

Name: _____

Advisor: _____

Course Selection for Senior year

Balance note:

- Students who expect to add a job, a varsity level sport, religious education program (such as Confirmation), Pre-College program, or have responsibilities outside of the class day, should remember the increase in time commitment when selecting courses. Extra-curricular and work commitments are not circumstances to allow a course drop.
- Students cannot choose in which semester a class will fall in their schedules. Whatever you choose, be sure that you want to be in that course either semester.
- Once courses are selected changes are rare and strictly follow the withdrawal policy. Your signature on the printout indicate you commit to the courses you select.
- Generally, students are not encouraged to take more than 3 AP/Acc courses in a semester.

Checklist for Selecting Courses: Check to make sure that you ...

- Select enough credits. **Six** is the norm, although a student may take only 5.
- Will have completed **all graduation requirements** and earned at least **23 credits** by the end of the year.
- Will have completed / have selected **Physics/AP Physics** if this is your 4th year of science.
- Select different alternate courses than initial courses (duplicates do not increase chances of receiving the course).
- AP Bio** and **AP Chem** students have a lab one day a week. Be very careful selecting more than 6 credits since it means that one day a week you will have 8 straight class periods.
- If selecting **Social Studies**, understand that
 - AP Human Geography, AP European History, AP Psychology, and Comparative Cultures are year-long courses.
 - Rotating back into the curriculum: 50s & 60s and World Wars
 - If selecting Economics, choose between Intro and the APs. A student cannot take both Intro and AP Micro or AP Macro.
- Select only one **writing course** (Creative Writing or AP English Language)
- Select an alternate for **Theology** elective (all students take Theological Seminar)
- If choosing **BC Calculus**, know that there is extra time required each day
- Fine Arts Courses:**
 - Students must take at least ½ credit; this can be taken any semester either as part of the regular schedule or as an overload.
 - **Jazz Lab 1 – 3** earns ½ credit and does not meet every day of the week. **Jazz 4** earns 1 credit and meets every day of the week.
 - **Chorus** can be a semester-long or year-long course. Students do not meet every day and earn ¼ credit each semester.
 - The rest of the Fine Arts courses meet daily for a full semester.