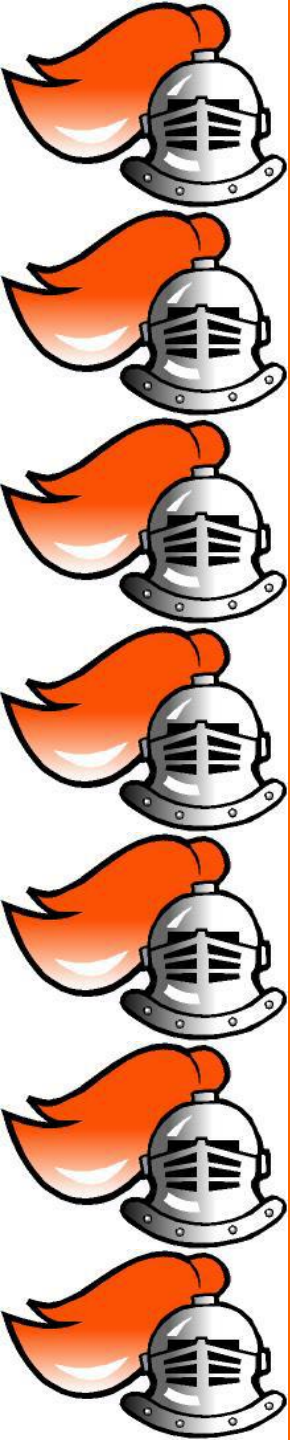




# Sophomore Course Selection

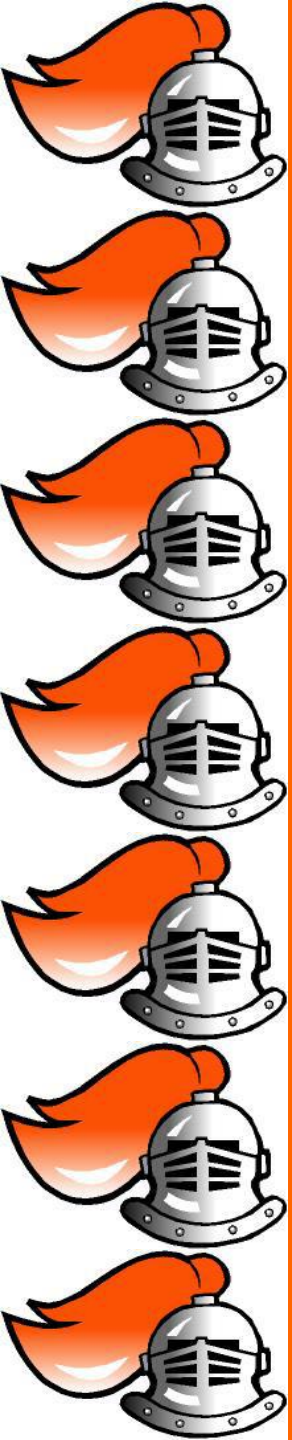
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# Graduation Requirements

English	4.0 credits
Social Science *Must pass US History (incl. Computer Literacy) and Civics or AP Gov't US (incl. Constitution test)	2.0 credits
Math (Algebra 1 & Geom. content)	3.0 credits
Science	2.0 credits
PE/Health	3.5 credits
Consumer Ed	0.5 credit
Electives	9 credits

