

Junior Guidelines

2020-21



Overview

- Important Dates for Juniors
- Understanding your High School Credits
- Higher Level Course Options
- 2021-2022 Course Registration
- Post-Secondary Options
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Important Dates

- 2020-2021 Calendar of events.
 - * ACT - Early March (More info. To come)
 - * 2020-2021 Course Registration – January 20 - January 29
 - * Advanced Placement (AP) Test – May 3rd-May 14th

Review Your Credits

- It is YOUR responsibility to be sure you meet the requirements for High School Graduation!!!
 - You must earn 23.5 credits to qualify for a high school diploma.
- Students who are planning to attend a university or college are advised to review college admission requirements and see your counselor.
- Review your credits with your counselor to ensure you are on track and have not missed any requirements.

Required Classes

➤ Junior Year

- English 11 or AP English 1.0
- Science 1.0
- Government .5
- PE .5
- Math 1.0
- **Minimum course load 6.0**

- **Must pass Wisconsin Civics Test**

➤ Senior Year

- English 12 or AP English 1.0
- Econ or AP Econ .5
- Psychology, AP Psychology, or Sociology .5
- Math?? Need 3.0 credits minimum to graduate ?
- Science?? Need 3.0 credits minimum to graduate ?
- **Minimum course load 5.5**

Higher Level Course Options

- Challenge yourself while in High School
 - AP (Advanced Placement)
 - TC (Transcripted credit)
 - AS (Advanced standing)
 - PLTW (Project Lead The Way)
- Start College Now (Formerly Youth Options through CVTC)
- Early College Credit (Formerly Youth Options through UW-Eau Claire)

Advanced Placement (AP)

- Exposure to college level coursework
- College credit is based on your score on the AP exam (Scores of 3 or above [1-5 scale] are considered passing; some colleges require a score of 4 or 5 for a direct credit transfer)

AP COURSES THAT ARE OFFERED:

AP Studio Art

AP English Language

AP English Literature

AP Statistics

AP Calculus AB

AP Calculus BC

AP Music Theory

AP Biology

AP Chemistry

AP Physics C

AP European History

AP US Government

AP US History and AP Human Geography (Runs every other year) AP Human Geo 2021-22

AP Macroeconomics

AP Psychology

Transcripted Credit (TC)

- Agreement between ECASD and Technical Colleges allowing you to earn “transcripted credits” for approved courses
- TC courses are actual Technical College courses, using college textbooks and materials
- Taught at the high school by ECASD staff who are Technical College certified

TC COURSES THAT ARE OFFERED:

- Accounting II, III
- Marketing I, II
- Microsoft Office Suite
- Entrepreneurship
- Health Science Occupations
- Personal Law
- Intro to Teacher Education
- Medical Terminology
- Personal Finance
- Parents and Children
- Careers with Children
- Computer Hardware
- Woodworking II
- Welding II
- Criminal Justice

Advanced Standing (AS)

- An opportunity to earn advanced standing transfer credits through articulated agreements with ECASD
- You will qualify to claim advanced standing credit at CVTC without paying additional fees by earning a final grade of a B or better

AS Classes Offered:

- Photography I – The Art Institutes International Minnesota

Project Lead The Way (PLTW)

- National College pre-engineering program designed to provide an opportunity to apply math and science skills while exploring the broad field of engineering
- Your grade is based on class performance. Credit transfer is based on your score on the PLTW exam
- Credits are earned through Milwaukee School of Engineering

PLTW Courses Offered:

- Digital Electronics
- Introduction to Engineering Design
- Civil Engineering and Architecture
- Principles of Engineering
- Computer Integrated Manufacturing
- Engineering Design and Development
- Aerospace Engineering

Early College Credit Program and Start College Now

- October 1st is deadline for spring semester,
- March 1st for fall semester (next fall)
- Criteria for eligibility:
 - Student cannot be credit-deficient or identified as habitual truant.
 - Must have a cumulative 2.5 GPA.
 - Cannot have any failures in the previous semester.
- The district will pay only for the courses that are successfully completed.

