

Course Selection 2024-2025



What we will cover today

- Graduation Requirements
- Transcripts
- Program of Studies
- Course Selection
- Online Enrollment
- Next Steps

COURSE SELECTION TIMELINE

FEB 19-22 Counselors meet with all students in large groups to review process/grad requirements

FEB 23- CTE applications due

Now to until March 8th- speak with parents and teachers about classes and input requests.

After March 8th- No longer able to request classes on your own.

Students will receive their schedules in Summer

REQUIREMENTS FOR A MERRIMACK HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

Class of 2025-2027

ENGLISH		SOCIAL STUDIES	
9	1.0	Civics	0.5
10	1.0	Economics	0.5
11	1.0	US History	1.00
12	1.0	Elective/World	0.5
	4.00	Hist/World Geo	
			2.5
PHYS. ED		SCIENCE	
PE	0.5	Physical Science	1.0
Elective	0.5	Biology	1.0
	1.0		
	MATH 3.00		2.0
	FINE ARTS 0.5		
	HEALTH 0.5		
	COMPUTER 0.5		
	ELECTIVES 7.0		
	TOTAL 21.0		

Class of 2028 & Beyond

ENGLISH		SOCIAL STUDIES	
9	1.0	World Studies	1.00
10	1.0	US History	1.00
11	1.0	Civics	0.5
12	1.0	Economics	0.5
	4.00		3.0
SCIENCE		WELLNESS	
Physical Scienc	1.0	PE	1.0
Life Science	1.0	Health	0.5
Elective	1.0		1.5
	3.0		
		MATH 3.00	
		FINE ARTS 0.5	
		COMPUTER 0.5	
		ELECTIVES 6.5	
		TOTAL 22	

Additional Requirements

- Civics citizenship test
- FAFSA - Financial aid application

How to select courses

(as in why might I pick certain electives)

- Pick courses that challenge you
- Pick courses that interest you
- Pick courses that are graduation requirements (art, tech, PE)
- Pick courses that align with your post graduation goals
- Talk to teachers about electives they are offering
- Do not pick a class because your friend is taking it (you may not get the same section)
- Class of 2025 – if you want early release or late arrival YOU MUST ENTER THAT! If you do not put that in, you may get a 1st period or 8th period class that is difficult to change.**
- Course changes after schedules are built are difficult as we build our schedules on student requests (that's why this process is important).
- We believe students benefit from many different teaching styles and many different peer groups.

OFFICIAL STUDENT TRANSCRIPT

STUDENT NUMBER	GRADE	ADVISORY	COUNSELOR	DOB	GENDER
	12	F211	Huckins		F

Merrimack High School
 38 McElwain Street
 Merrimack, NH 03054
 CEEB#: 300405
 (603) 424-6204 x2

Class Rank:	
Ranking GPA:	1.8335
Converted GPA (out of 4.0):	1.5784
Graduation Date:	

Freshman

Sophomore

Junior

Course Name	Grade	Gr	Semester 1		Semester 2		Grade Scale												
			GPA	Pts	Cr	Gr	GPA	Pts	Cr	FD	ST/CR	CP/CM	AP/H						
20-21 Keystone Credit Recovery																			
ENGLISH 9 CR	9					B-	2.67	1.00											
Attempted Credit: 1.00 Credit Earned: 1.00																			
20-21 Merrimack High School																			
ALGEBRA 1	9	F	0.00	0.00															
ENGLISH 9	9	F	0.00	0.00	F	0.00	0.00												
PHYS ED/WELLNESS	9	F	0.00	0.00															
PHYSICAL SCIENCE	9	F	0.00	0.00	F	0.00	0.00												
SPANISH 1	9	F	0.00	0.00	F	0.00	0.00												
SUCCESS IN SCHOOL	9	F	0.00	0.00	F	0.00	0.00												
SUMMER INSTITUTE MATH	9	P	0.00	0.50															
WORLD STUDIES	9	F	0.00	0.00	F	0.00	0.00												
Attempted Credit: 6.50 Credit Earned: 0.50																			
21-22 Keystone Credit Recovery																			
PHYSICAL SCI SKILLS RECOV PT 1	10				B	3.00	0.50												
Attempted Credit: 0.50 Credit Earned: 0.50																			
21-22 Merrimack High School																			
ACADEMIC COMP 10 SIS	10	P	0.00	0.50	P	0.00	0.50												
AMERICAN STUDIES 1	10	D	1.50	0.50	B+	3.83	0.50												
BIOLOGY	10	F	0.00	0.00	B-	3.17	0.50												
ENGLISH 10	10	C+	2.83	0.50	A	4.50	0.50												
HEALTH	10				B+	3.82	0.50												
PHYS ED/WELLNESS	10	F	0.00	0.00															
PRE ALGEBRA	10	D	1.50	0.50	B+	3.82	0.50												
Attempted Credit: 6.00 Credit Earned: 5.00																			
22-23 Keystone Credit Recovery																			
BIOLOGY CR PT 1	11	C	2.00	0.50															
PHY SCI SKILLS RECOV PT 2	11	B-	2.67	0.50															
Attempted Credit: 1.00 Credit Earned: 1.00																			
22-23 Merrimack High School																			
ALGEBRA 1	11	B	3.50	0.50															
ALGEBRA 1	11				D	1.50	0.50												
AMERICAN STUDIES 2	11	D	1.50	0.50	D	1.50	0.50												
ENGLISH 11	11	C-	2.17	0.50	C	2.50	0.50												
INTRO TO VISUAL ARTS	11	A-	4.17	0.50															
INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS	11	F	0.00	0.00															
LEARNING CENTER	11	P	0.00	0.50	P	0.00	0.50												
PAINTING	11				B	3.50	0.50												
PHOTOGRAPHY	11	C-	0.00	0.50															
PHYS ED/WELLNESS	11				C	2.50	0.50												
Attempted Credit: 6.50 Credit Earned: 6.00																			
22-23 The Keystone School																			
WORLD HISTORY A	11				B	3.50	0.50												
Attempted Credit: 0.50 Credit Earned: 0.50																			
22-23 The Keystone School																			
WORLD HISTORY A	11				B	3.50	0.50												
Attempted Credit: 0.50 Credit Earned: 0.50																			

