

*New Richmond  
High School*



**8th Grade Transition**  
**Class of 2028**



## Advice to Incoming Freshman from NRHS Students

*~ Be respectful to ALL of your peers; they deserve and need acceptance and belonging as much as you do! This golden rule really is true and remains the same regardless of age, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, or culture – as long as you remember it, you will be successful in school, your relationships, and life in general ~*

### ON SCHOOL:

- There's nothing wrong with taking a Study Hall if you need it and will use it!
- Work hard: getting behind makes it very difficult to catch up.
- Pay attention in class and do your homework.
- Hand your homework in on time.
- Try your hardest to get good grades-they are very important in H.S.!!
- Study for tests and quizzes. If you don't know how to study, ask for help because study habits can be learned and improved on.
- Learn how to be organized – find a method that really works for you.
- Be on time for class.
- Hand your book in to the library on time.
- Keep your locker clean and LOCKED.
- Doing your homework makes the school year go by much faster and a lot easier.

### FOR YOUR MENTAL & PHYSICAL HEALTH:

- Working hard and staying caught up decreases stress, and makes you a happier person.
- Freshman year is fun, but only if YOU choose to make it fun!
- Don't skip school!!!
- Make friends with some upperclassmen.
- Get to know and listen to your mentor – they've been in your shoes.
- Get involved with extra-curricular/after-school activities.
- Don't be nervous about a new school and new kids; plus the school isn't as big as it seems – you'll get to know your way around fast.
- Make healthy choices, such as keeping away from drugs and alcohol. It threatens your social, physical and mental wellbeing!
- Enjoy it!

### WORDS TO LIVE BY:

- Stand up for your rights, your beliefs, and those who are constantly picked on.
- Think and act positive, not just for yourself, but to make our whole school a better place.
- Be YOU, not what others expect you to be!
- Treat everyone with respect. What you do will be returned to you.
- Life is too short to make too big of a deal about little things – learn to tell the difference.
- **BE YOURSELF!!**

# **Summer Classes Typically Offered**

*(Subject to Change)*

**Freshman Edge - .5 credit**

**Phy Ed 9/10- .5 credit**

**Health - .5 credit**

**Band - .25 credit**

**Credit Recovery (English, Math, Science, Social Studies)**

**\*YOU WILL RECEIVE INFORMATION AT A LATER DATE FOR FINAL SUMMER OFFERINGS AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

- Students can take up to 2 summer classes - There are two sessions, one in the morning (7:30-11:15) and one in the afternoon (11:45-3:30), so you can sign up for up to 2 classes. \*Marching Band can be taken as a 3<sup>rd</sup>, as it meets a different times.
- Final dates have not be set yet however, summer term is generally first full 3 weeks of summer for all courses, besides PE.
- Summer P.E. runs through June and July with a break for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. However, PE only meets M-Th, so you can come on Fridays to make up for missed time.
- In order to receive credit, students cannot miss more than 6 hours of any summer class.
- If you sign up for a summer class that you later realize you can't take due to a vacation or other commitment, you can drop the course by contacting the high school front office.
- **If you end up taking summer school for a class you also registered for during the school year (example: Health) OR ended up not taking a class you thought you'd take in the summer and now need it during the school year, you can request a change through our online schedule change form after you receive your schedule in August.**

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS & FUTURE PLANNING

## New Richmond High School

updated: 1/9/2023

|                | NRHS Graduation Requirements | Two-year Technical/<br>Community College Requirements | Four-year College/University Requirements |
|----------------|------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>ENGLISH</b> | <b>4 years</b>               | <b>4 years</b>  | <b>4 years</b>                            |
| English 9      | Required                     | Required  | Required                                  |
| English 10     | Required                     | Required  | Required                                  |
| English 11     | Required                     | Required  | Required                                  |
| English 12     | Required                     | Required  | Required                                  |

