

Welcome to Seymour High
School

Students & Parents

Class of 2021

Administrative Team

- Mr. Greg Prange – Principal
- Mr. Talmadge Reasoner, Assistant Principal
- Mrs. Kate Dubois – Assistant Principal
- Mr. Aaron Floyd, Dean of Students/Ass't Principal
- Mr. Kirk Manns – Athletic Director
- Mrs. Ana De Gante – ESL Services Director
- Mr. Randy Fife – Director of Student Services

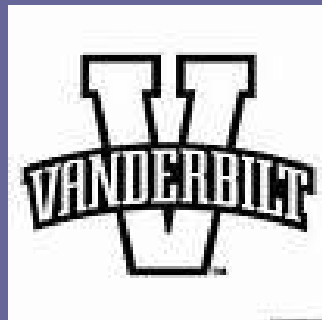
Counseling Staff

- Mr. Harmon Last name A-E
 - Mrs. Storey Last name F-L
 - Mr. Fife Last name M-Q
 - Mrs. Harmon Last name R-Z
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- Students are assigned to a counselor alphabetically by last name.

Where will you end up?



Maybe out of state?



Military



What career will you have?

- Seymour H.S. Graduates:
- Deliver our babies
- Do our taxes
- Design our headlights
- Repair our cars
- Sell us carpet
- Perform our surgeries
- Write our newspaper articles

We can get you started!

- Dual Credit
- Early College
- AP Courses
- Career Exploration
- Job Shadows
- C4 Classes
- Work Based Learning - Internships
- A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA IS NOT ENOUGH !

What are AP courses?

- Advanced Placement (AP) courses are college level courses taught in high school according to a prescribed, approved curriculum.
- College credit can be earned by taking the end of year AP exam.
- SHS offers 23 semesters of AP credit in English, math, science, social studies, and business.

What is Dual Credit?

- Dual credit is taking a high school course and earning credit 2 places:
 - 1. High School
 - 2. College
- SHS offers 29 dual credit courses through Ivy Tech worth over 100 college credits.
- There is no cost for college credit!

What is Early College?

- Early College classes are offered at post-secondary institutions and taught by their instructors.
- Students receive released time from SHS to attend Early College Classes.
- Seymour Comm Schools pays tuition. Students pay for books and provide their own transportation.

What are C4 Classes?

- C4 Classes are hands on courses taken at the C4 Career Center in Columbus. (*Many are Dual Credit!*)
- Architectural Drawing
- Automotive Technology
- Computer Network Fundamentals
- Construction
- Cosmetology
- Criminal Justice
- Culinary Arts
- Dental and Veterinary Assisting
- Drafting
- Early Childhood Education
- Electronics
- Interactive Media
- Precision Machining
- Radio &TV Broadcasting
- Robotics
- Welding
- Hands on learning on the latest technology / equipment

Internships-Work Based Learning

- Juniors & seniors can take the Work Based Learning class
- Students are given released time from SHS to do an internship
- Students are placed in local businesses and industry to receive on the job training and career exploration opportunities in their chosen career field

Internship Sites

- Aisin
- Schneck Medical Center
- Valeo
- Progressive Physical Therapy
- Cummins
- Klaes Imaging
- Excel Manufacturing
- Urgent Care
- Seymour Community Schools
- Nash Icon Radio
- Seymour Animal Hospital
- United Way
- Covered Bridge

Kremer's Urban
Brownstown Animal Hospital
RR Donnelley
Chamber of Commerce
ATI Physical Therapy
Urgent Care
Schneck Medical Center
AVI Foods
Global Travel
Seymour Police Dept.

New and On The Horizon...

- New agriculture building at the school farm.
- OWL Manufacturing
- New soccer complex w / turf field
- Turf football field
- Re-surfacing the track
- Expansion of Work Based Learning

First Things First

- Some questions that you want answered tonight!

Will I get to each lunch with my friends?

- Maybe. SHS has a 3-lunch rotation. Each lunch shift will have students in grades 9-12.
- Student lunch costs \$2.35. Students can eat ala carte which could increase the cost.
- Breakfast is \$1.25

POWER HOUR

- We piloted a one hour common lunch program last spring which allows all students to have the same one hour lunch period.
- This gives students the opportunity to seek academic help from a teacher, attend club meetings, form study groups, make up missing work, etc.
- 30/30 Split

How many classes will I take?

- SHS operates on an alternating block schedule which allows for 8 periods of scheduled classes.

