

PARENT MEETING

Class of 2023



Objectives for This Meeting

- Learn about the five Endorsements.
- Verify your child's Endorsement choice.
- Sign and date your child's Endorsement Verification Plan.
- Turn in (before you leave) your child's signed Endorsement Verification Plan.

What is an Endorsement?

- ⦿ An Endorsement is similar to a college major – a pathway.
- ⦿ This is the plan that you will choose to determine your course of study in high school.
- ⦿ You must choose an Endorsement by the end of this meeting.
- ⦿ Students that graduate with an Endorsement will be Distinguished graduates.
- ⦿ Distinguished graduates are eligible to compete for the top 10%.
- ⦿ Endorsements can be changed throughout high school if needed.
- ⦿ No matter the endorsement, the end goal is the same – Graduation 2023.

How many Endorsements (Pathways) to graduation does SHHS Offer?

- ◎ FIVE

What are the FIVE endorsements (Pathways) offered at SHHS?

- ◎ STEM
- ◎ Business & Industry
- ◎ Public Services
- ◎ Arts & Humanities
- ◎ Multidisciplinary

What is a credit?

- A credit is earned for passing a class.
- One credit is earned for a year long class.
- $\frac{1}{2}$ a credit is earned for a semester long class.

How many credits do you need to earn to graduate with an endorsement?

- 26 credits are required to graduate with an endorsement.
 - EVERY student will graduate Distinguished with an endorsement unless qualification is determined after the sophomore year by a graduation committee.

Required credits to graduate Distinguished with an Endorsement	Credits Required
<p>English Language Arts (includes Honors & AP)</p> <p>English I, II, III, IV, KC English 1301/1302</p>	4.0
<p>Mathematics (includes Honors & AP)</p> <p>Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra 2 - Plus one additional credit from the following: Financial Math, Pre Calculus, Independent Study in Math 1, Independent Study in Math 2 (KC Math 1314/1342), AP Calculus</p> <p><i>*Every Endorsement will require Algebra 2</i></p>	4.0
<p>Science (includes Honors & AP)</p> <p>Biology, Chemistry or Physics - Plus -two additional sciences from the following: IPC, Chemistry, Physics, A&P, Astronomy, Forensic Science, AP Biology, AP Chemistry</p>	4.0
<p>Social Studies (includes Honors & AP)</p> <p>World Geography, World History, US History, Government & Economics</p>	4.0
<p>Other Languages</p> <p>Must be in the same language (Spanish 1, Spanish 2, Special Topics in Language & Culture)</p>	2.0
<p>Physical Education/Athletics/Cheer/Dance/Band(2 yrs.)</p>	1.0
<p>Health ½</p>	0.5
<p>Fine Arts (Art, Band, Theater, Dance)</p>	1.0
<p>Professional Communications (speech) ½</p>	0.5
<p>Lab Based Technology(BIM 1, or DIM)</p>	1.0
<p>Electives</p>	4.0

STEM MATH or STEM SCIENCE



A. Math- 5 Math courses to include Alg 2 plus Chemistry **AND** Physics

B. Science- 5 Science courses to include Biology, Chemistry **AND** Physics plus 2 additional science courses

IPC & Financial Math are not acceptable on the STEM Endorsement

BUSINESS & INDUSTRY



4 or more credits in a
specific sequence

(see Cluster and Pathways for Business and
Industry)

Specializations offered at SHHS:

- *Business Management and Administration
- *Business & Marketing
- *Finance
- *Architecture and Construction
- *Hospitality & Tourism
- *Manufacturing
- *Advanced Journalism

PUBLIC SERVICES



4 additional credits

(see Cluster and Pathways for Public Services)

Specialization at SHHS:

Health Science

ARTS & HUMANITIES



4 additional credits

(see Cluster and Pathways for Arts & Humanities)

Specializations at SHHS:

BAND

ART

DANCE

THEATER

MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

Students will choose a minimum of FOUR electives based upon their interests and post-graduation plans plus four credits in each of the four foundation subject areas to include Chemistry and/or Physics and English IV

Next Steps

- Over the next two days, I will be meeting with your student to help them select their 9th grade courses and to complete their four year plan.
- Each student will meet with their high school counselor each spring to review their Endorsement and make course selections for the following year.
- Although students must choose one Endorsement, students may actually take the coursework to earn more than one – but only ONE endorsement will print on the final transcript.

