



COURSE SELECTION

Class of 2023
Incoming Seniors



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SMHS Graduation Requirements for Class of 2023



English	4 years (40 credits)
Math	3 years (30 credits) including one year of Geometry
Social Studies (History)	3 years (30 credits) 10th grade World History, 11th grade U.S. History, 12th grade Government
Science	2 years (20 credits) Life Science & Physical Science
World Language	2 years (20 credits) Can be satisfied with 1 year of a level 2 course <i>(Successful completion of 10 credits of CTE may count for 1 year of World Language <u>or</u> VAPA)</i>
VAPA	1 year (10 credits) <i>(Successful completion of 10 credits of CTE may count for 1 year of World Language <u>or</u> VAPA)</i>
Physical Education	2 years (20 credits)
Electives	Any area of study (60 credits)

Total:
230 credits

Must earn a
grade of "D"
or better in
all courses
to receive
credit

Minimum A-G requirements for CSU/UC Admission

Grade of “C” or better required for eligibility. ACT or SAT not required

For Private/Out of State Colleges- check each admissions website for testing policies and admissions requirements

Letter	Subject	Years	Notes
A	History/Social Science	2	SMUSD requires 3 years for graduation
B	English	4	Same as SMUSD graduation requirement
C	Mathematics	3	Geometry and Algebra 2 both required coursework. 4 years highly recommended
D	Laboratory Science	2	Two out of three disciplines: Biology, Chemistry and Physics. 3-4 years recommended
E	Language other than English	2	Must be the same language or the equivalent to the 2nd level of HS instruction. 3-4 years recommended
F	Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA)	1	See the course selection worksheet/course catalog for SMHS options
G	College prep elective	1	SMUSD course titles followed by (P), (AP) or (H)

This is a sample transcript. Yours will look different based on the courses and credits you have completed.

GPA found here.
Overall GPA includes weighted (AP & some H classes).
Unweighted does not give extra point for AP/H.

Honor grad = 3.75 or higher overall GPA (top) as of 2nd progress report of 2nd semester of senior year

Crs ID	Course Title	Mark	Cred	Cmp	Crs ID	Course Title	Mark	Cred	Cmp
San Marcos High Yr: 2016 Term: 1S Grade: 09					San Marcos High Yr: 2018 Term: 1S Grade: 11				
1262	CHINESE 1 P	C	5.00		3645	CHEMISTRY P	D	5.00	
2580	GENERAL PE	A	5.00		5013	US HIST (A) P	C	5.00	
4773	ARCHT DSGN (ROP) (P)	B	5.00		7537	ALGEBRA 2 P	B	5.00	
7532	ALGEBRA 1 P	C	5.00		9017	ENG 11 (A) P	C	5.00	
7551	BIOLOGY 1 P	C	5.00		Cred Cmp: 30.00				GPA: 2.67
9001	ENG 9(A) P	C	5.00		San Marcos High Yr: 2018 Term: 2S Grade: 11				
Cred Cmp: 30.00				GPA: 2.50	2772	WEIGHT TRNG	A	5.00	
San Marcos High Yr: 2016 Term: 2S Grade: 09					3142	AVID 11 P	A	5.00	
1262	CHINESE 1 P	C	5.00		3645	CHEMISTRY P	D	5.00	
2580	GENERAL PE	A	5.00		5014	US HIST(B) P	C	5.00	
4773	ARCHT DSGN P	A	5.00		7537	ALGEBRA 2 P	C	5.00	
7532	ALGEBRA 1 P	C	5.00		9018	ENG 11(B) P	C	5.00	
7551	BIOLOGY 1 P	B	5.00		Cred Cmp: 30.00				GPA: 2.50
9002	ENG 9(B) P	B	5.00		Graduation Requirements - Credit Summary				
Cred Cmp: 30.00				GPA: 3.00	Subject Area	Req'd	Compl	Needed	
San Marcos High Yr: 2017 Term: 1S Grade: 10					English	40.00	30.00	10.00	
3141	AVID 10 P	C	5.00		World Language	20.00	20.00		
5001	WORLD HIST (A) P	C	5.00		Visual/Performing Arts	10.00	10.00		
6220	SPAN SPK 2 P	C	5.00		Mathematics	20.00	20.00		
7041	EARTH SCI (P)	B	5.00		Physical Education	20.00	20.00		
7534	GEOMETRY P	C	5.00		Life Science	10.00	10.00		
9009	ENG 10 (A) P	C	5.00		Physical Science	10.00	10.00		
Cred Cmp: 30.00				GPA: 2.17	Social Studies	30.00	20.00	10.00	
San Marcos High Yr: 2017 Term: 2S Grade: 10					Electives	70.00	40.00	30.00	
3141	AVID 10 P	B	5.00		TOTALS	230.00	180.00	50.00	
5002	WORLD HIST(B) P	C	5.00						
6220	SPAN SPK 2 P	C	5.00						
7041	EARTH SCI (P)	A	5.00						
7534	GEOMETRY P	B	5.00						
9010	ENG 10(B) P	C	5.00						
Cred Cmp: 30.00				GPA: 2.67					
San Marcos High Yr: 2018 Term: 1S Grade: 11									
2772	WEIGHT TRNG	A	5.00						
3142	AVID 11 P	A	5.00						
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The MOST important section for choosing your classes:
Credit box with graduation requirements and what courses/credits you still need

This transcript is unofficial unless signed by a school official.

