

## 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE SCHEDULING ORIENTATION

Welcome Class of 2024 To South Park High School



SOUTH PARK

## Tonight's Goals

1. To identify the course requirements for incoming 9th grade students.
2. To clarify the scheduling process.
3. To introduce students and parents to the courses available to incoming 9th grade students.
4. Share where the Program of Studies can be found.  
([sparksd.org](http://sparksd.org))



## SPHS Orientation

A week prior to the start of the 2020-2021 school year, we will conduct a comprehensive orientation program for all incoming 9th grade and transfer students.

## **CURRICULUM OVERVIEW**

Mrs. Chicora-Lewis and Mr. Stoicovy

Guidance Counseling/Planning

Understanding Course Levels and Prerequisites

NCAA Clearinghouse

Credit Attainment

Scheduling Process

## COURSE LEVELS

**General** - Courses which are remedial in nature and designed for reinforcement of the basic skills. These courses provide for a slower paced learning environment. **These courses are not approved by the NCAA and should not be taken by any students considering playing athletics at the college level.**

*\*For students that need more of a foundation, more remediation involved in general courses*

**College Prep** - Courses which are for the average to above average student. A command of the basic skills is necessary along with the interest to do self-initiated work. This level is appropriate for students planning to pursue a post-secondary education.

*\*most of our students take college prep classes that will prepare them for collegiate level courses*

**Honors** - Courses designed for high ability and honors/gifted students. Students need to be highly motivated, actively creative and willing to assume much responsibility.

*\*faster pace courses with more rigor, more outside independent work, summer work and reading for the class is required prior to taking these courses*

## Prerequisites/Semesters

A prerequisite is a requirement that each student needs to meet prior to taking a course. (If there is a prerequisite for a course it will be listed in the course description.)

There are two types of courses at the high school:

- Year long courses
- Semester long courses

A year long course will last 4 marking periods and allow students to earn 1.0 credit.

A semester long course will last 2 marking periods and allow students to earn 0.50 credit.

SOUTH PARK HIGH SCHOOL  
2019-2020 Freshmen Scheduling Form

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENT/COURSES	CREDITS	TEACHER RECOMMENDED COURSE Average of 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> 9 weeks grade
<b>ENGLISH</b> <span style="float: right;">CHOOSE 1</span> _____ 0101 General _____ 0102 College Prep _____ 0103 Honors	1 credit	
<b>SOCIAL STUDIES</b> <span style="float: right;">CHOOSE 1</span> _____ 0201 American Civics/PA History (CP) _____ 0202 American Civics/PA History (Honors)	1 credit	
<b>MATH</b> <span style="float: right;">CHOOSE 1</span> _____ 0301 Algebra 1 (General) _____ 0302 Algebra 1 (CP) _____ 0307 Geometry (CP) _____ 0308 Geometry (Honors)	1 credit	
<b>SCIENCE</b> <span style="float: right;">CHOOSE 1</span> _____ 0401 Integrated Science _____ 0404 Biology (Honors)	1 credit	
<b>BUSINESS</b> <b>Required for all 9<sup>th</sup> graders</b> _____ 0603 Computer Applications w/Personal Finance	.5 credits	
<b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</b> <span style="float: right;">CHOOSE 1</span> _____ 0803 PE 9-12 _____ 0801 Swimming _____ 0804 Weight Training _____ 0806 Team Sports	.5 credits	
<b>ELECTIVES</b> Students are required to take 2 credits. Choose up to four (4) ½ credit electives or two (2) 1 credit electives. <b><u>Choice</u></b> _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ *Study Hall 1/2    Full    (circle one)	2 credits	Be sure to <b>select 4</b> alternate electives. If you do not get your first choice you will be scheduled into an available alternate selection  <b><u>Alternate</u></b> _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
<b>ENTER CREDIT TOTALS (must equal at least 7)</b>		

Student athletes planning to participate in sports at the post-secondary level must take CP courses or above

