

COFFEE WITH THE COUNSELORS

Registering for 2017-18 classes

January 27, 2017

COURSE REGISTRATION TIMELINE

Receive Card

11th Grade – Jan. 25 & 26

10th Grade – Jan. 27 & 30

9th Grade – Jan. 31 & Feb. 1

Meet with Counselor

February 2 & 3

February 6 & 7

February 8 & 9

MAKING CHANGES TO THE COURSE CARD

- ✘ Pre-printed classes came from 8th Grade 4-year Plan.
- ✘ To make a change, draw a line through the class to drop & write the replacement in the space next to it.

REFERENCES AVAILABLE ONLINE

- ✘ Course Description Guide
- ✘ Academic Guide
- ✘ CTE Information and Application
- ✘ Powerpoints Grades 8-11
- ✘ FAQs

<http://schools.friscoisd.org/hs/centennial/site/home>

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Courses</u>
English	4	English 1, 2, 3, 4
Math	4	Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, and a 4 th math
Science	4	Biology, Chemistry, Physics and 1 more
Social Studies	4	World/Human Geography, World History, U.S. History, Government (.5) & Economics (.5)
Other Language	2 (of the same)	Spanish, French, Chinese (online), ASL
P.E.	1	P.E., Athletics, Fall Band, Dance, Colorguard, Drill Team, Cheer
Health	0.5	Health or Health Science 1
Speech	0.5	Professional Communications
Fine Arts	1	Art, Theater Arts, Technical Theater, Choir, Band, Dance, Orchestra, Floral Design, 3D Modeling
Technology	1	BIM,CS, Digital Media,3D Modeling, Comp Maintenance, TV 1, Intro to Engineering, Arch. Design, Journalism, Photo J
Electives	4	Electives are classes you choose beyond the requirements
Total	26	

Everyone will also need an Endorsement!

ENDORSEMENTS – WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

1. DON'T FREAK OUT!!!
2. FISD's graduation plan automatically places all students on the **MULTIDISCIPLINARY ENDORSEMENT**.
3. Sign up for the classes you want.
4. Endorsements do not impact college admission decisions.

ENDORSEMENT OPTIONS

1. **Multidisciplinary** – FISD default; No specialization
2. **STEM** - Extra math, science, engineering or technology
3. **Arts & Humanities** – Extra fine art, social studies, or language
4. **Public Service** – Education, Health Science, Gov't/Law
5. **Business & Industry** - Architecture, Business, Ag, Finance, Marketing, AV Technology, Hospitality, Yearbook, Debate, TV Broadcast

COURSE LOAD

- ✘ Juniors and Seniors must sign up for at least 6 classes (three per day).
- ✘ Freshman and Sophomores must have at least 8 classes.

WHAT CLASSES CAN YOUR CHILD TAKE?

- ✓ Not all classes in the course catalog are taught at CHS or open to all grade levels.
- ✓ Flip your card over to see course options.
- ✓ Course descriptions are available online in the course catalog.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite—required or necessary as a prior condition.

Examples:

Forensic Science Prerequisite: Law Enforcement

Animation Prerequisite: 3D Modeling & Animation

Prerequisites are listed in the course catalog!

ONE SEMESTER VS. FULL YEAR CLASSES

- ✘ An asterisk* indicates a one-semester class.
- ✘ Classes without a * meet all year.
- ✘ If you choose a one-semester class, you have to choose another * class to equal a full year.
- ✘ There must be an **EVEN** number of * courses!

Note: LOTS of changes with CTE classes moving from one-semester to full year!

CTE CENTER

- ✘ Campus for specialized upper level career electives.
- ✘ Students are from all FISD high schools.
- ✘ Mostly 11th and 12th graders.
- ✘ Transportation is provided.
- ✘ Some classes have fees.
- ✘ Some classes are by application.
- ✘ **CTE Center courses are in bold font.**
- ✘ Plan carefully! Most have prerequisites.

