

STUDENT COUNSELING and GUIDANCE OFFICE
LYONS HIGH SCHOOL
LYONS, NEW YORK

2007-2008
HIGH SCHOOL
COURSE
SELECTION
PACKET
for
*Classes of
2010 (current 9th grade)
&
2011 (current 8th grade)*

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MESSAGE FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

High School is an exciting and challenging time. The staff of the school stands ready to help you succeed. As you make your course selections, keep the following in mind:

Input Equals Output

What you get out of high school will depend on what you put into the studies. Great results demand great effort.

Set High Goals for Yourself

Challenge yourself!! Give yourself a chance to be great.

Take One Step at a Time

Success is a journey, not a destination. Give yourself the time to adequately prepare for each step.

Practice the Skills Necessary for Success

Successful musicians, athletes and artists spend years practicing the skills necessary for success. Reading, studying and writing all demand daily practice.

Use the People at School

The teachers, counselors, and administrators are here to help you succeed. Use them. Ask for help when you need it.

We share the common goal of success for all our students. Working together, we can achieve it.

LYONS HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA - All Students

Course Requirements

English – 4 units	Health – ½ unit
Science – 3 units	Art/Music – 1 unit
Social Studies – 4 units	PE – 2 units
Mathematics – 3 units	Electronic Information Processing/ Life Skills – ½ unit
Foreign Language – 1 unit*	

Test Requirements

1. English Language Arts Regents (English 11)
2. Global Studies Regents (Global Studies 2)
3. US History and Government (US History)
4. Science (Living Environment, Biology Extended or Earth Science)
5. Math Form A (Math A/B or Math A Ext or Algebra Regents)

Regents diploma:

- *Minimum passing score of 65 on (5) Regents Exams.*

Local diploma:

- Class of 2010- A minimum grade of 65 must be achieved on at least 3 of 5 Regents exams AND a minimum grade of 55 on remaining 2 Regents exams
- Class of 2011- A minimum grade of 65 must be achieved on at least 4 of 5 Regents exams AND a minimum grade of 55 on remaining 1 Regents exam.

Students with an educationally handicapping condition may meet testing requirements through Regents Competency Test(s) if a score of 55 or higher is not achieved on the Regents Exam(s).

*Students with an educationally handicapping condition *may* be exempt from the foreign language requirement.

Units

22 units are required for graduation.

Benchmark

Each student must successfully complete the Benchmark paper and presentation. The Benchmark activity is coordinated through 12th grade English.

Portfolio

Each student must successfully complete the portfolio requirement in his/her senior year.

Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation (RAD)

In addition to the 5 required Regents exams & completing all of the requirements for a Regents diploma students seeking RAD must also complete the following:

1. An additional Regents level science course and a score of 65+ on the corresponding Regents exam.
2. Math B Regents course (or equivalent) and a score of 65+ on the Regents exam.
3. A total of three units of foreign language with a passing score on the corresponding Regents Examination (see note below).

****Minimum score of 65 on a minimum of (8) Regents Exams****

The minimum passing score for a 'RAD' is 65 for all 8 Regents Examinations.

Note: Students seeking a Regents diploma with Advanced Designation who pursue a 5-unit sequence in technology, or vocational education are exempt from the foreign language requirement. Be aware that all students seeking a R.A.D. must complete a total of 8 Regents exams with a score of 65+.

Students identified as having an educationally handicapping condition may be exempt from the foreign language requirement for the Regents diploma or RAD. In such cases the student's I.E.P. must state that the student is exempt from foreign language. See your counselor for more information.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION (BOCES)

In most cases, students begin vocational education in 11th grade. It is important to note that prior to enrollment at the Vocational School, a student must have completed:

1. English 9 and 10
2. Global 1 and 2*
3. Two units of math*
4. Two units of science*
5. One-half unit of health
6. One unit of art/music
7. Two years of physical education
8. The appropriate foreign language requirements

*including Regents exam(s), as required

Students who have not completed all of the above will not be eligible for vocational school in 11th grade.

