Scheduling 2018-19

For Freshman, Sophomores, and Juniors

NEW!
Online Scheduling
Time Line

- **Feb. 8 Advisory:** PowerPoint to review graduation requirements and Course Selection Sheets

- **February 26-March 7:** students will schedule during RAMS period as we call you down in groups. These dates can be extended if we need them to be. Groups have not been determined yet.

- If you do NOT fill out the Course Selection Sheets correctly or do NOT have a parent sign the sheets and return to your RAMS period teacher to collect you will be placed at the bottom of the list and we will schedule you after all of the other students have been scheduled.
What your packet should contain:

• Pathway with recommendations and record of credits earned

• Course Selection Sheet: to be completed by student, signed by parent and returned to RAMS teacher
Consider Your Choices Carefully

- If you choose an honors or AP level course and get it on your schedule, you are not allowed to get out of the course when the school year begins.

- If you choose a course and get it on your schedule, county policy dictates that you can’t change your schedule because you change your mind or because you want a different teacher.
Register for ALL the Honors and AP Classes!
Notes on AP Courses

The following AP courses require a “partner” course, most in the same year:

- Biology – AP + Biology II-H (not necessarily in same year)
- AP Calculus AB + Elements of Calculus-H (same year)
- Chemistry-AP + Chemistry-H (same year recommended)
- Physics I AP + Physics-H (same year recommended)
- Psychology AP + Psychology I (same year recommended)

All AP Courses will require a general AP contract, signed by student and parent. Some courses also have an additional contract with the teacher.
Completing Course Selection Sheets

1) **COMPLETE IN PENCIL ONLY!!!!**

2) Student needs to complete top blanks on the sheet:

   SOUTHERN GARRETT HIGH SCHOOL COURSE SELECTION SHEET 2014-15

   LEGAL NAME  Joe Student  CAREER PATH  Auto

   ___ University of MD System Completer  X  Career & Technology System Completer
Complete Course Selection Sheet (cont’d.)

Using a PENCIL, circle name and number of each course chosen on Course Selection Sheet:

011 English I – Merit

Follow suggestions made by School Counselor on Pathway Sheet. Make sure course numbers match!
You will select your English, Math, Science and Social Studies Courses on the front page of the Course Selection Sheet. Ordinarily, you will pick one of each.
Notes on courses on second page of CSS

Courses that Meet Fine Art Requirement

- Art I
- Art History
- Art Appreciation
- Chorus
- Band
- Theater I
- Music Appreciation
- Color Guard
- Music History & Theory
- Class Piano I
Notes on courses on second page of CSS
Courses that Meet Financial Literacy Requirement

- 614 - Economics-M
- 606 - Financial Management
- 744 – Agribusiness
Notes on courses on second page of CSS
Courses That Can Be Repeated

• Theatre II-M
• Studio Art-M
• Chorus
• Band; Color Guard
• Class Piano I; Class Piano II
• Physical Activity; Weight Training
• Web Design-M
• Yearbook, Newspaper
• School-To-Careers
Teacher Approval Needed

• Students need teacher approval for some classes:
  • **Teacher’s Aide** – student needs to deliver a note from a teacher or teacher needs to send email to counselor. Only seniors are allowed to be Teacher’s Aides.
  • **Studio Art** – student needs to obtain Mrs. Pyle’s permission and counselor needs note or email
  • **Office Aide** – juniors and seniors can sign up, but will need to be approved before being assigned
Notes on courses on second page of CSS

Following is a list of some electives for which there is extra information to help students make decisions:

◆ **JROTC/Leadership Level:** this is a leadership development course. Students participate in a wide range of activities. There is not military service commitment. There are five levels. Students need to start with Let I and then move one level up with each course. Students can “fill in the blank” and make sure they select the correct one in Power School.

◆ **092 Journalism-Newspaper:** This is a merit level course. Reasons to consider the course: students are part of a staff; leadership positions; looks good to colleges; improves writing skills; also involves photography and graphic design. This class also produces full color senior edition and literary magazine.

◆ **095 SAT Prep.:** The best year to take this class is the junior year, when students should take the SAT. This course not only prepares students for the SAT, but also improves verbal, writing and math skills which help college readiness. The course is catered to the needs of the student.

◆ **244 Contemporary Problems:** Students examine current issues in the United States including domestic and foreign relations.
Foreign Language is a requirement for University of Maryland System Completers. While Career & Technology Completers are not required to take foreign language, they will need to take them if they plan to attend a four year college. Many highly selective colleges expect to see at least 3 years of a foreign language on a students’ transcript.

- 436 Spanish I
- 437 Spanish II – M
- 438 Spanish III – M

Art classes are sequential, so a student takes Art I and then takes Art II and so on.