CTE PATHWAYS

- ✘ Agriculture Sciences
- ✘ Architecture & Construction
- ✘ Arts, AV Technology & communication
- ✘ Business Management & Administration
- ✘ Education & Training
- ✘ Financial Systems
- ✘ Government & Public Administration
- ✘ Health Science
- ✘ Hospitality & Tourism
- ✘ Information Technology
- ✘ Law, Public Safety & Security
- ✘ Marketing, Sales & Service
- ✘ Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics
- ✘ Transportation, Distribution & Logistics
- ✘ Computer Science

DOUBLE BLOCKED ELECTIVES

- ✘ Many CTE classes are double-blocked.
- ✘ Count as 2 credits.
- ✘ These courses are shaded on the back of your card.

SPECIAL CTE PROGRAMS – APPLICATION

- ✘ Architectural Design II
- ✘ Child Guidance
- ✘ Practicum in Child Guidance
- ✘ Culinary Arts
- ✘ Advanced Culinary Arts
- ✘ Education and Training
- ✘ Practicum in Education and Training
- ✘ Electrocardiogram (EKG)
- ✘ Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)
- ✘ Health Science Clinical
- ✘ Pharmacology
- ✘ Practicum in Government
- ✘ Practicum in Graphic Design & Illustration
- ✘ Practicum in Marketing
- ✘ Practicum in Veterinary Medical Applications
- ✘ Sports Management

Application available online. Deadline to apply is February 17.

CHS PROGRAMS NEEDING APPLICATIONS

- Athletic Trainer (*pick up in counseling office*)
- ISM (*pick up in counseling office*)
- Partner's PE (*pick up in counseling office*)
- Teen Leadership 2 (*pick up in counseling office*)
- TV Broadcast 2 & 3 (*pick up from Mrs. Gross in B101*)
- Yearbook (*pick up from Mrs. Kline in B119*)

Turn in to counselors with course request card!

CHS CLASSES NEEDING TEACHER APPROVAL

- ✘ AP Studio Art
- ✘ Academic Decathlon
- ✘ Debate
- ✘ Oral Interp
- ✘ Theater III-IV
- ✘ Theater Production

Sign up for these and we will replace it with an alternate from the course card if approval is not granted.

ATHLETICS

- ✘ All sports are double-blocked (unless you talked to the coach about single-blocking)
- ✘ Multi-sport athlete? Put the sport whose season comes first in the year on your card.
- ✘ Try-outs and cuts occur during the first two weeks of the semester.

BAND

- ✘ Double-blocked in 2016-17? Stay double-blocked.
- ✘ Single-blocked in 2016-17? Stay single-blocked.
- ✘ Unsure? Single-block.

We will adjust in May after Band auditions.

EARLY RELEASE (ER) AND LATE ARRIVAL (LA)

- ✘ 11th and 12th only
- ✘ Must be good on credits
- ✘ Provide own transportation
- ✘ Want ER/LA everyday? Write twice on the card.
- ✘ Want ER/LA every other day? Write once.
- ✘ Reminder – must have 3 classes per day!

AIDE POSITIONS

- ✗ 11th and 12th only
- ✗ Office Aide, Teacher Aide, and Library Aide
- ✗ DO NOT REQUEST ON CARD! Choose an elective and then, with teacher approval, you can change in August/September.
- ✗ No GPA points or credit awarded

DUAL CREDIT

- ✘ Awarded college and high school credit
- ✘ Taught at Collin College
- ✘ Provide own transportation
- ✘ Pay tuition and books
- ✘ Program recently expanded – check back of course card for dual credit options available for your grade level
- ✘ *Information Meeting* – Feb. 1 from 6 to 8 p.m.
Collin College Preston Ridge Campus, Conference Center, 9700 Wade Boulevard, Frisco

DUAL CREDIT VS. AP

Dual Credit

- ❑ Costs money
- ❑ Taught by college staff
- ❑ Impacts college GPA
- ❑ College credit if pass
- ❑ Weighted less in HS GPA

AP

- ❑ Free (high school credit)
- ❑ Taught by HS staff
- ❑ Not on college GPA
- ❑ Possible college credit
- ❑ Weighted more in HS GPA
- ❑ Preferred by highly selective colleges

IS DUAL CREDIT RIGHT FOR YOU?

Do you have...

- ✓ A/B average this year?
- ✓ Transportation?
- ✓ Money for tuition and books?
- ✓ Good attendance?
- ✓ English and math skills to pass required placement exam?

