

**WALTON HIGH SCHOOL**  
**EDUCATE. INSPIRE.**  
**EMPOWER.**

Class of 2024  
High School  
Transition



7 period day – six classes and lunch



Each class earns .5  
unit of credit

3 units per semester  
6 units per year  
total of 24 over the  
4 years



Two semester system- grades are  
posted to the transcript at the end  
of each semester

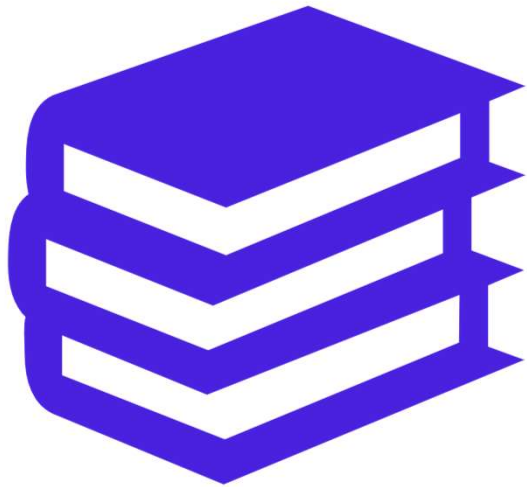


Opportunities to earn more units of  
credit exist through Morning Tuition,  
online learning and summer programs

# ACADEMIC PROGRAM



# PROMOTION



## Promotion Rules

10th grade: 5 units, including one full credit in English, math and science

11th grade: 10 units, including two full credits in English, math and science

12th grade: 16 units

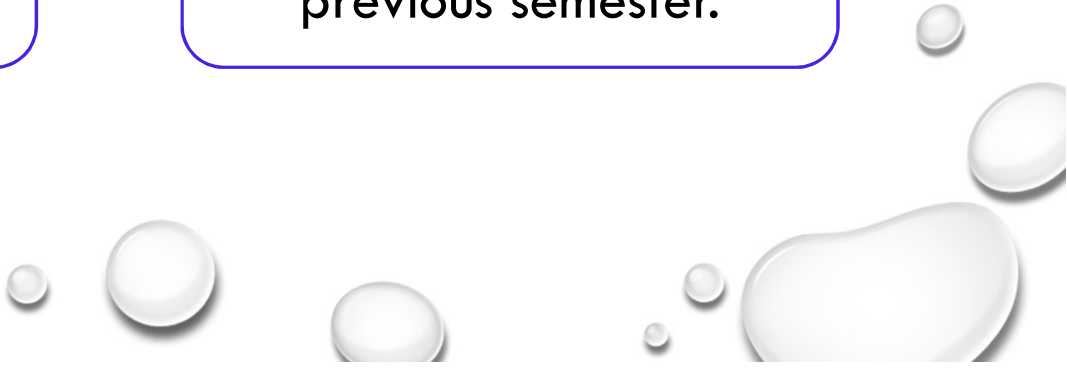




# ELIGIBILITY- GHSA

First-year students are eligible first semester. Must earn 2.5 units the first semester in order to be eligible for the spring semester.

Second-year students must have accumulated 5 total Carnegie units in the first year and have earned 2.5 units the previous semester.



<b>Subjects</b>	<b>Diploma</b>
English	4 units of English Language Arts required for all students including 1 unit of 9th Literature/Composition and 1 unit of American Literature
Mathematics	4 units of Mathematics required for all students
Science	4 units of Science required for all students, to include 1 unit of Biology, 1 unit of Physical Science or Physics, 1 unit of Chemistry, Earth Science, Environmental Science, or an AP Science, and 1 additional unit of science
Social Studies	3 units of Social Studies required for all students, to include 1 unit of World History, 1 unit of United States History, 1/2 unit of American Government, and 1/2 unit of Economics
Health & Physical Education	1 unit of Health and Personal Fitness are required for all students
Career Technical Education and/or Modern Language/Latin and/or Fine Arts	A total of 3 units are required from Career Technical Education, Modern Language, Latin and/or Fine Arts. Students planning to enter or transfer into a University System of Georgia institution or other post-secondary institution must take 2 units of the same modern language or Latin.
Electives	4 additional elective units for all students
Total Units Minimum	23 units

