

# GBHS Course Selection 2025-2026

GROWING & EMPOWERING STUDENTS

BUILT TO LEAD AND THRIVE!

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#### **Grade Classification**

Class Standing	Credits Required for Class Standings Minimum State Approved Units of Credit	
Sophomore	6	
Junior	12	
Senior	18	
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Remember: Your <u>credits</u> determine your grade level, NOT the number of years you've been in High school



Fort bend ISD will <u>no longer rank students</u> by GPA-. This will be a Rankless district starting 2025-2026 school year.



**FBISD** will only recognize the <u>top 10%</u> each time rank is calculated throughout the school year.

Advanced Placement (AP)/Beyond AP Courses	Pre AP, Honors Courses, Dual Credit Courses	On Level Courses
Receives 10 point weight	Receives 5 point weight	Non-weighted



# BREAKING NEWS!

New District Requirement:

Must meet a CCMR indicator to
earn office campus or office aide
period.

#### What is a CCMR Indicator?



**CCMR**: College, Career, and Military Readiness



**Indicator**: Measures readiness for college, career, or military



**Benchmarks**: Prove you're prepared for post-high school success



**Next Steps**: Shows you're ready for your future path

# Why should earning a CCMR Indicator be important to you?

Helps You Stand Out: Earning a CCMR indicator shows colleges, employers, or the military that you are serious and prepared.

#### **Opens More Opportunities:**

Achieving readiness can give you access to scholarships, internships, and other programs that help you advance.

Benefits George Bush High School: Your success contributes to your school's accountability rating, showcasing how well the school is preparing students for life after high school.

#### How Can You Earn a CCMR Indicator?

#### College Readiness:

- ► SAT Score English 480+ and Math 530+ (All junior students will take the SAT School Day exam for FREE in March!!)
- ▶ ACT Score English 19+, Math 19+, AND 23+ composite
- ▶ TSIA Score English 945+ AND 5 on the Essay OR Math 950+OR 910-949
- Dual Credit 3 credits in English or Math or 9 hours in any subject Offered through HCC or On Ramps)
- ► AP Exam Score 3 or higher on an AP exam

#### **Career Readiness:**

► Earn an industry-based certification- a Career and Technical Education (CTE) pathway with a practicum or advanced course.

### **Start Planning Now!**

As 9th, 10th, and 11th graders, now is the time to:

- > Take challenging courses that align with your goals.
- Talk to your counselors about your options for dual credit, CTE certifications, or testing.
- Set goals for your future and work toward them with the opportunities your school provides.

By earning a CCMR indicator, you're preparing yourself for a successful future, no matter which path you choose!

# What are the benefits of taking ANY ADVANCE COURSE:



EARN COLLEGE CREDITS
EARLY: GET A HEAD
START ON YOUR
COLLEGE EDUCATION
BY EARNING CREDITS
WHILE STILL IN HIGH
SCHOOL.

SAVE MONEY: REDUCE THE COST OF COLLEGE TUITION BY EARNING CREDITS NOW, OFTEN AT A LOWER COST OR EVEN FOR FREE. IMPROVE COLLEGE
READINESS: DEVELOP
THE SKILLS AND
KNOWLEDGE NEEDED
FOR COLLEGE-LEVEL
COURSEWORK, MAKING
THE TRANSITION
SMOOTHER.

BOOST YOUR
TRANSCRIPT: ENHANCE
YOUR HIGH SCHOOL
TRANSCRIPT WITH
ADVANCED COURSES,
WHICH CAN BE
IMPRESSIVE TO COLLEGE
ADMISSIONS.

EXPLORE INTERESTS: DIVE DEEPER INTO SUBJECTS YOU'RE PASSIONATE ABOUT, HELPING YOU DECIDE ON A COLLEGE MAJOR OR CAREER PATH.

# What are the benefits of College Course in High School

College/University	Cost per 3 SCH Course (not including textbook)	
Houston Community College	\$260 (In) / \$523 (Out)	
Wharton County Junior College	\$438	
University of Houston, Main Campus	\$1580	
University of Texas, Austin	\$2388	

When you factor in room and board, one course can save you as much as \$2,000 or more!

#### **AAC Courses:**

- Building blocks for success on future college courses.
- -Earn only high school credit.
- -Open to all students to challenge themselves.

#### **AP Courses:**

- High school class with a high school teacher, but college-level content
- Grade goes on your transcript
- Must take AP exam for college credits
- Open to all students
- Class is free; test costs
   \$22 or \$96 based on
   Free/Reduced Lunch

#### **Dual Credit through HCC:**

- High school teacher is also your college teacher
- High school grade determines your college grade
- Earn 3 hours of credit
- Application process and mandatory parent meetings
- 2 dual credit courses per semester
- Must purchase required textbooks

# Dual Enrollment through UT OnRamps:

- Two teachers: high school teacher (in person) and submit work to college professor (online) to be graded for college credit.
- High school grade is separate from college grade
- Earn 3 credit hours in fall (English 1301) and 3 in spring (English 1302)
- No cost to students
- Credits transfer to Texas colleges & most US colleges

#### **AAC Courses:**

- English II AAC
- Geometry AAC
- Alg II AAC
- Chemistry AAC
- World Geography AAC
- ForensicScience
- Ant and Phy
- Spanish III
   AAC

