

# High School 101

**PLAINFIELD NORTH  
HIGH SCHOOL  
CLASS OF 2023**

# Purpose

- ▶ Course Selection Process
- ▶ The Basics of High School
- ▶ Recommendations
- ▶ What will set you apart?



\* Presentation will be posted on the PNHS website ([pnhs.psd202.org](http://pnhs.psd202.org))

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# Course Selection Process 2018- 2019

Steps	Dates
High School 101 Presentation @ PNHS IJMS @ 6:00 PM and HGMS @ 7:15PM	November 28, 2018
Middle School Teacher Recommendations	December 2018
Middle School Visits with recommendation distribution	January 15, 2019
Explorations Night @ PNHS IJMS @ 6:00PM and HGMS @ 7:30PM	January 23, 2019
Course Entry at Middle Schools with PNHS Counselors	January 28, 2019 Ira Jones January 29, 2019 Heritage
Initial Deadline to Change a Course	<u>February 8, 2019</u>
Master Schedule Formation – No Course Changes	February 9 – April 30, 2019
Final course changes can be made pending availability	May 1 – 29, 2019
Final Course Change Deadline	<u>May 29, 2019 Pending Availability</u>
2019 – 2020 Schedule Available in HAC	August 2019

# Graduation Requirements

## 21 Credits = Total Required

COURSE	CREDITS
<b>English</b>	4.0
<b>Math</b>	3.0
<b>Science</b> (Bio, Chem, Physics) <i>[Physical Science by Teacher Rec. only]</i>	3.0
<b>Social Science</b>	2.0
- U.S. History	1.0
- Government	0.5
- Social Science Elective	0.5

COURSE	CREDITS
<b>P.E.</b>	3.5
<b>Health</b>	0.5
<b>Consumer Ed</b> Choose 1 -Orientation to Business -Economics (11 or 12 )	0.5
<b>Art or Music or CTE or World Language</b>	1.0
<b>Electives</b>	3.5

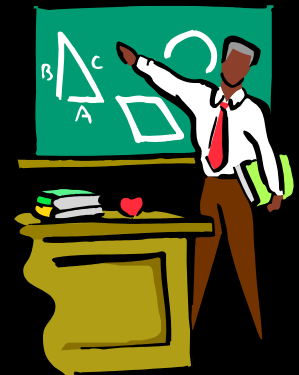
# Post-Secondary Course Recommendations for Admission

District 202 Graduation Requirements		Recommended High School Coursework for Illinois College Admission		
Subject	HS	Illinois State University	University of Illinois - Urbana	Northwestern University
English	4	4	4	4
Math	3	3	4	4
Science	3	3	4	4
Social Science	2	3	4	4
World Language	0	2	4	4



# Classes

- ▶ English (Placement determined by current teacher)
- ▶ Math (Placement determined by current teacher)
- ▶ Science (Placement determined by current teacher)
- ▶ PE (Determined by grade level)
- ▶ Elective
- ▶ Elective



# Course Recommendations

## English

- ▶ English I
- ▶ English I Honors
  - Summer reading assignment
  - Discussion/Presentation based assignments
- ▶ Placement will be determined by the student's 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts teacher
- ▶ A student taking Accelerated Language Arts will not automatically be placed in English I Honors

# What are my elective options in **Social Studies**?

- World Geography
- World History
- AP World History
- AP Human Geography
- Benefits of an AP course – How is it different from Honors?
  - Weighted Grade
  - Summer Assignment
  - AP Test at End of year

**\*All classes are year long courses**

# Course Recommendations

## Math

If your student is currently taking 8<sup>th</sup> grade math  
- Your student will be recommended for:

### Algebra 1 Block

- C or below in 8th grade math, does not meet on District assessments
- 8th grade teacher recommendation\*

### Algebra 1

- A or B in 8th grade math; meets or exceeds on District assessments
- 8th grade teacher recommendation

### Algebra 1 Honors

- A in 8th grade math; exceeds on District assessments
- 8th grade teacher recommendation

\*This is an elective class, recommended in addition to Algebra 1

# Course Recommendations

## Math

If your student is currently taking Algebra 1 Honors -  
Your student will be recommended for:

### Algebra 1

- Did not pass 8th grade Honors Algebra 1
- 8th grade math teacher recommends student re-take course

### Geometry

- Passing grade in 8th grade Honors Algebra 1; meets or exceeds on District assessments
- 8th grade math teacher recommendation

### Geometry Honors

- A in 8th grade Honors Algebra 1; exceeds on District assessments
- 8th grade math teacher recommendation

# Math Common Core Resource

- ▶ Implemented last year in all core classes
- ▶ Springboard is published by AP College Board and is geared toward preparing students for upper level math courses and the SAT test, as well as exposing **ALL** students to real world applications of math skills.
- ▶ Springboard uses student centered strategies to discover, practice, and assess math skills.
- ▶ Teachers provide direct instruction, allow students to collaborate in the classroom, monitor student practice, and provide feedback to insure student understanding.

