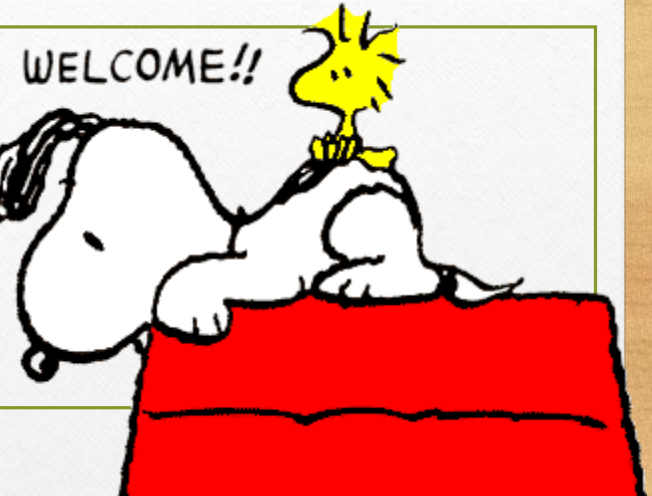


Registration for 2016-17 School Year

Honors, AP, NCVPS Online, & HCC Opportunities for
students at Pisgah High School



- **Assistant Principal:** Mrs. Lori Fox

- **Lead Teacher:** Charly Inman

- **Counselors**

Dr. Heather Allen (last names A-G)

Andi Lawing (last names H-O)

Teresa Heinz (last names P-Z)

- **Online Learning Lab Facilitator:** Tammy Ensley

- **HCC Career & College Promise Facilitator:** Matt Heimburg

- **PHS Advanced Placement Teachers:**

- Tiffany Turner (AP US History)
- Tabitha Judy (AP English 3)
- Shannon Hanson (AP English 4)
- Mary Medford (AP Calculus)

Why are we meeting today?

- Information/Understanding
 - Opportunities
 - Expectations
 - Application Process

WHY would you take an Honors course? (Or an AP or HCC course?)

- Opportunity to learn MORE about a subject that interests you
- Opportunity to learn MORE about a subject that you may wish to pursue in college or career
- More rigorous than standard level: demonstrates motivation and hard work (specifically on competitive college admissions and scholarship applications)
- Best way to prepare for standardized college admissions tests (like ACT or SAT)

One more time... How do I calculate my grade point average (GPA?)

Class of 2017 and 2018

Standard	Honors / CCP	AP
A=4	A=5	A=6
B=3	B=4	B=5
C=2	C=3	C=4
D=1	D=2	D=3
F=0	F=0	F=0

Students entering 2015-16
(and beyond)

Standard	Honors	AP / CCP
A=4	A=4.5	A=5
B=3	B=3.5	B=4
C=2	C=2.5	C=3
D=1	D=1.5	D=2
F=0	F=0	F=0

Honors Courses



How are Honors courses different (from standard courses)?

- Rising 10th graders: Additional $\frac{1}{2}$ point toward cumulative GPA
- Rising 11th and 12th graders: Additional 1 point toward cumulative GPA
- More independent work; more depth and breadth of detail than a standard class
- **Different prerequisites than standard courses AND typically require student application / teacher recommendations**

Honors Courses Delivery Options

- Two options:

 - Face-to-face
 - Taught by PHS teacher
 - NCVPS
 - Courses taken online with non-PHS teacher
 - Only courses not offered at PHS
 - 3.5 GPA required for 10th graders; 3.0 GPA required for 11th/12th graders

Semester long courses: 1 Credit

Some Honors Courses can meet graduation requirements:

- Honors English 2, 3, 4
 - Honors Math 2, 3 and Pre-Calculus
 - Honors Biology
 - Honors American History 1,2 and Honors Civics
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Some Honors Courses are ELECTIVES:

- Spanish 3, 4 and French 3, 4
- Biology 2, Chemistry 2, Physics
- Honors Fitness and Nutrition 1,2

**ALL THESE COURSES WILL REQUIRE AN
APPLICATION FROM INTERESTED STUDENTS.**

Additional Honors Options

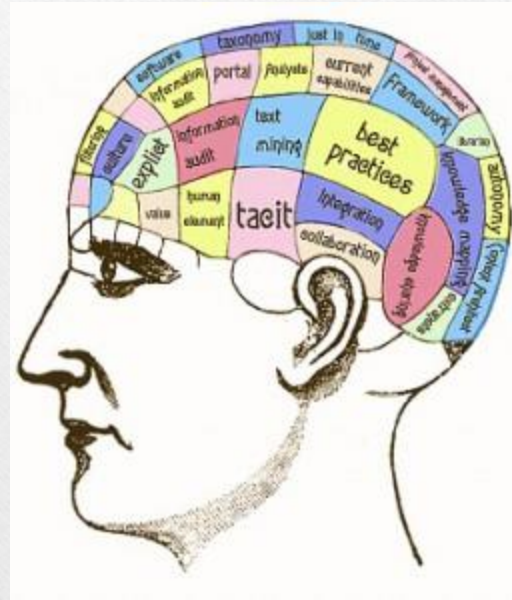
- Honors Bach to Broadway III / IV and Honors Orion III / IV: Audition with Ms. K. Medford