Legend	
FD	Foundations
ST/CR	Standard/Credit Only
CP/CM	College Prep/Comprehensive
AP/H	Advanced Placement/Honors
Grade!	No credit due to excessive absence
P	Pass
AU	Audit
I	Incomplete
W	Withdrawn
WF	Withdrawn Failure
*	Has not met competency. Must meet competency to receive course credit.
MC	Met Competency. Failed traditional grade but met competencies and will receive course credit.

FAFSA:	
Citizenship Test Proficiency:	Proficient
Citizenship Competency-Based Assessment Proficiency:	Proficient

Transcripts 101

-Credit is given upon the completion of a semester (not at the quarter)

-Classes earn .5 credit for each semester passed

-Each transcript shows credit as follows:

Per semester/Total to date

Program of Studies

- Available online (under the School Counseling Tab on the school website)
- All classes are listed along with a brief description
- Some classes have a prerequisite listed
(a class that must be completed prior to taking the next class)

Program of Studies link: [Program of Studies / Cover \(sau26.org\)](#)



What's New

Grading Scale

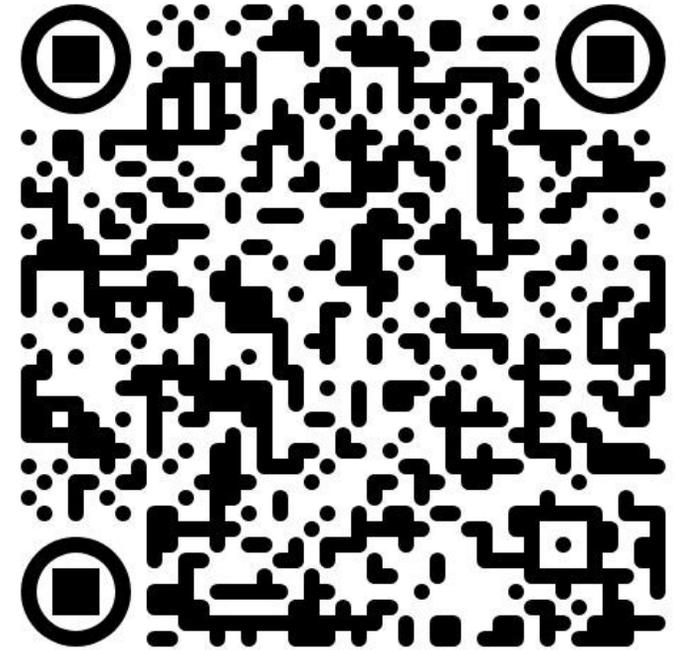
Grade Promotion - credit requirement

Transcript: New Look!

New Class: History of American Sports, Baking and Pastry, Extended Learning Opportunities

Extended Learning Opportunities

- Allows students to earn credit outside of a traditional classroom, and (potentially) outside of the school day.
- ELOs are individualized to suit a student's goals!
- YOU get to help plan your learning and what you will do!
- You will work with a MHS mentor or a Community Mentor
- Grades can be P/F, Comprehensive, or sometimes Honors
- Examples of where students have earned ELO credit:
 - Independent and specialized courses in Physics, Art, Photography
 - Merrimack PD Teen Academy (career exploration)
 - Internships with professional groups that led to college admission and even scholarships
 - Independent travel to foreign countries
- You can even do them over the summer too!
- See Mr. Hall in D124 if you have questions, and check out the ELO website via the QR Code.



