# CHECKLIST FOR COURSE SELECTION PROCESS (2024-2025 School-year) $8^{\text {TH }}$ GRADERS - YOG 2028 

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For updated information:

- Join Guidance Google Classroom YOG 2028 (rjmcdv7) • Receive Remind texts (text @2028rh to 81010)

1) Teachers make level recommendations in PowerSchool. Students are strongly encouraged to follow teacher recommendations. If students want to request a different level, they should speak to their current teacher.

- If teachers agree with a different level, they can change their recommendation in PowerSchool.
- If teachers do not agree, students can complete the "Course Level Change Request" form and return to Guidance by February 12, 2024. "Course Level Change Request" forms returned after the deadline will NOT be accepted.

2) Students will select 7 credits online through PowerSchool (https://rockyhill.powerschool.com/public/) for the 20242025 school year by February 12, 2024.
3) Select 7 credits, plus at least one alternative course (either one full-year or two $1 / 2$ year classes in both Semester 1 and Semester 2) to serve as a backup to your first elective. IMPORTANT: All students must select courses for next year (even if students have applied to a different high school). These course requests help determine what courses will be offered in the master schedule. Otherwise, there is no guarantee that courses will be offered.
4) Reading Support and/or Math Problem Solving classes may be automatically added based on current teacher recommendation.
5) NOTE: Honors level English students will be required to complete summer prerequisite reading. The honors class will have a specific novel to read and detailed note taking requirements. Before students leave for the summer, a packet will be provided on where to find specific course materials and requirements. When students return to school, students should be prepared to actively discuss and complete assignments related to the text.
6) Any student who has not completed the course selection process by February 12, 2024 may not be enrolled in their preferred electives or classes. If students do not make selections by the deadline, counselors will add recommended academic/core classes and randomly select electives.
7) Individual meetings to verify schedules for next year with Counselors will be scheduled late spring - this is the only opportunity to make any changes to the schedule. Students may not make any changes to their schedule after the last day of school without administrative approval.
8) Students who are interested in playing Division I or II athletics in college should start preparing as early as freshman year. Students must meet very specific academic requirements, as noted on the NCAA website (http://www.ncaa.org/student-athletes/future/how-register). Students can view NCAA approved RHHS classes by going to https://web3.ncaa.org/hsportal/exec/hsAction. Search by the school name or CEEB/ACT code (070648).

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Refer to the Connecticut Career Paths Guide for career strategies, job advice, education, training, wages, job descriptions and local, statewide and online resources:
https://www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/Imi/pubs/Connecticut\ Career\ Paths\ 2021.pdf
- More information on specific careers and paths can be found online at the CT Department of Labor website.
- Credit Card is maintained by School Counselor and student to track graduation requirements
- Student Success Plans will be tracked using Naviance at the high school.
- Attendance at high school - can potentially lose credit if exceed absences. Refer to online Student Handbook.
- Summer school: If students fail a class with at least a 50 or if they lose credit due to attendance, they will be notified at the end of the year about summer school options.
- $8^{\text {th }}$ Grade Parent Orientation Night is scheduled for Wednesday, January $24^{\text {th }}$ in the RHHS auditorium for parents only.
Humanities 9 Credits:
English
4 credits
Social Studies (incl. US History and Civics) ..... 3 credits
Fine Arts ..... 1 credit
Additional Humanities (English, Social Studies, World Language) ..... 1 credit
Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM) 9 credits:
Mathematics
Science (incl. Physical and Biological)3 credits
STEM [Science, Technology (Family Consumer Science,2 credits
Business, Tech Ed), Engineering, Math]
4 credits
Physical Education and Wellness
1 credit
Health and Safety Education ..... 1 credit
World Language ..... 1 credit
Personal Finance Management \& Financial Literacy
Community Service Hours (50 hours) 50 credit
Additional Classes 3 credits50 credit
Total credits required for graduation