- Band III/ IV: No application required (Band I /II prerequisites)
- Art 3, 4: See Ms. Degrove for an application
- Theatre 3, 4: See Ms. Judy for an application
- Nursing Fundamentals: See Ms. Kuykendall for application (Two blocks / 1 semester)
- Computer Engineering II: No application required (CET I prerequisite)
- Honors ROTC 3 / 4 (See Commander Weaver / Chief Long for more information.)

Additional APPLICATION courses (standard / not “weighted”)

- Yearbook (year-long): See Mrs. Ensley.
- Media Assistant (1 semester): 12th grade only. See Mrs. Wyatt.

AP Courses



What are *Advanced Placement* Classes?

- College Board
Required to take the AP exam (scored 1-5)
- College-level classes
 - Prepare students for rigor of college
 - Can earn college credit (check college/university website for individual AP credit policy)

Who should take AP Classes?

- Students who meet the prerequisites
- Students with excellent time management skills
- Students who are self-motivated and independent workers
- Personal commitment to success
- Students who understand the work will be more rigorous and involve more out of class work

Advanced Placement Courses

Two Options:

- Face-to-Face

- Course is taken with a PHS teacher
- Year-long: 2 blocks, 2 credits
- Honors elective + AP Course

- NCVPS Online

- Course taken online with a non-PHS teacher
- Only courses not offered at PHS
- Year-long: 2 blocks, *only one credit*

AP Face-to-face Courses

For Juniors:

- AP English III (and some sophomores)
- AP US History

For Seniors:

- AP English IV
- AP Calculus

An additional “honors” elective will be paired with each course.

For rising 10th graders: The AP course provides one additional quality point toward cumulative GPA.

For rising 11 & 12th graders: The AP course provides two additional quality points toward cumulative GPA.

AP Face-to-face COURSES

- **AP US History** (fall) + **Turning Points in American History, Honors** (spring): These courses taken in 11th grade replace American History 1 and American History 2 requirements. **THESE STUDENTS WILL TAKE HONORS CIVICS IN 10TH GRADE.**
- **Calculus Research, Honors** (fall) + **AP Calculus** (spring)
- **Introduction to Language, Honors** (fall) + **AP English III** (spring): one honors elective + English III requirement
- **Introduction to Literature, Honors** (fall) + **AP English IV** (spring): one honors elective + English IV requirement

PHS commitment to AP programs affects the entire school's schedule..



Each AP class at PHS takes 2 blocks: 1-per semester

✓ 24 AP student seats



✓ 64 standard course student seats

NCVPS Online

- In 2005, on the recommendation of the North Carolina e-Learning Commission, the General Assembly established the North Carolina Virtual Public School
- The purpose of the North Carolina Virtual Public School (NCVPS) is to provide courses to students across North Carolina that individual schools might not be able to offer!
- The authorizing legislation for NCVPS states: “NCVPS shall be available at no cost to all students in North Carolina who are enrolled in NC’s public schools.”



Things to Consider

- The course offerings are only courses NOT taught at PHS.
- All NCVPS courses will count as elective credits.
- ALL WORK AND COMMUNICATION IS COMPLETED ELECTRONICALLY.
- You MAY be responsible for getting required textbooks: See PHS Course Guide or NCVPS website. (Let us know if this is a financial hardship.)
- Teacher could be located anywhere across the state; the instructor will not be a Pisgah teacher, and there will not be a Pisgah teacher responsible for assisting these students. (There WILL be a site-based facilitator for technical issues.)
- NCVPS's grading periods do not match PHS – MUST MONITOR GRADES CAREFULLY! Students (and parents) can do this on the NCVPS site with password!

SO....WHO CAN TAKE NCVPS COURSES?

Rising 11th and 12th graders must have a

- 3.0 or higher GPA
- plus additional course-specific requirements of NCVPS
- and 2 teacher recommendations.

Rising 10th graders must have

- 3.5 or higher GPA
- plus additional course-specific requirements of NCVPS
- and 2 teacher recommendations

IF room is still available in the Online Learning Lab after 11th/12th students are registered

Honors Online

- Anatomy and Physiology
- Psychology

Rising 10th graders: These courses offer an additional ½ quality point toward student's weighted GPA.

