

Welcome to CHS



Welcome Future Bruins!



Mr. Robinson: Academic Information

- Graduation/College Requirements
- Registration Process
- NCAA Clearinghouse & NAIA Information
- Graduating with Honors
 - Full Boar Status
 - NHS
 - GPA
- Dual Credit Opportunities
- Symbols

Proud to Be a Bruin!

Who's Here to Help?

Academics and Counseling (College & Career, Life Skills, etc.)

Building Administrators

Mr. Brett Zanto, Building Principal	– bzanto@helenaschools.org	324-2472
Mr. Walt Chancy, Assistant Principal	– wchancy@helenaschools.org	324-2473
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Guidance Counselors

Mr. Jeramie Robinson	– jrobinson@helenaschools.org	324-2493	A - D
Mrs. Dana Meldrum	– dmeldrum@helenaschools.org	324-2491	E - K
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Mr. Chance Ferlicka	– cferlicka@helenaschools.org	324-2490	Ro - Z

*The alphabetic assignments may change due to enrollment.

College & Career Center

Mrs. Sheila Orzechowski	– sorzechowski@helenaschools.org	324-2483
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**In addition to teachers, there are many adults at Capital High who are here to help parents and students.
Get to know us. We all have different roles to play in students' success here at Capital High.**

Guidance & Counseling Services at Capital

What parents and students can expect from the Capital High School Counselors

- COURSE SELECTIONS & PREPARING FOR HIGH SCHOOL
- POST-SECONDARY PLANNING/COLLEGE, CAREER & LIFE SKILLS
- INDIVIDUAL PERSONAL SUPPORT
- FAMILY SUPPORT

We use a systematic approach to accomplish these goals with all students and families.

- YEARLY PRESENTATIONS —
 - Class registration and information night
- OPEN OFFICE/WALK-IN TIMES —
 - Counselors keep “open office” time during lunch for general walk-in questions. A student’s individual counselor may not be available, but someone in the department will be available to assist him/her.
- INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS —
 - Personal interviews & post-secondary planning, general information, scheduling, career/college/scholarship opportunities, personal concerns/referrals, a counselor needs to see a student for various reasons, etc.

All services provided by school counselors are free, voluntary, and completely confidential (except as required by law) to the students, families, teachers and school staff in the Helena Public Schools.

Course Selection Process

- Registration process – CRA Feb. 1st
- Counselors present course information and registration process during scheduled time at CRA -- students receive registration form
- Take home registration sheets and return **signed** Feb. 5th (will be picked up by the CHS counselors)

Understanding the Transcript and Graduation Credits

- The **transcript** is the official academic record for the student.
 - Only final semester grades and credits earned are reported on Capital's high school transcript.
 - Marking period and progress report grades are not reported on the transcript but may serve as "warnings" to students to raise their grades before the semester ends.
 - Transcripts are used for many purposes, including college/university admissions, scholarships, job applications/employment, and insurance (i.e., some auto insurance companies will give a reduced rate for students performing well academically).

Understanding the Transcript and Graduation Credits

■ Earning Course Credit for Graduation

- **A student must pass a class to earn credit!**
- Students earn .5 credit for each class hour each semester by passing a course with a minimum of a D-.
- When a student completes the required coursework and earns the required number of credits, he/she is eligible for graduation from Capital High School.

■ Grade Point Average

- GPA is the cumulative average of a student's high school grades.
- Capital works on a 4.0 scale with a 4.0, representing all As, being the highest GPA possible.

Mr. Chancy: Assistant Principal

- Transition to High School
- Activities and Fees
- Physicals / Chemical Use Policy
- Summer Camps
- Booster Club Membership
- MHSA
- Clubs
- Fall Activities

The Next Steps

Activities Fair in May

View all of the clubs and activities offered at CHS

Summer Mailing (Beginning of August)

Information about Bruin Beginnings/Back-to-School BBQ

Bruin Beginnings / New Student Orientation

Student led school tours, presentations by school organizations, question & discussion time, students meet their graduating class and walk the building with their individual schedules

Ins & Outs of High School Get Involved!

■ Athletics

- MHSA Eligibility – Maintain passing grades in a minimum of 4 classes
- Physicals – May 1st – April 30th following year
- Check out individual team websites for info. on specific sports
 - Tryouts, summer camps, etc.
- Check out the MHSA website for practice start dates (esp. fall sports that begin early August / summer practice) <http://www.mhsa.org>



■ School Based Clubs & Activities

- Green Club, Key Club, Robotics Club, etc. -- see handbook
- There is something for everyone, or students can create their own.

