



Hillsboro  
Registration  
Information  
Session

February 2017

# Tonight, we will feature information about...

- Registration Process, Academic Advising and Advance Academics
- Transcripts and GPAs
- Academies and Pathways
- Graduation Requirements and Course Progression

# 2017 Registration Process

- **Feb 9-10:** Students select arts/electives courses
- **February 7- Mar 3:** Students apply or audition for special electives
- **Feb 21-28:** Counselors in pathway classrooms to complete registration forms
- **Feb 21-Mar 3:** Students get parent signature on final registration form and return it to academy office

# Sample Registration Forms



## Hillsboro High School 2017-2018 Course Registration, 10-12 grades



Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in 2017-18: 10 11 12

Student email: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Academy (Circle One): AGHS USCCUAIBC Pathway: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Programs: (Circle all that apply) IEP 504 ELL IBCP IBDP ISR AVID

Counselor Use Only: Credits earned to date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student on track to graduate: (Circle one) Yes No  
Credit Recovery Needed: \_\_\_\_\_

### 4-year plan/Course selection:

9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>
English I:	English II:	English III:	English IV:
Math:	Math:	Math:	Math:
Science:	Science:	Science:	Economics/Government
Freshman Seminar	World History & Geog.	US History & Geog.	Pathway 3:
Lifetime Wellness	PE/Personal Finance	Pathway 2:	Fine Arts/ Elective:
World Lang 1:	World Lang 2:	Fine Arts/ Elective:	Fine Arts/ Elective:
Fine Art:	Pathway 1:	Fine Arts/ Elective:	Fine Arts/ Elective:
Fine Arts/ Elective:	Fine Arts/ Elective:	Fine Arts/ Elective:	Fine Arts/ Elective:
Advisory: Academic Intervent.	Advisory: Sophomore Seminar	Advisory: ACT Prep	Advisory: Senior Capstone

Alternate Electives: \_\_\_\_\_

### By signing, we understand and accept the following statements:

- Selections are final, and schedules will not be changed, unless a mistake has been made.
- Courses are sometimes dropped or full, and an alternate course may be used.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Parent signature is required, or the student may not get first choice of classes.

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## Hillsboro High School

Academy of the IB Diploma Programme  
2017-2018 Course Registration  
Grades 10 - 12

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade in 2017-2018: 10 11 12

### FOUR-YEAR PLAN AND COURSE SELECTION

Visit [www.hillsboroibdp.wordpress.com](http://www.hillsboroibdp.wordpress.com) for detailed information about IB courses and requirements at Hillsboro High School.

9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>
World Hist. H	AP Human Geography	IB Theory of Knowledge I	IB Theory of Knowledge II
English I H	AP English Language & Composition	IB English III SL HL	IB English IV SL HL
Spanish I Spanish II H Spanish III H	Spanish II H Spanish III H AP Spanish Language & Culture	Spanish III H - will take IB Span SL in 12 <sup>th</sup> gr AP Spanish - will take IB Span SL in 12 <sup>th</sup> gr IB Spanish IV SL HL IB Spanish IV SL - 1 year course	IB Spanish V SL HL
French I French II H	French III H	IB French IV SL HL IB Language B French Ab Initio I SL	IB French V SL HL IB Language B French Ab Initio II SL
Freshmen Seminar	Personal Finance / Elective / PE	IB History of the Americas I SL HL	IB History of the Americas II SL HL
Biology I H	Chemistry I H Physics I H Anatomy & Phys. - must take Chem/Physics	IB Biology II SL HL IB Physics I SL IB Sports, Exercise & Hlth Science I SL	IB Biology III SL HL IB Physics II SL IB Sports, Exercise & Hlth Science II SL
Integrated Math I H Integrated Math II H Integrated Math III H	Int. Math II H - must also take Int. Math III H Int. Math III H Pre-calculus w/Trig H	IB Math Studies I SL IB Mathematics I SL IB Mathematics I HL - approval needed	IB Math Studies II SL IB Mathematics II SL IB Mathematics II HL - approval needed
Fine Art	Electives (2 classes) Your remaining Fine Arts & Electives were selected in order of preference on a separate form with your fine art or elective teacher. 1. _____ 2. _____	IB Theatre Arts I SL HL IB Visual Arts I SL HL IB World Art & Culture SL - 1 year course IB Business & Management I SL HL IB Psychology I SL HL	IB Theatre Arts II SL HL IB Visual Arts II SL HL IB Music II SL HL IB Business & Management II SL HL IB Psychology II SL HL
Lifetime Wellness	3. _____ 4. _____ ISR II and Research I	8 <sup>th</sup> Class Choice (list in order of preference) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____	8 <sup>th</sup> Class Choice (list in order of preference) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
Advisory	Advisory: Sophomore Seminar	Advisory: ACT Prep   IB Span (1 yr) IB Math HL   IB World Arts & Culture	Advisory: Senior Capstone   IB Math HL

