

Castle High School Class of 2021

A TIMELINE AND RESOURCES FOR INCOMING SOPHOMORES

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Enrollment for Sophomore Classes



- **Timeline:**
 - Student presentations during FSP: **Week of Feb 5th.**
 - Parent Meeting **Monday, Feb 12th 6pm**
 - Online enrollment during FSP on **Wednesday, February 21st.**
 - Verification Sheets will be sent home in **April.** ****This is your opportunity to make changes!**

A student must earn...

- 40 credits to graduate with a Core 40 Diploma
- 47 credits to graduate with an Academic Honors Diploma or Technical Honors Diploma



Core 40 Diploma



- 8 cr English/LA
- 6 cr Math - Alg 1, Alg II, Geom
- 6 cr Science – Bio, Chem I or ICP, other
- 6 cr Social Studies – WH, US, Govt/Econ
- 5 cr Directed Electives – WL, FA, CTE, AG
- 2 cr PE
- 1 cr Health
- 6 cr Electives

*Math or QR course required every year of high school

Core 40 with Academic Honors



- Core 40 requirements plus:
- 2 additional credits in Math
- 6-8 credits in World Language
- 2 credits in Fine Arts
- C or better in all courses
- 3.0 GPA or higher at time of graduation

PLUS...

Complete ONE of the Following:



- Earn **4 credits in 2 or more** AP courses and take corresponding AP exam

OR

- Earn 6 verifiable transcribed college credits (dual credit)

OR

- Earn 2 AP credits and 3 college credits

OR

- Earn a combined score of 1250 or higher on the SAT. Min Math 560, Rdg/Wrtg 590

OR

- Earn a 26 or higher on the ACT

Advanced Placement (AP) and Dual Credit



Advanced Placement

- AP courses and exams, while rigorous, don't automatically result in college credit.
- AP exams offered in May, scores released in July
- Students who earn a score of 3 or higher will receive college credit at any Indiana public institution of higher education. Most colleges/universities award credit.

Dual Credit

- Courses in which students can earn both high school and college transcribed credits
- Dual Credit Courses used to meet AHD requirements must be from priority course list
- Dual Credit Courses will actually put the grade the student earns on a college transcript whereas AP courses will issue the credits for the course, but not the letter grade

Core 40 with Technical Honors



- Core 40 requirements plus:

6 or more credits in a career-technical program

AND

Pathway designated industry-based certificate or credential, OR

Pathway dual credits from the approved dual credit list resulting in 6 transcribed college credits

- C or better in required courses
- 3.0 or higher GPA at graduation
- Other requirements – **see handout**

***Should apply in Oct. of Soph year**

What classes do most sophomores take?

English

- **World History**
- **Math**
- **Health (1 semester)**
- **Science*****

A stylized logo for the Class of 2021. The words "CLASS OF" are stacked above the year "2021". The text is rendered in a bold, black, blocky font with a white outline, giving it a three-dimensional appearance. The logo is centered on a white rectangular background.

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2021**

English Courses



- **109 English 10 Integrated**

- **109A English 10 Advanced / Pre-AP**

Students with an A or B in English 9 Advanced or teacher recommendation

World History Courses



- **205B World History Basic**
 - Not recommended for students planning to attend a four-year college
- **205 World History & Civilization**
- **205A World History & Civilization Advanced**
 - Must have earned an A or B in Adv Eng 9
- **230 World History and Civilization AP**
 - Must have earned an A or B in Advanced English 9 and have a 3.5 GPA

Mathematics Courses



- **321B/322B Algebra I T** – students who have not passed 2 semesters Algebra I
- **325B/326B Algebra II T** – students completing Algebra I with a D or students completing Algebra I T
- **2531/2531-2 Math 10** – teacher rec

Mathematics Courses



- **333/334 Geometry I** – students completing Algebra I with a C or better
- **333A/334A Geometry I Advanced** – students completing Algebra 1 with an A/B+ both semesters

Mathematics Courses



- **325/326 Algebra II**– students completing Geometry with a C or better, or a C or below in Adv Geometry
- **325A/326A Algebra II Advanced**- students earning an A/B in Adv Geometry, or a C in Honors Geometry
- **325H/326H Algebra II Honors** – students earning an A or B in Honors Geometry

If you have questions, consult with your math teacher.

Science Courses



- **NEW:** Students in Alg T will take ICP T-level as a sophomore
- **289/290 Phys/Chem** – student has taken Biology and will concurrently take Alg II or have teacher recommendation and has the intent of continuing to Chemistry I or Physics I their junior year

Science Courses



- **281/282 Chemistry I** – student is earning an A or B in Algebra I and Biology I (regular or advanced)
- **250/251 AP Environmental Science** – a student must be concurrently enrolled in BOTH Chemistry or Phys/Chem
- **291/292 Physics I** – requires teacher rec and concurrently enrolled in Alg 2
- **295/296 AP Physics I Alg Based** – requires teacher rec and concurrently enrolled in Alg 2

Other required classes



- 2 semesters of freshman **Physical Education**
 - If a student has not passed two semesters of freshman PE, he or she may not enroll in PE Electives
- **Health** (1 semester) or 3 FACS credits
Int Rel, College & Careers, Nutrition (1st sem only), Child Dev (1st sem only)
- Any required freshman course that the student failed

Electives



- See enrollment sheet for all sophomore elective choices
- Read course descriptions on CHS website about all of our class offerings
- Review course sequence charts on CHS website

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- Agriculture
- Business & Computers
- English
- Family & Consumer Sciences
- Industrial Technology
- Mathematics
- Performing Arts
- Physical Education
- Science
- Social Studies
- Resource Education
- Visual Arts
- World Languages

Corporation News

Snow Make-up Days

The Indiana Department of Education has issued a waiver to not make up the days of January 6, 2014 and January 7, 2014. The School Corporation will have school on January 8, 2014 to make up the school days missed on December 9, 2013, December 10, 2013, and January 21, 2014:

Monday, February 17, 2014
Friday, April 4, 2014

in Board

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y, January 30 @ 7 p.m.
pet @ 6 p.m.
ception at 5:30 p.m.
in sale during lunch periods or at the door.
be king of the campus? Don't miss it!