Sample Student Schedule

- **Purple Day**
- Period 1 English 9
- Period 2 Integrated Chemistry/Physics
- Period 3 Beginning Chorus
- Period 4 Study Hall or Algebra Lab
- **White Day**
- Period 5 Algebra I
- Period 6 Introduction to Engineering
- Period 7 Digital Applications
- Period 8 Geography/History of the World

Every student in the Class of 2021 will be initially scheduled to earn at least a Core 40 Diploma.

- All freshman are scheduled so that every diploma option is available.

General, Core 40, Technical Honors, and Academic Honors

Is there a graduation exam?

- Yes, the ECA for English and Algebra are being phased out and ISTEP+ 10 becomes the new Graduation Exam.
- Students will take the exam during Grade 10. Students not passing will have opportunities to re-take the exam in grades 11 and 12.

What math class will I take?

- The majority of 9th graders will take algebra I.
- Students who have taken algebra I in the 8th grade may be placed in either:
 - Integrated Math I
 - Accelerated Geometry

Do I have to take a foreign language?

- No. World language is not required for graduation. But.....
- World language is required for an Academic Honors Diploma.
- World language is required for admission to some colleges (IU and Purdue).
- Current options in World Languages include French, Latin, and Spanish.

Is driver's education still offered?

- No. SHS does not offer driver's education. Students wanting to take driver's education will need to take the class through a private driving company.

How many semesters of PE are required?

Can a sport count as PE credit?

- 2 credits of PE are required for graduation.
- Students can earn credit for PE through participation in athletics, marching band, and cheerleading (ASPE form must be completed).
- ASPE form is located on our school website.
- ASPE credits must be earned by the end of grade 10 or students will be enrolled in PE during the school year.

Do I have to take fine arts classes?

- No, fine arts credits are not required for graduation. But....
- 2 fine arts credits are required for the Academic Honors Diploma.
- Fine arts includes band, choir, art, theatre arts, yearbook, newspaper, and music appreciation (History of Rock n Roll)

Is summer school still offered?

- No, not for incoming freshman
- We do offer summer online courses through GradPoint for:
 - 1. Credit Recovery
 - 2. Schedule Conflicts
 - 3. Early Graduation

Are my parents still going to be involved once I begin high school?

- YES
- INOW Home Access – Parent Portal
- E-Mail
- Voice Mail
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Graduation Plan Conference
- Volunteering
- Newsletter
- School Website

What is a graduation plan?

- A graduation plan is a comprehensive plan which includes outlining the diploma type, course selections, and post secondary plans for a student.
- Counselors will meet with freshmen and parents in individual meetings next fall to work on each student's graduation plan.

9th Grade Scheduling

- All freshmen will take:
- 1. English
- 2. Math
- 3. Science
- 4. Careers Class / Digital Applications Class
- 5. Study Hall or Algebra Lab
- 6. Elective
- 7. Elective
- 8. Elective

Students and parents choose electives. SMS counselors will work with middle school teachers and high school counselors to choose the appropriate English, math, and science courses.

- Standardized tests such as ISTEP scores
- Student grades
- Teacher or counselor recommendations

The majority of incoming 9th graders will be enrolled in:

- English 9
- Algebra I
- Integrated Chemistry/Physics
- Geography & History of the World
- Each of these courses meets the requirement for a Core 40 Diploma, Technical Honors Diploma and an Academic Honors Diploma.

Some students may be enrolled in one or more accelerated courses:

- Accelerated English 9
- Accelerated Geometry
- Accelerated Biology
- Students wanting an advanced course in social studies will wait until grade 10 and enroll in AP World History.

Choosing Electives

- Refer to page 2 which contains the elective options.
- Choose electives to fill 6 semesters.
- For example.....

Semester 1

Spanish I

Choir

Geography

Semester 2

Spanish I

Choir

Geography

Other examples....

- Semester 1

- Intro to Engineering
- PE
- French I
- Or....

- Semester 1

- Music Appreciation
- Intro 2D Art
- Intro to Business

- Semester 2

- Intro to Engineering
- PE
- French I

- Semester 2

- PE
- Nutrition & Wellness
- Intro to Business

What's the next step?

Students need to complete page 4 of the handout.

List the course and course number of the electives that you choose – Turn in by Feb. 8th.

Seymour Middle School students will enter their course requests through the INOW home portal in their P.R.I.D.E classes.

Parochial students should return their elective sheet to the main office at their school by Wednesday, Feb 8th.

- Counselors will combine electives with the required academic courses.

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Questions?