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|---------------|-------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>HEALTH</b> | <b>1 semester</b> | <b>HS diploma required</b> | <b>HS diploma required</b> |
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| <b>MATHEMATICS</b>           | <b>3 years &amp; through Geometry</b> | <b>3 years &amp; through Geometry</b> | <b>3 years and through Alg 2</b> |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Pre-Algebra and/or Tech Math |                                       |                                       |                                  |
| Algebra 1                    |                                       |                                       | Required                         |
| Geometry                     |                                       |                                       | Required                         |
| Integrated Math              |                                       |                                       |                                  |
| Algebra 2 or Adv. Alg 2      |                                       |                                       | Required                         |
| Pre-Calculus                 | +                                     | +                                     | Recommended                      |
| UWRF/AP Calculus AB          | +                                     | +                                     | +                                |
| UWRF/AP Calculus BC          | +                                     | +                                     | +                                |
| UWRF/AP Statistics           | +                                     | +                                     | +                                |

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|---------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</b> | <b>3 semesters, 1 each year</b> | <b>HS diploma required</b> | <b>HS diploma required</b> |
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| <b>SCIENCE</b>  | <b>3 years</b>      | <b>3 years</b>   | <b>Minimum 3 years</b> |
|---|---------------------|--|------------------------|
| Principals of Science   | Required            | Required   | Required               |
| Biology   | Required            | Required   | Required               |
|   |                     |  | +                      |
| Chemistry   | 1 semester Required | 1 semester Required<br>(1 credit for nursing programs) | Required               |
| UWRF/AP Chemistry (in place of/or in addition to Chemistry)                                 | +                   | +  | +                      |
| AP Biology  | +                   | +  | +                      |
| Physics   | +                   | +  | +                      |
| Human Anatomy and Physiology  | +                   | Recommended for nursing programs)                      | +                      |
| **We offer a variety of other science classes that meet the third year science requirement. | +                   | +  | +                      |

Choose 1 of the + classes to complete 3 year requirement; \*\*See course handbook for additional courses.

| <b>SOCIAL STUDIES</b>  | <b>3 years</b> | <b>3 years</b> | <b>3 years</b> |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Modern World History   | Required       | Required       | Required       |
| American History*  | Required       | Required       | Required       |
| AP US History (in place of/or in addition to American History)       | +              | +              | +              |
| Economics  | Required       | Required       | Required       |
| AP Micro & Macro Economics (in place of/or in addition to Economics) | +              | +              | +              |
| Civics   | Required       | Required       | Required       |

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| <b>WORLD LANGUAGE</b> | <b>Not required</b> | <b>Not required</b> | <b>May Require 2 years (Varies by program)</b> |
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| <b>ELECTIVE Classes</b> | <b>Minimum 8 credits</b> | <b>HS diploma required</b> | <b>HS diploma required</b>                            |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Fine Arts               | Not required             | Not required               | Some Colleges may require 1 year (MN public colleges) |

23 Credits to Graduate

Credit value: 1 semester = ½ credit; 1 year = 1 credit

Additional credits earned in any curriculum area beyond graduation requirements will go toward elective credits.

# NRHS 4-YEAR SCHEDULING PLANNING SHEET

## FRESHMAN YEAR

**Semester 1**

English 9

Principles of Science

Modern World History

Math

General PE

*(health and PE can be taken in the summer or in future years, but otherwise are recommended freshman year).*

**Semester 2**

English 9

Principles of Science

Modern World History

Math

Health

**Other Classes/Electives:**

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## SOPHOMORE YEAR

**Semester 1**

English 10

Biology

American History

Math

PE 10 *(can be taken in summer or future years, but otherwise recommended to take sophomore year)*

**Semester 2**

English 10

Biology

American History

Math

**Other Classes/Electives:**

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## JUNIOR YEAR

**Semester 1**

English 11

Chemistry 1

Math

Economics

Fit for Life PE *(Summer PE does NOT count for this course. Must be taken junior or senior year, unless you qualify for the PE opt out with sports)*

**Semester 2**

English 11

Science (choice)

Math

Civics

**Other Classes/Electives:**

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## SENIOR YEAR

**Semester 1**

English 12

**Semester 2**

English 12

**Other Classes/Electives:**

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## GRADE 9 REQUIREMENTS

- **What your day looks like:**
  - 8 class periods per day; 7 classes and Tiger Time daily.
  - 45 minutes per class
  - 30 minutes for lunch (*3 lunch periods based on 5<sup>th</sup> hour class*)
  - 5 minutes between classes
- **Classes you are required to take:**
  - English 9 (or Enriched English 9)
  - Modern World History (or AP Modern World History)
  - Principles of Science
  - Math (Pre-Algebra, Algebra 1, Geometry or Algebra 2)
  - General Phy Ed\*
  - Health\*