- 441 Art I
- 442 Art II
- 443 Advanced Art: Drawing & Painting- M
- 444 Advanced Art: Sculpture & Printmaking- M
  Studio Art-H

• Students must have their Health and Physical Education credits before taking Physical Activity and Weight Training
  • 476 Physical Activity – Coed
  • 477 Weight Training/Exercise Physiology
Courses from 501 to 746 are electives and are Career and Technology courses that are on pathways. Students are allowed to select these courses, even if they aren’t on their pathway. However, pathway completers will get first priority in filling the classes. So, some students may be bumped out of a class to allow pathway completers in the course. Please refer to the Student Education Planning Guide for descriptions of these courses. Following is just some new information to help students in making decisions. Many pathway courses must be taken in a sequential order so please check your SEPG or follow counselors recommendation to ensure you select prerequisite classes before moving on.
Notes on courses on second page of CSS

Reminders:

• You need to select 8 courses plus 2 alternates. Your two alternates need to be labeled ALT 1 and ALT 2 and also be circled. That means you will have 10 classes selected!

• You need to be sure to circle courses on the Course Selection Sheet that are on your pathway, ex. If you are an Auto completer, circle Auto I on your CSS!
Notes for Sophomores (Rising Juniors)

• The second level of many CTE courses (ex. Auto II) run for two periods, so when you are selecting 8 courses, be sure to count that course as two.
Notes for Juniors
(Rising Seniors)

If you are interested in Garrett College Courses:
- GC English 101/102 = English IV credit
- GC College Math 105 = 4th math credit

There are many ways that students can now earn GC credits and High school credits at the same time. Courses are listed in SEPG and on CSS by grade. More and more classes are being offered to not only seniors.
Notes for Juniors
(Rising Seniors)

4th Math options:
If you are a University of Maryland Completer (in Merit/Honors maths + 2 years foreign language), then your 4th math must be a Merit/Honors level math.

Typical Math Sequence:
Alg. I-A-Alg./IB-M or Alg. IB-M
Geometry H or M
Algebra II H or M
Algebra III-M or Pre-Calculus H or M
Calculus (must have had Pre-Calculus first),

Other Math Options: Algebra III-M, Probability and Statistics AP or M,
GC College Algebra
Notes for Juniors (Rising Seniors)

• You must meet all testing requirements for your class. If you are unsure about whether you are meeting these requirements, please see your counselor.

• Service Learning: 40 hours
Notes for Juniors
(Rising Seniors)

4th Math options

If you are a CTE Completer (completing at least 4 CTE courses in pathway and in General Math series)

Typical Math Sequence:
General Algebra 1A
General Algebra 1B
General Geometry
General Algebra II
General Algebra III

Other 4th math options: Algebra IB-M or Algebra II-M depending on math teacher recommendation
Notes for Juniors (Rising Seniors)

For those completing CTE programs:

a) Be sure to sign up for at least one course in your CTE program if you already have 3 credits

b) Allied Health counts for 4 credits. Count it as 4 of the 8 courses you select.
Notes for Juniors  
(Rising Seniors)

If you are interested in **School-To-Careers** – you must have your service learning hours completed by the end of your junior year. Sign up for one period, but do not count it as one of your 8 courses you must select. Mr. Bonser will contact you with more information. You can sign up in the Guidance Office to see Mr. Bonser if you have questions or concerns.
Notes for Juniors (Rising Seniors)

If you are interested in Modified Schedule

- You must have your service learning hours completed by the end of your junior year to obtain approval into the program.
- School Board policy now requires that you have your application submitted one month prior to the beginning of your Senior year. To ensure that you have modified schedule, submit your application by the end of your junior year.
- You must meet assessment requirements.
- If you do not currently have your service learning hours completed, or do not have passing scores on your HSA exams, then you must select 8 courses plus 2 alternatives.
- Whether you have or have not met the criteria, you need to select 8 courses plus 2 alternatives. You can select one period of Modified Schedule, but do not count it as part of your 8. You have to be approved for Modified Schedule before it goes on your schedule.
If you are interested in the Health Careers Pathway (Allied Health) then you will now be starting the pathway your **Junior year**. You will take one credit of Allied Health junior year and 3 credits of Allied Health Senior year. Please make sure you circle this on your Course Selection Sheets.
Final Notes

• If you have questions or concerns, please address them with your adviser or counselor prior to your scheduling appointment.

• Remember to submit your Course Selection Sheet to your Counselor after you select your classes in Power School.
Questions?

HOW TO REACH YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR

• Sign up in the Counselor’s Office
• Call us at 301-334-1660
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