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Academic Choices for 10th Grade 2014-2015 School Year

MARCH 13TH IS COMING QUICKLY... LETS BEGIN TO think about Bridge bill day and your 4-year plan

Required Courses	9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade
English (4 units)	□ 9 th Grade Literature and Comp. x or	☐ World Literature/Comp. or	☐ American Literature/Comp.x or	□ British Literature/Comp. or□ A.P Literature &
	☐ Honors 9 th Grade Literature/Comp.x	☐ Honors World Literature/Comp.	☐ A.P Language & CompYL x	Composition-YL

Think about ELA ... think about how you enjoyed it, was it easy, or difficult? Do you like Literature??

Do you need to be challenged more or need to take the regular Literature in 10th grade?

How do you decide what to take? (on your own time) Look at your options on our website northeast.tiftschools.com under the Departments Tab, then the Guidance Tab, then click on the Course Description Catalog.

For now look at the 2 options for 10th grade Literature on the next 2 slides.

Review your Options for Literature: World Literature

Course Name	Grade	Course Description	EOC	Required/ Core/Elective	Prerequisites	Offered
World Literature and Composition	10 th	This course focuses on a study of World Literature; the students develop an understanding of chronological context and the relevance of period structures in literature within world cultures.	No	Required	No	Fall and Spring Semester
		A focus is to explore the ways the work's place of origin affects its structure and how the chronology of a literary work affects its meaning. The students develop an understanding of literature as both a culture's product and a culture-bearer. An exploration of commonalities and differences among works of				
		literature from different times and places in the world is a major component. The students will read across the curriculum to develop academic and personal interests in different subjects.				
		The teacher will follow strands from the Georgia Performance Standards for that grade level for composition, conventions, and listening, speaking, and viewing.				
		Do you LOVE, LOVE, LOVE Literature? You may want to consider Honors Literature. If you like it O.K. and are an average student in Literature – stick with World Literature. Take Honors Courses for the subjects you LOVE®				

Review your Options for Literature: **HONORS** World Literature

Course Name	Grade	**HONORS COURSES ARE MORE RIGOUROUS **HONORS COURSES REQUIRE STUDENTS TO BE SELF MOTIVATED **HONOR STUDENTS SHOULD BE ABLE TO SELF PACE	EOC	Required/ Core/Elective	Prerequisites	Offered
World Literature and Composition	10 th	In 10 th grade honors literature, students develop and refine their skills in reading and writing as they encounter a rich selection of literature representing the evolving values and complexities of world culture. Students will encounter an array of literary and artistic works drawn from cultures throughout the world and from various historical periods. Most works are written by modern and contemporary authors. The course will focus on the development of the individual student's language with an emphasis on writing. Activities include reading and writing in a variety of genres and conducting research using available technologies. The rich material will foster an understanding and acceptance of persons with diverse backgrounds. Students will explore literature and language through text analysis, discussion and writing. Vocabulary is developed through reading and discussion, as well as through structured lessons. Students are encouraged to be independent learners and thinkers through group work, literature circles, and self-directed projects.	No	Required	Teacher Approval	Fall and Spring Semester

Choose Carefully FOLLOW DIRECTIONS

If you took Communication Skills (Mrs. Carpenter or Mrs. Bisoff)

- * If you took Communication Skills in 9th grade
 - Register for Reading Enrichment (elective credit)
 - World Literature (ELA credit)
 - * If you had Communication Skills you will need to take Reading Enrichment in 10th grade to support your World Literature course.

Choose Carefully FOLLOW DIRECTIONS

If you took 9th Grade Literature with Mrs. Garrick, Mrs. Hamby, or Mr. Kennedy

- * You may choose to take Honors World Literature
 - * you can go from regular ELA courses to ELA Honors and/or ELA AP Courses.
- * You may choose Honors or AP one year and a Regular ELA course the next year.
- * It is a choice based on what is **best for you** according to your post-secondary plans.
- * Choose the course best suited for YOU.

4 Year Plan Worksheets ARE used to determine your class schedule for next school year. Choose Carefully FOLLOW DIRECTIONS

If you took 9th Grade Honors Literature with Mrs. Garrick or Mrs. Hamby

- You may choose to take World Literature
 - * you can go from Honors ELA courses to Regular ELA courses.
- * You may choose Honors or AP one year and a Regular ELA course the next year.
- * You CAN fluctuate between regular, honors, and AP.
- You are not set in an ELA "track".
- It is a choice based on what is best for you according to your post-secondary plans.

Your Mathematics Courses

You must follow the arrow for math * Mathematics courses are generally Not interchangeable. Find the course you took this year and follow the arrows to determine your mathematics courses 10th – 12th.