# **WORLD LANGUAGE PATHWAY**

*Students must complete three units of the same language.*

Chinese

French

Latin

Spanish

# FINE ARTS PATHWAY

***Students must complete three units  
in one of the following areas:***

Band

Chorus

Orchestra

Journalism/Annual

Visual Arts:

1/2 unit Comprehensive

1/2 unit Drawing I

1 unit Drawing II

1 unit Drawing & Painting

# CAREER & TECHNOLOGY PATHWAY

*Students must complete three required courses in each area.*

Broadcast/Video Production:

Broadcast/Video Prod I

Broadcast/Video Prod II

Broadcast/Video Prod III

Computer Programming:

AP Computer Science Principles

AP Computer Science

3<sup>rd</sup> year option

Banking:

Intro to Business & Technology

Financial Literacy

Banking and Investing

Graphic Arts:

Intro to Graphics & Design

Graphic Design & Production

Graphic Output Processes

Engineering:

Intro to Engineering Design

Principles of Engineering

3<sup>rd</sup> year option

Physical Medicine

Intro to Healthcare Science

Essentials of Healthcare

Principals of Sports Medicine



# ADVANCED ACADEMIC PATHWAYS

***Student completes the required credits for graduation and within the course history of the subject takes one AP course or one IB course or one post-secondary course that fulfills a graduation requirement. Student also must earn credit in two sequential courses in one world language.***

## English

AP Language (10<sup>th</sup> grade)

AP Language/Am Lit (11<sup>th</sup> grade)

AP English Literature (12<sup>th</sup> grade)

## Mathematics

AP Calculus AB

AP Calculus BC

AP Statistics

## AP Capstone

AP Seminar

AP Research

## Science

AP Biology

AP Chemistry

AP Environmental Science

AP Physics I

AP Physics II

AP Physics C Mechanics

AP Physics E&M

## Social Studies

AP Human Geography

AP Govt US Politics

AP Govt Comparative

AP Microeconomics

AP Macroeconomics

AP United States History

AP World History

AP European History

AP Psychology

# ENGLISH OPTIONS

## Ninth Lit

- 1 summer reading novel
- 3 parallel readings per semester
- Vocabulary book
- Fundamentals of argumentative, expository and narrative writing
- Homework: 30-45 minutes per week
- Most reading assignments completed in class

## Ninth Lit Honors

- 1 summer reading novel
- 3 parallel readings per semester
- Accelerated vocabulary book
- Longer, more analytic writing pieces
- Homework: 2-2.5 hours per week
- Independent reading is expected

	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Honors/AP</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> Lit/Comp 91 Honors  *80 or below = possibility of moving to on-level 10 <sup>th</sup> World Lit 102	AP Language/Comp (see below)	American Lit/Comp 111 (LA) Honors  *C or lower = move to on level Eng. Lit 122	AP English Lit/Comp
		10 <sup>th</sup> World Lit/Comp 101 Honors  *C or lower = move to on level Am Lit 112	*AP Language/American Lit (see below) OR American Lit/Comp 111 Honors	
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<b>On-Level</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> Lit/Comp 92  A = possibility of moving to Honors World Lit/Comp 101	10 <sup>th</sup> World Lit/Comp 102	American Lit/Comp 112	British Lit/Comp 122 Or Dramatic Writing
<b>Small Group (IEP placement)</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> Lit/Comp (SC)	World Lit/Comp (SC)	American Lit/Comp (SC)	British Lit/Comp (SC)
<b>4 Units of English Required. Must include: *1 unit of 9<sup>th</sup> Lit/Comp And *1 unit of American Lit/Comp or AP Lang/Amer. Lit</b>		<b>NOTES:</b> *Students in Honors 9 <sup>th</sup> Lit/Comp have the possibility of taking AP Language in 10 <sup>th</sup> grade OR 11 <sup>th</sup> grade depending on their English grades. Students cannot take AP Language in both 10 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup> grades. *For each English class, there are a minimum of three parallel readings each semester. *The research paper is written during the 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester of American Lit, and 1 <sup>st</sup> semester of British Lit and Dramatic Writing. A research paper is also a component of AP English Language and Composition.		