Great Career and
Endorsement Resource:

launchmycareertx.org

School Website

◎ www.springhill.esc7.net

> High school

- Course descriptions – high school
- Course selections guide – high school

◎ If you have questions, please contact me via my email address: Paige Childers
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Questions?



Next Year's Course Selection

- 1. English 1- Either Honors (teacher recommendation) or Regular English 1
- 2. Math – Either Algebra 1 or Honors Geometry
- 3. Science – Either Honors Biology (Prerequisite of Algebra 1) or IPC (Integrated Physics & Chemistry)
- 4. World Geography or Honors World Geography (teacher recommendation)
- 5. Athletics 1 / Physical Education / Band 1 (Marching-2 yrs.)
- 6. Foreign Language – Spanish
 - > Intro to Spanish 8th Grade=Spanish 1 for 9th grade
 - > Spanish 1 8th Grade = Spanish 2 for 9th grade
- 7. ELECTIVE
- 8. ELECTIVE
 - > **Summer Reading Required for ANY Honors Course**



FILLING OUT YOUR COURSE SELECTION WORKSHEET:

- All students will sign up for the 4 required core classes = English, Math, Science, Social Studies.
- Add 4 additional courses for a total of 8 periods each semester. (In the preferred order 5,6,7,8)
- Think about additional REQUIRED courses like P.E., Fine Arts, Foreign Language, Technology, Speech, Health and the Next Course in your Endorsement Sequence (Get those out of the way!!!)
- Write in the course number carefully and fill in the course name. *******ASK your teachers for required signatures!!!**
- You may or may **NOT** be recommended for the level of course you want.
- THIS FORM DUE BACK ON March 29th, 2019 IN THE JH OFFICE WITH PARENT SIGNATURE and ANY REQUIRED SIGNATURES!!