8th Grade Orientation

This year's 8th grade orientation and enrollment meeting will take place at 6:00 p.m. on February 11th. Parents will meet in the auditorium and

DAILY BULLETIN

SCHOOL EVENTS

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Supplemental Classes



- **Summer School:** Offered online through WCSC--Eng, Math, Health, Social Studies.
- **Credit Recovery:** For students interested in recovering credits from their freshmen year. Offered after school from 3:15-6:15 M/W or Tu/Th at the Warrick Education Center.
- **Online Classes:** A student can take a class online from our Approved/Accredited Online Programs list.

If you're struggling in a class...



- **Peer Tutoring during before school/lunch:** Students volunteer their time to tutor every day. If your student is interested in getting tutored (or being a tutor), they can see me any time. A student must commit to tutoring for 10 days.
- **Teachers may be available before/after school:** Consider asking your teacher for extra help.
- **Peer Tutoring outside of School:** The guidance office creates a list of peer tutors willing to meet with students outside of school at a local library/public place. Students are permitted to charge for this service.

Things to Know:



- Athletes must pass 5 courses per semester in order to remain eligible for sports
- You would lose your credit and receive a failing grade for having 10 or more absences in a class for a given semester
- Criteria to drop a class/Waiver process

Valedictorian and Salutatorian

- To be class valedictorian, a student must take 5 AP classes and have the highest GPA in the class.
- To be class salutatorian, a student must take 5 AP classes and have the second-highest GPA in the class.

Sophomore Timeline: Fall



- Plan for the year ahead
- Study, spend time on homework
- Prepare for and take the PSAT in October
- Get involved with activities
 - **Keep these well documented and organized...you'll be glad when you start to apply for NHS, college, and scholarships**
- Explore college and career options

Sophomore Timeline: Winter

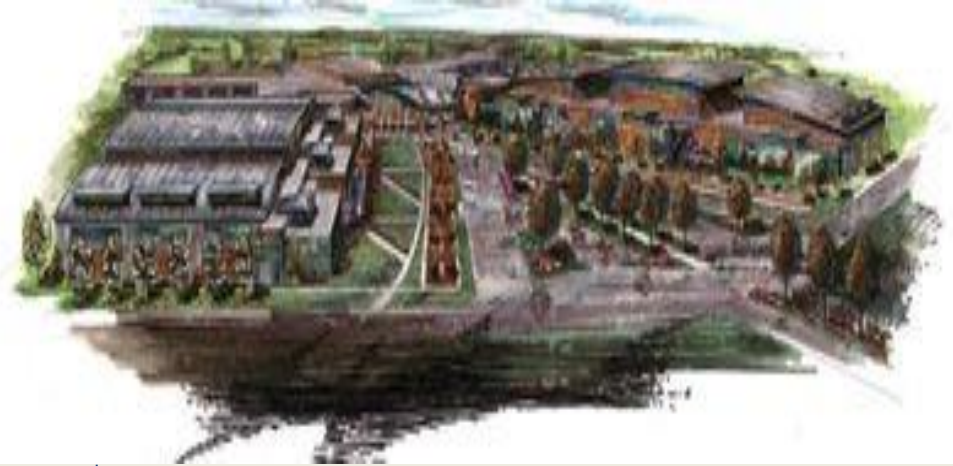


- Utilize info from PSAT score report
- Start preparing for SAT/ACT
- Consider applying to the Southern Indiana Career & Technical Center
- Continue to explore post-secondary options

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Excellence Through Knowledge And Partnerships



- Agriculture
- Architectural Design
- Automotive – Collision & Service
- Building Trades
- Computer Networking
- Computer Programming
- Culinary Arts
- Diesel Service
- Electricity Trades
- Graphics/Printing/Digital Media Tech
- Health Sciences
- Heating/Air Cond.
- Industrial Repair
- Precision Machines
- Public Safety
- Radio/TV/Telecomm.
- CAD
- Welding

Sophomore Timeline: Spring



- **STAY FOCUSED**
- Explore summer opportunities such as volunteer work, summer jobs, etc...
- **CLASS OF 2021:** Take graduation required exams – ISTEP+ 10 in Math and ELA (Science taken 9th grade year)

ISTEP+



- ISTEP+10 ELA and Math is the graduation exam for 2019 and beyond
- Based on state standards and used to measure student achievement
- Contains 2 parts:
 - **Part 1: Applied Skills (open-ended)**
 - **Part 2: Multiple choice and Technology enhanced item**

Exploring Options for the Future



- Use the CHS Guidance Website, college websites, and other college search websites
- Consider signing up for optional activities during College Go! Week
- Interest inventories:
 - **Indiana Career Explorer*, LearnMoreIndiana, My College Quickstart, BigFuture**
- Visit college fairs, college admissions representatives, and tour college campuses

Stay Informed!



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Email:

**CHSnews@warrick.k12.in.us to join
the listserv. Include class of 2021
in the subject line.**

My Student Policy



- A student may come see me ANYTIME
 - Before/after school
 - During lunch
 - During class (when a teacher permits)
 - Parents: you may call or email to set up an appointment:
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