# Four Year Planning with SchooLinks

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# Why are four year plans important?

- Four year plans can help students shape their Education into what they want.
- It's ok if your student isn't completely sure what they want to do yet. Filling in the entire course plan helps you generate ideas and understand how many elective spots are available.

### Feeling overwhelmed?

Take a breath!

Four-year plans are flexible, and they are updated every year. If your student's plans change, their four-year plan can easily be updated.

### Four Year Plans & SchooLinks



- The SchooLinks course planner opens on February 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 am.
- The Course Planner must be completed using the student's log in.



- The first time students log in, you will be prompted to complete an on-boarding questionnaire. This is a one-time process.
- Once you are in SchooLinks, click on the School icon (apple) in the menu bar on the left. Then, select Course Planner.

#### Programs of Study

The core 4x4 **Multidisciplinary Studies** option is great for students who are not yet sure which **Program of Study is right for** them. There is no one **Program of Study that is** better than others. Students should select a Program of Study based on their interests and high school plans.

Journalism and Speech	6 Options	$\odot$
Law and Public Service	2 Options	$\odot$
Manufacturing	4 Options	$\odot$
Multidisciplinary	3 Options	<u> </u>
Multidisciplinary Multi-Disciplinary Studies (one of the following) • 4 advanced courses from other endorsement areas • 4 each foundation subject area, including English IV and chemistry and/or physics • 4 credits in Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or dual credit selected from English, mathematics, science, soci studies, economics, LOTE or Fine arts	credits in	0
4 AP, DC, or IB: Multidisciplinary Studies (MS2AA) 4 AP, DC, or IB: Multidisciplinary Studies (MS2AA)		$\odot$
Core 4x4: Multidisciplinary Studies (MS1C4) Core 4x4: Multidisciplinary Studies (MS1C4)		0
NJROTC	1 Options	$\odot$
Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)	8 Options	$\odot$

#### Programs of Study

The Arts and Humanities Fine Arts 4 Program of Study is a great option for students who plan to participate in Fine Arts during all four years of high school. Remember that other Endorsements can be added on later.

Arts and Humanities	7 Options	0
English Language Arts: Arts & Humanities (AH1EN) A total of four (4) English elective credits in addition to English I, English II and English III, with the exception	ns of	0
Journalism and Speech.		
Fine Arts 2&2: Arts & Humanities (AH2F2)	ſ	ଚ
A total of four (4) Fine Arts credits from up to two (2) Fine Arts disciplines: Art, Dance, Music, or Theatre	C	9
Social Studies: Arts & Humanities (AH3SS)	ſ	ଚ
Complete five (5) Social Studies credits, which must include: World History OR World Geography, US History Government, and Economics.	, (	9
World Languages 2&2: Arts and Humanities (AH4L2)	ſ	രി
World Languages 2&2: Arts and Humanities (AH4L2)	C	
World Languages 4: Arts & Humanities (AH4L4)	ſ	രി
World Languages 4: Arts & Humanities (AH4L4)	C	
World Languages ASL 4: Arts and Humanities (AH4AS)	ſ	രി
World Languages ASL 4: Arts and Humanities (AH4AS)	C	9
Fine Arts 4: Arts & Humanities (AH2F4)	ſ	൭
A total of four (4) Fine Arts credits from one (1) Fine Arts discipline: Art, Dance, Music, or Theatre	C	9

## Let's make a plan!

For this sample plan, I will select Law Enforcement: Public Service.

Information Technology	4 Options 😡
Journalism and Speech	6 Options 🕟
Law and Public Service	2 Options
Law Enforcement: Public Service (PS1LE) ENDORSEMENT: PUBLIC SERVICE	$\bigcirc$
Legal Studies: Public Service (PS1LS) ENDORSEMENT: PUBLIC SERVICE	$\bigcirc$
Manufacturing	4 Options 😡
Multidisciplinary	3 Options 😡

### Look for the "Continue []" button

This button is on the top right corner of the screen. Once you select a Program of Study and click "Continue", you will select English options.

Choose a course sequence to add:

#### Add "Academic English" courses

Select this sequence if you would like to take Academic English courses. You have the option to change to KAP courses.

