

Welcome to South Lakes High School

Class of 2028

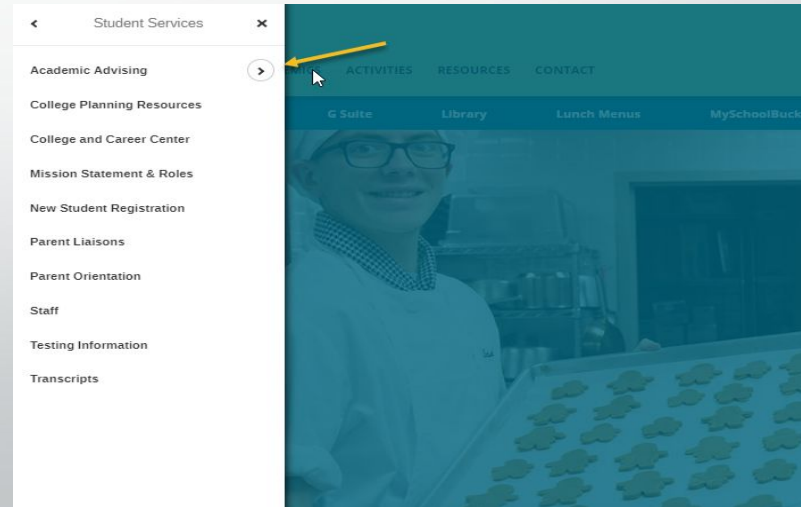


What is Our Goal?



Preparing for Academic Advising

- Look over the Course Catalog
- You can find the [Catalog on the South Lakes Website](#) → [Student Services](#) → [Academic Advising](#) → [Course Catalog – Rising Freshmen](#)
- Consider teacher feedback if you are unsure



Rising 9th Grade Resources

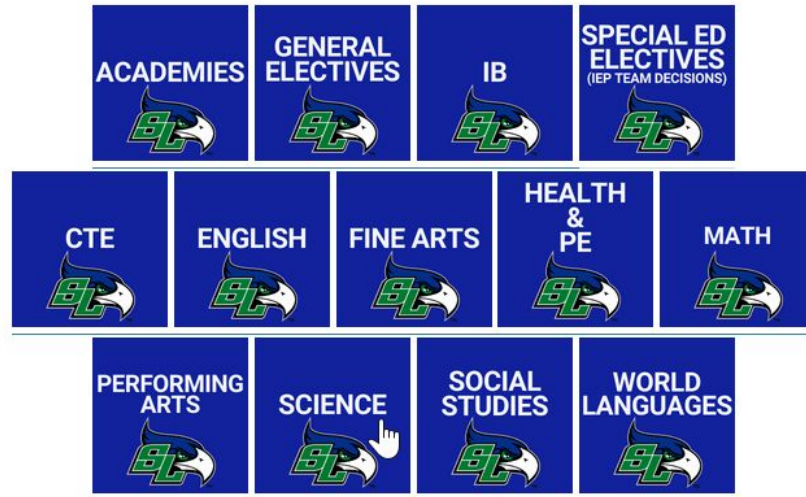
- [Course Catalog Online for Grade 9](#)




CURRICULUM FAIR

*Watch videos on
classes and academies.*

Curriculum Fair Videos



<https://southlakeshs.fcps.edu/student-services/academic-advising/curriculum-fair-sy-2024-25>



Graduating from High School...

- ▶ In order to graduate, a student must earn the required standard and verified credit
 - ▶ A standard credit is awarded when the student passes the course.
 - ▶ A verified credit is awarded when the student passes the course and the associated Standards of Learning (SOL) test.

