

ESM FRESHMAN YEAR

As a freshman in high school there are required courses as well as elective course options for you to enroll in. Below for your review are the basic New York State graduation credit requirements, a sample 9th grade schedule, and elective options for freshman year. When selecting courses, it is important to consider your current courses as well as your level of success.

NYS CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

English	4 Credits
Social Studies	4 Credits
Science	3 Credits
Math	3 Credits
World Language	1 Credit
Art/Music	1 Credit
Health	½ Credit
Physical Education	2 Credits
Electives	3.5 Credits

TYPICAL 9TH GRADE SCHEDULE

- 1** English 9 or Pre AP English I
- 2** Global I or Pre AP World History
- 3** Spanish II or French II
- 4** Lunch
- 5** Earth & Space Sciences or Life Science: Biology
- 6** Science Lab (A Day) / HS PE (B Day)
- 7** Algebra, Algebra w/ Lab, Geometry, Geometry w/ Lab
- 8** Health (Fall) / Elective (Spring)
- 9** Art or Music

HALF CREDIT COURSES

(½ credit courses run Fall or Spring unless noted (*) as a full year alternating day course.
Students scheduled for Research I will also be scheduled for health as an alternating day course)

Advertising 101	Research I *
Anthropology & Archaeology	Marine Biology
Astronomy *	Natural Hazards *
Computer Programming with AI	NY State of Mind, LI History & Geography
Financial Literacy *	Oceanography
Game Development	Science of Well-Being
Health (graduation requirement)	Web Design Development
Introduction Business Technology *	Writing for Stage & Screen

ONE CREDIT COURSES

(1 credit courses run for the full year. Students can take 2 music courses - Band/Chorus/Orchestra as an alternating day course)

Band	Stage Craft I
Chorus	Theatre Arts I
Orchestra	Creative Writing
Robotics	Film & Television Production
Studio Art	PLTW Introduction to Engineering

ESM COURSE CATALOG

Students and parents are encouraged to review course descriptions and prerequisite information. Scan the QR code below.