#### Add "KAP English" courses

Select this sequence if you would like to take KAP English courses. You have the option to change to Academic courses.

Pick the option you think is best. There is no way to accurately predict a student's Senior English class when they are only a Freshman. The purpose of this is to plan for English credits and see what options are available.

9th		10th		11th		12th
Academic English 🔁						
English 1B (0101B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	3	English 2B (0102B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	3 🗊	English 3B (0103B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	2 🗊	English 4B (0104B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits
English 1A (0101A) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	3	English 2A (0102A) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	3	English 3A (0103A) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	③ 前	English 4A (0104A) 0.5 / 0.5 credits

This does not mean my student is locked into taking Academic each year. It shows me the course sequence for planning purposes. This plan can be updated each year.

# Look for the "Continue $\Box$ " button. This will take you to Math options.



Choose a course sequence to add:

#### Add "Academic Math (Algebra I in 9th Grade)" courses

Select this sequence if you are taking Algebra I in 9th grade and would like to take Academic courses. You have the option to change Geometry or Algebra II to KAP.

#### Add "KAP Math (Algebra I in 9th Grade)" courses

Select this sequence if you are taking Algebra I in 9th grade and would like to take KAP courses. You have the option to change Geometry or Algebra II to from KAP to Academic.

## Select the Math option you think might be best for your student.

#### I selected KAP, why is the 9<sup>th</sup> grade option Academic? What should I do for 12<sup>th</sup> grade?

9th		10th		11th		12th	
SEQUENCE: KAP Math (Algebra I in 9th Grade)							
Algebra 1B (0211B)	3 🗊	Geometry B KAP (0251B)	3 m	Algebra 2B KAP (0253B)	3 m	Take minimum 1 credit	
Algebra 1A (0211A)	3	Geometry A KAP (0251A)	() (ii)	Algebra 2A KAP (0253A)	() (ii)		
0.5 / 0.5 credits		0.5 / 0.5 credits	KAP	0.5 / 0.5 credits	КАР		

12th	
Statistics A (0250A) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	3
Statistics B (0250B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	0 1

# Social Studies: only 3 credits are required. Why does my plan list 4?

9th		10th		11th		12th	
World Geography B KAP (0353B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	⑦ 前 KAP	World History B KAP (0307B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	⑦ 圓 KAP	AP US History B (0312B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	() () () () () () () () () () () () () (	AP US Government (0322) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	3 🗊 AP
World Geography A KAP (0353A)	⑦ 前	World History A KAP (0307A)	3 m	AP US History A (0312A)	? 🛍	AP Macroeconomics (0332)	⑦ 前
0.57 0.5 credits	NAF	0.57 0.5 cledits	NAP	0.57 0.5 Credits	AF	0.5 / 0.5 credits	AP

#### I selected Academic Science

9th		10th		11th		12th
SEQUENCE: Academic 📿						
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Biology B (0411B)	3	Chemistry B (0421B)	3	Physics B (0431B)	3	Environmental Systems B (0453B)
0.5 / 0.5 credits		0.5 / 0.5 credits		0.5 / 0.5 credits		0.5 / 0.5 credits
Biology A (0411A)	0	Chemistry A (0421A)	0	Physics A (0431A)	3	Environmental Systems A (0453A)
0.5 / 0.5 credits		0.5 / 0.5 credits		0.5 / 0.5 credits		0.5 / 0.5 credits

### Languages Other than English

Add "Spanish" courses Spanish	Add "Spanish for Spanish Speakers" courses Spanish for Spanish Speakers	Add "German" courses German	
Add "Latin" courses	Add "Chinese" courses Chinese	Add "Japanese" courses Japanese	



#### If your student loves languages, you may use the "+ add another course" option to add more than 2 years.

Physical Education			
Need 1 credit of Physical Education View requirement details			
9th	10th	11th	12th
Take 1 credit. (+) Add another course	Take 1 credit. Add another course	Take 1 credit. Add another course	Take 1 credit. (+) Add another course

#### Decide which year you think you may want to take PE. Select "+ add another course" for that year. If your student is an athlete, you may add a sport each year.



