

High School Schedule and Courses at ASB 2017-18

Parent Teacher Organization Meeting
High School parents

Wednesday, 3rd May 2017



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Agenda

- Approaching High School with College in mind
 - academics

Approaching High School with College in Mind

The real difference is...

- What happens in high school gets shared beyond high school
 - Universities consider a person's high school career in their admission decision
 - This is sometimes even true for future employers

It is important for students and their families to consider this and develop a plan for high school

Planning: Explore post HS options

- Plans change but having an idea of what the family can support four years from now will help you make informed decisions
- Do not rule out places or countries but be realistic
- Having goals can help a student stay focused
- Consider a savings plan
- Meet with our college counselor

Planning: Explore interests

- High school is a good time to find out about possible careers and majors
- Make time as a family to discuss possibilities
- Take advantage of opportunities that arise
 - Vacations, visitors, etc.
- As parents, it is important to listen

Planning: Get involved

- High grades and test scores do not guarantee a place in college – esp. in North America
- Students should be involved in activities, volunteer work, sports, etc.
- Students who can show a positive contribution to their community are going to get a closer look from competitive universities

Planning: Take on challenges

- Developing a service project, taking on a summer job, or volunteering at a charity can all be difficult but they can also help develop real life skills and set a student apart from others
- Work hard in grades 9 & 10 so that you are prepared for 11 & 12
- Take challenging courses
- Competitive universities want to see students who have challenged themselves

Planning: Build relationships

- Teachers, principals, counselors sometimes need to write references
- Earning a reputation as a positive, friendly person can be invaluable when adults are later asked for feedback on students.

Advice from older students...

- Two categories...
 - Relationships
 - School
 - Don't slack off!
 - Your teachers are more helpful than you think
- Another common comment is...
 - "I wish I had... "

It isn't too early to start thinking about the future

Pathways through High School - Science

<u>Course</u>	<u>Grade 9</u>	<u>Grade 10</u>	<u>Grade 11</u>	<u>Grade 12</u>
Science Interactions	?	transfer	-	-
Science Interactions (ELL)	?	transfer	-	-
Biology	TPR	?	-	-
Biology (ELL)	-	?	-	-
Chemistry	-	TPR	?	?
Physics	-	-	?	?
Environmental Science	-	-	Elective	Elective
Nutrition Science/Anatomy	-	-	Elective	Elective
AP Biology	-	-	TPR	TPR
AP Chemistry	-	-	TPR	TPR

Pathways through High School - Math

<u>Course</u>	<u>Grade 9</u>	<u>Grade 10</u>	<u>Grade 11</u>	<u>Grade 12</u>
Topics of Math	?			
Algebra 1	?	?	-	-
Geometry	TPR	?	?	-
Algebra 2	-	TPR	?	?
Precalculus	-	-	TPR	?
Calculus/AP Calculus	-	-	-	TPR
Statistics	-	-	Elective (TPR)	Elective (TPR)

Pathways through High School - English

<u>Course</u>	<u>Grade 9</u>	<u>Grade 10</u>	<u>Grade 11</u>	<u>Grade 12</u>
LA/Skills 9/10	?	?	-	-
English I/II	?	?	-	-
Forms of Literature	?	-	-	-
World Literature	-	?	-	-
LA Skills 11/12	-	-	?	Elective
English III/IV	-	-	?	Elective
British Literature	-	-	Elective	Elective
Journalism (sem)	-	-	Elective	Elective
Creative Writing (sem)	-	-	Elective	Elective
Public Speaking (sem)	-	-	Elective	Elective
American Studies	-	-	Elective	Elective
AP English Language	-	-	Elective	Elective

Pathways through High School – Social Studies

<u>Course</u>	<u>Grade 9</u>	<u>Grade 10</u>	<u>Grade 11</u>	<u>Grade 12</u>
Geography	?	-	-	-
ELL Geography	?	-	-	-
World History	-	?	-	-
ELL World History	-	?	-	-
American Studies	-	-	Elective	Elective
Psychology (sem)	-	-	Elective	Elective
Asian Studies (sem)	-	-	Elective	Elective
AP World History	-	-	Elective	Elective
Civics & Economics	-	-	Elective	Elective

Grade 9 for 2017-18 – schedule

High School Schedule - 17-18										
	Week A					Week B				
Period/Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:45-9:05	Block A	Block E	Block A	Block E	Block A	Block E	Block A	Block E	Block A	Block E
9:05-9:20	Morning Break					Morning Break				
9:20-9:40	Homeroom					Homeroom				
9:40-11:00	Block B	Block F	Block B	Block F	Block B	Block F	Block B	Block F	Block B	Block F
11:05-12:25	Block C	Block G	Block C	Block G	Block C	Block G	Block C	Block G	Block C	Block G
HS Lunch 12:25-1:05	Lunch					Lunch				
1:10-2:30	Block D	Block H	Block D	Block H	Block D	Block H	Block D	Block H	Block D	Block H