Registration 2021-2022

➤ Dates

- Distribution of materials and registration will take place in January
 - Wednesday, January 20, 2021 – Informational Meeting with you Counselor
 - Wednesday, January 20-29, 2021 – Skyward Open for Registration

**** Pick your classes very carefully and know what you are signing up for!!!**

**** See your counselor or teacher with questions**

Admission Requirements

- Please see UW HELP: <https://uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/>
- UW System required course preparation:
 - Core college preparatory credits 13 credits
 - English 4 credits
 - Mathematics 3 credits **Minnesota – 4**
 - Natural Science 3 credits
 - Social Science/History 3 credits
 - Elective credits 4 credits
 - - Minimum of 2 of these electives from cores above
 - - Check school for specific requirements
- Minimum 2 credits of foreign language is required for admission to UW
Madison **AND** MN universities. Check website for specifics.

Primary Factors

Academic record/GPA

Class rank

Results of ACT and/or SAT

Course rigor and selection

Strength of curriculum (honors, AP, etc.)

Secondary Factors

Student experiences

Work experience

Leadership qualities

Volunteer time

Chippewa Valley Technical College (CVTC)

A CVTC representative can meet with students virtually this year.

- Interested students please sign up below: <https://calendly.com/lhurlburt>

www.cvtc.edu

Choosing a Career

- Xello: Take assessments, research careers, majors, and colleges, make a resume and cover letter, test prep, make a budget and more. NHS students may log in by using their school email and password.
- Try a CVTC Academy: Specific courses related to a career field, earning high school and college credit through CVTC
- Youth Apprenticeships: Internship program for 11th and 12th grade students. Please contact Ms. Kelly Hebert at Memorial khebert@ecasd.us or Mr. Doug Devine ddevine@ecasd.us

Entrance Exams

Most universities and four-year colleges require either the ACT or SAT for admission.

- ACT is preferred in the Midwest.
- The ACT will be given to all juniors for free in the Spring.

➤ Visit the following sites to get info, check dates, and register

➤ actstudent.org

➤ collegeboard.org

➤ Preparing for the ACT

- www.act.org
- www.knowhow2gowisconsin.org

➤ **Please go to the ECASD GALE test prep website to log in:**

- North: <https://galeapps.gale.com/apps/auth/nhshuskies?cause=https%3A%2F%2Ffind.gale.com%2Fmenu%2Fstart%3FuserGroupName%3Dnhshuskies%26prod%3DTERC%26finalAuth%3Dtrue> (Links to an external site.)
- Memorial: <https://galeapps.gale.com/apps/auth/eau11171?cause=https%3A%2F%2Ffind.gale.com%2Fmenu%2Fstart%3FuserGroupName%3Deau11171%26prod%3DTERC%26finalAuth%3Dtrue>

ACT Test

- School code is 500-576 (North) 500-575 (MHS)
- ACT/ACT Plus Writing
- Students should check with their schools to see if the writing test is required or go to www.actstudent.org.

The State pays for 1 ACT Test:

- When – Early March (More info. To come)
- Where – at School during the School Day

Planning Ahead

- Fee Waiver Eligibility: If you are eligible for free/reduced lunch, you are also eligible for fee waivers on college applications and tests. See your counselor for waivers.
- Student Records: Keep a folder of information regarding plans after high school.
 - Folder should include:
 - Information from universities or technical college
 - Clubs and Activities you've participated in
 - Leadership positions you have earned throughout high school
 - Volunteer work or community service (Students are encouraged to participate in some type of service to school or community)
 - Letters of Recommendation
 - Resume
 - Results of any testing done in high school
 - Aspire, Forward, PSAT, ACT, SAT, etc.

Additional Information

- Selective Service Registration: All men must register with the Selective Service when they turn 18.
- Online registration is available
 - www.sss.gov
- Military Information:
 - Students interested in Military stop by Student Services
 - There are many different jobs in the Military and it can help pay for college.

Check this out: Download UW Journey App and Explore!

