

Welcome to Pre-Registration for 12th Grade

**Class of 2008
Oak Ridge High School**

Your War Eagle Counselors

- **A – Coe** Mrs. Lee
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- **College & Career** Mrs. Hantz
- **Lead Counselor** Mrs. Alvarez

Graduation Plans

- Minimum Plan
24 Credits
 - Recommended Plan
24 Credits
 - Distinguished Plan
24 Credits
- Plus 4 Advanced Measures

Common Requirements for all 3 Plans:

- 4 years English (4)
- 3 years Math (3)
- 4 years Social Studies (4)
- 3 years Science (3)
- 1 semester Speech (.5)
- 1 semester Health (.5)
- 3 semesters PE (1.5)
- 1 year Technology (1)
- 1 year Fine Arts (1)

Minimum Plan

- 24 Total Credits
- 3 Years Math
- 3 Years Science: Biology, IPC and Chemistry
- 5.5 Credits Electives of your choice.
 - Consider choosing electives from related areas that you might consider as a future career.
- No Foreign Language Requirement

Recommended High School Plan

- **24 Total Credits**
- **Must take 2 years of the same Foreign Language.**
- **3 years Math including Algebra 2**
- **3.5 Credits Electives of your choice**

Distinguished Achievement Plan

- 24 Total Credits
- Requirements are same as Recommended Plan except:
 - 3 years same Foreign Language
 - 2.5 Credits Electives of your choice
 - 4 Advanced Measures
 - DAP Application completed in September of Senior Year

DAP – 4 Advanced Measures

To complete the advanced measures for the DAP you need a combination of 4 of the following:

- AP Exams (with a score of 3 or higher)
- College Courses (includes Dual Credit)
- Commended Student Recognition on the PSAT
- Science Fair Research Project

Graduation with Honors

The first official rank and GPA are given in the Spring semester.

District Honors:

- Summa Cum Laude – Students who rank in the top 5% of their class according to GPA
- Magna Cum Laude – Students who rank between 5 and 10% of their class according to GPA
- Cum Laude – Students who rank between 10 and 15% of their class according to GPA

Top Reasons to take Rigorous Courses during your Senior Year

1. Some colleges require more than three years of math.
2. If you skip a year of math you may need to pay extra money for a remedial college math class.
3. Your rank and GPA will increase.
4. Colleges look at what you are taking your Senior year.
5. You will have a better chance of surviving college if you have taken a more rigorous course load your senior year.

Dual Credit Courses

- High School and College credits can be earned through taking any of the following Dual Credit courses.
 - **AP** English 4 (6 points for an “A”)
 - Human Anatomy/Physiology **H** (5 points for an “A”)
 - College Algebra **H** (5 points for an “A”)

Dual Credit Process

1. **Sign up for Asset Test in College and Career Center.**
2. **Complete Montgomery College Application**
3. **Save copy of unofficial transcript to turn in with Dual Credit Forms.**
4. Testing and completed paper work are **due by April 30th** to Mrs. Hantz in the College & Career Center.

ASSET Testing for Dual Credit

- Required by MC for placement in Dual Credit courses.
- Upcoming Testing Dates:
 - **Feb 5th** 3 pm to 7 pm
 - **Mar 8th** 3 pm to 7 pm
 - **Apr 24th** 3 pm to 7 pm
- Exemption based on ACT/SAT Scores
 - ACT – Composite 23 (Math 19, English 19)
 - SAT – 1070 (Math 500, Verbal 500)
- Exemption from TAKS scores for THEA
 - ELA – 2200 (3 on essay) and Math - 2200

Advanced Placement

- **Advanced Placement courses (AP) are college level courses.**
- Students can take an AP exam at the end of the course to earn college credit.
- AP Exams are scored on a 1-5 scale with 5 being the highest score.
- **Some colleges accept AP scores for college credit beginning with a score of 3.**

Placement in AP or Dual Credit

- Passed all areas of TAKS test
- B average in a Pre AP/AP class of the same subject
- A average in a level class of the same subject
- Students should be self-motivated, self-directed, cooperative, organized, and willing to work hard

AP Courses

- English 4
- Government
- Economics
- Human Geography
- European History
- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC
- Statistics
- Computer Science 2
- AP Art History
- Art 4
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics
- AP Psychology
- Environmental Science
- Spanish 4
- Spanish 5
- French 4
- Latin 4

Core Classes for 12th Grade

- English 4
- Government/Economics

Required Non-Core Classes

The following classes are required to graduate. Make sure you have taken them or that they are on your schedule for next year.