# MATHEMATICS

## Accelerated Courses-

- go at a faster pace
- include 1.5 years of curriculum-
- very little calculator usage
- Accelerated courses earn  $\frac{1}{2}$  EQP

## Honors Courses-

- more rigorous
- higher-order thinking questions,
- can take two math courses during sophomore year to reach Calculus
- less calculator usage
- Honors courses earn  $\frac{1}{2}$  EQP

\*\*All Math courses take the same Ga Milestones EOC



# GSE ALGEBRA WITH SUPPORT



NO STATE CURRICULUM  
FOR SUPPORT



2 CLASSES PER DAY  
ALLOWS FOR MORE  
PRACTICE AND  
PROCESSING TIME



MATH SUPPORT IS AN  
ACADEMIC ELECTIVE



STUDENTS CAN WAIVE  
OUT MIDWAY THROUGH  
THE YEAR

**GSE  
FOUNDATIONS  
OF ALGEBRA  
A&B (FALL) &  
GSE ALGEBRA  
93 A&B  
(SPRING)**

Set state curriculum to review, revisit and expand understanding of foundational algebra concepts

2 Math classes per day allowing more practice & processing time

CORE Math credit

Students who take Foundations of Alg must take the course the entire year and cannot waive midway through the year

9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Accel GSE Geo/Alg 2</b>	GSE Accel PreCalc BC	AP Calculus BC	Multivariable Calculus
	GSE Accel PreCalc AB	AP Calculus AB	AP Calculus BC
<b>GSE Honors Geometry</b>	GSE Honors Algebra 2	GSE Accel PreCalculus AB	AP Calculus AB
<b>GSE Honors Algebra 1</b>	GSE Honors Geometry & GSE Honors Algebra 2	GSE Accel PreCalculus AB	AP Calculus AB
	GSE Honors Geometry	GSE Honors Algebra 2	GSE Accel PreCalculus AB
<b>GSE Algebra 1</b>	GSE Geometry	GSE Algebra 2	GSE PreCalculus
<b>GSE Algebra 1 &amp; Algebra 1 Support</b>	GSE Geometry & Geometry Support	GSE Algebra 2 & Algebra 2 Support	GSE PreCalculus OR 4 <sup>th</sup> year option
<b>Foundations of Algebra (fall) &amp; GSE Algebra 1 93 (spring)</b>	GSE Geometry 93 & Geometry 93 Support	GSE Algebra 2 & Algebra 2 Support	GSE PreCalculus OR 4 <sup>th</sup> year option
<b>Foundations of Algebra (SG) &amp; GSE Algebra 1 (SG)</b>	GSE Geometry (SG) & Geometry Support (SG)	GSE Algebra 2 (SG) & Algebra 2 Support (SG)	Advanced Math Decision Making (SG)
	AP Statistics can be taken any time after successful completion of GSE Accel Geo/Alg 2 or GSE Honors Geometry as an elective		

# SCIENCE

Physics I - a course which includes all standards of Physics I plus an intro to Chemistry. It is not a repeat of MS Physical Science. It is considered a lab science by colleges

Physics I 93

Honors – 2 options- both receive .5 EQP

Honors Biology 101

Co-requisite is Honors Algebra 1 or higher math (must be honors level)

