

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Every student must be enrolled in a minimum of five classes each trimester. Each trimester class equals one credit.
2. Currently there are no Study Halls. However, for senior students who are in good academic standing, a Senior Option is available. This option allows students during their senior year to have a study period during one regularly scheduled class period. Please schedule an appointment with your counselor for more information. Eligible students will receive a notice with more information about this earned privilege.
3. Advanced Placement classes are year long, three trimester classes with the exception of AP Microeconomics and AP Advanced Studio Art, which are two trimesters. Students are not allowed to drop the class after the second trimester. Advanced Placement classes fulfill that year's graduation requirement:

AP Biology replaces Biology A/B

AP English Language and Composition replaces English 11 A/B

AP English Literature and Composition replaces two senior English electives

AP Chemistry replaces Chemistry and Introduction to Chemistry

AP European History replaces World History/Geography A/B

AP US History replaces US History A/B

A WORD ABOUT THE FINAL SCHEDULE

As you prepare to register, please be aware of the following:

1. There must be sufficient enrollment to validate the expenses involved with any given class. Minimum enrollments are a key in determining placement of a class in the final schedule.
2. Please choose courses carefully, as the information you provide will be used in order to form classes, plan the master schedule, and hire/assign teachers for next year. Class requests are like “reservations” and the schedule is built upon these “reservations”. We will build a schedule that maximized the opportunities for the students get all of their “reservations;”, but if student requests a change after that schedule has been built we not not guarantee we will be able to honor those requests.
3. Everything will be done to minimize the possibility of classes conflicting, but based on the number of sections offered and teacher availability students may have to chose between classes that conflict in the schedule.
4. As we have in years past, in an effort to conserve resources and leverage the benefits of technology, all student schedules and report cards will be available online, through the Family Web Access feature of Infinite Campus. During the summer, and prior to each academic term, you will be notified via email and automated voice message that the coming academic term’s schedule is available for viewing. At the end of each academic term you will be notified via email and automated voice message when report cards are available for viewing. If you have questions or need assistance with Family Web Access, please contact the High School at 651-252-2501.

This year, with support from the School Board, FHS is reaching out to ask for parental involvement with registration. Whether your son or daughter is college or vocational bound, planning to enlist in the military, or wants to enter the workforce, please encourage them to **challenge themselves with at least one advanced course**.

On behalf of the faculty and staff, we are looking forward to another excellent year at Farmington High School.

Jason Berg, Principal

Lowell Miller, Assistant Principal

Dan Pickens, 9th and 10th Grade, Assistant Principal

Laura Pierce, 11th and 12th Grade, Assistant Principal

STUDENT SCHEDULE CORRECTION GUIDELINES

One week before each trimester begins, there will be a five day schedule correction period. All requests for corrections require parent approval, and forms are available in the 3rd floor office.

A great deal of time and effort is put forth to ensure that students are scheduled for the classes that they and their parents request during the registration process. Therefore, all corrections must be for educational reasons only. Classes are not changed once the trimester has begun. Any schedule corrections deemed necessary after the trimester has begun require counselor and administrative assistance.

Student schedule corrections are made for the following reasons:

- a) Inappropriate academic level
- b) Error on schedule
- c) Failed prerequisite
- d) Senior credit needed for graduation

Schedule corrections that are not approved include:

- a) Request for a specific teacher
- b) Request to move a class to have lunch or Senior Option during a certain period
- c) Request to move a class to accommodate sports, work or extracurricular activities

PASS/NO-CREDIT GRADING OPTION

Philosophy: Students may take one class each trimester (3 credits per year) on a “Pass/No-Credit” basis. This option is to encourage students to explore areas of interests or extend themselves in a class without the risk of a low grade.

Procedure: *Student must apply for the “Pass/No-Credit” option within the first 20 days of the trimester.* Written permission is required from parents or guardians. Application forms are available in the Counseling Office on the 3rd floor. “Pass/No-Credit” students must complete all work/activities and take all assessments associated with the class. **The final mark will be “Pass” if the student completes all work/assessments at or above 70%.** The final mark will be “No-Credit” if the student completes all the work/assessments, but does not achieve at least a 70% on all the work. The final mark will be “F” if the student does not complete all the work according to the instructor’s deadlines.

Student may convert the “Pass” mark to a letter grade by notifying the teacher on the last day of the class.

Students will receive a credit towards graduation for a “Pass” mark in the class. No credit towards graduation will be given for a “No-Credit” or F mark.