## Typical 9th ${ }^{\text {thade }}$ Classes

*** Based on a 9 period schedule - not in any order ***

1. English
2. Math
3. Western Civilization I
4. World Language (or elective)
5. $9^{\text {th }}$ Grade Science
6. Lunch
7. Each semester: PE / half-year elective
8. Elective: 1 each semester or full year
9. Study Hall
10. English
11. Math
12. Western Civilization I
13. World Language (or elective)
14. Biology (H)
15. Biology Lab alternating $w /$ study hall or lunch
16. Study Hall OR Lunch
17. Each semester: PE / half-year elective
18. Elective: 1 each semester or full year
*This is a sample schedule. Lunch and class periods will be determined when schedules are created.

## REMINDERS:

- Students must request 7 credits PLUS one alternate elective by $\mathbf{2 / 1 2 / 2 0 2 4}$
- Review the 9th Grade 2024-2025 Course \# Reference Sheet.
- View descriptions and prerequisites in the Program of Studies which can be found online at the RHHS website (https://rhhs.rockyhillps.com/docsandlinks).


## RHHS PowerSchool Instructions for Course Selections

1. Course selections must be made in the PowerSchool Parent Portal. Review graduation requirements, course descriptions and prerequisites in the Program of Studies which can be found online at https://rhhs. rockyhillps.com/docsandlinks
2. Be sure to read and follow the information at the top of the Course Selection page before you begin
3. Pay attention to the prerequisites that are listed for the courses you want to take. If you do not meet these prerequisites, you will not be allowed to sign up for the courses.
4. Recommendations are made by teachers in PowerSchool and will be identified on the course registration screen. Students are strongly encouraged to follow the teacher recommendations. However, if students want to request a different level, they should speak to their current teacher.

- If teachers agree with the different level, teachers can change the recommendation in PowerSchool.
- If teachers do NOT agree, students should see their counselor to discuss and complete the "Request for Change in Level" form and return to Guidance by February 12, 2024. "Course Level Change Request" forms returned after the deadline will not be accepted.
Again, check the Course Descriptions online for specific prerequisites and ask your teachers about recommendations BEFORE selecting your courses.

5. All course requests and Course Level Change Request forms must be completed by February 12, 2024. On February 12, 2024, the on-line registration process will end and the portal will be closed.

## How To Select Classes For Next Year Online via PowerSchool

- Log into the PowerSchool Parent Portal at: https://rockyhill.powerschool.com/public/
- Once on the main portal page,

Click the "Class Registration" icon on the left hand menu.


- On the Class Registration screen, subject areas available to your grade level are listed on the left with special instructions/explanations.
- On the right side, each subject area has a green checkmark or a red exclamation point

- As you click on each subject area, take note of any prerequisite information
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any alerts.
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Recommended
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Bennett
- Select the checkbox to the left of the course name of any course you want to request. Note: Use the course \# reference sheet to assist in this process.
- To save your selection for the subject area, click Okay at the bottom of the pop-up page.
 subject area. You must select a minimum of 7 credits, PLUS an alternate course.
- Each time you make a selection, it will appear as a "boxed" course in the middle of the main page. As each subject area is completed, a green checkmark $\checkmark$ will appear.

- Repeat these steps for each subject area course request.
- Be sure to select at least 7 credit hours of coursework for each semester.
- You must select an alternative course (either one full-year or two $1 / 2$ year classes in both Semester 1 and Semester 2) to serve as a backup to your first elective.
- Do not choose the same class for each semester (i.e., can NOT take both 180 Psychology S1 AND 181 Psychology S2 since these are the same classes but offered different semesters, so can only choose one) unless it's music
- The total required credit hours is identified at the bottom of the screen and is updated each time you make a selection. The red exclamation point ! will remain until all credit hour requirements are met.
- When you see a green checkmark $\checkmark$ at the bottom of the page, you have successfully completed the process.
- Save your selections. PowerSchool will not allow you to submit if you have not selected the correct number of classes, plus the alternative.
- If after submission, you see a blank page, course requests can be reviewed by clicking "View course requests" at the top of the page.
- Once you are finished, click on "Logout" at the top of the page.
** Freshmen must be enrolled in at least 7 credits including: 1 English, 1 Social Studies, 1 Math, 1 Science and 1 PE class (1/2 credit). **