3 hours homework per week/Honors English is recommended

Honors Physics I 91

1.5 hours homework per week/independent reading/must be in GSE Honors Algebra



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<b>Accelerated/ Multiple AP options</b>	Honors Biology 101 (taken concurrently with Hon Geo or higher math)	Honors Chemistry 111 (taken concurrently with Hon Alg 2 or higher math)	"A or B" avg in Chem 111: AP Biology OR AP Chemistry OR AP Physics C (must be taken with Calc) AP Physics 1 OR AP Environmental Science	AP Biology OR AP Chemistry OR AP Physics C (must be taken with Calc) AP Physics 1 OR AP Environmental Science OR Honors Anatomy/Physiology OR Honors Biotechnology OR Honors Physics 2 121
			"C or D" avg in Chem 111: Anatomy/Physiology OR Honors Physics 121	
	Honors Biology 101 (taken concurrently with Hon Algebra 1)	AP Env. Science OR Honors Anatomy/Physiology	Chemistry 111 (taken concurrently with GSE Hon Alg 2 or higher math)	
<b>Honors</b>	Honors Physics 1 91 (taken concurrently with Hon Algebra 1 or higher math)  *Below a C average will be recommended to Biology 102	Honors Biology 101  *Below a C average will be recommended for Chemistry 112	Chemistry 111 (taken concurrently with GSE Hon Alg 2 or higher math)	
<b>2-Level</b>	Physics 1 92 (taken concurrently with Algebra 1 or higher math)  *A average can go to Honors Biology 101	Biology 102	Chemistry 112 (taken concurrently with GSE Alg 2)	Anatomy/Physiology OR Physics 2 122 OR Environmental Science OR Astronomy OR Forensics
<b>3-Level</b>	Physics 1 93 (taken concurrently with Foundations of Alg or Alg 1 93)	Biology 103	Environmental Sci (taken concurrently with Alg 2 and support)	Anatomy/Physiology OR Chemistry 112 OR Astronomy OR Forensics
<b>Graduation Requirement:</b> 1 unit of Biology 1 unit of Physics/Physical Science 1 unit of Chem, Env. Sci or AP Science 1 unit of a 4 <sup>th</sup> science		<b>Note:</b> *Students can be moved up or down levels per teacher recommendation. *Waivers are accepted when the prerequisite has been satisfied *4 <sup>th</sup> science does not necessarily have to be taken senior year		

## World Geography

## AP Human Geography

### Summer Requirements

Reading: *Refugee* by  
Alan Gratz

1. Reading: *Refugee* by Alan Gratz
2. Know the relative location of most of the countries in the world, plus several sub-national regions.

### Curriculum

#### Thematic

Semester 1: Physical & Cultural Geography  
And Demography

Semester 2: Political, Environmental and  
Economic Geography

#### Thematic

Catch Up Physical Geo. & History  
General Geographical Concepts  
Demography  
Culture Unit (language & religion)  
Political Geography  
Agriculture and Rural Land Use  
Industrialization  
Urbanization

## World Geography

## AP Human Geography

### Homework per day

15-25 minutes

30-45 minutes

### Writing component

Simple free response writings throughout the semester  
One formal DBQ essay

Writing Style is the Free Response style  
FRQs account for 50% of unit assessment

### Reading component

Textbook is written at the 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> grade level

Textbook is written at the 11-12<sup>th</sup> grade level

Reading Quizzes used to assess reading per chapter

Most parallel readings are written at the college level and are frequently assessed.

### Grading Scale

Tests	35% Multiple Choice, Match, Short answer
Quizzes	15%
Daily/HW	20%
Projects	20%
Final Exam	10%

Homework	20%
Quizzes	10%
Tests	45% Multiple Choice &
FRQ	
Project	10%
Final Exam	15%

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<b>ISA Spanish Students</b>	AP Human Geography	AP U.S. Government  *ISA class with Spanish component	AP U.S. History  *ISA class with Spanish component	World History  *Students should consider taking AP European History as an elective.
<b>Advanced Placement</b>	AP Human Geography	AP U.S. Government & AP Microeconomics  *Possible AP electives include AP Macroeconomics, AP Comparative Gov and AP European History	AP U.S. History  *Possible AP electives include AP Macroeconomics, AP Comparative Gov, AP European History, AP Art History	AP World History  *Possible AP electives include AP Macroeconomics, AP Comparative Gov, AP European History, AP Art History and AP Psychology
<b>Honors Level</b>	AP Human Geography	Honors U.S. Government & Honors Economics 101	Honors U.S. History 111	Honors World History 121
<b>2 – Level</b>	World Geography	U.S. Government 102 & Economics 102	U.S. History 112	World History 122
<b>3 – Level</b>		U.S. Government 103 & Economics 103	U.S. History 113	World History 123
<b>Graduation Requirements:</b> 1 unit of World History 1 unit of U.S. History ½ unit of Government ½ unit of Economics		<p>AP Microeconomics – meets the Economics graduation requirement AP Macroeconomics – counts as an academic elective</p> <p>AP U.S. Government – meets the Government graduation requirement AP Comparative Government – counts as an academic elective</p> <p>Level recommendations will be made each year by social studies teachers to ensure proper level placement and rigor of coursework. All 3-level classes can only be taken with teacher recommendation.</p>		