**Total of 24  
credits!**



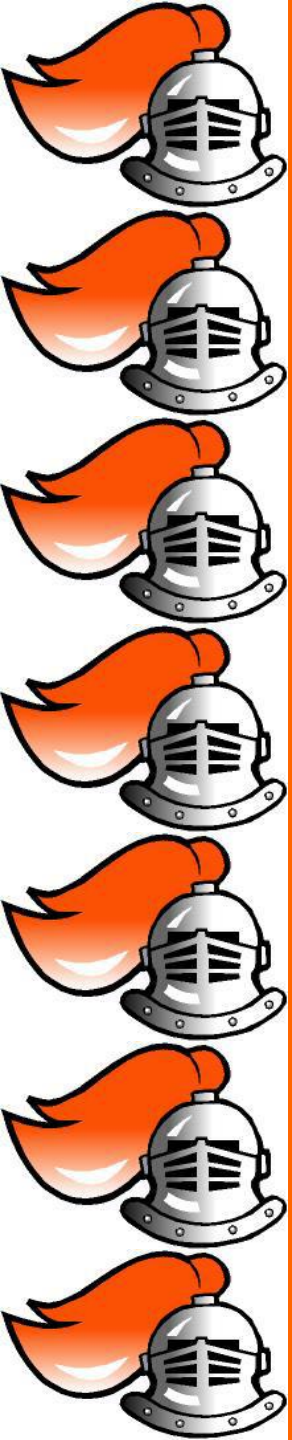
# CREDITS

To be a...	You must have...	It's recommended you have...
Sophomore	5 Credits	6 credits
Junior	11 Credits	12 credits
Senior	17 Credits	18 credits
HS graduate	24 Credits	REQUIRED TO HAVE 24 CREDITS!!!

# Available Options

- Zero Hour
- BL - Blended Classes
- [H] - Honors Classes
- Planning ahead:
  - [DC] - Dual Credit
  - [AP] - Advanced Placement
  - NCAA Eligible Classes
  - STEM Concentration
  - Seal of Biliteracy

\*Check the Course to Career Guide for additional information and course prerequisites.



# Available Zero Hour Courses 2024-25

Sports & Fitness

Personal Development

BL Physics

English 3

Culinary Arts 1

Culinary Arts 2

\*Course will have 0HR in Academic Planner when  
selecting the course

\*Must have your own transportation and leave after 7th  
period



# Blended Courses [BL]

- **Organization, communication skills, and self-advocacy are required for these courses.**
- Similar to college classes - a significant amount of work completed outside of classroom.
- Expose students to a flexible schedule to help them transition to college or the workplace
- In advance, teachers let students know the days they will report to the classroom (required attendance days) and the days students have the flexibility to work outside the classroom (flex days). Usually averages to about 3-4 days in class with 1-2 days of flex.
- Select [BL] option through Infinite Campus.
- You cannot leave the building on a flex day, unless your blended course backs up to study hall, or is scheduled 1st or 8th period. You also cannot request specific periods for classes!

**\*\*If your grade is below a C, you will be required to attend classes all days in order to get the assistance you need.\*\***







# BACC

## Bloomington Area Career Center

- 3 hours of your day
- 2 credits/year
- Variety of vocational courses
  - Listed in Course to Career Guide
- Applications required/Acceptance in March
  - [Click Here for Online Application](#) (opened Nov. 1)
- Bus transportation provided
  - Zero hour must provide own transportation
- Sophomore Options - Discuss w/ counselor!
  - Health Careers/Medical Terminology, Computer Tech & Networking, Cosmetology, Criminal Justice & Law Enforcement, Construction Trades, Barbering, Graphic Design & Video Production and Robotics Engineering
- Watch for prerequisites
  - Culinary, Metalworking, Construction, Computer Technology & Networking, Robotics

***Do not*** select BACC when requesting your classes in IC!

# STEM Concentration

Students who take 8 semesters of STEM classes will obtain a STEM Designation. Students can put the designation on resumes and college applications.

To Earn Designation:

