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# Sophomore Newsletter

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## Class of 2028 Graduation Requirements

*Course selections will start this week. What do you need to graduate and be ready for your college or career choice?*

### **Core Classes**

4 math credits - 1 must be senior year (including Algebra I and II, and Geometry)  
4 English credits.  
3 Social Studies credits (including US Hist, World Hist, Civics, and Economics)  
3 Science credits (including Biology and either Physics or Chemistry)

### **Other Required Courses**

4 Bible credits (1 each year)  
2 world language credits (must be in same language)  
1 Personal Finance credit  
1 PE/Health credit  
1 Visual/Fine/Performing Art credit  
1 Business and Technology  
4 Elective course credits (any courses of your choosing)

You must have 1 credit of an online learning experience, which may be a required course or an elective.

### **Which Pathway?**

You may choose standard or advanced classes in many subjects. Read the course descriptions in the course catalog to make sure you meet any prerequisites and ask your teachers for recommendations. If you are pursuing any scholarly honors, be sure you sign up for any of the additional required courses in order to earn that recognition (see the course catalog for details).

### **College Requirements**

Many colleges will look for certain classes on your transcript, especially in some areas of study and at more selective schools. Nursing and medical programs look for Psychology, Chemistry, Anatomy and Physiology, Statistics, and Health Science courses. Engineering programs look for Chemistry, Calculus, Statistics, and coding or computer science classes. University of Michigan looks for Calculus, Chemistry, and 3-4 years of world language studies in addition to AP courses.

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Graduation  
Requirements

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Career  
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Summer Ideas

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Upcoming:

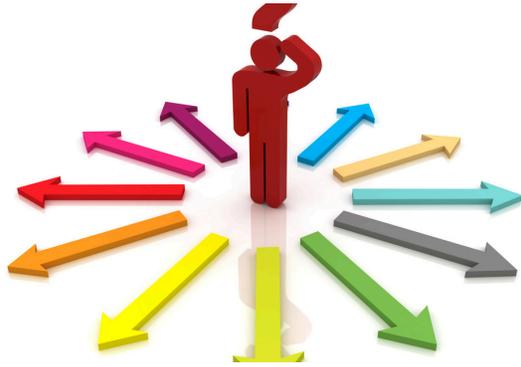
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College Fair

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College Visit

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## Career Path Exploration

Here are a few quick links to help you match your preferences to your future plans!

**BigFuture - "Find Your Fit"** Scroll for articles, checklists, advice, and links.

**CareerOneSTop.org - Interest Inventory.** A 5-minute quiz will match you with careers and give you information on wages, demand outlook, and required education for each.



**Fastweb.com - Choosing a Career/Major.** Read through for links to help you learn and choose.

**US Dept of Labor - Career Exploration.** Easy to use site with careers connected to skills and areas of interest.

**Jobshadow.com** - read real interviews from people as they talk about the jobs they do and the careers they have.



## Summer Ideas

- Pursuing interests outside of school demonstrates curiosity, initiative, and dedication!
- Keep your mind active through reading, research, or test preparation.
- Consider a summer job or a local job shadow experience
- Look for opportunities to sign up for or volunteer at summer camps, church programs, or local organizations.
- Find a simple way to track your activities, awards, and volunteer experiences for future applications



## Resources and Events

**College Fair:** Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> from 6 - 7:30 pm at Lake Orion High School. Dress nicely and let Mrs. Kimosh know if you'd like a copy of your transcript to bring with you.

**Lunchtime College Visits:**  
Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> - [Calvin University](#) (Grand Rapids, MI)

Wednesday April 15<sup>th</sup> - [Grace College](#) (Winona Lake, Indiana)

No sign up needed - just stop by their tables at lunchtime to talk!