

Welcome to South Lakes High School  
Curriculum Night  
2017

## Graduation Requirements

SCHOLARSHIP OWNERSHIP AWARENESS RESPECT



# Where are we going?



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# Standard and Verified Credits

- In order to graduate, a student must earn the required standard and verified credits.
- A standard credit is awarded when the student passes the course.
- A verified credit is awarded when the student passes the course and passes the associated Standards of Learning (SOL) test or approved substitute test.

# Verified Credit Requirements

- Students earn verified credits when they pass a class and pass the associated SOL test. Students may also earn verified credits through VDOE approved assessments.
- Courses with associated SOL tests:
  - English 1 1 (2 tests- reading and writing)
  - World History 1, World History 2, US VA History
  - Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2
  - Biology, Chemistry, Geosystems
- Verified credit requirements depend on diploma type and are outlined on the next slides.

# Standard Diploma Requirements

## Rising 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> Grades

Subject	Standard Credits	Verified Credits
English	4	2
Mathematics	3	1
Laboratory Science	3	1
History and Social Sciences	4	1
Health and Physical Education	2	
World Languages, Fine Arts or Career & Technical Education	2	
Economics and Personal Finance	1	
Electives (must include sequential elective)	3	
Student Selected Test		1
Career and Technical Education Credential		
Virtual Course		
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>6</b>

# Advanced Studies Diploma Requirements

## Rising 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> Grades

Subject Area	Standard Credits	Verified Credits
English	4	2
Mathematics	4	2
Laboratory Science	4	2
History and Social Sciences	4	2
World Language	3	
Health and Physical Education	2	
Fine Arts or Career & Technical Education	1	
Economics and Personal Finance	1	
Electives	3	
Student Selected Test		1
Virtual Course		
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>9</b>

## Additional Graduation Requirement for Rising 10<sup>th</sup> and Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

- Students who enter the 9<sup>th</sup> grade for the First Time in 2016 – 2017 and beyond also have an additional requirement:
  - **First Aid/CPR/AED Training**
    - which can be completed through our Health and PE Program of Studies.



# Economics and Personal Finance

## Face to Face Options at SLHS:

- Economics and Personal Finance (612000) ◦ Meets online requirement, industry credential available.
- Economics and Personal Finance two semesters (612011/612012) ◦ Meets online requirement, industry credential available.
- IB Business and Management ◦ Meets online requirement, industry credential available.

## Online Options through FCPS:

- Economics and Personal Finance-online (612099) ◦ Meets online requirement, industry credential available. (8<sup>th</sup> course fee required)
- Self-Directed Online Economics and Personal Finance - 8th Period (6120) ◦ Meets online requirement, industry credential available. (Fee Required, Summer option available)
- Economics and Personal Finance-online-summer option (612099) ◦ Meets online requirement, industry credential available (Fee Required)

**ALL OFFERINGS OF EPF FULFILL THE  
REQUIREMENT FOR A "VIRTUAL COURSE."**



# Sample 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Schedules

9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Schedule	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Honors Schedule
English 9	English 9 Honors
World History & Geography 1	World Hist. & Geography 2 Honors
Algebra 1/Geometry/Algebra 2	Geometry/Geometry Honors/ Algebra 2/Algebra 2 Honors
Biology or Elective	Biology Honors
Health and Physical Education 9	World Language
World Language or Elective	Health and Physical Education 9
Elective/Economics and Personal Finance	Elective/Economics and Personal Finance

# Academic Advising Process at South Lakes High School

- Teachers will meet with students to share their recommendation for core courses for next year.
  - Teachers are the experts of their curricula.
- Students will discuss course options with parents/guardians to consider the best course selections for students to reach their personal and academic goals.
  - What are the best courses for *your* student?
- All students will meet with their counselors to select their courses (beginning January 23<sup>rd</sup> )

# How to prepare for Academic Advising:

- Find out from student when their English class will meet with the counselors.
- Use the Course Planning Worksheet to discuss Course Selections.

# Questions to consider and discuss at home before Academic Advising:

- Am I taking the course(s) for the right reasons?
- Do I have enough time in the day for all these commitments?
- How committed am I to doing well in this course even when it proves a challenge to me?
- How quickly/efficiently do I complete my homework?
- Have I considered the cumulative effect of taking multiple Honors/IB courses?
- What will happen if the course load is difficult and I cannot change my schedule?
- Would I be willing to adjust hours or give up my job?
- Would I be willing to drop a sport or activity?
- Would I be satisfied with a grade less than a "B"?

# Course Planning Worksheet

How many hours a day do you:	Daily Total	Frequency	Weekly Total
Sleep (Yes, include naps)		x 7=	
Spend in school		x 5=	
Study or do homework		x 7=	
Watch TV		x 7=	
Spend online- including social media		x 7=	
Talk on the phone or text		x 7=	
Work at a job		x 7=	
Commute to/from school and work		x 7=	
Participate in clubs/sports		x 7=	
Prepare and eat meals		x 7=	
Other		x 7=	
Other		x 7=	
<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>			

# Academic Advising Process

## Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

- South Lakes Counselors will come and present to students.
  - Langston Hughes Middle School -January 12 and January 13
  - Rachel Carson Middle School – February 13
- Middle School Counselors will sit down individually with students to select courses.
- Check with your school and school counselor to find out more about your school's specific process.

# Additional Resources

## FCPS Graduation Requirements:

<https://www.fcps.edu/academics/graduation-requirements-and-course-planning>

## FCPS Course Sequences:

<https://www.fcps.edu/academics/graduation-requirements-and-course-planning/high-school-course-sequencing>

## SLHS Course Catalog and Course Selection Forms:

[http://www2.fcps.edu/SouthLakesHS/student\\_services/academic\\_advising.shtml](http://www2.fcps.edu/SouthLakesHS/student_services/academic_advising.shtml)

## **\*\* New Online SLHS Course Catalog:**

[http://www2.fcps.edu/SouthLakesHS/student\\_services/academic\\_advising.shtml](http://www2.fcps.edu/SouthLakesHS/student_services/academic_advising.shtml)

## SLHS Counselors:

[http://www2.fcps.edu/SouthLakesHS/student\\_services/staff.shtml](http://www2.fcps.edu/SouthLakesHS/student_services/staff.shtml)