ENGLISH FLOW CHART

★ English 1
Honors Eng. 1

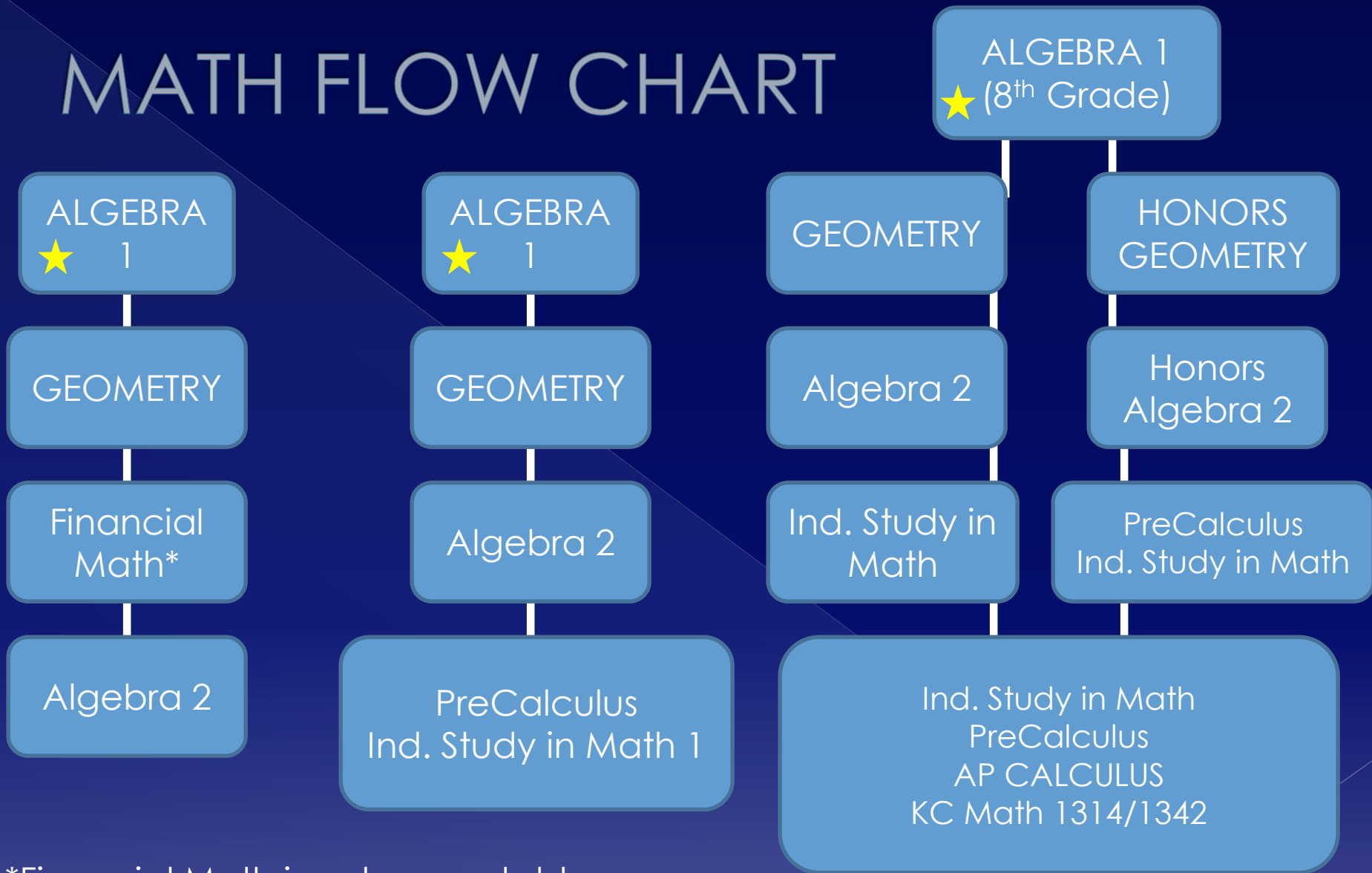
★ English 2
Honors Eng. 2

English 3
AP English 3

English 4
AP English 4
KC English 1301/1302

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STAAR TEST REQUIRED!!

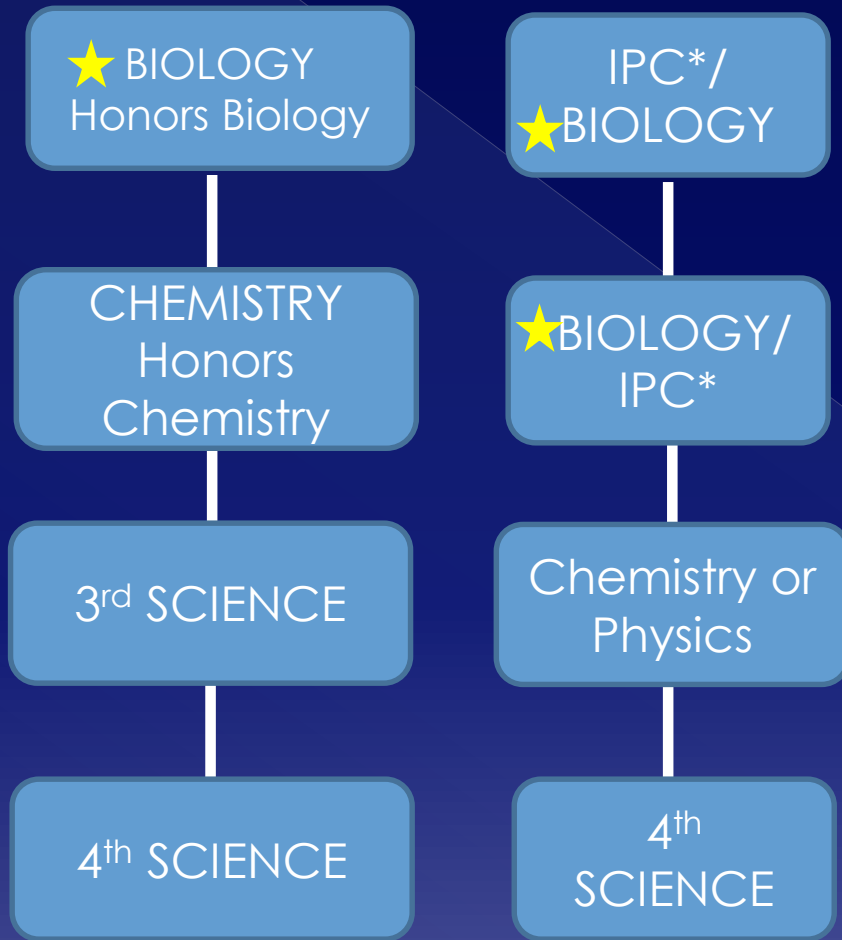
MATH FLOW CHART



*Financial Math is not acceptable on the STEM MATH Endorsement nor is it recognized by the NCAA.