# WORLD LANGUAGES

<b>Freshman</b>	<b>Sophomore</b>	<b>Junior</b>	<b>Senior</b>
<b>Chinese I</b>	<b>Chinese II</b>	<b>Chinese III</b>	<b>Chinese IV</b>
<b>Latin I</b>	<b>Latin II</b>	<b>Honors Latin 3</b>	<b>AP Latin</b>
<b>Latin II</b>	<b>Honors Latin 3</b>	<b>AP Latin</b>	<b>Honors Latin V</b>

<b>Freshman</b>	<b>Sophomore</b>	<b>Junior</b>	<b>Senior</b>
<b>French II</b>	<b>French III Honors</b>	<b>French IV Honors</b>	<b>AP French Language</b>
<b>French I</b>	<b>French IIA</b>	<b>French III Honors</b>	<b>French IV Honors</b>

# WORLD LANGUAGES

	Freshman (Fall)	Freshman (Spring)	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
<b>Language Track</b>	Spanish IIA	Spanish IIB	Spanish III Honors	Spanish IV Honors	AP Spanish Language or Spanish V Honors
<b>Advanced Track</b>	Spanish IIA	Spanish IIB (Advanced)	Spanish III/IV Honors	AP Spanish Language	AP Spanish Literature
				Spanish V Honors	AP Spanish Language
<b>Language Track for entering freshmen</b>	Spanish IA	Spanish IB	<u>Fall Semester:</u> Spanish IIA <u>Spring Semester:</u> Spanish IIB or Spanish IIB Advanced	Spanish III Honors or Pre-AP (for students from Spanish IIB Advanced)	Spanish IV Honors or AP Spanish Language (for students who completed Pre-AP)

# WAIVERS

## **What is a waiver?**

A form you submit to request a course one academic level different from the teacher recommendation.

## **How do I submit a waiver?**


Request the form from your Middle School

## **What does this mean for my child?**

Your child will be required to stay in the course for the semester even if the teacher decides he/she is misplaced.



# HIGH SCHOOL HINTS

- Students are not allowed to retake assessments to improve their grade. Be well prepared for every assessment!
  - Regular homework is expected. Missing homework will result in a grade of zero. Stay on top of all assignments!
  - Teachers are available before and after school as well as WEBs for extra help and make up work.
  - Use WEB time wisely!
  - Take a course load that is right for your student. We want BALANCE!
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# RIGOROUS COURSE WORK

- Challenging course work directly relates to standardized test scores
- College admissions
- Prepared for post-secondary work





ALL honors course will earn an .5 Extra Quality Point and AP will earn a 1.0 Extra Quality Point.



A in a college prep course is 4.0



A in an honors course is 4.5



A in an AP course is 5.0

# GPA AND EXTRA QUALITY POINTS

# HOW TO HAVE A BALANCED SCHEDULE AS A FRESHMAN...

## Student #1 (4.25)

9th Lit - 94

H Algebra- 95

Physics- 94

AP Human Geog- 90

Spanish II – 95

Weight training - 100

**HOW TO HAVE  
A BALANCED  
SCHEDULE AS  
A  
FRESHMAN...**

Student #2 (4.0)

9th Lit- 92

Foundation of Alg A- 93

Foundations of Alg B-93

Physical Science 93- 94

Study skills – 99

Spanish I-90

**HOW TO HAVE  
A BALANCED  
SCHEDULE AS  
A  
FRESHMAN...**

Student #3 (3.583)

Honors 9th Lit- 82

H Geometry- 82

Honors Fresh Physics- 87

AP Human- 86

Spanish II – 89

Orchestra-98

# WALTON 101

PTSA Sponsored – Learn the Nuts N Bolts

Lecture hall

- March 5<sup>th</sup> 11:00-12:30 pm

6:00-7:30 pm

- March 6<sup>th</sup> 11:00-12:30 pm



# Welcome Class of 2024!

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## NEXT STEP: VISIT THE MEDIA CENTER

### Q&A with Department Chairs

Math, Science, Social Studies, Language Arts, World Language, Special Education, Career Tech, Fine Arts, Physical Education, STEM, ISA

### Additional Materials

Private School Registration Packets

Zero Period Payments

Summer School Information

