

District elective course
requirements can/may apply.

JUMPSTART TOPS TECH DIPLOMA

4 English Classes

English I
English II
Technical Writing
Business English
English III
English IV
English IV DE

4 Math Classes

Math Essentials
Algebra I
Geometry*
Financial Literacy
Business Math
Algebra II

2 Science Classes

Biology
Physical Science
Chemistry
Environmental Science

2 SS Classes

Civics
U.S. History or
U.S. History DE

11 Elective Classes

PE
PE & Health
+ 9 pathway electives
1 Industry Based Credential

*State change for Freshmen and Sophomores 2024-25

JUMPSTART PATHWAYS

The following courses are suggested pathway electives. Please see the course catalog for more elective options.

BUSINESS

Media & Visual Arts
IBCA
Entrepreneurship
Business Operations
Cosmetology I
Customer Service
Personal Finance
BCA
JAG
Media Arts II, III, IV

HEALTH SCIENCES

Allied Health I
Entrepreneurship
Child Development
EMR
Agriscience I
Sports Med I & II
EMT (2 Credits)
Foods & Nutrition

MANUFACTURING

NCCER Core
Pipefitting I & II
Agriscience I
Electrical I & II
Welding I, II, III, & IV
Internship

ARTS

Media & Visual Arts
IBCA
Entrepreneurship
Media Arts II
Dance I
BCA
Media Arts III & IV
Technical Theatre
Art I, II, III, IV

HOSPITALITY

Customer Service
IBCA
Entrepreneurship
Publication I
Speech
BCA
Foods and Nutrition
Personal Finance
JAG

INDUSTRIAL BASED CREDENTIAL

Per graduation requirements, you must earn one Industrial based certification in your selected pathway. The underlined courses offer the IBC exam.

COURSE CATALOG

The complete course catalog can be accessed on the St. James Parish Schools website by clicking on **Resources > For Students > 2024-2025 Course Catalog**.



TOPS Awards

TOPS Tech Award Requirements:

- TOPS Core Curriculum GPA of 2.50
- Completion of 21.0 TOPS Tech JumpStart Core Curriculum units or
- Completion of 19.0 units that comprise the TOPS Core Curriculum for the Opportunity, Performance, and Honor Awards
- Minimum ACT score of 17 or ACT WorkKeys Silver (or above)

TOPS Opportunity Award Requirements:

- TOPS Core Curriculum GPA of 2.50
- Completion of 19.0 Core Units of the TOPS Core Curriculum
- Minimum ACT Score of the prior year state average (minimum 20)

TOPS Performance Award Requirements:

- TOPS Core Curriculum GPA of 3.25
- Completion of 19.0 Core Units of the TOPS Core Curriculum
- Minimum ACT score of 23

TOPS Honors Award Requirements:

- TOPS Core Curriculum GPA of 3.50
- Completion of 19.0 Core Units of the TOPS Core Curriculum
- Minimum ACT score of 27



Graduation Awards

Graduates are recognized at graduation, according to the following standards:

- 4.0 and above: Summa Cum Laude
- 3.75 – 3.999: Magna Cum Laude
- 3.50 – 3.749: Cum Laude

Graduates are further recognized with Honor Cords, according to the following standards:

- Meet graduation diploma requirements *and*
- 3.2 GPA *and*
- Successfully meet TOPS criteria *and*
- 22 ACT and /or WorkKeys equivalent (Gold)

CLEP Award

System Academic Excellence Medal

Superintendent's University Medal of Honor

Superintendent's Technical Medal of Honor

State STEM Diploma Silver Seal

State STEM Diploma Gold Seal

Technical Excellence Award

DUAL ENROLLMENT STANDARD

- High School Classification of:
 - SJPS Instructor-led courses: *Soph., Jr. or Sr.
 - Online DE courses: Junior or Senior
- Minimum overall high school cumulative GPA of 3.0
- For all DE English, Social Studies or Elective courses:
 - English ACT sub-score of 18+ *or*
 - LEAP 2025 English II - score of Mastery or above *or*
 - ACT Aspire English score of 433 *or*
 - Pre-ACT composite of 20 or higher, with English of 18 or higher.
- For all Dual Enrollment Math or Science courses:
 - Math ACT sub-score of 19+ *or*
 - LEAP 2025 Geometry - score of Mastery or above *or*
 - ACT Aspire Math score of 431 *or*
 - Pre-ACT composite of 20 or higher, with Math of 19 or higher

PTech courses through RPCC do not have an ACT score requirement but must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5

* Sophomore DE course progression moves to Jr. and Sr. year starting in 2026

DE COURSES

See course catalog for details and prerequisites.

ENGLISH

English IV DE
English V DE

MATH

Algebra III
Trigonometry
Statistics
Calculus

SOCIAL STUDIES

US HISTORY
WESTERN CIV I

SCIENCE

Biology II*
Advanced Chem.*

OTHER

Fine Arts Survey*
American Government*
Psychology*
Sociology*
Speech*
Intro to Engineering*

TECHNICAL

Process Technology I
Process Technology II
Process Technology III

*Course is online; \$200 fee applies.