

Perry High School

9th GRADE TRANSITION MEETING



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

■ Class of 2026

- Each student will take 7 classes per semester
- In high school, each semester course is worth 0.5 units of credit
- Students may earn up to 3.5 units a semester ($7 \times .5$) or 7 units per year or 28 units in 4 years

TRANSCRIPT



Grade Point Average

A student's GPA (Grade point average), used for college admissions and scholarships, begins when he or she enters the 9th grade.

Two main types of GPAs

– Perry High School GPA

- Includes an average of all classes taken in High School
- Used for College Admission

– HOPE GPA

- Includes only Math, English, Science, Social Studies and Foreign Language
- Used to determine eligibility for HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarship
- Calculated by the Georgia Finance Commission and can only be found at gafutures.org

High School Grading Periods

- Students will take 18 week semester courses
- Progress reports for grades and attendance will be sent out at 6 weeks and 12 weeks.
- Semester Final Grades will be posted on the transcript at the end of each semester (December and May).

A separate grade will be posted on transcripts for each semester of a course. The semester grades are not averaged together.

For example:

Biology A (first semester) 80

Biology B (second semester) 65

The student would have to retake only second semester of the course.

Graduation requirements

- 4 units of English
- 4 units of Math
- 3 units of Social Studies
- 4 units of Science
- 3 units of Career Tech, Fine arts, and/or Foreign Language
- 1 unit of Personal Fitness/Health
- 5 additional elective credits
- 24 total credits

Rigor to be Eligible for HOPE

Students must take 4 “rigorous” courses in order to be eligible for the HOPE scholarship. A list of rigor courses can be found on gafutures.org.



Honors Program

Students in the honors program must take at least 1 honors class each year to remain in the program.



Testing

- Select courses in each academic area will have End of Course Tests (EOC) that will count for 20% of their final course grade. Students must pass all courses containing an EOC.
 - Most freshmen will take 2 EOCs
 - Algebra and Biology



Topics of importance:

- Infinite Campus –
 - Please check your student's grades and attendance weekly!
 - Students have access to IC to monitor their own grades



High School Registration

Your student should have received a registration form from the middle school. This form asked your student to choose their academic and elective courses.



Registration

For more details about each elective course, please go to phs.hcbe.net and click on the 2022-2023 registration circle. There are videos that highlight each elective course on the right side of the page.



Deadline

Please return the
registration form to your
middle school or scan the
QR code by March 25.

Registration Details

	SEMESTER ONE & SEMESTER TWO	SEMESTER ONE & SEMESTER TWO SPECIAL PROGRAMS (Honors students must take a minimum of 1 Honors class)
ENGLISH	____ 9 th Grade Literature A & B	____ Honors 9 th Grade Literature A & B
SOCIAL STUDIES	____ American Government & World Affairs (Each class is one semester)	____ Honors American Government & World Affairs (Each class is one semester)
SCIENCE	____ Biology A & B	____ Honors Biology A & B
MATH	____ Algebra	____ Honors Geometry (Any student who is currently enrolled in Algebra will take this course as a freshman even if he/she is not in the honors program)
HEALTH/PERSONAL FITNESS	____ Health & Personal Fitness This course is required for graduation. All freshmen, unless they are in ROTC, will be required to take the course. Three credits of ROTC will take the place of health and personal fitness.	

Electives at PHS

- ___ Introduction to Aerospace Science / Flight Science (AFJROTC) 28.4191010
- ___ Introduction to Basic Agricultural Science Technology 02.4710010
- ___ Introduction to Business and Technology 07.4413010
- ___ Introduction to Digital Technology 11.4150010
- ___ Food, Nutrition, and Wellness 20.4161010
- ___ Introduction to Early Childhood Education 20.4281010
- ___ Band 53.0371010
- ___ Introduction to Art 50.0211010
- ___ Introduction to Musical Theatre 52.0310010
- ___ Introduction to Theatre 52.0210010
- ___ Technical Theatre 52.0410010
- ___ Chorus 53.0721010
- ___ Beginning Piano 53.0941010
- ___ French I 60.0110010
- ___ Spanish I 60.0710010
- ___ Latin I 61.0410010 (offered off campus at the Houston County Career Academy-will take)

Welcome Panthers

We are looking forward to
having your student at PHS as a
member of the Class of 2026!

