



DEAR INCOMING FRESHMEN: FIRST I WANT TO START BY SAYING THAT I HOPE THIS FINDS YOU WELL. I USUALLY VISIT YOUR EIGHTH GRADE ENGLISH CLASSES TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION, BUT THAT IS NOT POSSIBLE RIGHT NOW. SO, I HAVE PUT TOGETHER THIS POWERPOINT. PLEASE SHARE IT WITH YOUR PARENTS OR GUARDIANS.

THERE IS A LOT OF INFORMATION HERE, AND IT IS ALL NEW. IT IS OKAY IF IT SEEMS OVERWHELMING OR YOU DO NOT REMEMBER IT ALL. YOU WILL BE RECEIVING A COURSE SELECTION SHEET IN THE MAIL; THEY WILL BE SENT ON APRIL 10TH. WHEN IT ARRIVES, PLEASE USE THE INFORMATION PROVIDED HERE TO HELP YOU SELECT YOUR 9TH GRADE CLASSES. ALSO, WHEN WE RETURN TO SCHOOL YOU WILL GET A COURSE SELECTION CATALOG THAT YOU CAN ALWAYS REFER TO. I AM AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS, AS I CHECK MY EMAILS MULTIPLE TIMES EVERY DAY. PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO MESSAGE ME (OR YOUR PARENTS CAN).

LAST, I WANT YOU TO KNOW HOW EXCITED I AM TO GET TO KNOW ALL OF YOU NEXT YEAR!
HIGH SCHOOL IS A BIG STEP, AND I KNOW YOU WILL ALL DO WELL. AGAIN, IF AFTER
READING THIS YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE REACH OUT TO ME.
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WHAT IS A CREDIT?

Credits are what you receive when you **pass** a semester long class

Each semester long class is worth five credits

Each year that you pass all your classes you receive 80 credits

SAMPLE SEMESTER REPORT CARD

- •English 9 A = 5 credits
- •Integrated I A = 5 credits
- •Health -A = 5 credits
- •Biology A = 5 credits
- •PE 9 A = 5 credits
- •Life Skills A = 5 credits
- •Band -A = 5 credits
- •Computer Applications A = 5 credits
- •Total credits earned = 40



WILLOWS HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

CAREER EDUCATION......5 CREDITS

HEALTH.....5 CREDITS

PE.....20 CREDITS
STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO PASS 10
OF THESE PE CREDITS DURING THE
FRESHMAN YEAR.

ENGLISH.....40 CREDITS

ELD 1-3

ENGLISH 9

ENGLISH 10

HONORS ENGLISH 10

ENGLISH 11

AP ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION

ENGLISH 12

BUTTE ENGLISH 2/BUTTE ENGLISH 4

MATHEMATICS...... 30 CREDITS

INTEGRATED 1A
INTEGRATED II
INTEGRATED III
INTEGRATED III
SURVEY OF MATH
HONORS PRE-CALCULUS
BUTTE MATH 18

(THOUGH ONLY THREE YEARS IS REQUIRED, THE COUNSELING OFFICE HIGHLY RECOMMENDS FOUR YEARS OF MATH)

SOCIAL SCIENCE.....30 CREDITS

WORLD HISTORY (10TH GRADE)
AP WORLD HISTORY (10TH GRADE)
UNITED STATES HISTORY (11TH GRADE)
AP UNITED STATES HISTORY (11TH GRADE)
AMERICAN GOVERNMENT (12TH GRADE
FOR 1 SEMESTER)
ECONOMICS (12TH GRADE FOR 1
SEMESTER)

SCIENCE.....20 CREDITS

BIOLOGY (9TH GRADE)
AG BIOLOGY (9TH GRADE)
AG EARTH SCIENCE
CHEMISTRY
PHYSICS
ANATOMY

VISUAL PERFORMING ARTS OR FOREIGN LANGUAGE......10 CREDITS

SPANISH 1

ART 1

DRAMA

CONCERT BAND

AG WOOD TECH

AGRICULTURAL WELDING FABRICATION AND

METAL FABRICATION

(PLEASE NOTE THAT NOT ALL OF THESE COURSES ARE AVAILABLE TO FRESHMAN. MORE DETAILS WILL FOLLOW IN FURTHER SLIDES.)

ELECTIVES.....110 CREDITS YOUR FRESHMAN YEAR YOU TAKE THREE ELECTIVES. FRESHMAN ELECTIVES WILL BE LISTED ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES. EACH YEAR YOUR LIST OF ELECTIVE OPTIONS GROW.

THE FOLLOWING PAGES WILL COVER THE CLASSES THAT YOU WILL TAKE AS A NINTH GRADER. FIVE CLASSES ARE REQUIRED. ADDITIONALLY, YOU WILL SELECT THREE ELECTIVES. AS I NOTED IN MY LETTER TO YOU, A COURSE SELECTION SHEET WILL BE MAILED HOME WITH INSTRUCTIONS. THIS IS THE SHEET YOU WILL TURN IN WITH YOUR ELECTIVE CHOICES MARKED.