Mrs. Kidder: Assistant Principal

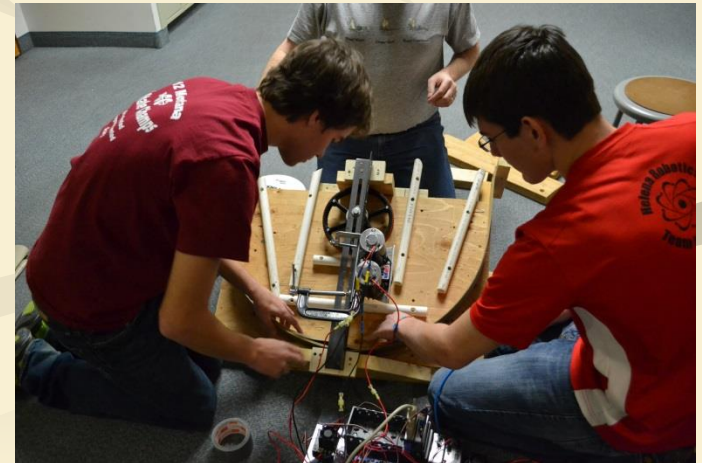
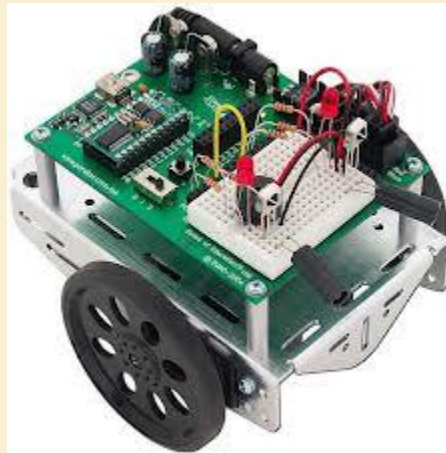
- Attendance Policy
- Power School
- Electronic Devices
- Parking Permits
- Open Campus
- ASIST (After School Instructional Support Time) --
3:15-4:15
- Bruin Incentive Cards
- Monthly Parent Newsletter

Mr. Duncan: Career & Technical Education

- **Industrial Technology**
- **Business Education**
- **Marketing Education**
- **Family & Consumer Sciences**
- **Biomedical Sciences**

Mr. Duncan: Science-Related Courses

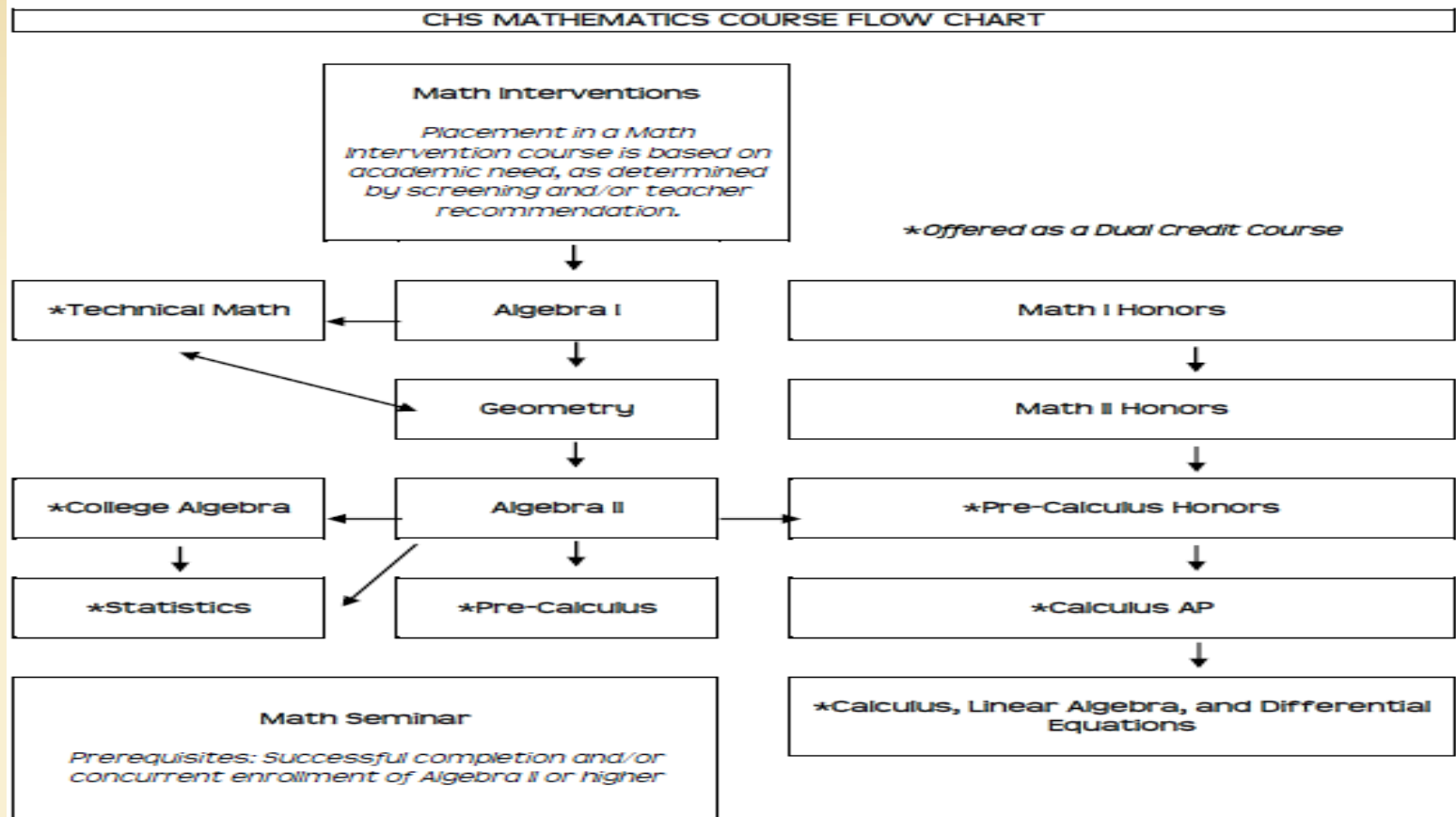
- Introduction to Robotics (10th-12th)
- Project Lead the Way-Biomedical Sciences
 - Principles of Biomedical Sciences (9th-11th)
 - Human Body Systems (10th-12th)
 - Medical Interventions (11th-12th)
 - Biomedical Innovations (12th)