*\*You can take these courses anytime during your 4 years, but it is recommended freshman year or over summer.*
- **Electives:**
  - You will have room in your schedule to take up to 3 elective classes of your choice, this could include semester or full-year elective courses, a study hall, band, choir, or Spanish. Freshman options are listed on the following sheet and in the Course Offerings Handbook. *\*Make sure you list at least 3 alternate electives on your Course Selection form just in case your first choice of elective does not fit in your schedule.*
  - You must have at least 6 classes and no more than 7 classes each semester. If you sign up for only 6 classes, your 7<sup>th</sup> class will be filled with a study hall.
- **Things to remember:**
  - It can be helpful to take a study hall – especially during your first semester until you feel adjusted to high school. They are also useful if you are in athletics or other clubs/activities that may take up time after school. Students are able to take a study hall every semester of high school and still have more credits than needed to graduate, as long as there aren't classes failed.
  - The High School has two freshman support classes, Success Study Hall and Reading, that students may be scheduled for based on grades, testing, or teacher recommendations from 8<sup>th</sup> grade. They are designed to help you get off to a good start in high school, and if scheduled into them, they are a requirement. Even though a student may not be able to take all desired electives if this occurs, we find students are much more successful due to these supports, and they can take those electives in the future.
- **Sample schedule:**
  - 1 – English 9
  - 2 – Modern World History
  - 3 – Tiger Time
  - 4 – Algebra I
  - 5 – Phy Ed 1<sup>st</sup> semester/ Health 2<sup>nd</sup> semester
  - 6 – Principals of Science Study hall (or another elective)
  - 7 – Spanish (or another elective))
  - 8 - Principals of Science

## GRADE 9 ELECTIVE COURSES

### Please keep in mind:

- Not every course is offered both first **and** second semester, some may be one or the other.
- **PLEASE** refer to your *course offerings handbook* for specific prerequisites and details about courses before registering. Many courses have grade level requirements or prerequisite courses which must be taken before a student can take certain courses.
- The courses below are one semester long unless otherwise noted.
- **MAKE SURE TO REQUEST 3 ALTERNATE ELECTIVES.** There may be times a course you request will not fit your final schedule, or isn't offered due to course enrollment, or other reasons, so we need those other alternate courses entered to ensure you get a course you would like.

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| <b>Agriscience:</b>             | Plants, Animals, Pizza and More<br>Small Animal Science<br>Wildlife Management   |
| <b>Art:</b>                     | Art I<br>Art II ( <i>Art I is a pre-requisite</i> )  |
| <b>Computer Science:</b>        | Computer Applications<br>Advanced Computer Applications ( <i>Computer Apps is a prerequisite</i> )<br>Introduction to Programming<br>Game Design and Development ( <i>Intro to Programming is a prerequisite</i> ) |
| <b>Family/Consumer Science:</b> | Foods I<br>Clothing and Fashion<br>Housing and Interior Design   |
| <b>Music:</b>                   | Concert Band (year-long)<br>Chorale (year-long)<br>Concert Choir (year-long) – <i>By audition</i><br>Orchestra (year-long)<br>Jazz Improvisation - <i>Must be in band, choir, or have Mr. Mealey's approval</i>    |
| <b>Technology Education:</b>    | Manufacturing and Design<br>Introduction to Communications<br>Small Engines<br>Introduction to Engineering and Design (year-long)  |
| <b>World Language:</b>          | Spanish I (year-long)<br>Spanish II (year-long) – ( <i>If you took Spanish I in 8<sup>th</sup> grade</i> )   |
| <b>Other Options:</b>           | Yearbook (can be taken one semester, or all year)  |

**The NRHS Course Handbook is available online!** Visit the NRHS Website.  
Click Students at the top, and then "Course Handbook".