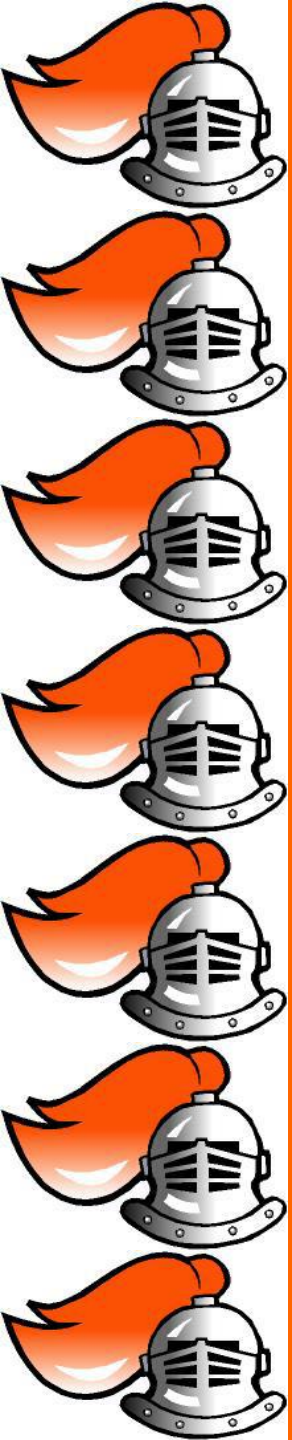
- Take 6 semesters with at least 2 semesters from each group (Group 1, 2, & 3)
- STEM Capstone must be taken senior year for a total of 8 semesters.
- For a list of the Groups and eligible classes, see the Course to Career Guide





# Typical Sophomore Schedule

- English II
- US History
- Math
- Science
- Physical Education
- Elective
- Study Hall or another elective





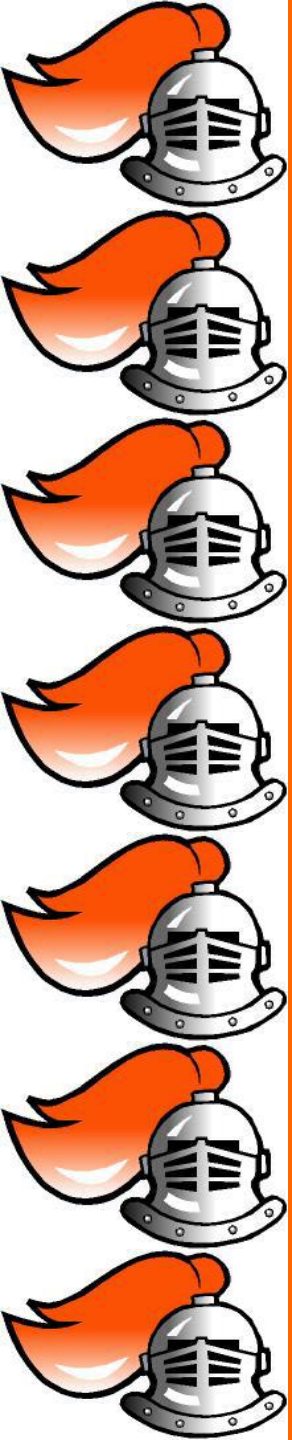
# Auto Acceleration

Information was sent home in November regarding this new system.

- ❑ If you have qualifying test scores from last school year (8th grade ISA, IAR), you will be automatically placed in an honors or AP level course (core subjects only). Your parent was to accept or decline this placement in an Infinite Campus survey in November.
- ❑ We can make adjustments until the March 22nd deadline, if both the student and parent agree.

# English

Current Course	Grade in the course	Next Year's Course
English I	Any grade	English II
English I	B or higher and teacher recommendation	Honors English II
Honors English I	C or higher	Honors English II
Honors English I	D or F	English II





# Math Sequence

Current Course	Grade in the course	Next Year's Course
Pre-Algebra	See Course to Career guide for math department prerequisites	Algebra 1
Algebra 1		Geometry Honors Geometry
Geometry Honors Geometry		Algebra 2 (slowed down) Algebra 2 w/ Trig (standard) Honors Algebra 2
Algebra 2 Algebra 2 w/ Trig Honors Algebra 2		Pre-Calculus Honors Pre-Calculus AP Comp Sci Principles AP Comp Sci A (Java)
Honors Pre-Calculus		AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC AP Statistics

