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RISING
9TH & 10TH GRADE CURRICULUM

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**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

**Foundation Program with Endorsements**

**Math** – 4 Credits *(Multiple sequences)*

**English** – 4 Credits *(English I-IV)*

**Science** – 4 Credits *(Biology, Chemistry, Physics, 4th Science)*

**Social Studies** – 4 Credits *(World Geography, World History, US History, 20th Century World Topics)*

**Gov’t/Econ** – two ½ credits = 1 Credit

**Foreign Language** – 3 Credits *(and 3 years in high school)*

**Fine Arts** – 2 Credits *(and 2 years in the high school)*

**PE** – 1.5 Credits

**Professional Communications** – ½ Credit *(One semester)*

**Interpersonal Studies** – ½ Credit *(One semester)*

**Technology** – 1 Credit

**TOK** – 1 Credit = two ½ credits

**Other Electives** – 2.5 Credits

**TOTAL # of Credits = 29**

*successful completion of State End Of Course Exams (EOCs) and STAAR tests

*Creativity, Action, and Service (CAS) requirements, Extended Essay*

**IB Diploma Candidates will have additional requirements based on the program**
All scholars are required to have a **Completed and Signed** 4 Year Graduation Plan on file in our office.

**Signed forms due (9th) Jan 16 and 17; (10th) Jan 29 and 30**
CREDITS EARNED AND YEARS TAKEN IN HIGH SCHOOL ARE TWO DIFFERENT THINGS.

EX: SCHOLARS THAT TAKE FOREIGN LANGUAGE 1A, 1B, 2A IN MIDDLE SCHOOL HAVE EARNED 1.5 CREDITS OF THE HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT REQUIREMENT FOR UNHP BUT STILL MUST COMPLETE 3 YEARS OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE IN HIGH SCHOOL. IT IS POSSIBLE TO FULFILL REQUIREMENT BY END OF 11TH GRADE.

The same credits vs. years taken in high school requirement applies to Fine Art and Math, if credit was earned during middle school.
GPA & RANK: NHP GRADING SYSTEM

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Calculation of **weighted** GPA:
- To weight the GPA, the semester grade in each course is added to the course weight.
- All weighted courses are totaled and divided by the total number of courses to get the weighted GPA.
- Weightings are based on the following scale:
  - Advanced Placement/IB: 1.0
  - Honors: 0.5 (Bio, Chem, Alg*, Geo, Alg II)
    - Please note that any scholar in Algebra Honors in middle school will not receive weighting)
  - All other courses: 0.0
HONORS/AP COURSES FOR GRADES 9-10

Honors and AP Courses offered 9th and 10th grade scholars:

Grade 9
1. English I Honors
2. Algebra I Honors
3. Geometry Honors
4. Algebra II Honors
5. Pre-Calculus Pre-AP
6. Biology Honors
7. AP Human Geography

Grade 10
1. English II Honors
2. Geometry Honors
3. Algebra II Honors
4. Pre-Calculus Pre-AP
5. Chemistry Honors
6. World History AP

*Please be mindful that MYP curriculum is already considered advanced curriculum.
COMMUNICATION OF RANK

**Internal Communication of Rank** (by request only)

- End of every **semester** in 11th and 12th
- For all scholars in 26%+, scholars and their families will be told what **quartile** they are in
- *At the end of the year* in 10th grade, only the quartile placement
- Only communicated to 10th – 12th

**External Communication of Rank**

- The rank field is eliminated on the transcript
- Communication of rank will only be shown on counselor reports in the form of a standardized letter/report, secondary school report, mid-year report, or final year report
- For scholars in the top 25%, counselors will note scholar status such as valedictorian, salutatorian, ‘Top 10%’ or ‘Top 25%’
- For scholars not in the top 25%, counselors will note ‘not ranked by Uplift’ if asked to provide rank
IMPORTANT DATES

Course Registration:
9th Grade dates will be: Jan 14, 15, 16, 17
10th Grade dates: Jan 27, 28, 29, 30

Spring ACT:
Mar 24

Summer School Now:
Feb 18 – April 20
UPDATES

- All information is made available on the Counselor's Corner page of the NHP website. 
  [www.northhillprep.org](http://www.northhillprep.org)
  
  ----------> Families & Scholars
  
  ----------> Counselors Corner

- Appointments can be made by emailing the individual counselor.

- Website will be updated as information becomes available.
Thank you!