## SCHEDULING STEPS

**\*\* SCHEDULING DEADLINE: MONDAY, MARCH 4th\*\***

**NOTE:** SCHEDULING CAN ONLY BE COMPLETED THROUGH THE STUDENT'S SKYWARD ACCOUNT!

1. Fully fill out your course selection sheet with your course requests and course numbers. This will help as you enter courses on Skyward.
2. Log into your **STUDENT** Skyward account. This cannot be completed through the parent account. **\*\*If you have issues logging in (forgot password, locked out) inform school staff so this can be corrected\*\***
3. Click the drop down at the top to make sure you are under the High School entity and not Middle School (otherwise none of the options below will show up).
4. Click on **"Schedule"** on the left side of the screen.
5. Click **"Request Courses for 2024-25 at High School"**.
6. The **REQUEST COURSES** section allows you to view all classes available, and add courses. To add your remaining classes, enter the course number in the search bar at the bottom of the screen. The class will then pop up. Click the course you want to highlight it, and then click **"Add Course"**, and it will show up on the right side of the screen under **"Courses Requested"**.
7. Required courses will already be added for you. Math will be held with "MATH -TBD". It also will be added for you at a later date based on level. To add advanced classes (Enriched English or AP Modern World History), circle it on your course selection sheet, and add it to your requests in Skyward. It will look like you are doubled up, but we will remove the other version for you later.
8. After all remaining classes are added, you will see them all in the **SELECTED COURSES** column on the right. *You will have 12 slots filled if you want a study hall all year, 13 slots for a study hall just one semester, and 14 slots if you do not want a study hall at all.*
9. Next, click on the **ALTERNATE** tab to add 3 alternate elective courses. These courses will be substituted if there are scheduling conflicts with student's first choice of electives. It is VERY important to complete this step.
10. Once entered, the classes save automatically. You do NOT need to click a save or submit button. You can also access your requests anytime during the scheduling window to add/remove the courses you want until the scheduling window closes.
11. Once all courses are entered in Skyward, turn your **Pink Course Selection Sheet** into Mrs. Gretzlock at the Middle School.

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# Questions?

- Visit the NRHS School Counseling Website, and click on the Freshman Year and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition tab for tons of information, resources, and to view the Course Offerings Handbook: <https://www.newrichmond.k12.wi.us/schools/high/students/freshman-year.cfm>
- And as always, never hesitate to ask your Middle School counselors or contact your High School Counselor with any questions!

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*PRACTICE SHEET*

**New Richmond High School  
Freshman Year (2028)  
Course Selection Sheet**

**2024-25**

**2024-25**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)

Tentative Education & Career Goals

- Please print clearly.
- You must fully complete this form **AND** enter your course selections into Skyward STUDENT account. (Turn in *AFTER* added in Skyward).

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**DUE MONDAY, MARCH 4<sup>th</sup>**

| 1st Semester |  |
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| Course #     | Course Name  |
| 0112         | English 9 [0116 Enriched]  |
| 0210         | Modern World History [238 AP]  |
| 420          | Principles of Science  |
|              | Math - (added for you based on level)<br>(Pre-Alg, Alg 1, Geom, Alg 2) |
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| 2nd Semester |  |
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| Course #     | Course Name  |
| 0113         | English 9 [0117 Enriched]  |
| 0211         | Modern World History [239 AP]  |
| 421          | Principles of Science  |
|              | Math - (added for you based on level)<br>(Pre-Alg, Alg 1, Geom, Alg 2) |
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- \* Courses highlighted in gray will be already entered for you.
- \* If taking Enriched English or AP MWH, circle above, & add in Skyward. The other version will be removed for you later.
- \* Consider completing Health and PE requirements freshman year if you cannot in the summer.

**Alternate elective course selections – Please select 3. \*Please enter in Skyward Alternate Tab\***

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These courses have been entered in my STUDENT Skyward account.

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Student Signature

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Date

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Parent Signature

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Date

**New Richmond High School**  
**Freshman Year (2028)**  
**Course Selection Sheet**

**2024-25**

**2024-25**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
*(please print)*

Tentative Education & Career Goals

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**Student Signature**

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**Parent Signature**

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**Date**