



RISING 9TH GRADE

ORIENTATION

TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2019



HELLO! - INTRODUCTIONS

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ENGLISH = 4 CREDITS

- English 9 (Regular, CP, or Honors) = 1 credit
- English 10 (Regular, CP, or Honors) = 1 credit
- English 11 (Regular, CP, or AP) = 1 credit
- English 12 (Regular, CP, or AP) = 1 credit

- All Sophomores will be required to take Speech.



MATH = 4 CREDITS

- Algebra 1A & 1B (Regular or Honors) = 1 credit
- Geometry (Regular or Honors) = 1 credit
- Algebra 2 (Regular or Honors) = 1 credit
- Upper level math = 1 credit
 - ◆ Pre-Calculus
 - ◆ Calculus
 - ◆ Statistics
 - ◆ Bridge Math



MATH = 4 CREDITS

- Advanced Algebra 1 students will be required to take both Honors Geometry & Honors Algebra 2 in same year
- **STEM Math** = Students who score 19 or above on the ACT math - Stats, Pre-Cal, or Calculus
- **Bridge Math (SAILS Math)** = Students who have not earned a 19 in ACT math by the beginning of their senior year



SCIENCE = 4 CREDITS

- Freshmen Science = 1 credit
 - ◆ Earth & Space Science
 - ◆ Honors Physical World Concepts
 - ◆ Agriscience
- Biology (Regular or Honors) = 1 credit
- Chemistry or Physics (Regular or Honors) = 1 credit
- Science Elective = 1 credit



SOCIAL STUDIES = 3 CREDITS

- World History or AP Human Geography = 1 credit
 - ◆ World is State Dual Credit
- U.S. History (Regular or Dual) = 1 credit
- Government & Economics = 1 credit
 - ◆ Must pass the civics exam to graduate



WELLNESS, PE, & PF

- Wellness = 1 credit
 - ◆ Everyone will take Wellness freshmen year
- Physical Education = ½ credit
- Personal Finance = ½ credit
 - ◆ Everyone will take PE/PF during their sophomore year



FINE ARTS & FOREIGN LANGUAGE = 3 CREDITS

→ Fine Art = 1 credit

- ◆ Visual Art
- ◆ Drama
- ◆ Band
- ◆ Guitar
- ◆ Chorus

→ Foreign Language = 2 credits

- ◆ Spanish 1 & 2
- ◆ Latin 1 & 2



SKINNY PERIOD

- 45 minutes per day
- Year-long class
- RTI may be the required class based on AimsWeb testing at JCMS



FOCUS PROGRAM OF STUDY

3 CREDITS

Students completing a focus of study must complete 3 credits in one of the following areas:

- ★ CTE
- ★ Fine Arts
- ★ AP
- ★ Dual
- ★ Math & Science (above the required courses)



CTE PROGRAM OF STUDY

Students must complete 3 credits
in the same “Program of Study” area:

- ★ Agriculture Science
- ★ Automotive Technology
- ★ Business/Computer Technology
- ★ Culinary Arts
- ★ Construction Technology
- ★ Health Science
- ★ Criminal Justice



EPSO

Early postsecondary opportunities (EPSOs) include a course and/or exam that give students a chance to obtain postsecondary credit while still in high school.





ADVANCED PLACEMENT

- AP Human Geography = 9th grade
- AP Modern World History = 10th grade or higher
- AP Ancient World History = 10th grade or higher
- AP Biology = 12th grade
- AP Language = 11th grade
- AP Literature = 12th grade
- AP Psychology = 11th or 12th grade



SIX YEAR PLANS

- Counselors will meet with students to develop a six-year plan for each rising freshmen
- This plan includes the following:
 - ◆ Course sequence for all 4 years of high school
 - ◆ Recommended electives
 - ◆ We promise to use a pencil!!!



EXCEPTIONAL LEARNERS

→ The courses for these students will be based on the meeting that takes place with each individual case manager/advisor.



