P.H.S.

# Future Seniors

Next year course requests and graduation requirements



#### Credits

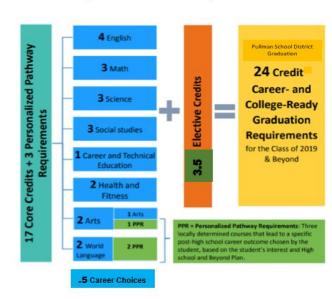
Below are a few important things about High School and Credits

- High School Classes count for credits
- You need 24 credits to graduate.
- Most semester class = ½ credit
  - Jazz Band and Treble Triad are only ¼ credit = semester
- You need to pass the class to earn the credit.
- o If you don't pass the class, then you will have to retake the class to earn the credit.

On the next page, you will see how many credits you need for each subject area.

#### **Graduation Credit Requirements**

	Required PSD Credits	College Prep Recommendations
English	4.0	4 years
Mathematics	3.0	3 years- Through Algebra II or Third Year Pathway
Science	3.0	3 years- Science: 2 lab sciences
Social Studies	3.0	3 years- Social Studies (US history 1.0/Civics .5)
Career & Technical Ed	1.0	
Physical Education	1.5	
Health/Wellness	0.5	
Career Choices	0.5	
Fine Arts OR PPR	2.0	1 year- Fine, Visual, Performing
World Language OR PPR	2.0	2 years- World Language (same language)
Electives	3.5	
Total	24.0	



# Required Courses for Seniors

You will select 5 courses (plus 2 alternates)

- 1. English World Literature/Composition or AP Language/Comp.
- 2. Social Studies -

Civics (semester)

**AND** 

Economics or Psychology (minimum of a semester)

- 3. Career Choices 1 semester + Elective (semester)
- 4. Elective #1 your choice
- 5. Elective #2 your choice
- \* <u>Math</u> Current Math Teacher will select your math for next year, it may or may not be required, but it is highly suggested to continue <u>especially if you are planning on attending college</u>

### P.H.S. ZERO Period

Zero Period begins at 7:15 AM and there is no school transportation available

you need to find your own way to the school

Email your school counselor if you want to add ZERO period class to your schedule!

The following classes are offered during ZERO period at P.H.S.

Jazz Band - Must also be enrolled in Concert Band or teacher permission Treble Triad - Audition with Choir teacher Blue Orchestra - Audition required

You can find descriptions of these classes in the PHS Course Guide on the Website <a href="https://phs.pullmanschools.org">https://phs.pullmanschools.org</a>
Pullman High School Counseling Center Next Year Course Requests

### Courses to Consider:

**Math -** If you are going to a 4 year college or university, a senior year math course or quantitative science course is <u>required</u> - Please talk to your counselor if you have any questions about this.

**Science** - 3 credits are required, but many colleges want to see Science taken during your Senior year.

Chemistry, AP Chemistry, Plant Science, Natural Resources, Animal Science, Veterinary Science, Physics, Human Biology

There are Pre Requisite requirements for many Science courses - please see the course description book to see if you meet all prerequisites before registering.

**World Language** - Do you need a 2nd or 3rd credit? - This is not a graduation requirement, but it is a requirement for admissions into a 4 year college or university.

**P.E.** - 1 ½ credits of PE is required to graduate.

#### Courses to Consider:

#### Have you taken a:

- CTE Course (1 credit is required)
  - In addition to Senior Year Career Choices
- Fine Arts (2 credits OR 1 credit + 1 credit of Personal Pathway)
- World Language or Personal Pathway
  - If you do not take 2 years of World Language as described on previous slide, then you will need to take 2 Personal Pathway Credits

# What is a Personal Pathway Credit?

A credit from a course that aligns with your plans for after high school. This can be anything from CTE to Math to Science and other courses. It needs to tie into your High School and Beyond Plan.

If you have questions about a Personal Pathway credit, please contact your counselor.

### Course Descriptions

We have NEW and updated Classes!!

Including College in the High School in many core subject classes.

Make sure to check out the class lists provided AND the Course Guide for a complete description of all the courses offered!

The Course Guide is found on the Website:

Counseling Center >> Next Year Course Guide
Or
Counseling Center >> Next Year Course Request >> Course Guide

### **Graduation Pathways**

It is required to complete a Graduation Pathway for Math and English Language Arts.

The next slide lists the Graduation Pathways that are available for students to meet.