## CORE ACADEMIC CLASSES

## ENGLISH

100 English 9 (H) FY
102 English 9 (A) FY
104 English 9 (G) FY

## SOCIAL STUDIES

300 Western Civilization I (H) FY
302 Western Civilization I (A) FY
304 Western Civilization I (G) FY

## MATHEMATICS

416 Algebra I FY (A) FY
414 Algebra I FY (G) FY
420 Geometry FY (H) FY
422 Geometry FY (A) FY

## SCIENCE

$5019^{\text {th }}$ Grade Science (H) FY
$5039^{\text {th }}$ Grade Science (A) FY
$5059^{\text {th }}$ Grade Science (G) FY
510 Biology FY (H) FY

## WORLD LANGUAGE

216 Intro to Spanish (G) FY
200 Spanish I (A) FY
202 Spanish II (A) FY
214 Intro to French (G) FY
220 French I (A) FY
222 French II (A) FY
218 Intro to Latin (G) FY
240 Latin I (A) FY

## FINE ARTS ELECTIVES

## ARTS

706 Drawing I (A/H) S1
707 Drawing I (A/H) S2
739 Drawing II (A/H) S2
708 Digital Design I (A/H) S1
709 Digital Design I (A/H) S2
715 Digital Design II (A/H) S2
750 Ceramics I (A/H) S1
749 Ceramics I (A/H) S2
751 Ceramics II (A/H) S2
752 Crafts I (A/H) S1
753 Crafts II (A/H) S2
772 Photography I (A/H) FY

## MUSIC

802 Symphonic Band $(A / H)$ S1
803 Symphonic Band $(A / H)$ S2
806 Marching Band (A/H) S1
809 Marching Band (A/H) S2
812 Concert Choir (A/H) S1
813 Concert Choir (A/H) S2
829 Bnd/Concert Choir (A/H) S1
831 Bnd/Concert Choir (A/H) S2

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION <br> ** MUST CHOOSE $1^{* *}$

980 PE 9 S1
981 PE 9 S2

## STEM ELECTIVES

## FAMILY \& CONSUMER SCIENCE

9020 Culinary I (A) FY
914 Interior Design (A) S1
915 Interior Design (A) S2
926 Child \& Adolescent $\operatorname{Dev}(\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{H}) \mathrm{FY}$
934 Fashion Design I (A) FY

## BUSINESS

638 Microsoft Office/Google Skills (A) S1
639 Microsoft Office/Google Skills (A) S2
630 International Business $(A / H)$ S1
633 International Business $(A / H)$ S2
640 Intro to Business A(A) S1
641 Intro to Business A(A) S2
644 Entrepreneurship (A/H) S1
645 Entrepreneurship (A/H) S2

## TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

6531 Intro to Robotics Engineering $(\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{H})$ S1
6532 Intro to Robotics Engineering (A/H) S2
6534 Adv Robotics Engineering (A/H) S2
654 Materials Proc (A/H) FY
670 Computer Tech (A/H) S1
671 Computer Tech (A/H) S2
6062 Home \& Auto Maintenance (A/H) S1
6063 Home \& Auto Maintenance (A/H) S2

## PROJECT LEAD THE WAY

682 Intro to Engineer Design (A/H) FY
*** If recommended, these classes will automatically be added to requests.

| SEMESTER 1 | SEMESTER 2 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1720 Reading Support I S1 | 1730 Reading Support I S2 |
| 1760 Structured Literacy (G) S1 | 1761 Structured Literacy (G) S2 |
| 400 Math Problem Solving (G) S1 | 401 Math Problem Solving (G) S2 |

NOTE: Some elective courses are offered at multi-levels (Academic or Honors). Students will begin at the Academic level with the option to change to Honors when classes start. Please refer to the Program of Studies for level options.

