

West Junior High School Class of 2015 On-line Course Selection Newsletter

West Junior High School
854-6450

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Graduation



requirements for 2015

See page 6 of the on-line Boise School District Spring Pre-Registration Booklet for more details on requirements.

<u>English</u>	8
<u>Speech</u>	1
<u>Math</u>	6
<u>Science</u>	6
<u>Health</u>	1
<u>U.S. History 9</u>	2
<u>U.S. History 11</u>	2
<u>American Gov't</u>	2
<u>Economics</u>	1
<u>Tech. Reading</u>	1
<u>Physical Ed.</u>	2
<u>Electives</u>	16
<u>Total Credits</u>	48
<u>CORE Classes (must have "C" average)</u>	

ISAT requirement

Students must pass the ISAT assessment by their Senior year in the areas of Language Usage, Reading & Math

College Admission Testing

Students must take the ACT/SAT/COMPASS test by the end of their junior year.

Catch up on credits

Meet with your school counselor regarding all of the options.

Summer School

Information will be online by spring break at:
www.boiseschools.org

What classes should I take if I want to go into a specific career?

Check out pages 16-22 of the on-line BSD Pre-Registration Booklet for possible ideas.

9th Grade Course Information

ENGLISH

Accelerated English 9

- ◆ If you are interested in challenging yourself in English, sign up for this class

MATH

- ◆ Your current math teacher will select your math class for next year. This placement is determined by your current math abilities/performance

SCIENCE

Accelerated Biology

- ◆ Must be in accelerated math program (Acc. Geom for 9th grade)
- ◆ Must be taking Physical Science as an 8th grade student or during the summer before 9th grade

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- ◆ Register for PE 9—12
- ◆ Recommended that athletes take this class at Borah
- ◆ Must take full-year of the class.

US HISTORY 9

- ◆ You can choose to take either the traditional class or the accelerated program

SPEECH/TECH. READING

- ◆ These semester long classes are required for graduation and are typically satisfied during the 9th grade.

ELECTIVES

Yearbook

- ◆ Sign up and meet with Mrs. Wilson (room 218) regarding the application process

World Languages

- ◆ French or Spanish are offered
- ◆ Some universities require 2 consecutive years of a Foreign Language.

Music

- ◆ All ability levels are welcome to enroll in Band, Orchestra, Choir, Guitar, and Piano classes

Technology Courses

- ◆ Exploring High Technology—engineering and design class
- ◆ Video 1 & 2—be a part of creating West's video announcements
- ◆ Comp. Apps 1 & 2—keyboarding and computer programs (Word, Excel, etc.)

Family/Consumer Science

- ◆ Teen Living—semester long class working with money management, nutrition and wellness

Arts & Crafts

- ◆ Art 1—3—full year class involving drawing, painting, paper mache, sculpture & clay

- ◆ Creative Crafts 1 & 2—semester long classes with weaving, clay, drawing & painting
- ◆ Photo 1 & 2—semester long class, working with both film and digital cameras

Language Arts

- ◆ Theatre Arts 1 & 2—each a semester long class, for students interested in drama performances
- ◆ Creative Writing—semester long class to explore different writing styles

AVID

- ◆ If you applied for AVID, please chose a different elective. If you are selected for this program, you will be contacted to adjust your schedule.

Schedule Change Policy

Once school begins, student schedules may only be changed during the first five days of any semester. Please choose your electives carefully so that you are appropriately placed.

Student Athletes

You must earn at least 5 credits in the semester prior to your sport season in order to be eligible to participate. Every 9th grade student must have a physical completed after May 1, 2011.

On-line Course Selection Steps

1. Log into your student or parent portal at www.campus.boiseschools.org
2. Click on the left-hand link: "Registration: 11-12 West"
3. Review your Individual Graduation Plan, current transcript, download pdfs of course lists, BSD handbooks, and graduation requirements, and this newsletter.
4. Click on "Course Search", type in name of desired class, click "Go"
5. Scroll down.
6. Click on "Request this Course" or "Request as an Alternate" box.
7. You should have 14 classes selected.
3. Make sure you pick both "A" (first semester) and "B" (second semester) classes. Example: for English 9, you should have 0709A English 9 and 0709B English 9, so that you have both semesters of this class.

The On-line Course Selection Portal will close on February 28th. After that time, contact your school counselor, Mr. Johnston, to change desired courses. His e-mail address is:
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