

Standard Course of Study

	Grade	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	Coursework	# of Credits
	9	English I	Foundations of Math Math I	Earth/ Environmental Science	World History	Health & PE 2 Elective Courses	8
	10	English II	Math II Math III	Biology	American History I American History II	2 Elective Courses	16
	11	English III	**	<i>Physical Science</i> <i>Chemistry</i> <i>Physics</i>	Civics & Economics	5 Electives	24
	12	English IV				7 Electives	32
	Credits	4 English	4 Math	3 Science	4 History	1 Health/PE 12 Elective	<i>28 needed for Graduation</i>

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4 English Credits- English I, English II, English III, English IV

4 Math Credits- Foundations of Math I, Math I, Math II, Math III (additional math courses recommended)

3 Science Credits- Earth/Environmental Science, Biology, and the choice of Physical Science, Chemistry or Physics

4 Social Studies Credits, World History, American History I, American History II, Civics & Economics

1 Health & PE Credit

- It is recommended that students take yearlong math both freshman and sophomores so they have completed the math curriculum that will be present on the ACT test they all take their Junior year.
- Students are also left with more room in their Junior and Senior years to explore elective options; allowing for career exploration, taking advanced additional classes in Math, Science, and History, and room for dual enrollment classes through Southwestern Community College. Senior year students can also take advantage of CTE Internship course to earn credit for work or volunteer hours they complete over the course of the semester, or even a late-in or early out.
- This course of study would be most appropriate for students that plans after high school include: work, military, certificate programs, or two-year college.
- The standard course of study shown above does not include the 2 foreign language credits required for students enrolling in a four year college or university.

**** Additional Math Courses recommended**

Honors/Advanced Course of Study

	Grade	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	Coursework	# of Credits
	9	Honors English I	Honors Math II Honors Math III	Honors Earth/ Environmental Science	Honors World History	Health & PE 2 Elective Courses	8
	10	Honors English II	Honors AFM Honors Pre-Cal	Honors Biology	Honors American History I Honors American History II	2 Elective Courses	16
	11	<i>Honors or AP English III</i>	<i>AP Statistics or Year Long- Honors Calculus & AP Calculus</i>	<i>Honors Chemistry or Honors Physics</i>	Honors Civics & Economics	Spanish I Spanish II up to 2 Electives	24
	12	Yearlong- <i>AP and/or SCC</i> English IV	<i>AP Statistics or Year Long- Honors Calculus & AP Calculus</i>				32
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Students that plan to enroll in a four-year college or university are **required to have 2 foreign language credits** to meet minimum admissions requirements. SMHS offers Spanish as a face-to-face class, but students may also choose to enroll in foreign language classes online that include: Mandarin Chinese, French, Japanese, German, Latin, Arabic, and Russian.

- The benefit in taking Honors and AP courses is the boost in the student's Grade Point Average (GPA). These classes add additional quality points onto their GPA, which can improve their class rank. Taking multiple Honors, AP, or College classes show colleges, scholarship committees, and other programs that the classes taken in high school were of high rigor. Having a schedule that shows more rigorous classes make students more competitive for college acceptance and scholarships.
- Students that follow the Honors/Advanced Course of Study are encouraged to take full advantage of additional Honors and AP classes in English, Math, History, and Science as well as the opportunities available through the Dual-Enrollment program with Southwestern Community College.
- AP Classes offered at SMHS include: Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Statistics, US History, US Government & Politics, World History, Environmental Science, Biology, Physics 1: Algebra-Based, Psychology, English III, and English IV