- Technology Credit (BCIS, Computer Science, Tech Systems, Communication Graphics) 1 year
- Speech (Communication Applications) 1 Semester
- Health 1 Semester
- PE 3 Semesters
- Fine Arts 1 year
- Foreign Language
 - 2 years for Recommended Plan
 - 3 years for Distinguished Plan

Commitment Statement for Pre-AP/AP Courses

- I understand the criteria for placement and am personally committed to expend the time and effort necessary for success
- Parent Teacher Conference and course availability are examined before consideration of level change if failing at semester only
- Parent and Student must sign in order to enroll in a Pre-AP or AP course

Failed Classes

- The courses listed on your Course Selection Sheet assume that you will pass everything you are currently taking. **If you don't pass a course you will have to retake it.**
- Please see your counselor at the end of the semester if you do not pass a required course to determine the best option for you to make it up.
- **Students who fail a math or foreign language course for the second semester must either:**
 - Retake that semester in summer school **Or** retake the entire course over, including the semester you passed, over again the next school year.

CHOOSE YOUR COURSES WISELY!

**Schedule changes are not allowed
After May 11, 2007**

Level changes will be made only at the semester break if student is **failing**, a **Parent Teacher Conference** is held, and there is **space available** in the Level class

Electives (Course Description Book)

- Journalism
- Newspaper
- Astronomy
- Aquatic Science
- Geology, Meteorology, Oceanography
- Foreign Language
- Fine Arts
- Agriculture
- Building Trades
- Business
- Computer Science
- Co-op
- Cosmetology
- Criminal Justice
- Home Economics
- Industrial Technology
- ROTC
- Student Council,
- Teen Leadership
- Early Release
- Office Practice
- Computer Repair

New Electives for 2007~2008

- AP Human Geography
- Geology, Oceanography, Meteorology (all year)
- Aquatic Science (all year)
- Astronomy (all year)
- Housing (1/2)
- Interior Design (1/2)
- Apparel (1/2)
- Personal Family Development (all year)
- Principals of Marketing (1/2)
- Travel and Tourism Marketing (1/2)

Diversified Career Prep (co-op)

- Students in DCP have one class period during the school day, one period of release to work, and one period right after school earning 1.5 credits per semester
- Students must have a job and keep it in order to pass this class.
- \$20.00 Fee

Child Care

- Child Care Management Services I or 2
- 1.0 credit per semester.
- Students receive child care training, knowledge and skills during one class period and work in the ORHS Child Care Lab for an additional period with children ages 3 to 5.
- Application Required from Mrs. Williams

Early Release

- Early Release is available for 12th grade students **only** who do not need 7 credits to meet graduation requirements
- Parent Approval is necessary for Early Release, unless you are 18. Forms are available in the Counseling Center
- **Only 1 period** of Early Release is available

Office Aide

- Office Practice is for seniors who do not need 7 credits to graduate and have no history of discipline problems.
- Office Practice is a local credit course.
- Office Aides are expected to work – being an office aide does not mean that you have a free class period.
- Need Assistant Principal approval signature

Minimum Senior Course Load

- English 4
- Government/Economics
- 1 period of Early Release
- Only 1 period of Office Practice
- 3 to 4 Electives
 - (Math/Science/Foreign Language/Band/Athletics, etc.)

Alternate Courses

- **Please** choose two alternate courses in case an elective you have chosen is full or not offered. **Choose one alternate course that is offered all year long, and two other courses that are each offered for only one semester.**
- Schedule forms with alternate course lines left ***blank*** will receive ***last priority*** from Counselors for schedule changes.

Signatures

- Consult your teachers and parents concerning your course selections for next year.
- A parent's signature is required on the bottom of every schedule request form.
- Students who do not obtain their parent's signature on the Commitment Statement will be put in Level. You have until May 11th to bring your counselor a note from your parent requesting the level change up to Pre AP or AP

Forms are due Feb 6th

Students will meet with counselors to
computer input schedules on

- **Tuesday, February 6, 2007
through Social Studies Classes.**