#### **AP Courses**

- English III
- English IV
- STATS
- PreCal
- Calc AB
- Calc BC
- AP Chem
- AP Physics I
- AP Physics II
- AP Physics C
- AP Environmental Science
- AP Biology
- AP World History
- AP USH
- AP Macroeconomics
- AP Microeconomics
- AP US Government and Politics
- AP Comparative Government and Politics (Elective Only)
- AP Spanish Lang
- AP Spanish Lit
- AP Comp Sci A
- AP Drawing
- AP Design Portfolio
- AP Art History
- AP African American Studies
- AAC Psych S1/AP Psych S2

#### **Dual Credit Courses**

#### In Person on campus:

- English IV
- US History
- College Algebra

#### **Online Anytime:**

- Gov
- Econ
- Speech
- Sociology
- Humanities
- Psych

#### **OnRamps Courses:**

- English IV
- Alg II
- Stats
- PreCal
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Economics
- USH
- Earth Space Systems
- Biology

# How are students eligible for Dual Credit?

- •"Meets" standard on STAAR EOC exams is encouraged but not mandatory for dual credit courses.
- •Arrange TSIA testing with Mrs. Haynes or at HCC campus if needed.
- •Complete ApplyTexas application and HCC paperwork by March 1st.

Testing
Requirements
for
Graduation

# Students must pass the following STAAR/EOC assessments in order to graduate:

- -Algebra I
- -Biology
- -English I
- -English II
- –U.S. History

#### Distinguished Level of Achievement – 26 Credits

- 4 credits English ELA I, II, III, IV or one credit in any authorized advanced English course
- 4 credits Mathematics Algebra I,
   Geometry, Algebra II\*\*, one credit in any authorized advanced math course
- 4 credits Science Biology, IPC/ Chemistry/Physics, and two credits in any authorized science course
- 3 credits Social Studies US History,
   Government, Economics, World
   Geography or World History
- 2 credits World Language or Computer Science (level I and level II)
- 1 credit Physical Education
- 1 credit Fine Arts
- .5 credit Health (FBISD)
- .5 credit Speech (FBISD)
- 6 credits in electives (may include CTE or certification courses)
- Credit requirements specific to a least one endorsement

# Credit Requirements for Graduation

#### **Endorsements**

- Must have an endorsement to graduate.
- After 10th grade, you can't change your endorsement but must continue your chosen pathway.
- ► You can earn multiple endorsements.

- 6 credits in electives (may include CTE or certification courses)
- Credit requirements specific to at least one endorsement

Endorsements, Programs and Pathways						
STEM	Business and Industry	Public Service	Arts and Humanities	Multidisciplinary Studies		
• Math • Science • STEM	Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources     Architecture and Construction     Arts, Audio/Video Technology, and Communications     Business, Marketing, and Finance     Hospitality and Tourism     Information Technology     Manufacturing     Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics     English — Journalism and Debate	Education and Training     Health Science     Human Services     Junior Reserve Officers'     Training Corps (JROTC)     Law and Public Service	Visual Art (drawing, painting, sculpture, ceramics, and digital art)  Music (band, orchestra, choir)  Theatre (theatre, technical theatre, and theatre production)  Dance  World Languages  Social Studies	• 4x4     • Advanced Courses     • AP/IB/Dual Credit		

# Apply at: https://cte.fortbendisd.com/





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James Reese Career & Technical Center



January 28, 2025 Tuesday 5:30 pm -7:30 pm

Information Session 1: 5:30-6:00 Information Session 2: 6:30-7:00

Learn about all the programs, have fun with the interactive activities 8 meet the Reese staff.

12300 University Blvd. Sugar Land 281-327-7300



25-26 Options

#### **PROGRAM & GRADE YOU CAN START AT REESE:**

AUDIO VIDEO PRODUCTION: 10TH

**AUTOMOTIVE: 10TH** 

BARBERING: 10TH ONLY

COSMETOLOGY: 10TH ONLY

**CULINARY ARTS: 10TH** 

**EDUCATION & TRAINING: 10TH** 

**BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE: 11TH ONLY** 

**HVAC: 11TH** 

INFO. TECHNOLOGY: 11TH

\*VETERINARY MED.: 12TH

**WELDING: 11TH** 

\*PREREQUISITE(S) AT HOME CAMPUS; REVIEW COURSE

**SELECTION GUIDE FOR DETAILS.** 

How can earn and off campus/office aid period:

Must have at least 20 credits by senior year

No Credit Denial

Passed all your EOC exams

Meet a CCRM indicator

Not enrolled in O-Lab Courses

# Schedule Changes

- •Year-long courses: You must remain in them for the entire year, including electives and athletics.
- •Choose wisely: Once you select a course, you cannot drop it at the semester.

•No schedule changes: There will be no schedule changes at the beginning of the year.

#### **Level Up/Down Process:**

#### Attend tutorials and conferences with the teacher:

- Turn in assignments on time
- Actively participate in class
- Attend class on time

#### Complete a Jot form:

Submit a level up/down request

#### **Approval process:**

- Teacher, Department Head (DH), and Dean of Instruction must agree on the request
- If necessary, a meeting will be scheduled

#### Course Selection Process

Who: You, of course! Your counselor will meet with you 1:1

What: Select your courses for the 2025-2026 school year

When: February 3rd-February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Where: School Links, bring your LAPTOP CHARGED.

Why: Operation Graduation!