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### Curriculum Night

Classes of 2024, 2025, and 2026

## Tonight's Presentation (7:00-8:00pm)

- Graduation Requirements
- Advice for choosing courses
  - Rising 10<sup>th</sup> graders
  - Rising 11<sup>th</sup> graders
  - Rising 12<sup>th</sup> graders
- Global Online Academy
- Summer School
- Outdoor Trips
- Signup Process and Timeline
- Quiz!
- What to do know? Where to find more info? Questions?



## Graduation Requirements

- English: 4 years
- History: 3 years (2 World, 1 U.S.)
- Math: 3 years (in main sequence)
- Languages: through Level III, at least two years at the Upper School
- Science: 3 years (Biology; Physics OR Chemistry; additional year)
- Arts: 2 years
- Human Development & PE: HD/PE in grade 9, plus 2 semesters PE in grades 10 and/or 11
- Outdoor Education: one week trip or longer
- Service Learning: 80 hours submitted and approved; at least 60 with an out-of-school organization



### Choosing Courses for Sophomore Year

- Continue to complete core program usually following established paths
- Choose Arts and PE electives (rank choices)
- Consider all activities and commitments;
  sometimes less is more



### All (or nearly all) 10<sup>th</sup> Graders Take...

- English 10
- Math placement recommended by current math teacher





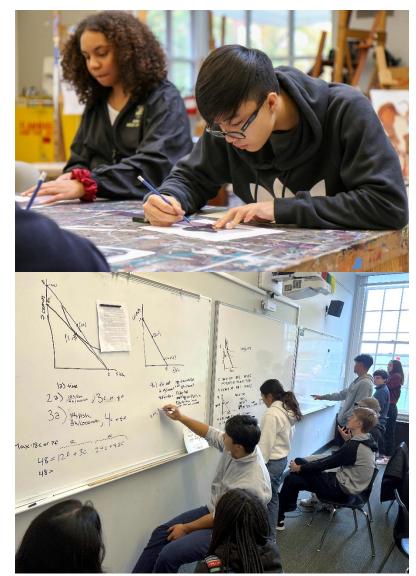
## Many/most 10<sup>th</sup> Graders Take...

- Arts required if not taking now
- History usually World History II (H200)
- Language usually level II or III
- Science usually Physics: Honors or General
- PE choice of 2 semester electives taken by end of 11<sup>th</sup> grade; Advice: take them NOW
- Looking for a balanced scheduled
- 6 or 7 classes is common



## Choosing Courses for Junior Year

- More freedom to choose electives
- No one "right" schedule
- Junior year is intense academically consider all activities & commitments
- You can't shouldn't try to do it all; sometimes less is more
- Ranking choices is important during signup for electives



## All (or nearly all) Juniors Take...

- English English 11 or American Studies (combined English/history)
- Math placement recommended by current math teacher





## Many/most Juniors Take...

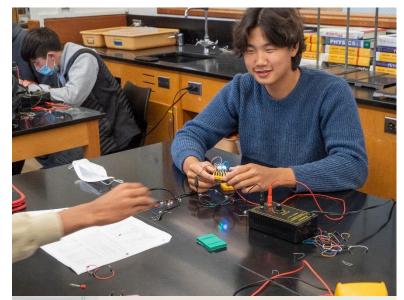
- Arts broader or deeper
- History US History (or electives)
- Language usually level III or IV
- Science Chemistry: Honors or General (or Physics or electives)
- Look for a balanced schedule
- 6 classes is common; 7 is often fine if one is an Art





## Choosing Courses for Senior Year

- Enormous range of elective choices and substantial freedom
- 148 ways to do it
- Ranking choices is important
- Consider all activities and commitments; sometimes less is more
- College applications = a class





## All (or nearly all) Seniors Take...

- English at least one fall and one spring elective (18 options)
- Math placement recommended by current math teacher





