LOWNDES HIGH SCHOOL WELCOME CLASS OF 2022 PARENTS AND STUDENTS!



Our Schedule

Lowndes High School is on a 4x4 block schedule, which offers 8 educational opportunities and choices for students each year.

There are two 18 week semesters per school year:

First semester: August through December

Second semester:January through May



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OUR SCHEDULE

Students attend 4 classes a day, which are 90 minutes long and earn 1 credit each.

Example



Most students will have 2 academic classes and 2 elective classes each semester.

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Promotion Requirements

•10th Grade 6 credits

•11th Grade 13 credits

•12th Grade 20 credits

1st Semester	2 nd Semester
English	Science
Elective	Elective
Math	Social Studies
Elective	Elective

SAMPLE 9TH GRADE SCHEDULE #1

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First Semester (18 weeks)	Second Semester (18 weeks)
GSE Algebra 1 (CP or Honors)	American Gov't/Civics (CP or Honors)
Physical Science (CP or Honors)	Elective
Elective	9 th Grade Literature (CP or Honors)
Health/Personal Fitness	Elective

SAMPLE 9TH GRADE SCHEDULE #2



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First Semester (18 weeks)	Second Semester (18 weeks)
Algebra 1 Support	Algebra 1 YL
Physical Science (CP or Honors)	9 th Grade Literature (CP or Honors)
Elective	American Gov't/Civics (CP, Honors, or AP)
Elective	Health/Personal Fitness

ABOUT BLOCK SCHEDULING

Grades are cumulative for the entire semester. This is vastly different from the middle school nine week

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9th graders have a "false security" that they have time to pull up their grades because they are used to the year long system of middle school.

Attendance is critical on the block schedule. When students are absent, they miss more material than on a traditional schedule. Missing 1 day on block is like missing 2 days on a traditional schedule.



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ABOUT BLOCK SCHEDULING

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Attendance is taken each block—not by the day. If a student is absent 1 day, they will accrue 4 separate absences.

Students will earn their actual average in coursesgrades can go below a 60.

At the end of 1st semester (December) grades are final. **CLASS** Students receive a new set of 4 classes upon return in January.



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS







OF 2022 Students must earn 28 Carnegie units to graduate from LHS

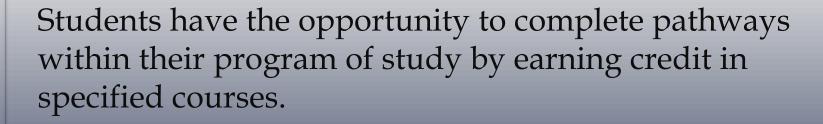
- 4 units of English
- 4 units of Mathematics
- 4 units of Science
- 4 units of Social Studies
- 3 units (minimum) required from Foreign Language and/or CTAE and/or Fine Arts
- 1 Pathway (Career, Fine Arts, Academic, or World Language)
- 1 Health/Personal Fitness

*Students planning to enter or transfer into a University System of Georgia institution must take two units of the same foreign language.



PATHWAYS







Advanced Academic Pathways:

- Content areas: English, mathematics, science or social studies.
- 4 required courses in the academic area
- One of which must be an Advanced Placement or Dual Enrollment course
- Credits in two sequential courses in the same world language.

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Fine Arts Pathway: Students complete a Fine Arts Pathway when they have completed three courses in Visual Arts, Band, Theater or Chorus.



World Language Pathway: Students complete a World Language Pathway when they have completed three courses in the same World Language.



CTAE Pathway: Students complete a CTAE Pathway when they complete a series of three specific courses in CTAE-approved pathway.

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Georgia Milestones Assessments







CLASS OF 2022 State mandated Georgia Milestones End of Course Assessments are given to students for specific courses. These exams will count 20% of the student's final grade and students will not earn credit for the course until the Milestones Assessment is taken.

Courses with an EOC Assessment

- 9th Literature/Composition and American Literature
- 2. Physical Science and Biology
- 3. Algebra 1 and Geometry
- 4. US History and Economics

ACADEMIC COURSES

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CLASS OF 2022 Students enrolled in <u>College Preparatory (CP)</u> classes will be exposed to necessary material required to be successful at the college level.

