

SHHS: Common Course Registration Questions

What if I decide later that I want to change my schedule?

Schedule changes may be requested through the counseling center through the end of the first week of classes. It is very important that students take care in selecting their alternative electives. Staffing and sectioning are predicated upon accurate information during the course selection process. Therefore, changing your requests at a later time is often not possible. Please engage your child in conversations about their selections planning with the end in mind.

How do I double up in a course?

If a student wishes to “double,” or to take two math classes, for example, for which they have yet to be recommended, instead of the required ONE, they must:

(1) IF DURING THE COURSE REGISTRATION WINDOW: see their most recent teacher in that department and ask for a recommendation to the relevant course, or

(2) IF AFTER THE COURSE REGISTRATION WINDOW IS OVER: see their counselor to get the recommendation added.

STUDENTS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO REGISTER FOR A COURSE IN A CORE CONTENT AREA WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION INTO THAT COURSE.

How can I check that I've registered for the correct courses?

Courses that have been requested are viewable by logging into the [PowerSchool portal](#) with the student ID number. Click "Class Registration" to check your course requests (i.e. which courses you've "requested" to be added to your schedule). Making sure your courses are requested correctly is the best way to ensure the accuracy of your schedule for the following year.

When will students know their schedule for next year?

Following course requests during the open registration window, high school administration will complete the work of sectioning and building the schedule. Families will be informed when schedules are viewable in

PowerSchool for the following school year.

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How do I register for Delaware County Technical High School?

Current technical school students should register for AM or PM when making their elective selections. **PROSPECTIVE** technical school AND **Medical Career students** should register for a full SHHS course load while waiting for their application to be approved. Please contact Ms. Robin Smith (rsmith2@wssd.org) with questions about the technical school process.

What if I'm unable to register for a course that I need?

If a student does not see the option to register for a course they must take, they should see their most recent teacher in that department to be sure the recommendation was completed or check with their counselor for assistance.

What if the student/guardian disagrees with a placement/level decision?

If a student/guardian disagrees with the recommendation of a core content area teacher, the student/guardian may contact the teacher directly to discuss the placement decision. The teacher may then decide to change the recommendation in the portal. However, following the review, if an agreement cannot be reached, a **Waiver Form** may be requested from the Counseling Center. If a waiver is completed, the student's counselor will make any necessary changes to the student's requested courses.

Please note: If a student waives the teacher-recommended placement, schedule changes will not be possible once courses are scheduled. For this reason, it is recommended to select courses in accordance with teacher recommendations.

What should I do if I want to switch languages next year?

The first course in the sequence of each world language is offered when there is enough interest in the course. If you'd like to switch languages, you should select the first course in your desired language as an elective. These elective courses do not require a recommendation. With the exception of Chinese 1, which is only offered as an honors-level course, the rest of the first language courses are unlevleled. If a course is unable to run due to low enrollment, you will be enrolled in one of your alternative elective choices. Please remember that the graduation requirement for students is three credits of world language while making these scheduling decisions. It is highly recommended to speak with your counselor while mapping out these decisions.

Rising 9th Graders: How do I accelerate past Environmental Science and into Biology?

If a student receives an **honors recommendation** for Environmental Science from their current science teacher and would like the opportunity to take the Environmental Science exam to be considered for placement directly into Biology, they should request the permission form from the 8th grade counselor. Communication regarding the spring administration of the Environmental Science exam will be forthcoming once the high school administration is provided with the permission forms and student list.