DUAL CREDIT CLASS TIMES

- × **7:00-8:15 am.** Before school – no impact on HS schedule.
- × **1:00-2:15 pm.** Students who choose this time must take two college classes and double Early Release, unless returning for Athletics.
- × **3:15-4:30 pm.** Leave after 3rd period and go to college class 4th period. Students who choose to take only one college class at this time must also take a single Early Release.

If interested, students should pick up a dual credit form in the counseling office.

ALTERNATE (“BACK UP”) CLASSES

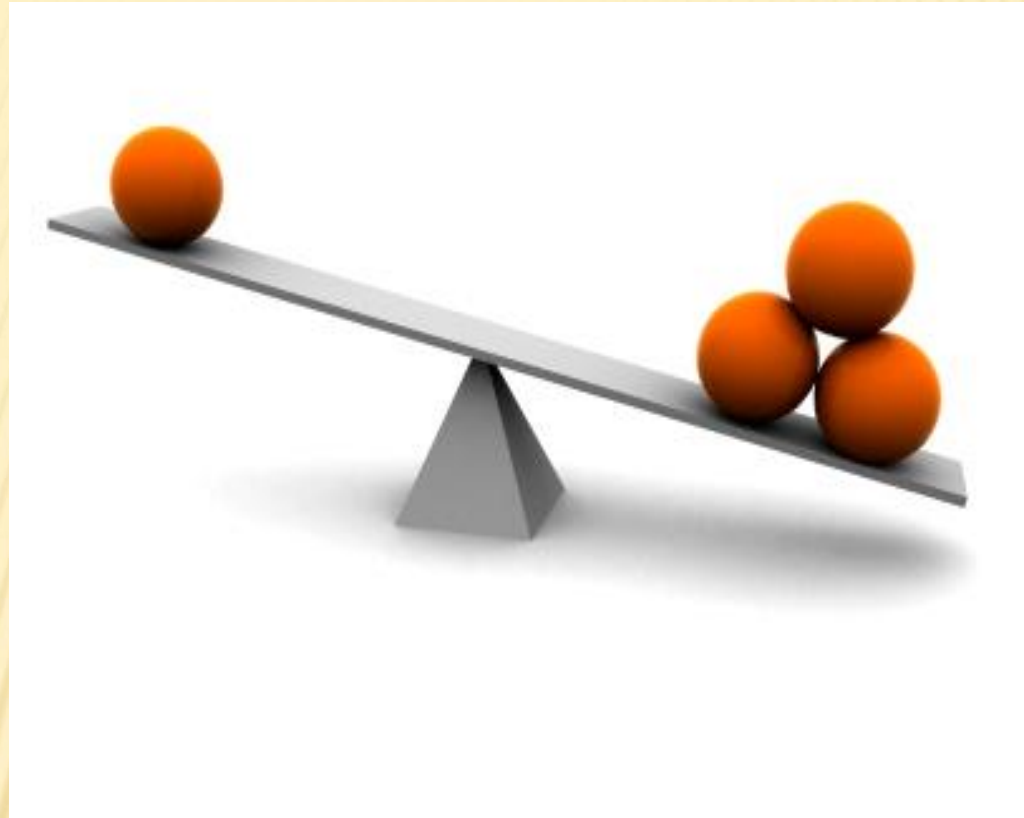
- ✘ Need 4 alternate classes
- ✘ Choose both full year and one-semester
- ✘ Choose classes that are listed on the back of your card (check prereqs!)
- ✘ Don't choose classes that require application, teacher approval, try-outs, etc.

SCHEDULE CHANGING...

- ✘ Final elective verification mailed home in April.
- ✘ April 13 – last day to change electives!
- ✘ Allowed changes during first two weeks of each semester – Programs (Band, Choir, etc.), Athletics, ER/LA, Teacher Aide.
- ✘ AP/PAP are a six week commitment!!

SUMMER SCHOOL

- ✘ FISD summer school information will be available online in April.
- ✘ Other avenues (correspondence, CBE, etc.) – counselors can provide upon request when students turn in their course cards.



REMEMBER – KEEP A GOOD BALANCE!!!