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

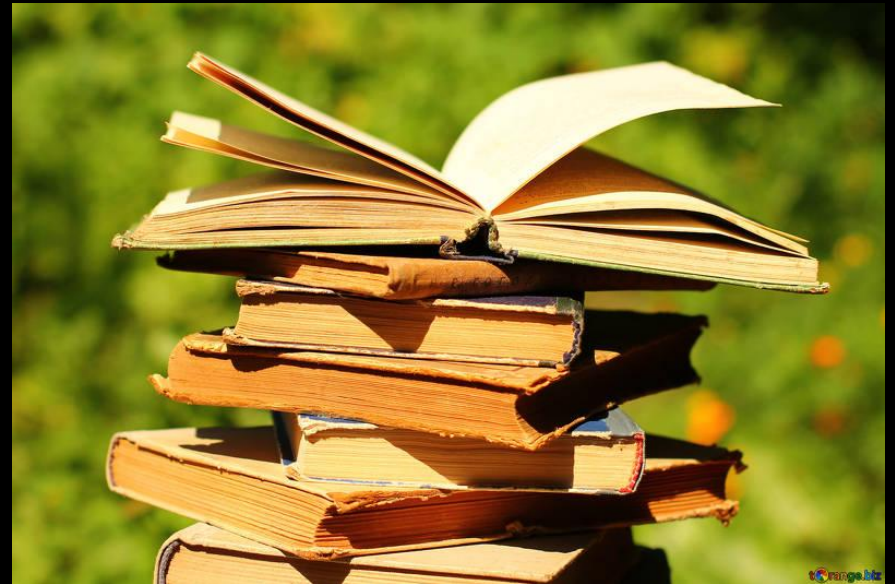
## ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

- English 9 - General
- English 9 – College Prep
- English 9 – Honors

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### Electives

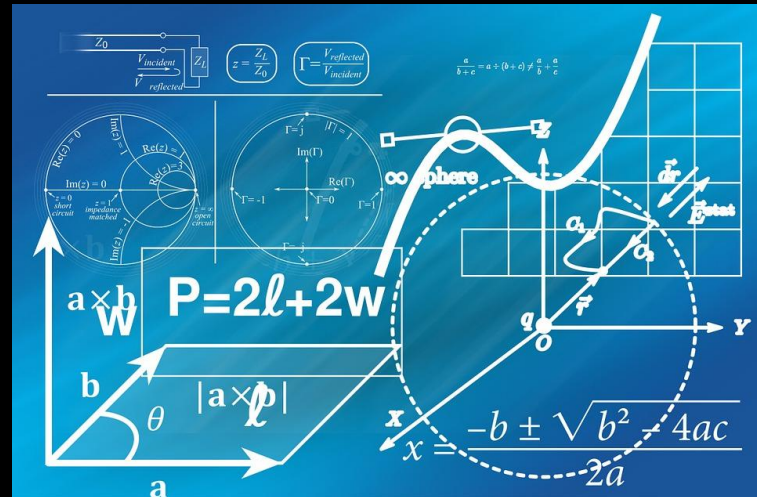
- Contemporary Novels
- Yearbook /Photo Journalism
- Public Speaking
- Journalism/Art of Writing





# MATH DEPARTMENT

- Algebra 1 - General
- Algebra 1 - College Prep
- Geometry - College Prep
- Geometry - Honors



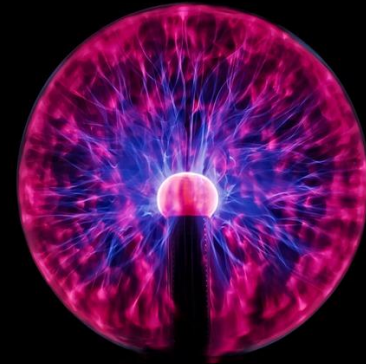
## SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

- American Civics and Pennsylvania History - College Prep
- American Civics and Pennsylvania History - Honors



## SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

- Integrated Science - College Prep
- Biology - Honors



## FOREIGN LANGUAGE

- German I
- French I
- Spanish I



# BUSINESS EDUCATION

- Computer Applications with Personal Finance (required)
- Intro. to Computer Science
- Advanced Computer Applications
- Web Page Design
- Intro. to Game Design



## TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION / AET

- **Introduction to Engineering and Design (PLTW Honors)**
  - ➡ Level One of Four-Year Engineering Pathway
- **Intro. to Manufacturing and Automation Systems**
  - ➡ Advanced Manufacturing and Automations Systems
- **Intro. to Transportation and CNC Programming**
  - ➡ Advanced Transportation and CNC Programming
- **Graphic Communication Technology I**
  - ➡ Graphic Communication Technology II
- **Robotics and Automation**
- **Home Repair/Maintenance**



## PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

- Weight Training
- Physical Education
- Team Sports
- Swimming



## PRACTICAL ARTS

- Music Appreciation
- Music Theory I and II
- Jazz & Rock History
- Concert Choir
- Concert Band
- Percussion Ensemble





# PRACTICAL ARTS

- Theater Arts
- Digital Animation
- Video Production
- Digital Photography
- Radio Broadcasting/Podcasting
- Foundations of Art

## Family and Consumer Science

- Food and Nutrition



## QUESTIONS ???

For individual questions on a class or activity, please come up and speak to one of our staff members.