

Grand Oaks High School Contacts



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Academic Lettering

Academic awards including academic lettering are presented only to students currently enrolled in the District. Students meeting the following are eligible to receive an application for academic lettering:

1. A sophomore student having a cumulative average of 90 for all subjects or a GPA of 4.1 or greater during his/her freshman year is eligible to receive a jacket and/or letter with no bars;
2. A junior student having a cumulative average of 90 for all subjects or a GPA of 4.2 or greater during his/her sophomore year is eligible for a letter jacket and/or letter with no bars;
3. A senior student having a cumulative average of 90 for all subjects or a GPA of 4.3 or greater during his/her junior year is eligible for a letter jacket or a letter with the appropriate number of bars.
4. Transfer students will become eligible to receive the appropriate award only after completing one full year at a District high school in which the grade requirements (as outlined above) are met and their transfer grades meet the grade requirements of the award. The award will be given the fall semester of the following school year.
5. A student must complete the academic letter application and return it to the campus counseling center by the designated date. A student may receive only one jacket during his or her high school career.

Freshman Year: What is it all about?

Exploring

Interests, Career, Clubs, and Opportunities- Get involved with extracurricular activities to see what sparks your interests and explore.

-Challenging Themselves

Curriculum, Experiences- take a few challenging course in a subject you have interest in, Start building a resume/ activities list

-Autonomy/Resiliency

Practicing Self Advocacy, Resolving Questions/Issues, and Parent moving toward consultation-Get to know your counselor, advocate for yourself, and ask questions.

Encourage your high school student to:

Build Resiliency!!

Stay Organized

Utilize School Resources to help solve problems-Tutoring, Advisory, Student Access

Stay on top of deadlines, due dates, projects

Self-Advocate

Club and Organizations

Grand Oaks will offer opportunities for students to get involved in clubs not limited to but to include, NHS (National Honor Society), FFA (Future Farmers of America),(Math Club), Student Council, etc.

Athletics

Any information with regards to try-outs, competition will be sent out by the coaches or athletic department at a later date.

Graduation Requirements (Cohort 2022)

Foundation High School Plan with Endorsements

(26 credits needed to graduate/32 possible on block schedule)

–4 credits of English

–4 credits of Math

•Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, & One Additional Math

–4 credits of Science

•Biology, Chemistry, Physics, & One Additional Science

–4 credits of Social Studies

•World Geography or AP Human Geography, World History, US History
Government/Economics

2 Credits of the same Foreign Language

1 Fine Arts Credits

1 One PE Credit

.5 Health (half credit)

5.5 Elective credits -focused on the students chosen endorsement

The Distinguished Level of Achievement (DLA) is earned through successful completion of:

*All requirements for the Foundation High School Program, *plus* the requirements of *at least one* endorsement, including a total of four credits in Math, Must include Algebra II, *and* a total of four credits in Science.

AP (Advanced Placement) and Dual Credit

Students are eligible to take additional AP and Dual credit coursework in high school to potentially earn college credit while in high school. Additional college level course will be offered during the students' junior and senior years in high school.

Endorsements:

Endorsements are a series of courses grouped together by interest or skill set. Your students' elective choices

Endorsements

Arts and Humanities

A coherent sequence or series of courses from one of the following:

Social Studies (beyond the 4 required)

The courses include:

Foreign Language (LOTE)

Fine Arts such as Art, Dance, Band, Theatre, Choir or Orchestra courses.

Business and Industry

A coherent sequence or series of courses from one of the following:

CTE Courses:

Agriculture, Architecture, Audio Video, Business, Finance, Marketing, Hospitality

English Electives:

Public Speaking, Debate, Advanced Journalism including Newspaper and Yearbook

Public Services

A coherent sequence or series of courses from one of the following

CTE courses from Education and training, Government and public Administration, Health Science, and Human Services including Cosmetology or Law and Public Safety

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics)

A coherent sequence or series of courses from one of the following:

CTE courses with a course from the STEM cluster

Computer Science

Mathematics/Science and beyond the 4 required of each

Multidisciplinary

A coherent or series of courses from one of the following: credits in each of the foundation course areas (science, Math, English, Social Studies)

Also can be four AP or Dal Credit course from English, Math Science, Social Studies, Economics, LOTE or Fine arts

All students fulfill this requirement for this endorsement

End Of Course Exams

All students must take and pass the EOC (End of Course Exams) in order to meet the Standard High School Graduation Requirements. The subjects in which students take the assessment are:

Algebra I, Biology, English I, English II, US History

Credits

Credits are awarded at the end of each semester.

-Each semester of high school a student has the potential to earn 4 credits. Students can earn 8 credits for the entire school year (unless you are in double blocked course such as band or athletics. Your total will be 7 credits).

-In order to earn a credit, you must receive a grade of 70 or higher to meet the 90% attendance requirement.

GPA and Class Rank

Your GPA is based on the classes you take and the semester grades you make in those classes.

Class Rank is based on a students weighted GPA

Colleges look at both GPA and Class Rank!

Grade Range	Letter Semester Grade	AP/DC	Core PreAP/Honors	Level and All Other Courses
90-100	A	6.0	5.0	4.0
80-89	B	5.0	4.0	3.0
75-79	C	4.0	3.0	2.0
70-74	D	3.0	2.0	1.0
Below 70	F	0	0	0

Important Dates:

Summer School Registration

Starts April 23, 2018

Performing Arts Showcase
Cafeteria

April 30 at 6pm at York JHS

Course Verification deadline is

May 25th

Public Tours of Grand Oaks will be in

July

Student Orientation dates-

July 31 9th grade 8-11am,

10th grade 1-4pm

August 18th 11am make-up day

Fall Open House

August 23rd at 6pm

Freshman to senior year Timeline

Freshman Year

Get Involved with extracurricular activities to see what sparks your interest; Start building a resume/activities list.

Get to know your guidance counselor to help make plans for the next 4 years.

Study hard and work to get the best grades you can to build a strong transcript.

Sophomore Year

Take the PSAT for practice and career exploration

Continue to explore to build a resume; keep track of memorable experiences and community involvement

Start visiting colleges to get a sense of: “turn ons” and “turn offs” (process of elimination).

Start thinking about Career options and college goals. Consider a summer program in an area of interest.

Junior Year

Sept-Oct: Register for PSAT (optional)

Nov –June: Begin thinking more formally about post-secondary plans

Continue to visit colleges and formulate a list of colleges, vocational, technical schools

Feb-April: Watch registration deadlines for SAT/ACT, Select course load for senior year; challenge yourself. Attend college fairs; talk to college representatives and gather information about potential schools.

May: AP Exams for juniors

Summer: Start writing Practice College essays, begin college applications and continue college visits.

Senior Year

Sept-Oct.: Finalize college selections; request letters of recommendations, finalize activities in a resume form.

Watch college application deadlines and submit applications

Jan: Submit Financial Aid documents. Submit Mid-year grades to colleges as well.

May: AP Exams for seniors

Keep Copies of Everything you submit to colleges; keep copies of letters of recommendations. Etc.

May: High School Graduation!!!