

PHS Pre-IB 9th Grade Course Request for 2015 – 2016

Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Students in the IB program have 7 classes. All Pre-IB 9th graders take the following courses:

- 1.) PHS FL Pre-IB English 1
- 2.) Advanced Placement Human Geography
- 3.) PHS FL Pre-IB Biology 1
- 4.) Foreign Language (options below)
- 5.) Math (options below)
- 6.) Elective
- 7.) Elective

-Please see below to select your optional courses.

Foreign Language:

-Students will continue with the same language they select in 9th grade all four years (French or Spanish)
-Students who took Spanish or French during 8th grade have the option to advance to level 2. Students must feel confident with the material in order to be successful with level 2. Also, students who advance to level 2 in 9th grade are able to test out of their foreign language junior year. Please contact Mr. Alemany for any questions at jalemany@escambia.k12.fl.us

Check which preference below:

____ French (circle level) 1 2
____ Spanish (circle level) 1 2

Math:

Choose one math course. If students select two, they will only have one elective:

____ Algebra 1 Honors- This option is only for students without Algebra 1 in 8th grade. Students must make up Geometry before their sophomore year in order to be on track.

____ Geometry Honors (must have earned Algebra 1 credit in 8th grade and pass the EOC-end of course exam)
-This is the typical track for most 9th grade IB students.

____ Double Math Option: Geometry Honors and Algebra 2 Honors- (Student must earn Algebra 1 credit in 8th grade and pass the EOC-end of course exam). Only for students who have a very strong interest in math and are able to handle the additional rigorous workload. In order to pursue this option, students must take and score satisfactorily on the qualifying Algebra assessment that will be given May 16th at 9am at PHS. Students who take double math only receive one elective.

____ Algebra 2 Honors only- Only for students who are currently in Geometry as an 8th grade student
-Students need to take a diagnostic assessment if you are currently in Geometry on May 16th at 9am at PHS.

-Please contact Mr. Bobbitt for any questions at jbobbitt@escambia.k12.fl.us

Electives:

- See back of this page to select options

ELECTIVES: Rank your electives as #1 choice, #2 choice, #3 choice, #4 choice.

-Please list **FOUR** choices in case a class is not offered or full.

-Students have two electives unless they decide to take double math.

-IB students are not required to take personal fitness or PE.

Reference key:

- Classes in **bold** are prerequisites to take IB Art, IB Theatre, or a second IB Foreign Language in 11th grade year.
- Also, students very interested in science would benefit from Marine Science 2 Honors.
- Honors weighted classes are noted next to the course.
- Classes noted with a (*) represent courses that are often taken by pre-IB students.

_____ ***2nd IB Foreign Language** (honors credit)

_____ ***Theatre 1**

_____ **Tech Theatre: Costume and Makeup**

_____ ***2D Art: Studio 2**

_____ ***Sculpture 1: (Ceramics and Pottery)**

_____ ***Marine Science 2 Honors** (honors credit)

_____ **AP World History** (honors credit)

_____ **Humanities 1 Honors** (honors credit)-course designed to prepare student to participate in academic competition at the local, regional & national level. See more course information below.

_____ ***Debate**

_____ ***Guitar 1**

_____ ***Band 1** (Instrumental background required)

_____ ***Orchestra** (Instrumental background required)

_____ **Jazz Ensemble 1** (Audition required. Band 1 must also be taken. Please contact Mr. Navarro at anavarro@escambia.k12.fl.us with questions)

_____ ***Physical Science Honors** (honors credit)

_____ **Care & Prevention of Athletic Injury/ First Aid**

_____ **Global Logistics & Supply Chain Tech /Academy**
(Class consists of field of logistics, transportation, & trade)

_____ **Creative Photography 1**

_____ **Air Force ROTC** (wear uniform once per week)

_____ **Web Design**

_____ **Digital Design** (designing electronic print media on computer such as brochures, posters, books, etc.)

_____ **Journalism YB** (yearbook-please e-mail mtouchstone@escambia.k12.fl.us to apply)

_____ **Journalism I** (school newspaper: write articles, blogs, graphic design, photography, literary magazine, etc.)

_____ **Medical Skills / Health Academy**

_____ **Legal Office Tech 1 / Law Academy**

_____ **Intro to Info Tech** (keyboarding)

_____ **Chorus**

_____ **PE** (IB students are NOT required to take PE)

Basketball _____ Baseball _____ Tennis _____ Softball _____

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Date

Some Comments about Elective Choices:

- The new Humanities 1 Honors course is a cross cultural study of art, architecture, literature, history, philosophy, and religion. Specific investigation into various civilizations, their contributions to the arts, and their connections to topics in literature, history, science, philosophy, and religion. Students enrolled in the course are expected to participate in competitions on the academic team. Contact Mr. Robinson for information at arobinson1@escambia.k12.fl.us
- The first year of high school and pre-IB can be stressful. Consider the benefits of an outlet—a non-academic course that interests you.
- In 11th and 12th grades, IB diploma candidates can select IB Theatre or IB Art as their sixth subject in the IB curriculum (as well as other options that you will learn more about later). However, preparation for the IB Theatre and IB Art track occurs in grades 9 and 10. If you are interested in IB Art or Theatre, please see below so you can take the appropriate electives.
 - IB Theatre- 9th: Theatre 1 10th: Acting
 - IB Art- 9th: 2D Art: Studio 2 10th: 2D Art: Studio 3
- Our band is growing under the leadership of our dynamic director. Mr. Navarro appreciates the qualities that high-achievers like pre-IB students bring to the band. He also teaches jazz ensemble and guitar.
- Some IB students have found AFJROTC to be a program that suits their interests and leads to higher education opportunities at national military academies. They have to wear uniforms one day a week and participate in Physical Training (PT) drills one day a week.
- The traditional program at PHS also has four different career academies which aim to prepare students for the workplace after high school graduation. Although IB is preparing student for college or university, students can still participate in one of the four academy programs during 9th and 10th grade. The academy options are global logistics (which is a new and growing academy related to business), sports medicine, health, and law. Below are the courses students can take:
 - **New:** Sport Medicine Academy-prevention and treatment of athletic injuries: First class is Care & Prevention
 - Global Logistic Academy (Business Industry)-Global Logistics and Supply Chain
 - Health Academy- Medical skills
 - Law Academy-Legal Office Tech 1