# Graduation Pathways

\*As you can see there are many ways to meet your Graduation Pathway Requirement- connect with your counselor if you have any questions

#### GRADUATION PATHWAY OPTIONS

Must meet ONE option below in English AND Math 1-4
Options 5-6 meet both English and Math

	ENGLISH	МАТН	
1	ELA SBA Score (2548)	Math SBA Score (2595)	
2	College Admission Exam ELA SAT with essay (410) / ACT (14)	College Admission Exam Math SAT (430) / ACT (16)	
3	Advanced Placement Course Or Exam (C+ or higher or 3 or higher on test)	Advanced Placement Course Or Exam (C+ or higher or 3 or higher on test)	
4	Dual Credit—Running Start Class (earn college credit in English 100 level or higher)	Dual Credit—Running Start Class (earn college credit in Math 100 level or higher)	
5	Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery Test (ASVAB) (exam meets English and Math) ASVAB (AFQT) score of 31		
6	Career & Technical Education (CTE) Course Sequence (earn 2.0 credits in the same CTE Program Area See your counselor for which classes qualify)		

### Graduation Pathways

As you can see, there are several Graduation Pathways. If you are unsure of what Pathway you have met or hope to meet, please talk to your counselor.

### **Dual Credit**

PHS is expanding the *College in the High School* courses...

- High School courses taken for college credit right here at PHS
- Math, English, Science, Social Studies, and French are all working on College in the High School courses - take college credits, right here at Pullman High School!
- Junior and Senior classes are currently being considered.
- Stay at high school and earn college credits!

### **Dual Credit**

#### **Running Start**

- Junior and Senior students may be eligible to take Running Start courses at WSU or SFCC.
- College level courses taken for high school and college credit.
- Running Start Courses are tuition free lab fees, student fees, books, placement testing fees may not be included and will be the <u>student's</u> financial responsibility.
- More information and requirements, and application process can be found at:
  - PHS Counseling Center Website >> Running Start

### **Dual Credit**

How to Request Dual Credit in your Course Requests?

#### College in the High School

- Request your classes as usual.
- A full list of classes offered for 2024-25 will be available prior to school starting.
- Teachers will have sign ups in each of the classrooms next fall.

#### **Running Start**

- Create a full schedule in Skyward as if you were not doing Running Start.
- Email your counselor to let them know your plan.
- Schedule a meeting with your counselor to discuss possibilities.

# After High School - College

Check the PHS Counselor Website for College and Scholarship Information.

#### **SUMMER:**

- Research colleges/universities
  - Location
  - Program of Study
  - Cost
- Research Scholarships

#### **FALL:**

- > Apply
  - College Websites
- Ask Teachers and Counselors for Letters of Recommendation
- Fill out the FAFSA (more information to come in the fall)
- Research/Apply for Scholarships

# After High School - Employment

- Start researching jobs you are interested in
  - o Training Required?
- Build a Resume
  - Have an adult review it

# After High School - Military

- Start researching which branch of Military you would be interested in.
  - Link is on our website:
    - Counseling Center>College/Career>Military Services
- Contact a Recruiter
  - Link is on our website:
    - Counseling Center>College/Career>Military Services

# College Entrance Testing

- Due to COVID-19, Colleges and Universities around the nation have altered their entrance exam requirements. Make sure to check the requirements for each college.
- Many 4 year Colleges and Universities require an entrance test -SAT or ACT. You do not need to take both.
- The spring of Junior year is an ideal time to take the test knowledge gained from Junior year courses and still time to retake (if you want) before college applications are due.

#### Senior Year

- Senior year is important! Make it a good year!
- Stay connected with your classes, teachers, friends, and counselor!
- Attendance in school is IMPORTANT!
- If you are applying to colleges or scholarships and need letters of recommendation, ask for letters early! Give the recommender a copy of your resume and plenty of time - to write you a good and personable letter.
- Just because you have been accepted to a college, doesn't mean you can let your classes or grades slip! Keep up the good work, colleges will get your final transcript in June!
- Mrs. Komp will send out a Google Classroom for the Senior Class -JOIN IT - this will be your last year of high school - have fun!

## Next Steps:

- Go to the PHS Website
  - **□** Counseling Center >> Next Year Course Requests
- Watch the Course Request Video
- □ Refer to Next Year Course Request Handouts and other helpful tools
- Log into Skyward to Complete your Course Requests for 2024-2025 School Year
  - ☐ Choose 5 Classes AND 2 Alternate Classes
  - ☐ Let your counselor know if you do not want to take a Math Class.
  - Let your counselor know if you want a ZERO period music class.
  - ☐ Seniors are REQUIRED to have a full schedule (6 classes) no open periods are allowed.

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