9 th Grade Math Courses		10 th Grade Math Courses		11th Grade Math Courses		12 th Grade Math Courses			
□ Coordinate Algebra Support (elective) & □ Coordinate Algebra		☐ Analytic Geo. Support (elective) & ☐ Analytic Geometry		□ Adv. Algebra Support (elective)& □ Advanced Algebra		☐ Advanced Mathematical Decision Making			
Coordinate Algebra		☐ Analytic Geometry		☐ Advanced Algebra		☐ Pre-Calculus or A.P. Statistics			
□ Accelerated Coordinate Algebra/Analytic Geometry A		☐ Accelerated Analytic Geometry B/ Advanced Algebra		☐ Accelerated Pre-Calculus		☐ A.P. Calculus AB-YL or ☐ A.P. Statistics			
□ Accelerated Analytic Geometry B/ Advanced Algebra		☐ Accelerated Pre-Calculus		☐ A.P. Statistics or A.P. Calculus AB-YL		A.P. Calculus AB-YL or A.P. Statistics or A.P. Calculus BC			

Choose Carefully FOLLOW DIRECTIONS

Mathematics follow – follow the arrows

- Look at the Mathematics box
 - * Find the math course you took this year.
 - * Check the box beside the math course/courses you took or are taking this year.
 - * Follow the arrow from the course you took this year (to the right) straight across.
 - * Choose the math courses that are in a direct line with the math courses you took or are taking this school year.

Science Choice: Biology

- * The Biology curriculum is designed to continue student investigations of the life sciences that began in grades K-8 and provide students the necessary skills to be proficient in biology.
- * This curriculum includes more abstract concepts such as the interdependence of organisms, the relationship of matter, energy, and organization in living systems, the behavior of organisms, and biological evolution.
- * Students will investigate biological concepts through experience in laboratories and field work using the processes of inquiry.

Science Choice: Honors Biology

- * The Honors Biology course is designed to promote the cognitive and affective growth of gifted and/or high-ability learners. It is rigorous and demanding.
- * The curriculum enriches, extends and accelerates students' learning in the area of Biology. Students investigate biology concepts through laboratory experiences and field work using advanced critical thinking and inquiry based lab skills.
- * In addition to the standards covered in the regular Biology class, the Honors Biology class differs in several ways.
- * Students are required to complete independent research projects (i.e., bug collection, leaf collection) and reading outside of classroom instruction.
- * Students should have strong study and organizational skills to manage the fast pace of this course.

Science Choice: Chemistry

- * The Chemistry curriculum is designed to continue student investigations of the physical sciences that began in grades K-8 and provide students the necessary skills to be proficient in chemistry.
- * This curriculum includes more abstract concepts such as the structure of atoms, structure and properties of matter, characterization of the properties that describe solutions and the nature of acids and bases, and the conservation and interaction of energy and matter.
- Students investigate chemistry concepts through experience in laboratories and field work using the processes of inquiry.

Science Choice: Honors Chemistry

- * The Honors Chemistry course is designed to promote the cognitive and affective growth of gifted and/or high-ability learners.
- * It is rigorous and demanding.
- * The curriculum enriches, extends and accelerates students' learning in the area of Chemistry.
- * In addition to the standards covered in the regular Chemistry class, the Honors Chemistry class differs in several ways.
- Students are required to complete reading assignments, formal lab reports, and independent research outside of classroom instruction.
- * Students should possess strong math skills to successfully perform calculations necessary for this course.



Which SCIENCE is best suited for YOU?

Biology Honors Biology

Chemistry
Honors Chemistry

Social Studies 10th Grade Options

- * Examines the history of the United States beginning with the British settlement of North America.
- * The course's main focus is the development of the United States in the 20th and 21st centuries.
- * The course includes topics related to Colonization through the Constitution; New Republic to Reconstruction; Industrialization, Reform, and Imperialism; Establishment as a World Power; and the Modern Era.

Social Studies 10th Grade Options

- Conforms to College Board topics for the Advanced Placement United States History Examination.
- * You must take an AP test at the end of the course to determine if you earn the AP credit. You can earn credit for the course but NOT earn college credit. This is a YEAR LONG Course. You earn 1 elective credit and 1 academic credit for this course.
- * Covers discovery and settlement, Colonial Society, the American Revolution, Constitution and the New Republic, Age of Jefferson, Nationalism, Sectionalism, Territorial Expansion, Civil War, Reconstruction, Industrialization, Progressive Era, World War I, Depression, New Deal, World War II, and the Cold War through modern times.

Social Studies Options

* U.S. History

* AP U.S. History