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TIPS AND TRICKS:

Struggling to decide what electives to take?

Check out the "[Post High School Planning](#)" section of the Curriculum Handbook! This resource will help you choose classes that support your future plans and interest areas.

Throughout each subject area in the Curriculum Handbook there is a "Fields of Study" box that lists specific job/careers in that subject area with a list of classes that would be helpful to take if pursuing that job/career.

Still stuck?

Take a peek at the [Curriculum Handbook](#) and try a class in a new area or an area that you may need some growth. Talk with your teachers. Your counselor is a great resource to use too! [Contact them!](#)

Trouble with the online Curriculum Handbook?

Watch this helpful [video!](#)

Visit the forecasting webpage for more!

Click [here!](#)

COMMON FORECASTING QUESTIONS:

WHERE DO I FIND WHAT COURSES ARE OFFERED?

All OCHS course offerings and course descriptions can be found in the Curriculum Handbook [here](#).

HOW DO I KNOW WHAT COURSES TO SELECT?

Use the forecasting sheets found [here](#) in the forms section of the Curriculum Handbook as a guide for your course selections. For current 9th-11th grade students, log into StudentVue to see your course history and your remaining graduation requirements. Detailed written instructions on how to add in your forecasting choices can be found [here](#) or watch this helpful video tutorial [here](#).

HOW MANY CREDITS ARE CLASSES WORTH?

A one trimester class is worth 0.5 credits. For example, if you forecast for Intro to Art (one trimester course), it is worth 0.5 credits. If you forecast for JROTC LET 1 (three trimester course), each trimester course is worth 0.5 credits, totaling 1.5 credits for the year. The Curriculum Handbook will list how many credits a class is worth next to the course description.

HOW MANY CREDITS ARE NEEDED FOR GRADUATION?

26 credits are needed for an Oregon City High School Diploma. Detailed credit information can be found in the [Curriculum Handbook](#) by hovering over the dropdown menu next to "Academic Planning", and selecting the "Graduation Requirements" option. Honors and Advanced Diploma, and Honor Cord requirements can be found here as well.

HOW MANY CLASSES AM I REQUIRED TO TAKE?

All students (9th-11th) are required to take 5 classes each trimester (15 classes total each year). For 12th graders, see the next question.

I'M A SENIOR, CAN I FORECAST FOR A LATE ARRIVAL OR EARLY DISMISSAL?

Yes, seniors may have one late arrival or early dismissal per trimester depending on the number of credits still needed for graduation. All seniors must have at least four classes each trimester. Please complete the Late Arrival/Early Dismissal Form found [here](#) to be considered for this option. If you have questions about your credits, please contact your counselor.

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SUPPORT REMINDERS:



Email your counselor



Email your teachers



Call a friend and see if they have any class recommendations



Drop-in to forecasting help sessions:
Jan. 25-29 from 11:30-12:30
Jan. 27th during conferences
Jan. 28 from 3-4pm
Feb. 3 during conferences
or
teacher/counselor office hours

COMMON FORECASTING QUESTIONS CONTINUED:

HOW MANY TIMES CAN I BE A TEACHER ASSISTANT?

You can be a TA or Office Assistant up to two times. These classes are only options for juniors and seniors. See the course descriptions under [Non-Departmental Courses](#) in the Curriculum Handbook for more information.

DO I NEED TO LIST ALL 6 ALTERNATIVE CLASS OPTIONS?

Yes! Alternatives are classes that you would be okay with taking if your top elective choices don't fit in your schedule once they are built. If you do not have 6 listed and the ones you did list don't work with your schedule, your counselor will choose a class for you and you will not be able to change it later.

WHAT IF I CHANGE MY MIND ABOUT THE COURSES I FORECASTED FOR AFTER FORECASTING IS OVER?

Forecasting verification forms will be sent home in the spring. If you would like to make changes to your forecasting at that time, please follow the instructions that come with the form. If you do not wish to make any changes, you do not need to do anything with the verification form. Please keep in mind that this is your last opportunity to change your course selections. Schedule changes will only be made if an error has occurred.

I WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT A CLASS, WHERE CAN I FIND MORE INFO?

Teachers are your biggest resource! If after you have read the course description you need more information, please contact a teacher in that subject area, or your counselor who can explain more or get you connected with the right teacher.

I WORK, CAN I GET CREDIT FOR IT?

Yes! Juniors and seniors can get .5 credit for one trimester and up to a maximum of 1.0 credit toward graduation for Work Experience. See the details for [Work Experience](#) in the Curriculum Handbook to see if you may be eligible for this opportunity. If you have questions about it reach out to your counselor.

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