Classes taken “Pass/No-Credit” will not be factored into the student’s cumulative GPA.

If a student is taking a class on the “Pass/No-Credit” option and are removed from the class by FHS administration, the student will receive a grade of “F” for the class.

The University of Minnesota and St. Cloud State University classes offered at FHS are not eligible to be taken “Pass/No-Credit”.

The NCAA Clearing House will accept academic core classes taken “Pass/No-Credit”; however, they will assign the lowest passing grade for classes graded using this option.

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Graduation Requirements

In order to earn a diploma from Farmington High School, students must earn 55 credits in the areas listed below:

- English/Language Arts - four years (8 credits)
- Mathematics - three years (6 credits) including Intermediate Algebra, Geometry and Algebra II
- Science – three years (6 credits) including Physics 9, Biology, Chemistry and Earth Science
- Social Studies – four years (8 credits) including Civics, U.S. History, World History and Economics
- Health – one course (1 credit)
- Physical Education – two courses (2 credits)
- Fine Arts – two courses (2 credits)
- Electives – 22 credits

FHS Courses That Fulfill the Fine Arts Graduation Requirement

1. All Art Department Courses
 - Sculpture I, Sculpture II
 - Ceramics I, Ceramics II, Ceramics III
 - Drawing I, Drawing II
 - Graphic Design I, Graphic Design II
 - Painting I, Painting II
 - Photography I, Photography II, Photography III
 - AP Advanced Studio Art A and AP Advanced Studio Art B
 - Tiger Publications: Yearbook and Prowler Press
2. Housing and Interior Design
3. Fashion Design and Merchandising
4. Creative Textiles
5. All Music Department Courses (with the exception of Bach to Rock)
6. Video Production I, II, III
7. Humanities A & B (Both must be completed for 1 art credit.)

COURSE SELECTION GUIDELINES

Students are required to take 5 courses per trimester. College admission requirements often exceed Farmington High School minimum graduation requirements. While we strongly advise all FHS students to pursue a rigorous, college preparatory course of study, there are some considerations worth noting, depending upon a student's postsecondary aspirations.

Students considering **selective colleges** should take courses with a high level of "academic rigor." To build the strongest academic foundation in preparation for the selective college application process, it is highly recommended that students take the most advanced courses available in the core academic disciplines of English, Math, Social Studies, Science, and World Language. AP and concurrent enrollment courses are academically rigorous.

Students planning to attend a **four year state college or university** should take challenging courses including the minimum course requirements for admission listed.

Students planning to attend a **community and technical college** should consider electives in their areas of interest with a career and technical focus after completion of all FHS graduation requirements.

