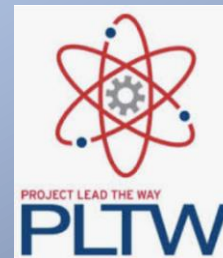




Welcome to Somers High School



Curriculum Night



Tonight's Objectives

1

Understand the course selection process.

2

Learn about the range of course options for the 2022-2023 school year.

[Course Selection Guide](#)

3

Review changes in our academic offerings.

4

Help your child make informed academic choices.

5

Align course selection with students' strengths, interests, and future goals.



Before we begin,
keep in mind that it
is important that
we:

- Encourage students to drive the process themselves
- Meet students where they are
- Create personal goals *with* students
- Engage in post high school transition planning when each student is ready



Program Choices at SHS

College Prep/on-level (Regents)

Embedded Honors

Honors

Dual Enrollment

Advanced Placement

International Baccalaureate – Gr. 11&12

Career/Tech – PNW BOCES

Other Special Education Programs based on IEP

Course Changes in the 2022- 2023 School Year

- Students can take *Piano* or *Guitar* multiple times
- *IB Visual Arts* will be offered in lieu of *AP Studio Art*
- *Creative Writing*, *Mindfulness Through Lit*, *Psychology*, and *Criminal Law* are now open to 9th Graders

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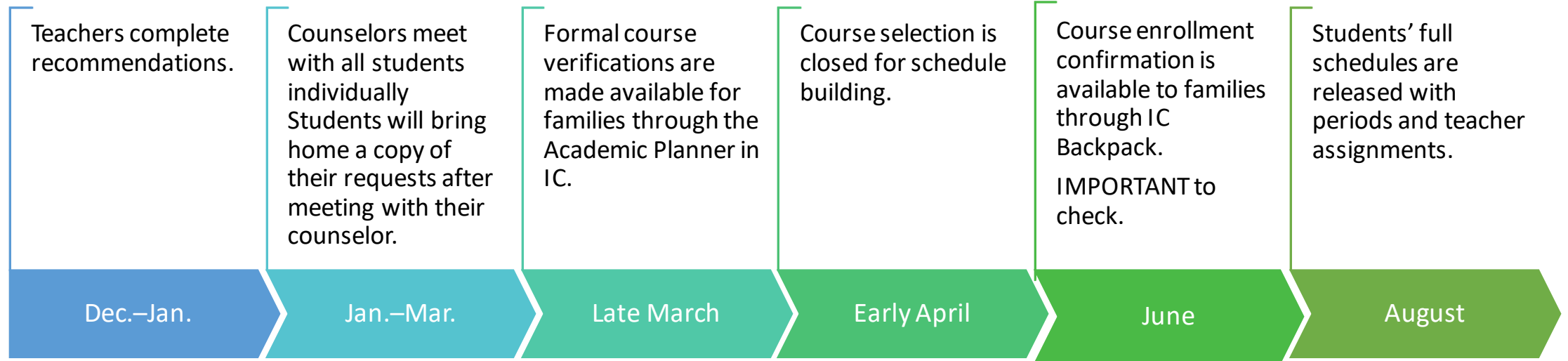
- *Chemistry* is moving to Embedded Honors
- Every other year offerings
 - IB Physics ('22-'23)
 - PLTW Civil Engineering and Architecture ('22-'23)
- No longer offering *World History Advanced* in 9th Grade
 - Students in 9th grade will take *Global 9 EH*
- English 12: *Search for Self* and *Philosophy in Literature* – full-year courses culminating in an individualized personal project

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New Courses at SHS

- ***New in '22-'23***
 - *Technology in Music Education*
 - *Art, Design, and Culture*
- ***New in '21-'22***
 - *Contemporary Issues*
 - *Environmental Science*
 - *The Science of Food*
 - *Science in Pop Culture*
 - *Untold History: BIPOC Experience in America*

The Guided Open Enrollment Process



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Choosing a Good Academic Fit

When thinking about finding the right academic fit, it's important that students:

- Assess personal interests
- Assess current academic habits
- Consider future goals
- Strike a balance between extra-curricular and academic responsibilities



Student Self- Assessment

Check list:

I read independently.

I consistently complete my assignments on time.

I am comfortable learning independently of direct teacher instruction.

I believe my extra-curricular commitments will not conflict with course requirements.

I believe my total course load will not conflict with these course requirements.

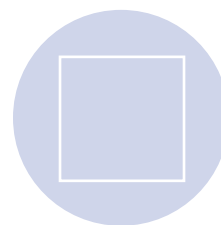
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The International Baccalaureate Program Open to Grades 11&12



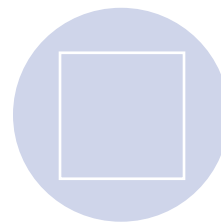
Instructional
Philosophy



Course Designs



Diploma
Programme



College Credit

For a full program dedicated to better understanding IB Courses, and the IB Diploma Programme, please attend our evening presentation on **February 3rd** to have all of your questions answered.

Questions



**Thank you for attending and have a
great evening!**