Rising 11th/ 12th graders: These courses offer one additional quality point toward student's weighted GPA.



Standard Online

- ACT Prep
 - African American Studies
 - Arabic I/II
 - Forensics
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- German I/II
 - Japanese I/II
 - Journalism
 - Latin I/II
 - Leadership Development
 - Mandarin Chinese I / II
 - Medieval Studies
 - Psychology
 - Russian I/II
 - SAT Prep
 - Success 101
- (These courses are not weighted.)

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AP Courses Offered ONLINE

- AP Art History
- AP European History
- AP Government & Politics
- AP Human Geography
- AP Psychology
- AP Biology
- AP Computer Science
- AP Environmental Science
- AP Micro/Macroeconomics
- AP Music Theory
- AP Physics
- AP Statistics
- AP World History
- AP Latin
- AP Chinese Language & Culture

Note: Online AP Courses are year-long and earn ONE credit.
This means students are expected to work 90 minutes each day both semesters.

Rising 10th graders: +1 additional quality point toward weighted GPA.

Rising 11th / 12th graders: +2 quality points toward weighted GPA.

PHS Course Commitment Form

- Must be signed by you and parent
- **Must be returned to subject area teacher by**
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15.
- Signing-up for course commits you to that course, if available:
 - School must know numbers in order to determine the number of sections offered.
 - Form commits student(s) to class; if they pre-register and then change their mind, numbers and sections are unbalanced and other classes overloaded.



COURSES

“Career and College Promise” Initiative



Career Technical Opportunities (11th and 12th grades)

✓ At PHS:

Auto Tech 1, 2

✓ Online:

Criminal Justice
1,2,3,4

Early Childhood
1,2,3,4

✓ At HCC

Electronics 1,2
(at High Tech Center)

Auto Tech 3

Auto Repair 1,2

✓ New this year: Electrical Trades 1,2 (at CHHS)

These courses are earning high school AND college credit!

Students are expected to meet minimum GPA requirements and be approved by their high school principal.

- ✓ HCC INSTRUCTOR (not PHS employee)
- ✓ Career and College Promise: tuition free!
- ✓ Student is responsible for getting required text books.
- ✓ Actual college classes....so you are starting a real college transcript: Monitor your own progress!
- ✓ College schedule (may not match PHS schedule)

Please keep in mind: These are NOT “high school” classes...

--May be ***online***: You must be able to use technology to download information, upload assignments, and communicate with your instructor.

--May be ***at HCC***: You are responsible for transportation and ATTENDANCE. You are expected to make mature choices to represent PHS positively.

College Transfer Opportunities (11th and 12th grades)

These *include* classes *like*...

- Art 111, Art Appreciation
- Com 231, Public Speaking
- Eng 111, Writing and Inquiry
- His 111, Western Civilizations
- Psy 150, General Psychology
- Soc 210, Introduction to Sociology
- Gel 111, Geology
- Mus 112, Introduction to Jazz

and more...well over 30 courses offered!

--These are courses many freshmen will be required to take at 2-year and 4-year schools as “general education” requirements.

--These courses are weighted: They offer one additional quality point toward student’s cumulative grade point average.

Students must have a 3.0 GPA, must receive principal approval, and must have PLAN, ACT, PSAT, or SAT scores that qualify them “college ready”...

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 - ✓ Career and College Promise: tuition free!
 - ✓ Student is responsible for getting required text books.
 - ✓ Actual college classes....so you are starting a real college transcript: Monitor your own progress!
 - ✓ College schedule (may not match HCC schedule)
 - ✓ SOME exams MAY require a proctored setting; it will be the student's responsibility to set that up at HCC or PHS. (We will be glad to help; you just need to let us know!)

Once again...

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Applications due to Counseling Center Monday, February 15.

- Application (signed by you and parent)\
- Agreement (signed by you and parent)
- Privacy agreement (signed by you and parent)
- Test scores (if applicable)

For more information:

Advanced Placement Courses

apstudent.collegeboard.org/exploreap

Career and College Promise

www.haywood.edu/instruction/high-school-programs

North Carolina Virtual Public School

www.ncvps.org/index.php/getting-to-know-ncvps-2/

Pisgah High School
2016-17 Program of Studies (course guide)
is available:

[phs.haywood.k12.nc.us/
teacher.haywood.k12.nc.us/phs-
counselingcenter/](http://phs.haywood.k12.nc.us/teacher.haywood.k12.nc.us/phs-counselingcenter/)

Questions?