By signing below, I understand and agree to the following:

- All IBDP courses are two-year courses that must be taken in both 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade (except 1-year IB Spanish IV SL)
- All students in IBDP courses are expected to pay the IB Exam Fee (in either 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade).
- All students in IBDP courses must take IB exams in May of their senior year (except 1-year IB Spanish IV SL)
- **\*\*All course selections are final. Changes will not be made for any reason.\*\***

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Academic Advisement

- Counselors assist students in choosing the appropriate classes each year by looking at any combination of the following:
  - Past performance/grades
  - Previously-taken courses
  - Future plans (i.e., college major, prep for advanced academics, etc.)
  - Student/Parent preference
  - Teacher recommendations

# Honors/AP/IB/Dual Enrollment

- **Honors** and **Standard** share the same curriculum, but Honors moves at a slightly faster pace and usually requires more reading/writing or extended homework assignments
- **AP/IB** are college-level courses that require several hours of homework per week, more reading and writing assignments
- **Dual Enrollment** courses are community-college equivalent courses that students can take at the High School level. Students must have a 3.0 GPA and pass a subject test (Compass)

# Honors/AP/IB/Dual Enrollment

Several factors weigh into whether or not a student should take challenging academic courses:

- Student interest in subject
- Level of challenge STUDENT is willing to accept
- Academic strengths and weaknesses
- Program Participation (AVID, IBDP, IBCP)
- Pre-requisites or eligibility for the course
- Conflict with employment, sports teams, family obligations

Ultimately, the decision to take advanced academics is a student and parent decision.

Success depends upon the student!



Questions?



# Transcripts 101

- A transcript is a record of all the courses a student has taken in high school, and sometimes includes middle school credits for high school-level courses.
- Information on a transcript includes:
  - Grades earned after each semester (not 9 weeks!), pass or fail
  - Any courses taken in credit recovery
  - Credits earned for each course
  - Total credits earned toward graduation
  - Weighted and Unweighted GPA (Weighted may be higher if student earned credits in Honors, AP or IB courses)
  - Student's demographic information
  - District grading scale
  - Graduation Date

# What are transcripts used for?

- Transcripts are useful for:
  - Keeping track of your credits needed toward graduation
  - Keeping up with your GPA
  - Applying to college
  - Applying for scholarships
  - Submitting to recruiters and to the NCAA

# What is a 'GPA'?

- GPA stands for 'Grade Point Average'
- Every letter grade (A, B, C, D) is awarded a Grade Point, as follows:  
$$A = 4, B = 3, C = 2, D = 1, F = 0$$
- The average of those grade points is taken, giving you your GPA!
- Weighted GPA:
  - For Honors courses, you get an extra 0.5 grade point. For example a B in an Honors Course would give you 3.5 grade points (instead of 3.0 in a regular course)
  - For AP, IB, and Dual Enrollment courses, you get an extra 1.0 grade point. For example, a B in a IB class would give you 4.0 grade points (instead of 3.0 in a regular course)

# MNPS Grading Scale

Grade Scale:		GPA Calculation:		
Letter Grade	Numeric Value	Un-weighted Regular	Weighted - Honors	Weighted - AP, IB, Dual Enrollment
A	93-100	4.0	4.5	5.0
B	85-92	3.0	3.5	4.0
C	75-84	2.0	2.5	3.0
D	70-74	1.0	1.5	2.0
F	0-69	0	0	0

