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Graduation Pathway and Course Selection

Class of 2023/2024



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Resources for Current 9th Grade (2023)

- Course selection checklist
 - The QR codes connect to our pre-survey and the course selection guide.
<https://drive.google.com/drive/search?q=Course%20Selection%20Checklist>
- 21 credit pathway letter
 - Must be signed and sent back. Please return no later than Monday, February 10th.
https://docs.google.com/document/d/11pliPRVX7q4V_Wo8ifMjn9vsEDYQwQpHL9gRT7pK01A/edit
- Directions for using Home Access Center for Course Selection Process
 - Step by Step guide
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SiK7QOROUZACzRgsfZvqsRhoH-RbOV0HD6aSrz5jJtE/edit?ts=5e29d83a>

Resources for 8th Grade (2024)

- Course Selection Guide
- Directions for using Home Access Center for course selection.
 - Step by Step guide
- Counselor and AP at Middle School



Class of 2023 and beyond

Course Category	Credits/Courses
English	4 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
Math	3 or 4 credits*
Science	3 credits
Health/Physical Education	1 credit
Arts & Humanities	2 credits
Electives	5 credits
Total Credits:	21

After earning 21 credits in the required academic areas, students can choose from the following...



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HIGH SCHOOL

Graduate from UDHS after earning 21 credits. Accept a diploma and start postsecondary plan.

Continue to attend UDHS and go to the technical high school (half day at each building). Attend classes at UDHS and tech school; graduate with a tech. certificate

Stay an active student at UDHS (do not graduate) and participate in dual enrollment courses at DCCC. Earn college credits for a discounted price. May not have to come to the building during the day.

Roster for an early dismissal junior and/or senior year. Leave the HS early during the school day.

Stay at UDHS as a full-time student all four years and earn credits beyond 21. Take senior level courses and electives; earn more credits in the areas you are passionate about.

Freshman Year

Learn about the different pathways & make a preliminary commitment

Talk with your counselor during course selection about the pathways that interest you.

Action steps:

Meet with counselor
Discuss options and goals with parent/guardian
Parents approve the preliminary pathway plan.

Sophomore Year

Pathway check in- to discuss any changes with your counselor

Students who plan to graduate after earning 21 credits must confirm their decision during course selection of their sophomore year.

Action Steps:

Parents may need to approve revisions to the pathway
Applications required for specific pathways

Junior Year

Pathway confirmation with parent, administrator, and counselor

Action Steps:

Prepare for graduation (if graduating), internship, dual enrollment, tech school, etc.

Parents may need to approve revisions to the pathway
Register for dual enrollment classes (fall courses senior year)

Senior Year

Put post-secondary plan into action

Action Steps (depends on pathway):

Apply for postsecondary program

Earn certificate from tech school

Register for dual enrollment classes (spring courses)

Take credits/courses in areas you are passionate about or that are required for your college of choice



Home Access Center

Some courses are not able to be requested through Home Access Center

- Some advanced courses require prerequisites
- Some courses require teacher recommendation or extra applications
- These courses can be discussed with your counselor during individual meetings
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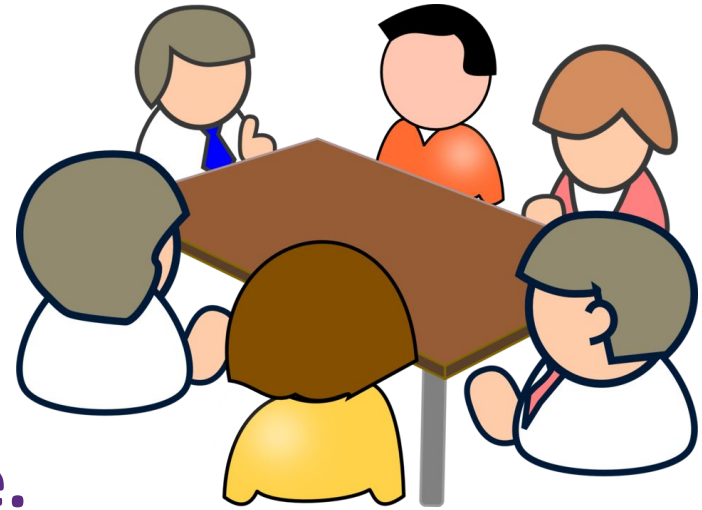


2020-2021 Course Selection Timeline (9th grade)

Date	Event
February 6	<p>Elective Fair (Block 2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Elective choices put on course selection card during assembly• Elective choices put into HAC that night <p>Parent Night at 6pm</p>
February 7	<p>Extended Homeroom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Requests put into HAC• Course selection cards due• Graduation pathway form due
February 7-March 30	Course selection meetings
May 1st	Parent override deadline

Course Selection

- **During individual counselor meetings, counselors will discuss core and elective choices, level changes, graduation pathways, and postsecondary planning.**
- **Counselors will confirm course requests at that time.**



Questions

Please feel free to come down and talk with your counselor or administrator.

If you are in a hurry and do not have time to speak with us please leave your name, number, and email and concern on the stage and we will get back to you with your answer.