BIOLOGY OR AG BIOLOGY

ENGLISH 9

INTEGRATED IA OR I (AS VERIFIED BY YOUR

CURRENT INSTRUCTOR)

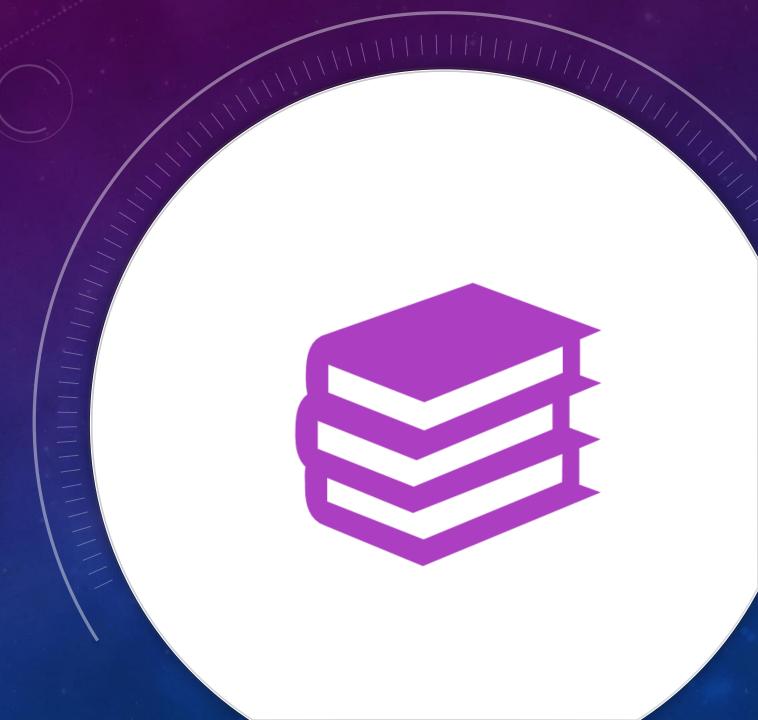
PE 9

CAREER ED (A ONE SEMESTER COURSE PAIRED

WITH HEALTH)

HEALTH (A ONE SEMESTER COURSE PAIRED

WITH CAREER ED)



NINTH GRADE ELECTIVES: FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND FINE ARTS



CONCERT BAND



ART I



DRAMA



SPANISH I



SPANISH II (MUST HAVE INSTRUCTOR'S SIGNATURE)

NINTH GRADE ELECTIVES: AGRICULTURE

AG CORE:

MUST BE TAKEN BEFORE ANY OTHER AG COURSE CAN BE TAKEN

AG MECHANICS:

IF SELECTED, MUST BE TAKEN AT THE SAME TIME AS AG CORE

NINTH GRADE ELECTIVES: INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY



LIFE SKILLS I – FOODS (SELECT THIS COURSE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TAKE FOOD TECHNOLOGY YOUR SOPHOMORE YEAR)



LIFE SKILLS I – CHILD (SELECT THIS COURSE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TAKE CHILD DEVELOPMENT YOUR SOPHOMORE YEAR)



BEGINNING AUTO/SMALL ENGINE

NINTH GRADE ELECTIVES: BUSINESS/COMPUTERS

 Computer Applications (This is a semester long class. It is paired with Driver's Education. You will take one course during the fall semester and the other during the spring semester.)

NINTH GRADE ELECTIVES: NON-DEPARTMENTAL

STUDY SKILLS

DRIVER'S EDUCATION (THIS COURSE IS A SEMESTER LONG COURSE AND IS PAIRED WITH COMPUTER APPLICATIONS)

A – G REQUIREMENTS

"The A-G / College Entrance **Requirements** are a sequence of high school courses that students must complete (with a grade of C or better) to be minimally eligible for admission to the University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU)" www.lbschools.net

A – G requirements are important. Your freshman year English 9, Integrated I, and Biology all meet A-G. If you think you would like to go straight from WHS to a four year college or university, you might consider taking Spanish, as that is an A-G course, as well (Please note that this is a bit of a confusing subject, and we will discuss it further as you progress).

PATHWAYS

In addition to considering A-G requirements, you might want to look at the pathways that we have at WHS. Pathways are directions of study that you can take. Pathways include classes in your area of interest for all four years you are in high school. Before you receive your Course Selection Sheet in the mail, the Counseling Page on the WHS Website will publish a Course Description Catalog that will have a sample list of pathway courses for:

- Foods and Nutrition
- Child Development
- Agriculture
- Business/Computers.



THANK YOU FOR SPENDING THE TIME TO LOOK AT THIS INFORMATION. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT COURSES TO TAKE, YOUR CURRENT TEACHERS ARE GREAT RESOURCES, AS THEY KNOW YOU WELL. ALSO, IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT MS. STEELE IN THE WILLOWS HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELING OFFICE.