

2011-2012
COURSE SELECTION

Minimum Graduation Requirements


Minimum Total = 21

- 4 credits of English
- 3 credits of Math
- 3 credits of Science
- 4 credits of Social Studies
- .5 credit of Senior Experience
- 2 credits in Arts and Humanities
- 1 credit in PE (divided into 4 years)
- .5 credit in Health
- 3.75 additional credits



Specific Dates Of Course Selection


February 7-11

- **English teachers will distribute Individual Course Selection Sheets and Program Planning Guide to each student.**
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Specific Dates Of Course Selection

February 14-17

- Teachers hold individual conferences with students to discuss courses and course level recommendations.
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Specific Dates Of Course Selection


February 22-25

- Students take course selection forms home to discuss with parent(s)/guardian(s). Parent(s)/Guardian(s) sign course forms.



Specific Dates Of Course Selection

February 25

- Students will receive appointment cards for scheduling. Each student will be scheduled to meet individually with his/her counselor to register for courses.
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Specific Dates Of Course Selection

February 28 – March 4

- Students meet individually (by appointment) with counselors to complete the course selection process. Students must have their signed course selection sheet with them when they register.

Course Selection Process In a Nutshell

Teacher - Sign off on recommendations.



Student - Takes home to parents to discuss.



Parent – Discusses with student and signs.



Student – Returns form to counselor.



Counselor - Meets with student individually.

Course Levels

CP = College Preparatory

- This level applies to required and elective courses that are designed for most students.
- Appropriate for students preparing for college.

Course Levels


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- Rigorous – Expectations for student achievement are maintained at a level to challenge the most academically able students.



Course Levels

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

- AP classes follow the specific curriculum guidelines of the College Board's AP program.
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NEW COURSES FOR 2011-2012

ART

- AP Studio Art
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NEW COURSES FOR 2011-2012


ENGLISH

- Literary Traditions(English 4)
- Modern and Contemporary Lit(English 4)
- Reading and Writing Non-Fiction(English 4)



NEW COURSES FOR 2011-2012

Business, Computer and Information Technology

- Sports and Entertainment Marketing
 - Television Broadcasting
 - Computer and Animation
 - Architectural Design
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NEW COURSES FOR 2011-2012

SCIENCE

- Geology and Astronomy offered 2011-2012
- Meteorology and Oceanography offered 2012-2013
- All are CP and Honors



NEW COURSES FOR 2011-2012

Social Studies

- AP Psychology
 - Modern History Through Media
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Community Based Learning

Cooperative Work Experience

- For students who want to use their jobs as a learning experience for academic credit.
- Seminars held in school every 8 days to share and discuss experiences.
- .5 credit – 60 hours
- 1 credit – 120 hours

Community Based Learning

Educational Field Experience

- Internship for academic credit.
- Seminars held every 8 school days to share and discuss experiences.
- Students may complete up to $\frac{1}{2}$ of the required hours for the coming school year during the summer. This requires pre-approval.
- .5 credit – 60 hours
- 1 credit – 120 hours


Community Based Learning

Community Service Learning

- Offers opportunity to volunteer in the community and receive academic credit.
- Students may complete up to $\frac{1}{2}$ of the required hours for the coming school year during the summer. This requires pre-approval.
 - .5 credit – 60 hours
 - 1 credit – 120 hours



Central Montgomery Technical High School

- Students spend half of the school day at CMTHS and the other half at Lower Merion.
 - Students earn 3 credits.
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Schedule Changes

- Deadline – June 17th.
- Level Changes – Students who sign up for an AP class will not be permitted to withdraw after August 1st.
- A student who has overridden a teacher recommendation may not move back to the originally recommended class.

Summer School

- June 27 – August 5.
- 8AM – 12:30PM
- Students can attend for:
 - Make-up
 - Advancement in Biology, Western Civilization, Chemistry, US History, Physics
 - Student cannot miss more than 2 classes.



General Questions?

- Tonight is set up for more general information. Contact your counselor at a different time with specific questions.
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