Standard Diploma Requirements

Standard Diploma Course Requirements for Students Entering 9th Grade for the First Time in 2018-2019 and Beyond

Subject	Standard Credits	Verified Credits
English	4	2
Mathematics	3	1
Laboratory Science	3	1
History and Social Sciences	3	1
Health and Physical Education	2	
World Languages, Fine Arts or Career & Technical Education	2	
Economic and Personal Finance	1	
Electives (must include sequential elective)	4	
Total Credits	22	5

Advanced Studies Diploma Requirements

Advanced Studies Diploma Course Requirements for Students Entering 9 th Grade for the First Time in 2018-2019 and Beyond		
Subject Area	Standard Credits	Verified Credits
English	4	2
Mathematics	4	1
Laboratory Science	4	1
History and Social Sciences	4	1
World Language	3	
Health and Physical Education	2	
Fine Arts or Career & Technical Education	1	
Economic and Personal Finance	1	
Electives	3	
Total Credits	26	5

The IB Program



■ IB Middle Years Program (IBMYP)

- Includes all 9th and 10th grade students.
- Students may opt to take honors classes.
- Students may choose to complete requirements for the Middle Years Certificate.

■ IB Diploma (IBDP)

- Includes students in 11th and 12th grades who opt for the challenge of advanced classes.
- Students must begin **level 2 or higher** of a **World Language** course in 9th grade.
EXCEPTION: Latin 1 can be started in 9th grade but is no longer a reliable IB Diploma option.
- Students take classes in six areas and complete three additional tasks.
- Students can earn college credit for IB courses.
- IB courses are weighted and add points to your GPA.

The IB Program




■ IB Career-Related Program (IBCP)

- Students take a career and technical education course in 11th and 12th grades.
- Students take a minimum of two diploma courses and complete three additional tasks similar to those of the diploma program.

■ IB Diploma Courses

- Students may take one or more IB classes of their choice.
- * **Students and parents should visit South Lakes HS' website for more detailed information about the IB diploma and certificate requirements.**



How to Select Courses for Next Year

South Lakes counselors will visit Hughes the week of February 12-15th to meet with rising 9th graders about course selections.

What are the options for courses for 9th Grade?

English 9/English 9 Honors

World History and Geography 2/World History and Geography 2 Honors

Algebra 1/Geometry/Geometry Honors/ AFDA/Algebra 2/Algebra 2 Honors

Environmental Science/Biology/Biology Honors

Health & PE 9

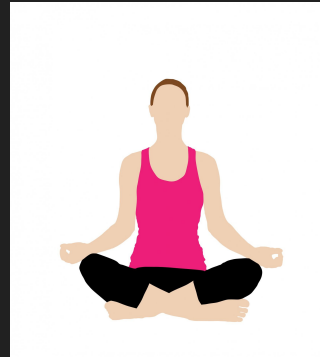
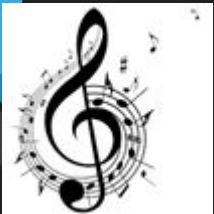
World Language or Elective

Elective

Electives



- Your chance to choose what you want to learn!
- What things do you enjoy doing?
- What do you hope to improve?
- What do you want to try?



Elective Options for 9th Graders

- Studio Art
- Digital Art
- Ceramics
- Dance
- Strategies for Success
- AVID - (Application Required)
- Piano Lab
- Theatre Arts/Tech Theatre
- Band/Chorus/Orchestra
- Journalism/Photojournalism
- Intro to Culinary
- Computer Science Foundations
- Computer Science Programming
- Cyber Security
- Film Study
- Creative Writing
- Accounting
- Principles of Business
- Business Management/Business Law
- Marketing Exploration
- STEM Design
- JROTC
- African American History

English: Standard and Advanced Courses

9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
English 9	English 10	English 11	English 12
English 9 Honors	English 10 Honors	IB English Lit HL I or IB English Lit SL I	English 12 DE or IB English HL II

Social Studies: Standard and Advanced Courses

	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
World History & Geography 2		World History & Geography 1	World History & Geography 1 DE	World History & Geography 1 DE
World History & Geography 2 Honors		World History & Geography 2	US/VA History	IB History II: Topics in World History (SL)
		World History & Geography 1 DE	US/VA History HN	IB History II: Topics in World History (HL)
		US/VA Government	IB History I: History of the Americas	US/VA Government
		US/VA Government Honors		