Mr. Zanto: Fine Arts

- **Art**
- **Music**
- **Drama**
- **Photography**
- **Video (Bruin Vision)**

Mr. Pilgeram: Math



Algebra 1 is the traditional first year high school mathematics course. Algebra II or Honors Pre-Calculus is the minimum college entrance requirement for units of the Montana University System. Students entering science, technical, and engineering fields in college should have **four years** of high school mathematics.

Starting with the class of 2020 the HSD requires all students successfully complete three years of mathematics before graduating from high school. Colleges and universities encourage four years. The Pre-Algebra and Technical Mathematics courses do not count toward meeting Montana University System admissions requirements.

Mrs. O'Dell: Social Studies

Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
<u>Required:</u> World Cultures Or Honors World Cultures		American History Or AP American History	American Government Or AP American Government
<u>Electives:</u> Current Issues Western History	Current Issues Western History AP European History Western Civ. 1 & 2	Current Issues Western History AP Economics AP European History Western Civ. 1 & 2 Psychology Advanced Psychology Sociology Special Topics	Current Issues Western History AP Economics AP European History Western Civ. 1 & 2 Psychology Advanced Psychology Sociology Special Topics

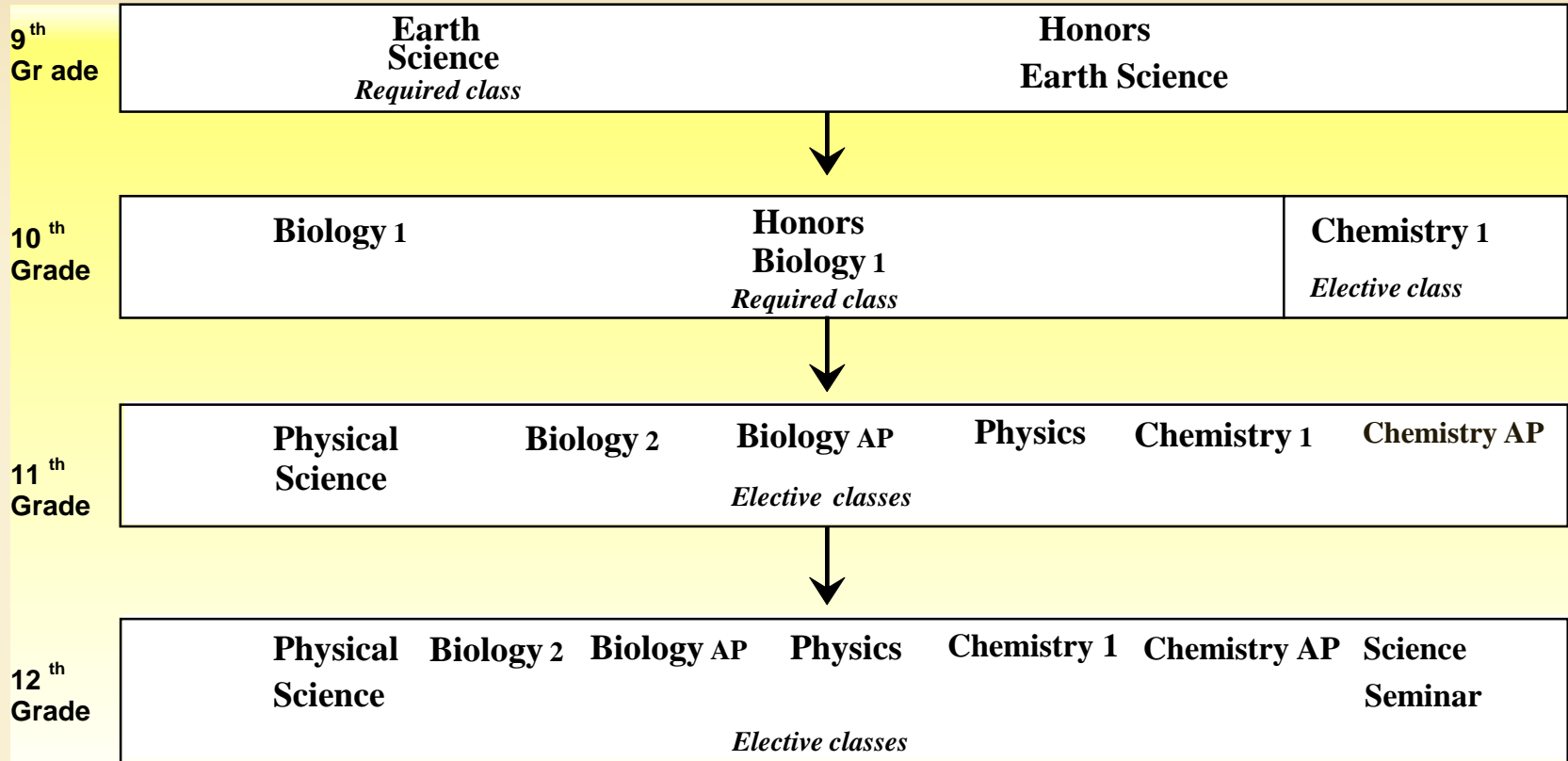
Mrs. Foreman: Special Education

- Co-teaching model
- Core lab
- Transition meetings
- Employability
- Functional Life Skills Program
- Positive Behavior Support Program

Mrs. Broadhead, Mr. Ward & Ms. Schlauch: English

Freshman Year	Sophomore Year	Junior Year	Senior Year
English 1 Honors English 1 Applied English 1	English 2 Honors English 2 Applied English 2	English 3 Advanced Placement (AP) English III Applied English 3	Classical World Literature 1 & 2 Classical World Literature & Multicultural Literature Classical World Literature & Contemporary Literature Classical World Literature & Science Fiction Advanced Placement (AP) English 4 College Writing & Literature++ Intro. to Technical Writing and Literature* Applied English 4