 STAAR TEST REQUIRED!!

SCIENCE FLOW CHART



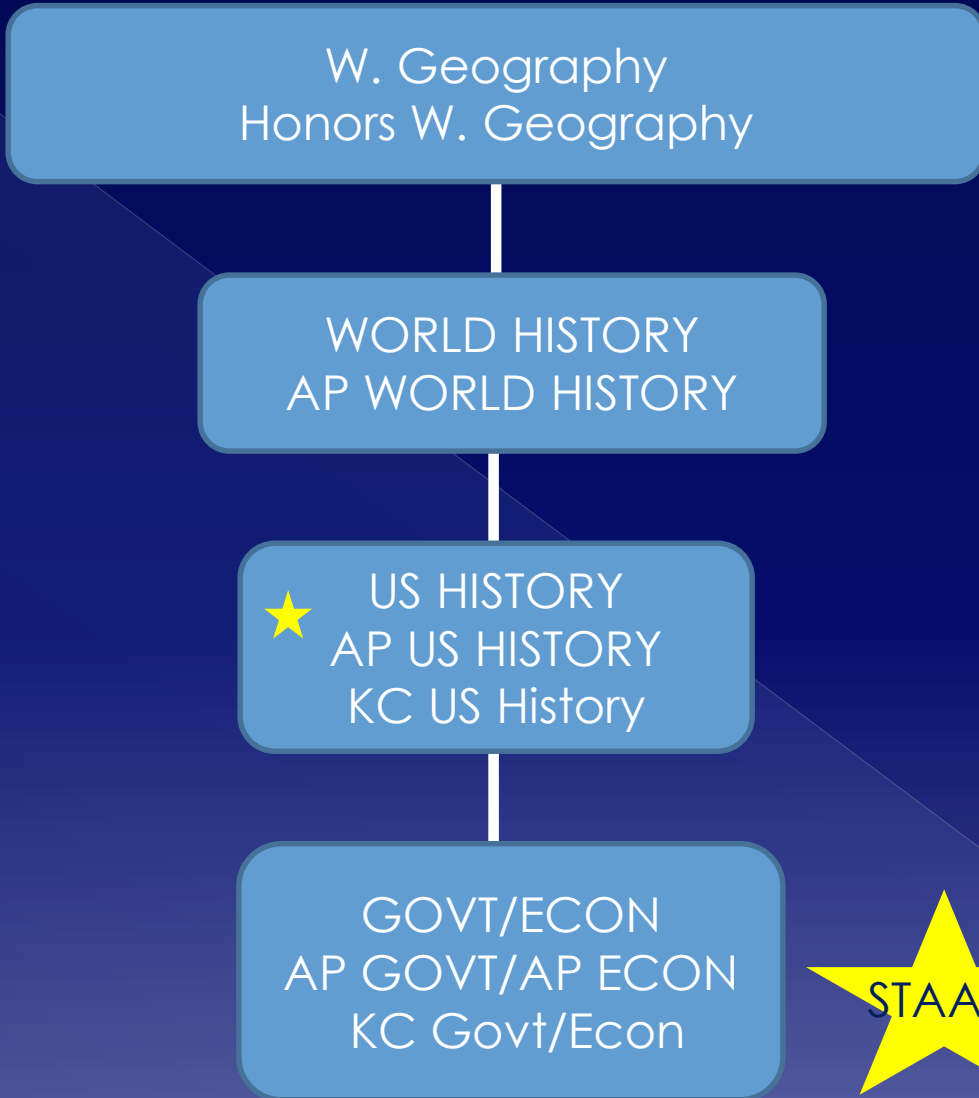
*IPC is not acceptable on the STEM Science Endorsement

Possible 3rd or 4th Sciences:

AP Biology,
AP Chemistry,
Forensic Science,
Anatomy & Physiology
Astronomy
Physics or Honors Physics

★ STAAR TEST REQUIRED!!

SOCIAL STUDIES FLOW CHART



★ STAAR TEST REQUIRED!!

Questions?