9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
Algebra 1	Algebra 1	Algebra 1 Geometry	Geometry Algebra 2
Algebra 1 Part 1	Geometry	Algebra 2 Algebra 2 HN	IB Math Ana I IB Math Ana 2 (SL)
Geometry	Algebra 2	IB Math Ana I IB Math App 1	IB Math Ana 2 (HL)
Algebra 2	Geometry HN	IB Math Ana 2 (HL)	IB Math App 2 (SL)
Geometry HN	Algebra 2 HN	IB Math Ana 2 (SL)	IB Math App 2 (HL)
Algebra 2 HN	IB Math Ana I	IB Math App 2 (SL)	Discrete Math (semester)
	IB Math App I	IB Math App 2 (HL)	Multivariable Calculus (semester)
		Discrete Math (semester)	Multivariable Calculus DE (semester)
		Multivariable Calculus (semester)	Matrix Algebra (semester)
		Multivariable Calculus DE (semester)	Matrix Algebra DE (semester)
		Matrix Algebra (semester)	Probability & Statistics
		Matrix Algebra DE (semester)	Trigonometry (semester)
		Probability & Statistics	
		Trigonometry (semester)	

Math: Standard and Advanced Courses

HEALTH & P.E.



- ▶ 9th Grade Health & Physical Education (P.E. 9)
- ▶ 10th Grade Health & Physical Education (P.E. 10)

ECONOMICS & PERSONAL FINANCE

- ▶ Economics & Personal Finance is a required course for both a standard and advanced diploma and is recommended for grade 10th or 11th grade.



World Languages

- Spanish
- French
- German
- Japanese



WORLD LANGUAGES

Grade 9	French 1 or French 2	German 1 or German 2	Japanese 1 or Japanese 2	Spanish 1 or Spanish 2 or Spanish FL Spkrs 2
Grade 10	French 2 or French 3	German 2 or German 3	Japanese 2 or Japanese 3	Spanish 2 or Spanish 3 or Spanish FL Spkrs 3
Grade 11	French 3 or IB French I	German 3 or IB German I	Japanese 3 or IB Japanese I	Spanish 3 or IB Spanish I
Grade 12	IB French II HL or SL	IB German II HL or SL	IB Japanese II HL or SL	IB Spanish II HL or SL

Considering Honors Courses? What are your reasons?

Positive Reasons to choose honors/IB courses:

- You love the subject!
- You want to learn more about the subject!
- You want to go in more depth in this area!
- You are committed to working hard!

Reasons to avoid Honors/IB courses:

- It will look good on my transcript.
- I am applying to college soon and I am trying to boost my GPA.
- All of my friends are taking it.
- I am feeling pressured to take it.

Questions to consider and discuss at home before academic advising:

- Am I taking the course(s) for the right reasons?
- Do I have enough time in the day for all these commitments?
- How committed am I to doing well in this course even when it proves a challenge to me?
- How quickly/efficiently do I complete my homework?
- Have I considered the cumulative effect of taking multiple Honors/IB courses?
- What will happen if the course load is difficult and I cannot change my schedule?
- What are my priorities? Grades? Sports? Work?

Get Involved! Athletics

- **Fall Sports:** Football, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Dance, Field hockey, Golf, Volleyball
- **Winter Sports:** Basketball, Gymnastics, Swim & Dive, Wrestling, Indoor Track
- **Spring Sports:** Baseball, Soccer, Tennis, Lacrosse, Softball

Eligibility, Try-out, and other information can be found here:

<https://southlakesathletics.net/>



Get Involved - Clubs and Activities

- South Lakes offers World Language clubs, Honor Societies, Student Government groups, and more!
- Just a few of our clubs:
 - Aeronautics Club
 - Black Student Union
 - Bollywood Club
 - Entrepreneurship Club
 - Improv Club
 - Science Olympiad
 - Ultimate Frisbee
 - Chess Club
- For a list of clubs, honor societies, club forms, and other activities, please visit: <https://southlakesathletics.net/>

In Summary...

- Go to the [South Lakes website](https://southlakeshs.fcps.edu/student-services/academic-advising-resources):
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 - Look for specific Rising 9th Grade Resources
 - View the Flipgrid videos for the **Virtual Curriculum Fair**
- Look at the online course catalog for Rising 9th Grade students

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- Talk with your **teachers** and **counselors** about course selections for next year!

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