Grade 9 Schedule – 2017-18

	Block A	Block B	Block C	Lunch	Block D
Grade 9	LA/Skills 9/10	PE 9/10	Topics of Math		PE 9/10
	English I/II	Art Apprec	Algebra 1		Basic Thai 9-12
	Forms of Literature	Chinese I/II	Geometry		Chinese III/IV
	ELL 9/10 LA	Spanish I/II			Spanish III/IV
	ELL 9/10 Skills	World Geography			Comp Science

	Block E	Block F	Block G	Lunch	Block H
Grade 9	World Geography	Thai Studies 9/10	Science Interactions		Health (sem)
	ELL SS9	Dance	Biology		Comp Science
	PE 9	French	ELL Science 9		Music App
		HS Orchestra			Study Skills 9/10
					Drama (sem)

Grade 10 Schedule - 2017-18

	Block A	Block B	Block C	Lunch	Block D
Grade 10	LA/Skills 9/10	PE 9/10	Algebra 1		PE 9/10
	English I/II	Art Apprec	Geometry		Basic Thai 9-12
	World Literature	Chinese I/II	Algebra II		Chinese III/IV
	ELL 9/10 LA	Spanish I/II	PE 10		Spanish III/IV
	ELL 9/10 Skills				Comp Science

	Block E	Block F	Block G	Lunch	Block H
Grade 10	Biology	Thai Studies 9/10	World History - Modern		Health (sem)
	Chemistry	Algebra 1	ELL SS10		Comp Science
	ELL Science 10	Geometry			Music App
		Dance			Study Skills 9/10
		French			Drama (sem)
		HS Orchestra			

Grade 11 Schedule – 2017-18

	Block A	Block B	Block C	Lunch	Block D
Grade 11	AP Chemistry	LA Skills 11/12	Study Skills 11/12		App Art/AP Art
	Environmental Science	English III/IV	Physics		Basic Thai 9-12
	Statistics	ELL 11/12 LA	Journalism/ Creative writing (sem)		Chinese III/IV
	Algebra II	ELL 11/12 Skills	Chemistry		Spanish III/IV
			Psychology (sem)		Comp Science
			Fitness		
	Block E	Block F	Block G	Lunch	Block H
Grade 11	Comp Science	AP Biology	AP English Lang		AP Calculus/Calculus
	Fitness	Nutrition/Anatomy	App Art		Pre-calculus
	App Art/AP Art	HS Orchestra	Music Production		Asian Studies/ Public speaking (sem)
	American Studies	Dance	Civics/Econ		AP World History
	British Lit	French	Pre-calculus		Art Photo/3D (sem)
	Thai Studies 11-12		AP English Lang		Drama (sem)

Grade 12 Schedule – 2017-18

	Block A	Block B	Block C	Lunch	Block D
Grade 12	AP Chemistry	LA Skills 11/12	Study Skills 11/12		App Art/AP Art
	Environmental Science	English III/IV	Physics		Basic Thai 9-12
	Statistics	ELL 11/12 LA	Journalism/ Creative writing (sem)		Chinese III/IV
	Algebra II	ELL 11/12 Skills	Chemistry		Spanish III/IV
		AP Japanese	Psychology (sem)		Comp Science
			Fitness		

	Block E	Block F	Block G	Lunch	Block H
Grade 12	Comp Science	AP Biology	AP English Lang		AP Calculus/Calculus
	Fitness	Nutrition/Anatomy	App Art		Pre-calculus
	App Art/AP Art	HS Orchestra	Music Production		Asian Studies/ Public speaking (sem)
	American Studies	Dance	Civics/Econ		AP World History
	British Lit	French	Pre-calculus		Art Photo/3D (sem)
	Thai Studies 11-12		AP English Lang		Drama (sem)

Advanced Placement (AP[®])

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Advanced Placement (AP) – 2017-18

- Students will be expected to enroll and pay for the final exam - (B4,500 payment in August; exam in May)
- Successful completion of 1st semester will receive enhanced GPA.

Advanced Placement (AP) – 2017-18

- AP Calculus AB
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP World History
- AP English Language
- AP Japanese
- AP Art

Other possible courses

- AP Chinese
- AP Statistics

Questions?

