

VETERANS HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2024



8TH GRADE TRANSITION/REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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Important Keys to Success



Attendance

- The student/county handbook with more detailed information can be found on the <https://vhs.hcbe.net> website

Grades

- Check grades regularly; communicate with teachers often.
- Infinite Campus

Involvement

- Athletics
- Fine Arts
- CTAE
- Honor/Service organizations



Graduation Requirements



Requirements for the class of 2024:

- In high school, each semester course is worth .5 units of credit
- You may earn up to 3.5 units each semester, or 7 units each year
 - 4 units of English (1 unit of 9th Literature and 1 unit of American Literature)
 - 4 units of Mathematics
 - 4 units of Science (must include Biology, Physical Science or Physics, Chemistry or Environmental Science) and one additional science course
 - 3 units of Social Studies (World History, US History, Civics, Economics)
 - 1 unit of Health and Personal Fitness OR 3 units of ROTC



Graduation Requirements



- 3 units of CTAE and/or Foreign Language and/or Fine Arts
 - These may be taken in any combination.
 - Most four year and some two year colleges **require** at least **2 years** of the same foreign language, but they are **NOT** a high school graduation requirement.
 - Students are encouraged to complete a career pathway in a CTAE area and take the end of pathway assessment. Students can complete an academic or fine arts pathway, as well.
- 5 additional elective units
- =24 units required for graduation



GPA/HOPE Requirements



- A student's Grade Point Average (GPA), used for college admissions, scholarships, and HOPE eligibility, begins in the ninth grade and is cumulative.
- It is crucial you have a successful year!
- Students must take 4 "rigorous" courses in order to be eligible for the HOPE scholarship.
- Please refer to your Advisement Program and documents found on the VHS website/academics tab/counselors tab/registration-scheduling for full list of HOPE Rigor Courses.
- The HOPE GPA can be found in students www.gafutures.org accounts. *Please set up your student account today!



Typical Freshman Schedule



1. Ninth Grade Literature/Composition *
 2. Algebra or Honors Geometry*
 3. Biology *
 4. American Government/Civics and US/World Affairs*
 5. Health and Personal Fitness
 6. Elective or Foreign Language *
(must have a 90 in 8th English and/or teacher recommendation)
 7. Elective
- *Honors, Resource/Small Group, and Co-taught classes are offered in these areas (Must be previously in these courses during 8th grade to select.)

Local Middle School/High School Credits



- Algebra 1- 1 of the 4 Math credits per graduation requirements
- World Geography-History Elective Credit
- Physical Science- 1 of the 4 Science credits per graduation requirements

*Not calculated as part of the High School GPA

*Intent of these Middle School courses is to progress into upper level High School courses.



Gifted Program



- Students must take one honors and/or AP courses each year to remain eligible for gifted classification. Honors courses are available in all four academic content areas.
- AP courses are available from 10th-12th grade years through an application process.



Testing Requirements



- Georgia Milestones=EOC
 - Select courses in each academic area have end-of-course assessments aligned to the course.
 - Students must take the end-of-course assessment for each course.
 - Students must pass all courses containing an EOC.
- CTAE End of Pathway Assessment (EOPA)
 - Student must take a selected national industry recognized credential assessment at the end of the 3rd pre-determined CTAE courses

CTAE

- **The Myth**

- CTAE is only for students who plan to attend a technical college
- CTAE is really just “job training”
- CTAE is only valuable if you know which career you want to be trained in

- **The Reality**

- CTAE benefits students planning to enroll in technical colleges, attend four-year universities, serve in the military, or begin a career or registered apprenticeship
- CTAE equips students with valuable soft skills and gives them a chance to apply what they are learning in the classroom
- CTAE helps students explore the career options available to them

Freshmen Courses:

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Agriculture

-Basic Ag Science & Tech

Business

-Intro to Business & Technology

-Intro to Digital Technology

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Family and Consumer Science

-Food, Nutrition, & Wellness

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Graphics

-Intro to Graphics and Design

Marketing

-Marketing Principles

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Air Force JROTC

-AFJROTC Aviation History

Agriculture

Freshman course:
Basic Ag Science

Pathways Offered:

1. Ag Mechanics Systems
2. Food Animal Systems
3. Forestry/Wildlife Systems
4. Agribusiness Systems

Instructors:

Jeff Wilson & Dr. Clay Walker
Co-curricula CTSO: FFA



Business & Computer Science

Freshman courses:

- Intro to Business & Tech
- Intro to Digital Tech

Pathways Offered:

