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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 $10^{\text {th }}$ graders
- Rising $11^{\text {th }}$ graders
- Rising $12^{\text {th }}$ 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-ofschool 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) 10th Graders Take...

- English 10
- Math - placement recommended by current math teacher



## Many/most 10h 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 $11^{\text {th }}$ 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 ean'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 $11^{\text {th }}$ and $12^{\text {th }}$ 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: www.lakesideschool.org/summer
- Questions? SummerSchool@lakesideschool.org



## Summer School Classes for Rising $10^{\text {th }}$, $11^{\text {th }}$, and $12^{\text {th }}$ 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 IO
History: United States History
Art: Photography I
Skill Building: 9th $/ 0^{\text {th }}$ 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 27th 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
- First day of school: 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?

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

## www.lakesideschool.org



## Further Questions?

