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To Grade 8 Parents and Guardians:

Each academic teacher has made online course recommendations for the 2022-2023 school year. **Please log onto your Parent PowerSchool account to view and accept these recommendations between February 16, 2022 through February 21, 2022.** Instructions are included on the top of the next page. If you have questions or concerns about recommendations, please contact the individual teacher directly via their school email address listed below. Detailed information about different levels is found on pages 8 and 9 of the SHS Program of Studies Course Booklet available online. A link to this site can be found on the SHS and JAD home page. In addition to the required courses, students may select up to two credits from the electives on the Grade 9 Course Selection Worksheet.

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Please note that levels of support and recommendations will be determined for each student at their PPT or 504 meeting. Recommendations will be available during the online selection process, but level of supports will be determined at the annual review.

General Questions

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SOUTHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL 2022-2023

Grade 9 Course Selection Worksheet

Parents and students are asked to complete course selection online on PowerSchool from **February 16 through February 21**. Use this worksheet to help you determine the courses that you will select.

The **REQUIRED SUBJECTS** need a teacher recommendation. When you enter the *Class Registration* screen on PowerSchool, you will see courses that teachers have recommended. You must request these courses now. If you do not have computer access, teacher recommended courses will be requested for your child and your child will meet with his/her counselor to enter electives.

If you have questions about level recommendations, please discuss them with the specific **grade 8 subject area teacher(s)**. You must speak with the level recommender teacher before requesting an override. There is a form available on the SHS Ninth Grade Academy website under Course Selection if you still wish to override a teacher recommendation. This form must be completed, signed, and submitted to your child's School Counseling Office.

The Program of Studies (which explains all the course offerings at SHS) is available on the SHS website.

Complete the online selection process by clicking on the *Class Registration* icon at the side of the parent portal page. More detailed information about this process is available on the SHS page of the SPS website (www.southingtonschools.org).

To make course selections:

- (1) click on the *Class Registration* icon at the side of the parent portal page of PowerSchool.
- (2) click on the pencil next to each subject area, including the courses that have been recommended
- (3) click in the box at the front of the course(s) that you want to take
- (4) click *okay* at the bottom of this pop-up screen

NOTE: There may be more than one page of available courses for each subject area. This is indicated by page numbers at the bottom of the course list. You should see everything on this sheet on PowerSchool.

After you have made all of your course selections, **click Submit at the bottom of this screen.**

NOTE: STUDENTS WITH AN IEP: Requests for Special Education courses will be discussed at your child's planning meeting and submitted by the students counselor at a later date. Students should choose the course "TBD at PPT" in the core academic areas.

Students should select a minimum of 6.5 credits.

REQUIRED COURSES

LANGUAGE ARTS

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
ENG1110	ACA	English I	1
ENG1120	COM	English I COM	1
ENG1130	ACC	English I ACC	1
ENG5111	ACA	* English for Language Learners	1

MATHEMATICS

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
MAT1100	ACA	Foundations of Algebra	1
MAT1110	ACA	Algebra I	1
MAT1120	COM	Algebra I COM	1
MAT1130	ACC	Algebra I ACC	1
MAT2120	COM	Geometry COM	1
MAT2130	ACC	Geometry ACC	1

HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
HEA1110	ACA	Health I F	0.13
HEA1111	ACA	Health I S	0.13
PHE1110	ACA	Physical Education I F	0.13
PHE1111	ACA	Physical Education I S	0.13

EARTH SCIENCE

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
SCI1120	ACA	Earth Science	1
SCI1130	ACC	Earth Science ACC	1

SOCIAL STUDIES

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
SST1220	ACA	Modern US History	1
SST1230	ACC	Modern US History ACC	1

READING and MATH SUPPORT

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
ENG1010	ACA	+* Literacy Connections I F	0.5
ENG1011	ACA	+* Literacy Connections II S	0.5
MAT1010	ACA	* Supplemental Algebra I F	0.5
MAT101	ACA	* Supplemental Algebra I S	0.5

+ Placement is dependent upon SRBI -team recommendations.

* Credits earned in this course will not count towards the four (4) required English credits and the three (3) required Math credits necessary for graduation.