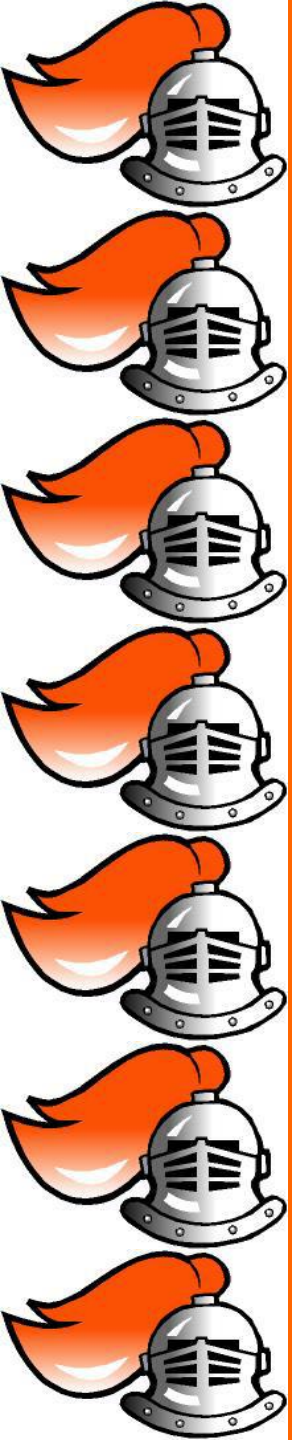
\*Talk to your math teacher

# Science

Current Course	Grade in the course	Next Year's Course
No Science course		Biology
Biology Honors Biology	Any grade plus Completion of Algebra I	Chemistry
Biology Honors Biology	B or higher in Algebra I	Honors Chemistry
Biology Honors Biology	Any grade	BSAA PSAA

# Social Studies

- US History (1 year)





# PE - Swim

“Unit 5 expects all student to participate in a Physical Education course that includes swimming content. Therefore, students who decide to take Driver’s Education through a private company will be expected to register for WALA or Advanced Aquatics as a sophomore.”



# PE

- Health (if not taken freshman year)
- Driver's Ed/Swim
- Lifestyle Management
- Sports & Fitness
- Lifetime Fitness
- Personal Development
- Dance Fitness
- Water & Land Activities - YOU WILL SWIM
- Advanced Aquatics - DAILY SWIMMING
- Swim Guard
- Unified PE (C or better in PE courses)



# Consumer Education

Pass one of the below options to fulfill the State of Illinois' Consumer Education requirement for high school graduation:

- Introduction to Business (9, 10) - 1 year

Future Years:

- Consumer Education (11, 12) - 1 semester
- BL Personal Investment & Finance (11, 12) - 1 semester
- Agribusiness Management (11, 12) - 1 year
- Work Program Class/Work Program (11,12) – 1 year



# Elective Options

- Agriculture
- Art
- Business
- Computer Science
- English
- Family and Consumer Science
- Foreign Language
- Music
- Technology
- BACC - Bloomington Area Career Center

# Next Steps...

- Use Infinite Campus to select your classes
  - Deadline - Friday, January 19, 2024
- Contact your counselor with questions
  - Email - [click here](#) for contact info
  - In-person appointment
- No schedule changes after Spring Break!





# Exceptions for Course Selection Changes

- Conflicts - your counselor will notify you
- Successful completion of summer school courses
- To meet graduation requirements
- Failure to meet course prerequisite
- Driver Education changes for students placed in wrong semester because of age or course failures
- Missing requirement for university admission
- Move to higher weighted course
- Change a course for 2nd semester within the first 9 weeks of semester 1
- Change Study Hall to course (1st 5 days of semester)
- Drop 7th course for study hall within first 4 weeks of a semester.



# Level Changes

- May request within first 4 weeks of semester, if you have a D or F
- When moving down a level, must show interventions have been implemented
- Completion of level change form



# How to Select Your Courses



**[Click here to view the Infinite Campus Academic Planner video](#)**

**[Click here](#) for text instructions on entering courses in your Academic Planner**

**[Click here](#) for Course to Career Guide (descriptions and course information)**

**[Course Selection Website - Resources](#)**