Grade Scale

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		FD	CM	H	AP
A+	(97-100)	4.00	4.50	4.75	5.00
A	(93-96)	3.75	4.25	4.50	4.75
A-	(90-92)	3.50	4.00	4.25	4.50
B+	(87-89)	3.25	3.75	4.00	4.25
B	(83-86)	3.00	3.50	3.75	4.00
B-	(80-82)	2.75	3.25	3.50	3.75
C+	(77-79)	2.50	3.00	3.25	3.50
C	(73-76)	2.25	2.75	3.00	3.25
C-	(70-72)	2.00	2.50	2.75	3.00
D+	(67-69)	1.75	2.25	2.50	2.75
D	(63-66)	1.50	2.00	2.25	2.50
D-	(60-62)	1.25	1.75	2.00	2.25
F	(0-59)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

College Admission

Bentley University

- 4 years of college-prep English
- 4 years of mathematics (completion of Pre-calculus at a minimum)
- 3 years of a lab science
- 3 years of history/social science
- 3 years of foreign language

Plymouth State University

- 4 years of college-prep English
- 3 years of mathematics (Algebra I & II, Geometry)
- 3 years of science (one with a lab)
- 3 years of history/social science
- 2 years of a foreign language (recommended)

NCAA

It is the responsibility of the student and parents/guardians to meet the NCAA guidelines for athletic participation. The Merrimack High School Athletic Department is available to answer any questions you might have during the process.

When browsing the courses listed in this program of study, please see the blue NCAA icon for which specific classes are eligible.

Sample Courses by Year for NCAA DI and DII Requirements

Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
-English 9	-English 10	-English 11	-English 12
-Algebra 1	-Geometry	-Algebra 2	-Calculus
-Spanish 1	-Biology	-Chemistry	-Physics
-World Studies	-Civics	-US History	-Spanish 4
-Physical Science	-Economics	-Spanish 3	
	-Spanish 2		

*Division III schools set their own admissions standards



CTE INFORMATION FOR CLASS OF 2026

- Applications for each program (either Alvirne or Nashua) are different
- Students may elect to apply to both

Career and Technical Education (CTE) Program Application Guidelines

Current 10th Graders ONLY

Programs offered are attached to this page:

Alvirne High School (Hudson): To apply scan the QR code below and make an account. You may also apply by going to the school's website sau81.org/cte. Go to the admissions tab and select *Application and How to Apply*.



Nashua North & South High Schools: The paper application is available in the School Counseling Office, and you must return it to the Merrimack High School Counseling Office by February 20, 2024. The due date on the application itself is when it needs to be received by Nashua.

- Each Program is a **2-year commitment**, you will attend both 11th and 12th grade. Starting and withdrawing from a program takes a place away from another student.
- You will receive 2 elective credits per year completed.
- Merrimack High School provides transportation from MHS to your CTE school. Programs are offered either in the morning (periods 1 & 2) or afternoon (the last 2 periods of the day). If your program is offered in the morning, you will need transportation to MHS to be here at 6:40 AM. If your program is offered in the afternoon, you will need transportation home, as you will not be back in time for the bus.
- CTE Programs are competitive and acceptance is not guaranteed. Cosmetology, Culinary, Heavy Duty Mechanics, and Health & Human Services are the most competitive programs.

How to select courses on PowerSchool

- Click the Pencil button on the right side for each course group to select a course.

- Small box will pop up.
 - Select course
 - Click submit

- Your course should appear
 - Green check will appear in the course group

- Submit
 - It won't let you submit unless you have completed each course group.



Navigation

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Welcome to the Merrimack High School Class Registration System for 2024-2025 School Year

[View course requests](#)

ENGLISH	Click the edit button to request a course →	 
Please select one English course		
Number of requests to generate : 1		
MATH	Click the edit button to request a course →	 
Please select one Math course		
Number of requests to generate : 1		
SCIENCE	Click the edit button to request a course →	 
Please select one science course.		
Number of requests to generate : 1		
SOCIAL STUDIES	Click the edit button to request a course →	 
Please select one Social Studies course		
Number of requests to generate : 1		
WORLD LANGUAGE	Click the edit button to request a course →	 
Please select one World Language course. This is optional but recommended.		

Submitting your Course Registration

- Make sure all course groups have a green check
(if you have not met the prerequisite it will not allow you to sign up for that class)
- Click submit

Petition Process

- Start by talking to your teacher
- There is a petition form in the program of studies



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Petition for Course Level Change

Any student looking to move to a different level of math or science course must complete this petition form. Any student who does not complete this form will not be considered for a level change. This form is for 10th through 12th graders only.

Application deadlines:

- End of semester 1 for enrollment in a semester 2 course
- End of quarter 3 for enrollment in next year's courses

Student Name: _____ Year of Graduation: _____

Course: _____ Current Teacher: _____

Current Level: (circle) Foundations Comprehensive Honors

Requested Level: (circle) Foundations Comprehensive Honors

Previous teachers for subject: _____

Teacher's recommendation and comments about performance, grades, potential, motivation, maturity and organizational skills: _____

Grades is current subject: _____

Student's explanation on why student would like to move to different level: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Teacher Signature: _____ Date: _____

Department Head Signature: _____ Date: _____



Questions? & Exit Ticket