<u>Electives</u> Reading Lab Newspaper/Bruin- news.com	<u>Electives</u> Reading Lab Newspaper/Bruin- news.com Creative Writing Yearbook	<u>Electives</u> Reading Lab Newspaper/Bruin- news.com Reading the Movies Creative Writing Yearbook Speech: Com 131++	<u>Electives</u> Reading Lab Newspaper/Bruinnews.com Reading the Movies Creative Writing Yearbook Speech: Com 131++

Mr. LaRue: Science



Placement in 9th grade Earth Science is based on the recommendation of the 8th grade science teachers.

Ms. Richmond: World Languages

- French
- German
- Latin
- Spanish
 - Some colleges require 2, 3 or 4 years of a world language.
 - The prerequisite for taking the next level of a language is a passing grade in the previous level.
 - A student must achieve a passing grade each semester in the sequence in order to continue on to the next semester.

Mrs. Morigeau: Capital High Library

- Open from 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday
- Over 15,000 fiction and non-fiction books
- Approximately 50 popular journals and magazines available for casual reading
- Two certified teachers/librarians who work with classroom teachers on research and projects
- A robust collection of electronic sources for research, with over 22 subscription databases



Mrs. Waterman: Physical Education/Health

Graduation requirement: 2 credits

- Frosh PE: 1 Year (1 credit)
 - New option- Freshman Weight Training
- Soph PE: 1/2 Year (.5 credit)
- Health: 1/2 Year (.5 credit)
- Elective Courses: Personal Wellness, F.A.S.T. (Fitness, Agility, Strength & Technique), Athletic Training, Weight Training, Lifetime Sports

Mr. Zehr: Music

- The middle school investment finally pays off
- Deliberate and developed curriculum
- Instant social group
- Breaks up the day
- Multiple opportunities for rounded college applications (Tri-M, Solo and Ensemble, All-State, etc.)



THANKS FOR COMING!