High School Course Requirements for College Admission

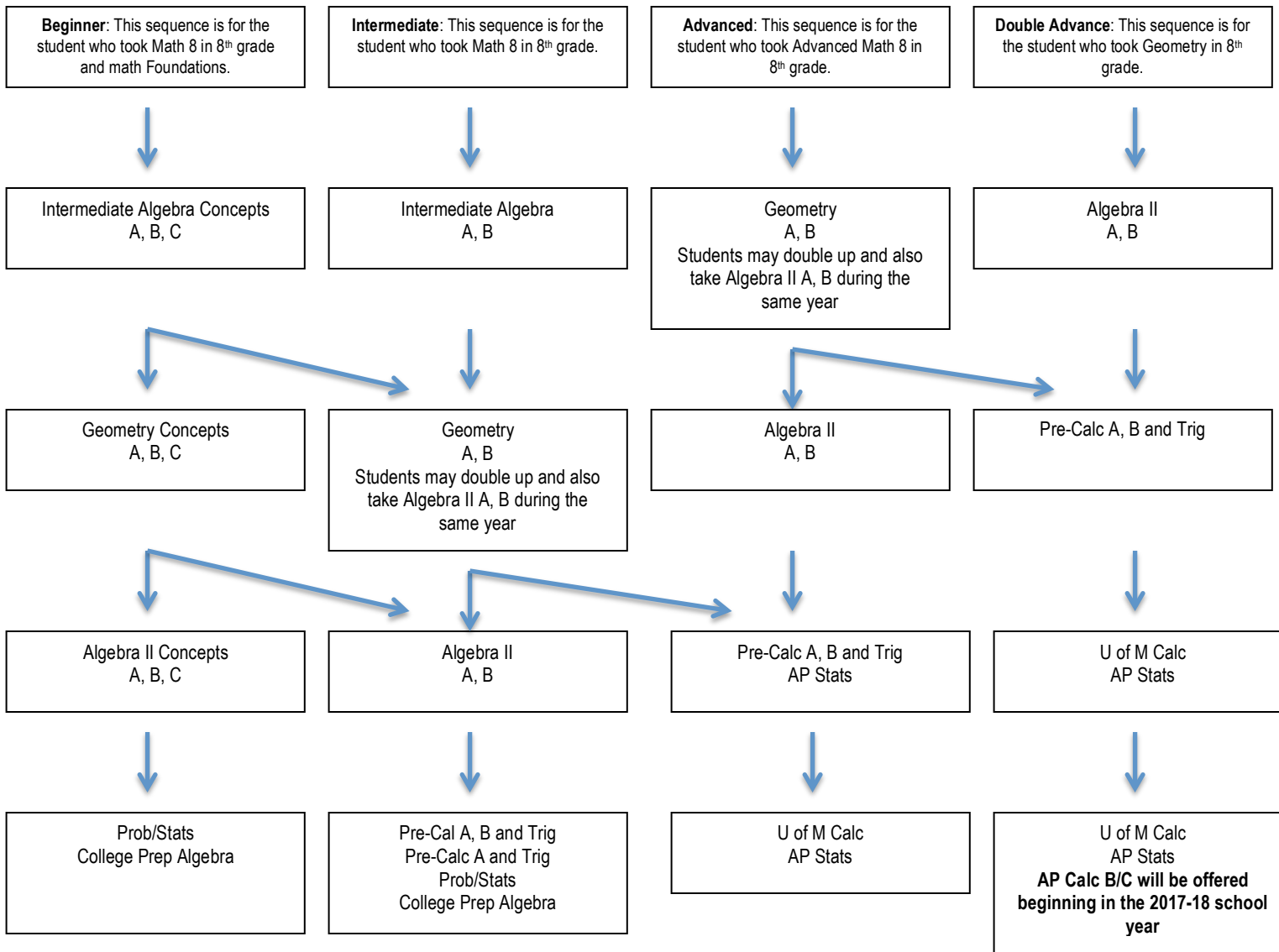
Department	Years Required	Course Options
English	4	English, Honors English, AP English Language/Composition, AP English Literature/Composition, Humanities, Shakespeare, World Literature, Public Speaking, Creative Writing
Mathematics	4	Algebra I & II, Advanced Algebra, Geometry, Pre-Calculus, Trigonometry, AP Statistics, Probability and Statistics, Calculus
Social Studies	4	Civics, Honors Civics, Economics, US History/Geography, AP US History, World History, AP European History
Science	4	Physics 9, Biology, AP Biology, Chemistry, AP Chemistry, Advanced Physics, Earth Science
World Languages	2-4	French German Spanish
Fine Arts	1	Art Music Media Production
College-prep Electives from Various Departments	1-2	Politics and Government, AP Advanced Studio Art, Psychology, AP Psychology, Probability and Statistics, AP Statistics, Sociology, Intro to Global Geography, Nano Technology
Electives with a Career and Technical Focus from Various Departments		Agriculture, Business, Career and Technology Ed, Family and Consumer Sciences, DCTC Courses

English Department Course Selection



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Mathematics Department Course Selection



The University of Minnesota now requires 4 years of math for admission on all of its campuses.

Students may double up in math and “accelerate” by taking Geometry and Algebra II during the same academic school year. Doubling up in Intermediate Algebra and Geometry or Algebra II and Pre-Calc A, B, or Trig is not permitted due to the sequencing of the material.

Students may double up in math and take Pre-Calc A, B, Trig and AP Stats.

Science Department Course Selection



<p>9th Grade Requirement</p>	<p> Physics 9 A AND Physics 9 B OR Honors Physics 9 A AND Honors Physics 9 B </p>		
<p>10th Grade Requirement</p>	<p> Biology A AND Biology B OR AP Biology A AND AP Biology B AND AP Biology C </p>		
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<p>STEM 9th-12th Grade</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Design for Engineering A & B – Grades 9-12 Engineering Technologies A & B – Grades 9-12 Applied Engineering A & B – Grades 10-12</p> </div>		

***Students who enroll in 2 or more courses of higher rigor (AP Biology, AP Chemistry, SCSU Physics) are exempt from taking Earth Science.**

Social Studies Department Course Selection



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