#### I selected Boys PE for 9th grade.

9th		10th		11th	12th
Art 1A (7511A) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	3 (1) (1)	Ceramics 1A (7571A) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	3 () ()	(+) Add another course	Add another course
Art 1B (7511B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	3	Ceramics 1B (7571B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	3		

which you think you may want to take Fine Arts. You may add a Fine Arts course each year if you have a student who wants to take more than the required year. Tip: click the "?" to find out more about each course.



Notice the top bar turns green once you have satisfied the credit requirement. You only need to pick one semester for Speech and Health.

Law Enforcement: Public (PS1LE)	c Service	_	
Public Service Endorsement: Students m View requirement details	nust complete 3 or more courses for 4 or more credits	. One course must be a Level 3 or 4 course.	
9th	10th	11th	12th
Add another course	Add another course	(+) Add another course	Add another course

#### Remember, I picked the Law Enforcement Program of Study at the beginning. The course planner will prompt me to select courses that fall under this Program of Study.



Nothing comes up for 9th or 10th grades. This means 9th and 10th grade students are not eligible to take Law Enforcement yet. That's ok, I do see something available for 11th and 12th grades.



Notice the Law Enforcement classes have "MCTC" listed. This means these classes are only taught at Miller Career & Technology Center. Please visit the MCTC table this evening!

Theatre 1A (7411A)	3 🗊
0.5 / 0.5 credits	
<b>Theatre 1B</b> (7411B)	3 🗊
0.5 / 0.5 credits	
Digital Arts and Animation A (2005A)	? 🗊
0.5 / 0.5 credits	CTE
Digital Arts and Animation B (2005B)	0 🗊
0.5 / 0.5 credits	CTE
Principles of Hospitality and Tourism A (8362A)	1
0.5 / 0.5 credits	CTE
Principles of Hospitality and Tourism B (8362B)	0
0.5 / 0.5 credits	CTE

Allemale courses are important. They are backups that you wouldn't mind taking just in case your first choice is not available.

9th Grade 7/5		10th Grade 7/5		11th Grade 7/5		12th Grade 7/5
English 1B (0101B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	0	English 2B (0102B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	0	English 3B (0103B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	0	English 4B (0104B) 0.5 / 0.5 credits
English 1A (0101A) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	0	English 2A (0102A) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	0	English 3A (0103A) 0.5 / 0.5 credits	0	English 4A (0104A) 0.5 / 0.5 credits

After you select your alternates, you will see your overall course plan. You can make adjustments as needed. The number at the top of each grade tells you how many credits your student is signed up for. My student is signed up for 7 credits each year.

### **Overview of Plan**

9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	12 <sup>th</sup> Grade
English 1	English 2	English 3	English 4
Algebra 1	Geometry KAP	Algebra 2 KAP	Statistics
World Geog KAP	World Hist KAP	AP US History	AP Govt/AP Econ
Biology	Chemistry	Physics	Environmental Syst.
German I	German II	German III KAP	AP German Language
Art	Ceramics		
PE	Health/Leadworthy		

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English 1	English 2	English 3	English 4
Algebra 1	Geometry KAP	Algebra 2 KAP	Statistics
Biology	Chemistry	Physics	Environmental Systems
World Geography KAP	World History KAP	AP US History	AP Govt/AP Economics
German I	German II	German III KAP	AP German Language
Art	Ceramics	Law I @MCTC	Criminal Investigations @MCTC
PE	Health / Leadworthy	Law I @MCTC	Criminal Investigations @MCTC

Remember to select "submit plan" at the bottom when you are ready. Parents have "view only" access, so be sure the student is logged in.

The submission deadline is February 19<sup>th</sup>.

### What happens next?

Counselors will meet with students to review course selections. Necessary adjustments can be made at that time.

Parents will complete Course Verification from March 20<sup>th</sup> through March 28<sup>th</sup>. During this time, parents can verify courses and submit course change requests.

# Thank you for being here tonight!

PLEASE LET US KNOW WHAT QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE, AND BE SURE TO VISIT THE MCTC TABLE FOR GREAT ELECTIVE OPTIONS!