# Sample Transcript

This box shows the Cumulative Weighted and Unweighted GPA

Student Information		2015-2016		
Student Number:	Grade: 11	Course	Mark	Weight Credit
Birthdate:	Gender: F	#0335 Hillsboro High School		
Diploma Type: Regular Diploma		Grade 10		
Diploma Date:		3103 Algebra II FC	88	0.5000 0.5
<b>GPA Summary</b>		3103 Algebra II SC	91	0.5000 0.5
Cumulative GPA (Weighted)	3.06250	3221 Chemistry I H F	82	0.5000 0.5
Cumulative GPA (Unweighted)	2.84375	3221 Chemistry I H S	80	0.5000 0.5
<b>2012-2013</b>		3002 English II H F	90	0.5000 0.5
Course	Mark	Weight	Credit	
#0690 West End Middle School				
Grade 7				
Credit: .000 GPA: 0.0000 U/W GPA: 0.0000				
<b>2014-2015</b>		3002 English II H S	84	0.5000 0.5
Course	Mark	Weight	Credit	
#0335 Hillsboro High School				
Grade 9				
3102 Algebra I H F9A	76	0.5000	0.5	
3102 Algebra I H S9A	83	0.5000	0.5	
3210 Biology I F9A	88	0.5000	0.5	
3210 Biology I S9A	81	0.5000	0.5	
3001 English I F9A	78	0.5000	0.5	
3001 English I S9A	82	0.5000	0.5	
9350 Freshman Seminar F9B	93	0.5000	0.5	
9350 Freshman Seminar S9B	92	0.5000	0.5	
3450 Human Geography AP F	77	0.5000	0.5	
3450 Human Geography AP S	80	0.5000	0.5	
3303 Lifetime Wellness F	97	0.5000	0.5	
3303 Lifetime Wellness S	98	0.5000	0.5	
0995 Mixed Chorus I F	92	0.5000	0.5	
0995 Mixed Chorus I S	88	0.5000	0.5	
3021 Spanish I F	86	0.5000	0.5	
3021 Spanish I S	89	0.5000	0.5	
Credit: 8.000 GPA: 2.93750 U/W GPA: 2.75000				
<b>Credit Summary</b>				
<b>High School</b>		<b>Attempted Earned</b>		
ELECTIVE FOCUS		2.000	2.000	
ENGLISH		2.000	2.000	
FINE ART		1.000	1.000	
FOREIGN LANGUAGE		2.000	2.000	
MATHEMATICS		3.000	3.000	
PHYSICAL EDUCATION		0.500	0.500	
SCIENCE		3.000	3.000	
SOCIAL STUDIES		1.500	1.500	
WELLNESS		1.000	1.000	
<b>Total</b>		<b>16.000</b>	<b>16.000</b>	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>16.000</b>	<b>16.000</b>	
<b>Comments</b>				
Message from District				
The unweighted GPA listed on this transcript is based on the State Board of Tennessee's Uniform Grading Policy				

All courses taken for HS credits are listed, sorted by school year/ school of enrollment

Credits earned per year and GPA is calculated each year/ school

Credits earned per subject area and total credits.

Make sure they're the RIGHT credits!



Questions?

# Academies of Hillsboro

- The Freshman Academy
- The Academy of Global Health and Science
- The US Community Credit Union Academy of International Business and Communications
- The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

# Freshman Academy

- All 1<sup>st</sup> year high school students
- Forms the foundation for future success in Hillsboro's pathways
- Eases transition from middle school to high school
- As part of IB, all freshmen are immersed in the Middle Years Programme



# Academy of Global Health and Science

- Introduces students to the medical field
- Helps prepare students for careers in nursing, physical therapy, sports exercise, rehabilitation services, forensics
- Hands-on academy where students get first-hand experience working directly in their career field
- Many opportunities for internships with local businesses, colleges, and universities
- Pathways: Therapeutic Service and ISR (Interdisciplinary Science and Research)

# US Community Credit Union Academy of International Business and Communications

- Students get hands-on experiences working through the student-run Credit Union and the Burro Brew store
- Opportunities to film, anchor and produce Burro TV television program
- Compete in DECA and have the option of earning college credit
- Pathways: Marketing Logistics, A/V Production, and Banking and Finance

# Academy of International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

- Advanced academics with a global perspective and earn college credit
- Integrates creativity, action, and service as part of the educational experience
- Globally-recognized curriculum
- Opportunity to earn an IB Diploma in addition to the regular high school diploma

# IB Career-Related Programme (IBCP)

- Student remains in the Academy of Global Health and Science or USCCU Academy of International Business and Communications
- Take required pathway courses
- Take 2-4 IB courses per year
- Take Personal and Professional Skills I and II (formerly known as Approaches to Learning I and II)
- Students have ability to take challenging coursework in their strong subject areas as well as get real-world training in their pathway



Questions?

# Graduation Requirements

- In order to graduate from Hillsboro High School, students must earn 28 credits in core courses, as required by MNPS and the State of TN
- Some students who were not at Hillsboro all 4 years may have fewer credits

# On-Track Status

In order to be considered on-track to graduate, students should have:

- 10<sup>th</sup>: 7 credits, including 1 credit in English and 1 credit in Math
- 11<sup>th</sup>: 14 credits, including 2 credits in English and 2 credits in Math
- 12<sup>th</sup>: 21 credits, including 3 credits in English and 3 credits in Math

# English-4 required credits

- English I
- English II or AP English
- English III, Dual Enrollment English III/IV or IBDP English
- English IV, or IBDP English



# Math – 4 required credits

- Algebra I or Integrated Math I
- Geometry or Integrated Math II
- Algebra II or Integrated Math III
- Higher Math (Advanced Algebra w/Trig, Pre-Calculus, Statistics, Applied Mathematical Concepts, Bridge Math\*)

In addition to 4 required math credits, **students are required to be in a math course every year of high school.** For student who earned high school math credits during middle school, the student will have 5+ credits in Math at the time of graduation.