Students enrolled in <u>Honors</u> classes will be exposed to demanding, academically challenging coursework required to be successful at the college level and in Advanced Placement courses.

Students enrolled in <u>Advanced Placement</u> (AP) classes experience the rigors and demands of college coursework. Students may earn college credit through successful completion of the AP exam.





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ADVANCED PLACEMENT®

LHS offers courses at a variety of levels including College Board approved Advanced Placement classes.

Content	Courses Offered	
English	AP English Language	AP English Literature
Math	AP Statistics	AP Calculus
Social Studies	AP Government	AP Human Geography
	AP World History	AP US History
	AP Microeconomics	AP Macroeconomic
Science	AP Chemistry	AP Biology
	AP Physics	AP Environmental Science
Fine Arts	AP Drawing	AP Studio Art
Foreign Language	AP Spanish Language	



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What is the Dual Enrollment program?

- Move On When Ready (MOWR) has been renamed Dual Enrollment. The eligibility requirements, award amounts, application process and other aspects of the program remain the same.
- Dual Enrollment is a program that provides funding for students at eligible high schools that are enrolled to take approved college-level coursework for credit towards both high school and college graduation requirements.

Local Dual Enrollment Options

- Georgia Military College
- South Georgia College (on VSU campus)
- Valdosta State University
- Wiregrass Technical College

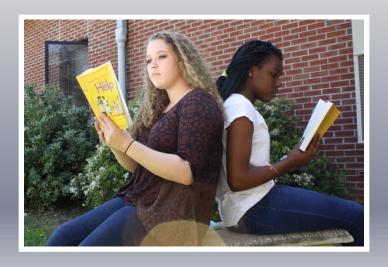
Each school has established age, testing, and GPA requirements for enrollment. The deadline to apply for Fall is April 15, 2018.

Looking Beyond Eligibility to Assess Readiness

- Maturity level of student
- Academic rigor of college classes
- Initiative required in college classes vs. high school
- Attendance requirements (College and high school calendars may differ)
- Interactions with college professors vs high school teachers (parent contact, grade monitoring, etc.)
- Ability to manage graduation requirements and college requirements

THE FRESHMAN ACADEMY TEACHER SUPPORT

- Each teacher has a posted tutoring schedule.
- The purpose of tutoring is to extend and refine skills and/or make up missed assignments.
- Many teachers utilize technology to stay in touch with parents, such as Remind, Google Classroom, and emails.
- Teachers update grades weekly in Parent Portal.









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HOW CAN I HELP MY CHILD SUCCEED?

Check Parent Portal for progress in all classes.



Communicate with your child's teachers. Email is a great way to stay in touch with teachers!



Ask your child daily about his/her school day. Take a look at completed homework assignments and check for completion and accuracy.

CLASS OF 2022 Arrange after-school tutoring when necessary.

Contact your child's guidance counselor if you would like to set up a conference with your child's teacher.



EXTRACURRICULAR **ACTIVITIES**

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Athletics:

Cross Country

Basketball

Baseball

Track

Football

Soccer

Golf

Cheerleading

Softball

Wrestling

Tennis

Volleyball







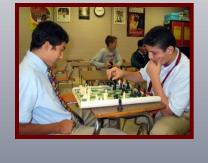
EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

We encourage all students to be involved in school activities. Students can choose from a variety of student organizations and extracurricular activities.











Special Education

Students who receive support services will receive additional registration information from the Special Education Department of LHS.

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FINISHING OUT 8TH GRADE – WHAT DO WE STILL NEED TO DO?

Review and return the course selection sheet. Please note: This is NOT a schedule.

Pass GA Milestones End of Grade Exams.

Pass ALL classes.

Stay out of trouble!

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT



Mrs. Newson – A – Ci

Mrs. Walker – Cg – Grax

Dr. Hutchinson – Gray – Lewis

Mrs. Meyers – Lf – Perk

Mr. Upchurch – Perl – Sto

Mrs. Cooper - Stp - Z

Mrs. Ross – Alternative School

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Thank you for attending this evening.

We look forward to working with the Class of 2022!

Be sure to check the LHS website for additional information.