1. Business and Technology
2. Entrepreneurship
3. Financial Services
4. Web and Digital Design
5. Computer Science

Instructors/Advisors:

Belinda Collier, Janet Sheffield, &
Jeff Sans (WBL)

Co-curricular CTSO: FBLA



Graphics

Freshman course:
Intro to Graphics & Design

Pathways offered:
Graphic Communications

Instructor:
Ashley Cline
Co-curricula CTSO: SkillsUSA



Marketing

Freshman course:
Marketing Principles

Pathway offered:
Sports & Entertainment

Instructor:
Angeles Jeffreys
Co-curricula CTSO: DECA



Family & Consumer Science



AFJROTC



Freshman courses:

-Food, Nutrition, & Wellness

Pathways offered:

Food and Nutrition

Instructor:

Mrs. Anna White

Co-curricula CTSO: FCCLA

Freshman course:

-AFJROTC Aviation History
Leadership Education

Pathway offered:

Air Force

Instructors:

Lt. Col. Steven Atkins

CMSgt. Peggy Miller & SMSgt.

Garrett Martin



**Exempt Personal Fitness/Health
Take 3 Years of AFJROTC
Allows For Another Elective**

Fine Arts

Elective Area Choices Cont.

- Chorus
- Drama
- Band
- Art





Fine Arts: Chorus



- Everyone is welcome, no matter the ability level!
- Minimal out-of-school commitment
- 5 choirs with a place for everyone



Fine Arts: Drama



- Classes: Drama Fundamentals, Acting 1, Acting 2, Musical Theater
- Two Mainstage productions during the year are One-Act and Spring Musical.
- Several in-class productions each year, including seasonal shows.



Fine Arts: Band



- 4 Concert Bands
 1. Warhawk Squadron Marching Band
 2. Color Guard class
 3. Percussion Ensemble
 4. Freshman Band



Fine Arts: Visual Art



- Art Comprehension
 - 9th grade year long class
 - Covers a wide variety of styles and media, with emphasis on building skills and creativity
 - Pre-requisite to upper-level art classes

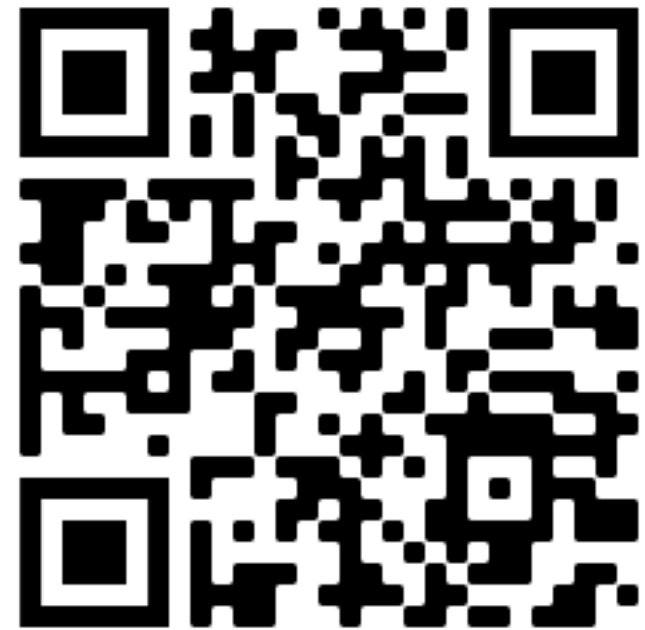
Elective Registration



- Please explore the options for your student and have them rank their choice using one of the options below (all 9th graders will be placed in Health and Personal Fitness)
- Use the QR code to access the electronic registration survey or click on the link below. Complete all the information on the survey. Your registration information will be loaded into a spreadsheet for our counselors.

<https://forms.gle/nF4nhit6VXPGiqii7>

- The elective options in their presentation are in the same order as those on the registration form found on our website and distributed to middle schools
- Students will be placed in the core class that align with their middle school curriculum (i.e. Honors/Special Education, etc.)
- Questions? – Please contact us at [vhscounselors@hcbe.net](mailto:vhs counselors@hcbe.net)



Stay Informed & Involved



- VHS.hcbe.net

Website with weekly calendar, highlights, teacher email, school resources, athletics page, etc.

- Follow the Counseling Dept.:

Like us on Facebook

Follow us on Twitter & Instagram



- Start Strong, Finish Strong!

We are excited for you to join the WarHawk family!



VETERANS HIGH SCHOOL

OUR MISSION *is to develop graduates of character in an environment of excellence.*

OUR VISION *is to be the standard for all facets of student achievement, producing successful, active citizens.*

