

# Dulaney High School Registration

## Instructions for Rising Freshman 2024-2025



Please read all instructions carefully

**All students must be signed up for Eight Credits and one Alternate credit.**

**One course equals one credit with the exception of HVAC 1 & 2 which is a 2 credit course.**

**All Freshman take Physical Education.**

Your academic classes, including World Language, have been pre-selected for you through the automatic course request process and through recommendations made by your middle school teachers.

### **Teacher Recommendations**

Your current middle school teachers have already made their recommendations for your course registration for next year. These courses are printed on the top left side of the of the registration form.

- If you agree with the recommendation, you do not need to do anything with those courses. Count the total and proceed to selecting your additional courses to add up to eight credits.
- If you disagree with your teacher's recommendation and want to be enrolled in a more rigorous course you should have a conversation with your current middle schoolteacher about the recommendation. It can be changed by the teacher if it is determined that a higher level would be a better fit for the student. This can be done throughout the spring semester.

### **Automatic Course Requests (ACR'S)**

If you are preregistered for a course that you no longer want to take, put a line through the course and then make another selection. For example, you are in Latin Language and Culture Honors but you want to take Chinese 1 instead, put a line through Latin and then place a check next to Chinese 1 on the registration form. Remember you must have a total of 8 credits when adding up the ACR'S plus the check marks. Then you need to add one alternate selection just in case.

**Advanced Science AP Biology and AP Environmental Science** — Some students will receive an invitation from our Science Department Chair, Mr. Shaw, to enroll in an AP science course as a 9<sup>th</sup> grade student. This process happens later in the spring. For registration purposes students that may be invited will remain in GT Earth Systems at this time.

## Graduation requirements to consider

**Art-** Everyone needs at least one credit of Art which can be Fundamentals of Art, any Music class, Dance, or Theater. Note that Fundamentals of Art is the prerequisite course for Photography, Digital Art, and Clay Design for those interested in taking those courses in the future.

**Technology-** Everyone needs at least one credit of Technology which includes:

- Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Engineering Design Honors- This is the entry level course to the PLTW program in Engineering. It is a 3D design course and most work is completed on the computer using software.
- Computer Science Honors- This is an entry level course and no prior knowledge in Computer science is expected. The course is designed to focus on conceptual ideas of computing more than specific software tools or programming languages.
- AP Computer Science -This is an advanced course that includes programming, algorithm design, system organization and operations. It will touch on multiple programming languages with project design and problem solving incorporated. Completion of Algebra 1 before high school is required.

Students may choose two Art classes freshman year (example Dance and Theatre) or two Technology courses freshman year (example PLTW and Comp Sci) but they must take either Art or Tech in the future to satisfy the graduation requirement.

## Additional areas of study

**Business** - We also have some business electives available for freshman to choose from and they are Principles of Business Management, Accounting Honors or Marketing Honors. If a student chooses one of these classes over Art or Technology those graduation requirement classes will need to be satisfied in the future if not taken in 9<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC)** – Students take HVAC 1 and 2 simultaneously and therefore it is a two-credit class. Students then go on to take HVAC 3 & 4 simultaneously sophomore year.

**Auditions for a higher placement in Guitar, Piano or Dance are being held on \_\_\_\_\_.**

Please contact the appropriate person below for information and or an audition time.

**Dance:** Ms. McWilliams [dmcwilliams@bcps.org](mailto:dmcwilliams@bcps.org)

**Guitar:** Mr. Dickson [bdickson@bcps.org](mailto:bdickson@bcps.org)

**Piano:** Mr. Chesky [bchesky@bcps.org](mailto:bchesky@bcps.org)