## Levels:

(G) = General Level 3
(A) = Academic Level 2
$(H)=$ Honors Level 1

NAME
25 CREDITS (YOG)

| Grade | English | Soc Studies | Math | Science | STEM | Fine Arts | Humanities | World Language | Electives | PE/ Weliness | Health/ Safety | Pers Fin Mgmt \& Lit | Comm Sve | Total Credits |
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|  | 4 Credits | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \text { Credits } \\ & \text { (1 US Hist } \\ & .5 \text { Civics) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 3 Credits (Algebra or equivalent) | $\begin{gathered} 2 \text { Credits } \\ \text { (1 Biological } \\ \& 1 \text { Physical) } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 4 Credits | 1 Credit | 1 Credit | 1 Credit | 3 Credits | 1 Credit | 1 Credit | . 50 Credits | $\begin{gathered} 50 \text { hours } \\ =.50 \\ \text { Credits } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 25 Credits |
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| 19-20 Rocky Hill High School |  |  |
| 914 Grade Science ( 1 ) | 78 | 1 |
| Algebra IFY (A) | 80 | 1 |
| English 9 (A) FY | 75 | 1 |
| Freshman Scminar | 91 | 0.5 |
| P.E. 9 (G) FY | 95 | 0.5 |
| Reading Support 1 (G) SI | $p$ | 0.5 |
| Readiag Support (0) S2 | P | 0.5 |
| Spanish 11 FY (A) | 88 | 1 |
| Westem Civilization I FY(A) | 75 | 1 |


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| 21-22 Rocky Hill High School |  |
| AP l'sycholony FY | $80 \quad 1$ |
| Adv $\operatorname{Comp}(A) S$ ? | $84 \quad 0.5$ |
| Alychal $11 \mathrm{FY}(\mathrm{A})$ | 711 |
| Annerican Litcratue ( $($ ) SI | 740.5 |
| Ceramics $1(A) S 2$ | 930.5 |
| Chemistry FY(H) | 741 |
| Heallill (A) S2 | $96 \quad 0.5$ |
| SAI Preparation S | $96 \quad 0.5$ |
| Spanish IV (H) | 88 1 |
| US History FY(A) | 921 |
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| 20-21 TRacky Hill High School |  |  |
| Biology FY (H) | 77 | 1 |
| Civics (A) S2 | 93 | 0.5 |
| English 10 (A) FY | 85 | 1 |
| Gicometly liy (A) | 93 | 1 |
| Health (A) S1 | 99 | 0.5 |
| Intro Engneer Design FY (A) | 94 | 1 |
| PE-Finess S2 | 94 | 0.5 |
| Spanish 111FY(A) | 97 | 1 |
| Westem Civilization H ( 1 ) S1 | 88 | 0.5 |

- Current Courses
Course Name
UCom, Physics (ECE) FY

Senion Seminar S?
UConn Perspectives on Latm Anerica FY
Pre-Calculus FY (A)
Drawing I (A) S!
Film and Litcrature (A) S2
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Pr-Fincss 52
Joumalism (A) S1
LUNCIIS2
Commonity Service

| Term | Anticipated Credit |
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| $22-23$ | 1.00 |
| 52 | 0.25 |
| $22-23$ | 1.00 |
| $22-23$ | 1.00 |
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| 51 | 0.50 |
| $5 ?$ | 0.00 |
| $5 ?$ | 0.50 |

GPA 9th grade: 2.7340
GPA 10th grade: 3.3469
GPAlth grade: 3.2213
CPA 2 th arde:

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Cumulative Wegohted GPA: 3.
Rank: out of
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