

GRADE 8 - GRADE 9

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# Graduation Requirements

The graduation requirement is 130 credits.

- 4 years of English-(20 credits)
- 3 years of Social Studies-(15 credits)
- 3 years of Mathematics-(15 credits)
- 3 years of a Lab Science - (18 credits)
- 2 years of World Language-(10 credits)
- 1 year of Phys. Ed. and Health for each year in attendance
- 10 credits in Fine or Performing Arts
- 5 credits in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Life and Careers Education
- 2.5 credits in Financial Literacy



# Credits will be awarded as follows:

- Science with a lab (6) credits
- AP Science with a lab is 7 credits
- One full year subject (5) credits
- One half-year subject (2.5) credits
- One year physical education (3.75) credits
- One year health (1.25) credit

# The Academic Record



- Grade Point Average (GPA)
- Indicator of how well a student is performing in high school.
- GPA is the average of a student's semester (or end of term) grades.
- GPA is listed on the high school transcript
- The GPA is reviewed by colleges during the application process



# Freshman Year

- Everything starts to “count”... courses, grades and credits will be on your transcript.
- Freshmen grades will be used in determining your GPA.
- Freshmen activities, honors, and awards can be listed on college and scholarship applications.



# Course Levels

- Advanced Placement (AP)
- Honors (H)
- Advanced (ADV)
- College Preparatory (CP)



# Course Levels continued

- Glen Rock has “ weighted grades” for honors and/or AP (advanced placement) courses.
- This means that a grade in a weighted course is worth more than it is in a non-weighted course.

(Honor’s Chemistry vs. Chemistry)

- An honor’s course for the year is worth an additional weighting of .3

Ex. Grade of A in Chemistry is 4.0

Grade of A in Honor’s Chemistry is 4.3

- An AP course is worth an additional weighting of .5  
(AP Psychology vs. Psychology) 4.5 vs.4.0

# Freshmen Elective Courses

## Fine/Performing Arts

- Theatre Arts I A&B
- Basic Art and Design
- Drawing and Painting
- Sculpture & Ceramics
- Art History
- Photography I and II (Prerequisite: Photo I)
- Digital Imaging
- Graphic Design
- Orchestra (Full year)
- High School Marching /Concert Band (Prerequisite: experience on a band instrument and music reading) (Full year)
- Concert Choir (Half or Full year)



## 21<sup>st</sup> Century Life and Career Education

- Introduction to Business
- Marketing I
- Economics
- Accounting
- Pre-Engineering
- Broadcast Media
- Interior Design
- Web Design
- Video Production

### ACADEMIC ELECTIVES

- Writers' Workshop
- Computer Science I and II
- Journalism (Full year)
- Public Speaking
- The Graphic Novel
- Creative Writing






# Typical Gr. 9 Course Schedule

• English 9	5 credits
• Spanish/French 2/Latin 2/Mandarin	5 credits
• Biology/Advanced Biology	6 credits
• World History/AP World History	5 credits
• Lunch	
• Algebra 1/Geometry/Geometry Advanced	5 credits
• Introduction to Business	2.5 credits
• Basic Art and Design	2.5 credits
• Concert Choir	5.0 credits
• PE (Physical Education)	3.75 credits
• Health	1.25 credits
	<b>Total: 41.0 credits</b>

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
7:50 AM – 8:48 AM	1 World History	2 English 9	3 Advanced Biology	4 Spanish II
8:52 AM – 9:50 AM	2 English 9	3 Advanced Biology	4 Spanish II	1 World History
9:54 AM – 10:52 AM	3 Advanced Biology	4 Spanish II	1 World History	2 English 9
10:52 AM – 11:22 AM	Biology Lab	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:22 AM – 11:52 AM	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:52AM – 12:50 PM	6 Basic Art & Design/ Intro to Business	7 Phys. Ed	8 Advanced Geometry	9 Concert Choir
12:54 PM – 1:52 PM	7 Phys. Ed.	8 Advanced Geometry	9 Concert Choir	6 Basic Art & Design/ Intro to Business
1:56 PM – 2:54 PM	8 Advanced Geometry	9 Concert Choir	6 Basic Art & Design/ Intro to Business	7 Phys. Ed

### Glen Rock Secondary Schools Official Transcript

Student Name & Address Address		 High School Name & Address School Address  Fax# (201) 389-5008		
Parent or Guardian Contact Home Name	Student ID 102938475	Gender M	Date of Birth DOB/00/0000	State Student ID 1238482
Guidance Counselor Counselor	CEEB Code 310-438	Date of Entry Entry Date	Date of Withdrawal W Date	Date of Graduation G Date

#### Student Academic History

*SCHOOL 1 Grade 09 Year 2006	Final Grade	Credits	*SCHOOL 2 Grade 10 Year 2007	Final Grade	Credits
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
Course 1	A	5.000	Course 2	B	6.000
GPA: GPA1		Credits Earned 35.000	GPA: GPA2	Credits Earned 36.000	
*SCHOOL 3 Grade 11 Year 2008	Final Grade	Credits	*SCHOOL 4 Grade 12 Year 2009	Final Grade	Credits
Course 3	C	7.000	Course 4	D (MP)	8.000
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Course 3	C	7.000	Course 4	D (MP)	8.000
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GPA: GPA3		Credits Earned 37.000	GPA: GPA4	Credits Earned 38.000	

Key: (AP) – Advanced Placement (H) – Honors (N) – Not included in GPA

Cumulative Credits Earned: CUMEC	Cumulative GPA (Weighted): CUMGPA	Class Size: 500	
Note: 1) Unless stated otherwise, Algebra I and Level-1 World Language requirements were met in Middle School 2) Transcript is unofficial unless signed by a school official and bears the imprint of the school seal 3) Grades followed by (SI) indicate semester averages for the indicated courses			
Director of Student Personnel Services		Date Today Date	School Seal

# Activity Clubs

- AFS
- Ambassador Program
- American Club
- Art Club
- Artist Portfolio Club
- Asian Club
- Audiovisual Club
- Biology Team
- Chamber Music Club
- Chemistry Team
- Chess Team
- Computer Development Club
- Cultural Exchange Club
- Debate Team
- Environmental Science Team
- Fire Marshall
- Foreign Policy Club
- French Club
- Frisbee Club
- Future Business Leaders of America
- Glenconian
- Glen Echo
- GRHS Rock Band
- GSA
- High School Quiz Bowl
- High School Musical
- Interact Club
- Jazz Ensemble
- Latin Club
- Lindsey Meyer Teen Institute Advisor
- Madrigal Choir
- Marching Band
- Math League
- Mobius
- Model UN
- MSG Varsity
- National Honor Society
- Pathways for Exceptional Children
- Philosophy Club
- Physics Team
- Relay for Life
- Robotics Club
- S.E.A. Advisor
- Sharing the Arts
- Spanish Club
- Student Council
- Theatre Company
- Today's Issues
- Treble Choir

# What Do We do Now?

- Read Program of Studies (posted on GR High School website under Guidance, Academic Advising) and review Course Descriptions
- Select top elective choices AND backup choices
- Review Graduation Requirements
- Plan ahead, where do you want to be?
- Meet with your School Counselor



# POP QUIZ!

- 1 How many credits is a one year academic course like English worth?
- 2 What is the minimum number of credits you must have in order to graduate?
3. What happens if you do not have the credits you need to advance to the next grade level?
4. What courses are required for graduation?



# Questions