All students are required to take the following courses: English, Mathematics, Earth Science, Modern US History, Health & Physical Education. Use the sample schedule on the back to plan a total of 6.5 credits, selecting electives. (Concert Marching Band students take between 6.0 and 7.0 credits)

(SEE BACK OF PAGE FOR ELECTIVE CHOICES)

ELECTIVES

SELECT UP TO TWO CREDITS IN THESE ELECTIVE AREAS

AGRICULTURE SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
AGS113	ACA	Agriculture Science I*	1.5
* Student must apply and be accepted to the program			

ART

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
ART1120	ACC	Art I	1
ART1010	ACA	Theater Arts	0.5

BUSINESS & FINANCE TECHNOLOGY

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
BUS1110	ACA	Careers and Leadership	0.5
BUS1220	ACC	Intro to Business	0.5
BUS1320	ACC	Marketing I	0.5
BUS1410	ACC	Marketing II	0.5
BUS1810	ACA	Computer Essentials	0.5
BUS1820	ACC	Business Computer Essentials	0.5

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
FCS1220	ACA	Baking Essentials	0.5
FCS1110	ACA	Careers in Health Services	0.5
FCS1410	ACA	Interior Design	0.5

MATHEMATICS

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
MAT2220	COM	VB Programming I*	0.5
MAT2221	COM	VB Programming II*	0.5
Must be taken w/ Algebra I or after successful completion of Alg.			

MUSIC

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
MUS2310	ACA	Chorus	1
MUS1010	ACA	Concert Band 9	1
MUS1120	ACC	Concert Marching Band 9	1.5
MUS2410	ACA	Intro to Piano, Ukulele & Guitar	0.5
MUS1410	ACA	Music Appreciation	0.5
MUS1520	ACC	Music Theory	1
MUS1220	ACC	Orchestra	1
ART1010	ACA	Theater Arts	0.5

SCIENCE

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
SCI2130	ACC	Biology	1
SCI3420	ACC	General Chemistry	1
Biology or Chemistry may be taken as an elective in addition to Earth Science with math and science teacher recommendations			

TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING EDUCATION

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
TEC1930	CLC	Engineering Design /PLTW *	1
TEC1310	ACA	Engineering Graphics	0.5
TEC1210	ACA	Intro to Communications	0.5
TEC1420	ACA	Intro to Construction	0.5
TEC1120	ACA	Intro to Engineering	0.5
TEC1520	ACA	Intro to Manufacturing	0.5
TEC1110	ACA	Intro to Technology	0.5
TEC1720	ACA	Intro to Transportation Systems	0.5
* Student must apply and be accepted to the program			

WORLD LANGUAGES

CRS#	LEVEL	COURSE NAME	CREDIT
WLA1120	ACA	French 1 Novice Mid	1
WLA1130	ACC	French 1 Novice High ACC	1
WLA2120	ACA	French 2 Novice High	1
WLA2130	ACC	French 2 Intermediate Low ACC	1
WLA1620	ACA	Introduction to Ancient Language	1
WLA1320	ACA	Italian 1 Novice Mid	1
WLA1330	ACC	Italian 1 Novice High ACC	1
WLA1420	ACA	Latin 1 Novice Mid	1
WLA1430	ACC	Latin 1 Novice High- ACC	1
WLA6120	ACA	Mandarin 1 Novice Mid	1
WLA6130	ACC	Mandarin 1 Novice High ACC	1
WLA1520	ACA	Spanish 1 Novice Mid	1
WLA1530	ACC	Spanish 1 Novice High ACC	1
WLA2520	ACA	Spanish 2 Novice High	1
WLA2530	ACC	Spanish 2 Intermediate Low ACC	1

Consistent with our Vision of the Graduate, all levels at SHS provide the skills and abilities to prepare students for colleges, universities, and other post-secondary career opportunities. Content mastery, critical thinking, communication, creativity, collaboration, and citizenship are fundamental practices incorporated into all instructional levels.

Academic Level (ACA)

Academic Level courses offer standards-based curriculum designed to support and challenge students in relevant and engaging coursework. Students work collaboratively and develop critical thinking skills to problem solve, communicate, innovate and produce complex work to demonstrate mastery.

Comprehensive Level (COM)

English and Math ONLY (only in 2022-23 school year)

Comprehensive Level courses provide challenging instruction that blends guided practice with collaborative learning experiences to strengthen student independence as they master state and national standards to prepare for college and/or career readiness.

Accelerated Level (ACC)

Accelerated level courses are similar in design to academic level courses, but the student exhibits a higher level of independence and demonstrates above grade level analytical, reading and writing skills

College Level Course (CLC)

College Level courses balance individual inquiry and collaborative analysis with sophisticated depth of understanding, which help students to discuss and exchange ideas effectively. Coursework is geared toward the mastery of state and national standards extending beyond the typical high school curricula including Advanced Placement®, UConn Early College Experience, and Community College courses. These courses align fully with college level learning and instructors follow a strict set curriculum that is identified by the affiliated college and/or program.