These programs are available at the Williamson Technical & Career Center (WTCC):

Animal Care and Handling
Auto Body Repair
Auto Mechanics
Carpentry
Computer Network Technician
Criminal Justice
Culinary Arts (Food Service)
Drafting/CAD
Early Childhood Education
Electrical Trades
Health Dimensions
Machine Trades
New Vision Engineering Technology (12th)
New Visions Health Careers (12th)
Power Mechanics/Conservation
Welding and Metal Fabrication

Offerings are subject to sufficient enrollment.

COLLEGE CLASSES

College courses require tuition, which is paid to the college. The district does not retain any tuition money.

All ‘Gemini’ courses taught through **Finger Lakes Community College (FLCC)** have minimum requirements for enrollment. These requirements are:

1. An overall average of 85 or higher in the corresponding subject area.
2. A Regents Examination grade of 85 or higher in the corresponding subject area.
3. Recommendation of the department.

In order to register for **SUPA** math, students must have the recommendation of the department.

In order to register for Science courses taught through **Cayuga Community College (CCC)**, students must have the recommendation of the department.

On-line courses require registration through the **SUNY Learning Network**. On-line courses are scheduled as a part of the regular instructional day.

Recommended Minimum Academic Preparation For Post High School Planning

Work, Military, Vocational Technical

- 4 years of English and Social Studies
- 3 years of Math and Science
- Occupational Education sequence(s); technology or vocational education (BOCES)
- Other courses, as required for a diploma

Two Year College

- 4 years of English and Social Studies
- 3 years of Math and Science
- Additional coursework as required for college major, e.g., art, music, math, science, etc.
- Other courses, as required for a diploma.
- Some 2 year colleges will require students to take some type of placement test. These tests are typically taken at the college.

Four Year College

- 4 years of Regents English and Social Studies
- 3 to 4 years of Regents Math and Science
- Additional coursework as required for college major, e.g., foreign language, art, music, math, science, etc.
- Other courses, as required for a diploma
- Most (not all) 4 year colleges expect you to take a college entrance exam such as the SAT or ACT. Students typically take these exams in the spring of their Junior year & possibly again in the fall of their Senior year.

*There will be many variations in minimum preparation levels for different programs. These are guidelines only; see your counselor for information regarding specific post high school.

OUTCOMES

Name _____

Date _____

1. By the time you graduate from high school, what do you expect to do? (It's OK to check more than one.)

_____ Enter the world of work

_____ Enroll in vocational training

_____ Enlist in the military

_____ Enroll at a two year college

_____ Enroll at a four year college

_____ I do not plan on graduating

2. Is there a particular career(s) or type of career(s) that interests you? What is it?

3. What type of courses or activities do you plan to take in order to meet your goals?

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Lyons, New York

NAME _____

GRADE _____ DATE _____

Course selection for 9th grade

All 9th graders are required to enroll in a minimum of 6 ½ units, including:

English 9 – 1 unit

**Science – 1 unit

Global Studies – 1 unit

**Math – 1 unit

Foreign Language – 1

Art/Music –1 unit

Physical Education – ½ unit

**Specific course placement in math and science is determined through teacher recommendation, results of Assessment tests, and final grades.

English

0008 English 9

0011 English 9H

Global Studies

0057 Global Studies 1

Science

0160 Principles of Biology

0165 Living Environment & Labs +
0167/0168

Math

0116 Algebra L

0118 Math A R

0126 Math A/B+

Foreign Language

0211 French 9 (Cultures)

0210 Spanish 1R~

0212 Spanish 2R

0219 French 1R~

0221 French 2R

Foreign Language -Exempt

Art/Music

0275 Studio Art ^

0374 HS Chorus ^

0376 HS Band ^

0328 Design, Draw & Prod ^

Technology

0326 Materials Processing

0328 Design, Draw & Prod ^

Physical Education

0396 & 0397 P.E. HS 9-10 (.5)

+Regents exam
~State Proficiency Test
^ Can be used to complete
art/music requirement