## Many/most Seniors Take...

- Arts broader or deeper (18 options)
- History senior semester electives (17 options)
- Language level IV/V, or I
- Science semester or year-long (9 options)
- Balanced schedule vs. deep interest
- Usually 6 classes



## Global Online Academy

- Typically better fit for 11th and 12th graders
- Semester-long courses (mostly)
- Count for Lakeside credit on transcript
- One class a semester included in tuition
- Equal workload to a "brick-and-mortar" class
- Fits the learning styles of many students, but not all





### Lakeside Summer School

- How do I know if it will work for my student? (homework / attendance policies)
- Why take a summer class?
- June 26 Aug.4 (for 6-week classes)
- Classes range from 1 to 6 weeks
- Current students may indicate interest as part of regular course sign ups in Jan.
- Course sign-ups next year should assume completion of Summer School course
- Feb.6 early registration opens (link emailed to families before Winter Break)
- Financial aid available
- Dates & offerings: <a href="www.lakesideschool.org/summer">www.lakesideschool.org/summer</a>
- Questions? SummerSchool@lakesideschool.org



#### Summer School Classes for Rising 10th, 11th, and 12th Graders

Mathematics: Algebra II, Precalculus

Computer Science: Computer Science I, Computer Science II & III

Science: Physics, Lakeside Summer Research Institute

Languages: Spanish Immersion through Ethnographic Research

(GSL Costa Rica)

English: English 10

**History:** United States History

Art: Photography I

Skill Building: 9th/10th Grade Writing, Service Learning

Experience, Personal Finance

College Counseling: College Application Essay Writing Workshop,

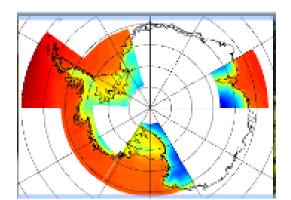
SAT Prep



#### **New for Summer 2023**

#### **Lakeside Summer Research Institute**

- July 10 August 4
- Up to 14 students accepted
- Non-credit earning mentored research experience
- 4 week on campus with scientists from Earth and Space Research
- 3 areas of focus: Antarctic Cryosphere and Climate, Weather & Climate of Mt. Baker, Paleoclimate Studies in Greenland



# Spanish Immersion through Ethnographic Research: GSL Costa Rica

- June 26 August 4
- Graded course earning 1 semester of languages credit
- 2 weeks on campus
- 4 weeks on site, living with homestays 2.5 hours northeast of San Jose



## Outdoor Trips

- All students must complete one Lakeside outdoor trip during upper school in order to graduate
- Applications for summer 2023 open late January, and will be emailed directly to students
- More info: see the Outdoor Programs Canvas page or email Greta Block



#### Trips offered in recent years:

Grand Canyon Backpacking, White Water Rafting, Olympic Backpacking, Mt. Baker Mountaineering, San Juan Sea Kayaking, Cascade Backpacking, Canyonlands Backpacking, Death Valley Backpacking, Coastal Backpacking

## Course Sign Up Process

- 1. Choose courses (read CG; have discussions)
- 2. Online signup:
  - Academic year courses
  - Summer school (optional)
  - Sports (a chance to express interest; not a commitment)
- 3. Confirmation emails will be sent to P&G and advisors
- 4. Complete online signup by January 27





## Important Dates

- Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup> course sign-up forms due (online!); not "draft" final version!
- Mid-June: list of courses (not schedules) distributed to students
- Mid-August: schedules available online; open course change period begins
- <u>First day of school</u>: updated schedules handed out during Advisory period first thing in the morning
- Two weeks into school: add/drop period ends for first semester







# And now... a QUIZ

Go to kahoot.it on your mobile device

Or search for "Play Kahoot"

#### What Can YOU Do?

- ✓ Read Curriculum Guide (online)
- ✓ Know remaining requirements
- ✓ Talk to your students about choices and options
- ✓ Questions: contact advisors and/or college counseling office

#### www.lakesideschool.org

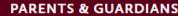














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## Further Questions?