JCHS DIPLOMA

The Johnson County Board of Education requires a minimum of **28** credits to graduate with a Johnson County High School Diploma

Students must also take the ACT

*Work Ethic Diploma

*Community Service Diploma





"MOVE ON"

- We use an intervention course for all failures
- PLATO web-based curriculum (very hard)
- 70 is the highest score you can obtain
- Final grade of 50 or below will be making up courses in a "sit-down" class



TESTING

The following courses will have End of Course (EOC) exams which will make up 25% of the overall grade for the 2019 - 2020 school year:

- ★ English 9, English 10
 - ★ Biology
- ★ Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry
 - ★ US History



ASVAB TEST

- ★ Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery Test
 - ★ Taken during the Fall of Junior year
 - ★ www.march2success.com for preparation



ACT[®]

- 11th grade ACT during school
- Spring
- **Requirement to graduate**

- ACT Prep class = juniors
- After school tutoring
- actstudent.org



PRESIDENTIAL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD



- Criteria for JCHS Seniors
- ◆ Must score 29 ACT reading -or- 27 ACT math
 - ◆ GPA of 3.5 or higher
 - ◆ Complete a rigorous curriculum
 - ◆ Must NOT have had any of the following disciplinary actions: ESC, Out-of-school suspension, and/or Court Appearances



VALEDICTORIAN

*There will only be one valedictorian that will be declared based on:

1. Highest GPA in the graduating class
2. Highest ACT composite score



BLOCK SCHEDULING

- Students take 4 classes each semester for a total of 8 classes per year in the block
 - ◆ Semester 1 = August - December
 - ◆ Semester 2 = January - May

- Block classes are 85 minutes each
- Skinny period is 45 minutes year long
 - ◆ **Total of 9 classes for the school year**



BELL SCHEDULE

1st = 8:10 am - 9:40 am (90 minutes)

2nd = 9:45 am - 11:10 am (85 minutes)

3rd = 11:10 am - 12:55 pm (105 minutes)

1st lunch = 11:10 am - 11:35 am

2nd lunch = 11:35 am - 12:00 pm

3rd lunch = 12:00 pm - 12:25 pm

4th = 1:00 pm - 1:45 pm (45 minutes)

5th = 1:50 pm - 3:15 pm (85 minutes)



SAMPLE SCHEDULE

Period	1st Semester	2nd Semester
1st	Elective	Earth & Space Science
2nd	Algebra 1A	Algebra 1B
3rd	English	Lifetime Wellness
4th	-----Skinny Class Period -----	
5th	World History	Elective



ATTENDANCE

- Students can miss 4 days in each class (excused or unexcused)
- Upon missing their 5th day, they must make up their time in order to pass the class
- They can do this by staying after school, coming in before school, or attending Saturday School
- There are NO exceptions to this policy, and students need to make up their time as soon as they miss the class



TARDY POLICY (PER SEMESTER)

- 1st tardy = warning
- 2nd tardy = call home
- 3rd tardy or more = lunch detention for every tardy or early dismissal
- 6th tardy = full day ISS

Each teacher has their own late to class policy



GRADING SCALE

A = 93 - 100

B = 85 - 92

C = 75 - 84

D = 70 - 74

F = 0 - 69

I = INCOMPLETE

*3 points are added to honors & dual classes only

**5 points are added to AP courses



GRADE CLARIFICATION

For promotion to the next grade level:

Sophomore.....	6 credits
Junior.....	12 credits
Senior.....	20 credits
Graduate.....	28 credits



TN LOTTERY SCHOLARSHIP & TN PROMISE

- To qualify for the TN Lottery (HOPE) scholarship:
 - ◆ 3.0 GPA -or- 21 ACT composite
 - ◆ Complete FAFSA
- Tennessee Promise = all students are eligible
 - ◆ Sign up & attend meetings
 - ◆ Complete FAFSA
 - ◆ 8 hours community service



REGISTRATION MEETINGS

- Be thinking about your electives and your focus.
- Report to JCHS on Tuesday, March 26
- You will be escorted over by JCHS Student Council members.



FRESHMEN KICK OFF

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 2019

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

STUDENTS ONLY



TOURS BY LAST NAME

Begin in CTE

A B

E F

I J

M N

Q R

U V

Begin in Main Building

C D

G H

K L

O P

S T

W X Y Z

THANK YOU!

YOU ARE FREE TO LEAVE ONCE YOUR TOUR IS COMPLETE.