**\*Student Athletes: Bridge Math does not count toward NCAA course requirements**

# Science – 3 required credits

- Biology
- Chemistry or Physics
- 3<sup>rd</sup> science of choice (Physical Science, Environmental Science, Physics, Anatomy/Physiology, IB Sports Exercise, IB Biology, IB Physics, AP Chemistry)

# Social Studies – 3.5 required credits

- World History/Geography or AP Human Geography - 1.0 credit
- US History or IB History of the Americas I - 1.0 credit
- Economics (0.5) and Government (0.5) or IB History of the Americas II - 1.0 credit
- Personal Finance - 0.5 credit

# Physical Education and Wellness – 1.5 required credits

- Beginning with the class of 2019, only ½ credit in PE is required. For earlier classes, a full credit is required. Could include:
  - PE I/II
  - Weight Training I/II or III/VI
  - Outdoor Ed/Lifetime Activities
  - School-sponsored athletics\*
  - Marching Band
  - CAS (Creativity, Action, Service) for IBDP Students only
- 1 credit of Lifetime Wellness (no substitution)

**\* In order to count school-sponsored athletics as PE credit, the student must:**

- Participate in an equivalent of one semester
- Have coach fill out PE Substitution form and give to student's counselor

# World Languages – 2 required credits

Students must complete two 2 credits of the SAME world language:

- World Language I (for example: Spanish I or French I)
- World Language II (for example: Spanish II or French II)
  
- Chinese will no longer be offered after 2016-2017

# Fine Arts – 1 required credit

Students must complete 1 credit of fine arts through music, theater or visual arts.

Course offerings include:

Band  
Orchestra  
Music Theory  
IB Music  
Chorus  
Pop/Chamber Ens.  
Visual Arts I  
Painting

Sculpture  
IB Visual Art  
Theater Arts  
Intro Tech Theater  
Musical Theater  
Theater Production

# Pathway Credits

- 3 credits required in focused Pathway
- HHS Pathways include:
  - Banking/Finance
  - Audio Visual Production
  - Health Science Education
  - IB Diploma Programme
  - Interdisciplinary Science and Research
  - Marketing and Logistics

# Electives

What is an elective?

- Electives are any courses beyond the other required courses that students choose to take
- Electives count toward your 28 credits and are included in your overall GPA
- Some examples of electives: a 4<sup>th</sup> science credit, a 2<sup>nd</sup> PE credit, additional arts, Freshman Seminar, etc.



# “Special Electives”

The following courses require audition or application. Student should see teacher listed to apply/audition by March 3.

- AVID- Mrs. Seator
- AVID Tutor- Mrs. Seator
- Yearbook- Mrs. Richardson
- Pops Choir/Pops Band- Ms. Ganske
- Chamber Choir- Ms. Ganske
- Wind Ensemble- Mr. Beamon
- Theater Production- Mr. Butler
- Musical Theater Ensemble- Mr. Butler
- Retail Ops- Mr. Kriebel
- Banking Finance- Mr. Porter
- Internal Internship (Office Worker/Teacher Assistant)- Dr. Reese
- Library Aide- Mrs. Claassen

# Credit Recovery

- If a student fails a graduation requirement, they have a few options to recover the credit:
  - Retake the course in the regular classroom (depends on seat availability, room in schedule)
  - Take via A+ Credit Recovery: online program, student does coursework, takes a final test
  - Edgenuity, an online credit program for NCAA-prospective athletes (NCAA does not approve A+ Credit Recovery)
  - Summer School A+/Edgenuity Lab in the month of June
- See counselor for more information

○ English	4
○ Math	4
○ Science	3
○ Social Studies	3.5
○ PE	0.5*
○ Wellness	1
○ World Lang.	2
○ Fine Arts	1
○ Pathways	3
○ <u>Electives</u>	<u>6</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>

Earn 28  
and  
you're  
**GREAT!**

\*make sure they're the  
RIGHT 28 credits!

\*Beginning with the class of 2019, only ½ credit in PE is required.



Questions?

# Website

- Link to request help with Infinite Campus Parent Portal
- College Planning Resources
- Mental Health Resources
- ACT/SAT Information
- Financial Aid and Scholarships
- News and Events
- This and other parent presentations
  - And much, much more!

**[www.HHSCounseling.com](http://www.HHSCounseling.com)**

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