# What are my elective options in Math?

- ▶ Computer Programming 1\*
- ▶ Computer Programming 2\*

*Computer Programming 1 & 2 is an extremely well- designed course that will take you from knowing nothing about computers or coding to being able to program almost anything you want. . The course utilizes Python to teach you the fundamentals of Computer Science.*

- ▶ These courses are Semester Long Electives; CP 1 is prerequisite to CP 2
- ▶ These courses DO NOT count toward the Math requirement for graduation

# HELP IS AVAILABLE

- ▶ Teachers are always the first resource. Encourage students to ask their teachers for help.
- ▶ MTV Math Tutoring Venue - Supervised by a math teacher with peer tutors available. Available during all lunch periods for help with homework, preparing for a test, or to keep current with classwork
- ▶ Peer tutoring through the Media Center



# Course Recommendations

## Science

- ▶ Biology
- ▶ Biology Honors
- ▶ Placement will be determined by the student's 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts teacher and recommendation of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Teacher
- ▶ A student taking Accelerated Language Arts will not automatically be placed in Biology Honors

# What are my elective options in Science?

- ▶ Environmental Science Issues \*
- ▶ Environmental Science Resources \*

\*Semester Long Elective

These courses DO NOT count toward  
the Science requirement for graduation

# What are my elective options in World Language?

- ▶ American Sign Language 1
- ▶ French 1
- ▶ German 1
- ▶ Spanish 1, 2, or 2 Honors
- ▶ Spanish for Heritage Speakers 1

# What are my elective options in Career and Technical Education?

- ▶ Introduction to Computer Technology \*
- ▶ Computer Applications \*
- ▶ Desktop Publishing for Mktg & Advert \*
- ▶ Orientation to Business \*  
(fulfills consumer Ed requirement)
- ▶ Sports & Entertainment Mktg & Advert \*
- ▶ Game Design \*

\*Semester Long Elective

# What are my elective options in Career and Technical Education?

- ▶ Technical CAD \*
- ▶ Architectural CAD \*
- ▶ 3D CAD / Solid Modeling \*
- ▶ Fashion I \* and II \*
- ▶ Culinary Arts I \* and II \*
- ▶ Child Development \*

\*Semester Long Elective

# What are my elective options in **Fine Arts?**

- ▶ Art Foundations
- ▶ Sculpture I \* and II \*
- ▶ Ceramics I \* and II \*
- ▶ Band – Concert Band
- ▶ Choir – Mixed Choir
- ▶ Music Theory \*
- ▶ Music Survey \*

\*Semester Long Elective

# How do classes work for Physical, Driver, and Health Education?

## ▶ Freshmen Year:

- ▶ All students are assigned to our freshmen Wellness classes & have PE everyday to help increase their academic success

## ▶ Sophomore Year:

- ▶ One semester is Driver Education & Safety; One semester of Health Education
- ▶ Driver Education placement is determined by birthdate

# What are some basics for Physical Education?

- ▶ Two days of **fitness** every week- raising heart rates into the moderate to vigorous intensity level
- ▶ Students are expected to make up missed PE days when absent or out for medical reasons
- ▶ Uniform/lock information:
  - ▶ There is not an official uniform!; athletic wear is the requirement (Rentals/clean clothes to wear- with an ID if needed)
  - ▶ Locks must be school issued- from **any** District 202 school- use the one from middle school!



# Course Selection Tips

- ▶ View the Curriculum Guide on-line visit [pnhs.psd202.org](http://pnhs.psd202.org) (Click on Student Services and scroll down to Curriculum Guide)
- ▶ Know your graduation requirements.
- ▶ Discuss elective choices as a family.
- ▶ Discuss core course recommendations with 8<sup>th</sup> grade teachers, if necessary.
- ▶ Be aware of all deadlines.

# What will set you apart?

- ▶ What defines success in high school?
  - ▶ It's about an experience!
  - ▶ BOTH academic and social – emotional
  - ▶ 24 hours in a day
  - ▶ Ability versus time

# Career & College Readiness

- ▶ **Developmental Group Guidance**
  - ▶ Large group, classroom, and individual meetings.
  - ▶ Meet 1-2 times per year with school counselors and college counselor
  - ▶ **Topics covered**
    - ▶ High school course planning
    - ▶ College and career readiness
    - ▶ Career exploration
    - ▶ PNHS resources and events

# Upcoming Important Dates

- ▶ January 15<sup>th</sup> - Middle School Electives Visit
- ▶ January 23<sup>th</sup> - Exploration Night
  - ▶ 6:00 PM – Ira Jones
  - ▶ 7:30 PM – Heritage Grove