* = AP - Adv. Placement		R = Repeat, no impact	
Grade Point Legend		GPA Summary	
Mark	Normal	AP	Overall GPA 2.58
A	4	5	Unweighted GPA 2.58
B	3	4	
C	2	3	
D	1	1	
Immunization		1	2
DTP/DTaP/DT/Td		07/12/2002	09/25/2002 10/21/2002
DTP/DTaP/DT/Td 7-17			
Hepatitis A		10/26/2005	10/19/2006
Hepatitis B		07/12/2002	02/25/2002 06/21/2002
Hepatitis C		07/12/2002	02/25/2002 06/21/2002

Sample Junior Requirements Box

Graduation Requirements - Credit Summary				
Subject Area	Req'd	Comp	WIP	Need
English	40.00	25.00	5.00	10.00
World Language	20.00	20.00		
Visual/Performing Arts	10.00	5.00	5.00	
Mathematics	30.00	25.00	5.00	
Physical Education	20.00	20.00		
Life Science	10.00	10.00		
Physical Science	10.00	10.00		
Social Studies	30.00	15.00	5.00	10.00
Electives	60.00	30.00	10.00	20.00
TOTALS	230.00	160.00	30.00	40.00

In NEED Column:

- Should be 10 in English and Social Studies (talk to counselor if >10 credits)
- Make sure you select courses for senior year that align to the subject area credits still needed
- Total needed should be 60 or fewer.

Look at your own transcript

1. How many classes must you take senior year to graduate?

Write it down on course selection worksheet.

*UC & selective universities recommend five (5) core courses senior year

- **40 or fewer-** You must select a minimum of 4 courses (you may take 5-6 if you want)
- **45-50-** You must select at least 5 courses
- **55-60-** You must select at least 6 courses
- **65 or more-** You must select at least 6 courses and consult with your counselor about credit recovery

2. Write down any classes you need to re-take to meet graduation requirements and/or A-G (**D, F, and NP “No Pass”**).

You will discuss this with your counselor during the course selection meeting.

Please remember when choosing:

- **Seniors must be enrolled in a minimum of 4 courses per semester** (even if you're ahead in credits)
- **PLEASE include alternate electives that you would want**
 - *There are popular courses that fill, even for seniors!*
- **o period is NOT guaranteed**
- TA positions are limited to 10 credits (over all four years).
- Choose balance and don't overload yourself. Think of obligations outside of school.
- Minimum graduation requirements must be taken on the SMHS campus (ex: English 12, Government).
 - For classes taken off campus, (charter, Palomar College, etc. are applied as *elective* credits) please contact your school counselor for further information.
- **Students are limited to 6 classes per day** (unless enrolled in band or AFJROTC)

Begin choosing classes



- Refer to worksheet- write in each required subject area and course requests as the counselor goes through each slide, you will also begin to enter in course requests on StudentVUE
- Consider A-G and graduation requirements
- Do not forget about BALANCE
- Pick elective alternates as many courses will fill...even for seniors!
- Discuss your choices and rationale with parent/guardian at home.

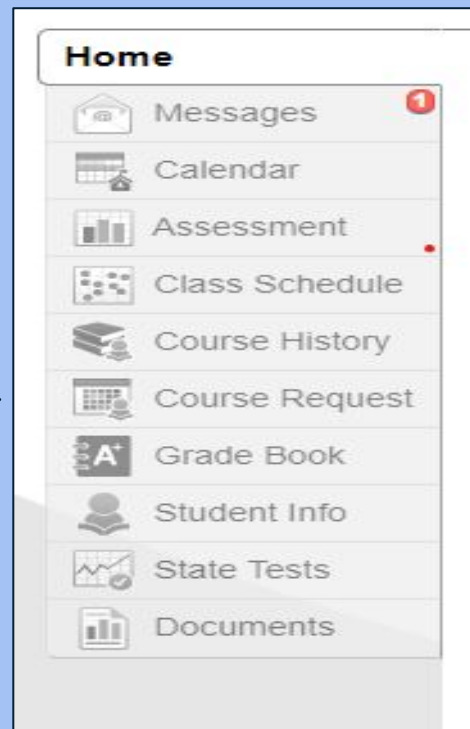
SYNERGY Login Instructions

Log in to your Synergy StudentVUE Account from your cloud on your student chromebook.

- Username: Student ID
- Password: YYYYMMDD

Select **“Course Request Tab”**

If you don't see the StudentVue tile on your default page, click the "Desktop" link along the bottom of your screen after signing into the cloud. The StudentVUE tile will be found there. You can also go to the SMHS website.




Click on “Click here to change course request” button

Enter Course ID (4 digits) in Search bar


Press enter and **+add request** tab (repeat to add additional courses)

San Marcos High School (760-290-2200)
2022-2023 School Year, Grade: 12

Click here to change course requests

 Enter a search value to filter any of the applicable course fields.

Add		Course
Req	Alt	

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 + Add Request	* Add Alternate	Course ID 9025 Course Title ENG 12 (A) ERWC P School San Marcos High School

Once you have added your course selections, please add three alternates by typing course ID's in the search bar and selecting the ***add alternate tab**.

Add		Course
Req	Alt	
▶ + Add Request	* Add Alternate	Course ID 9025 Course Title ENG 12 (A) ERWC P School San Marcos High School

Once you are finished and you have reviewed your selections with a parent/guardian, please click on the click here to return to course request summary.

San Marcos High School (760-290-2200) 2022-2023 School Year, Grade: 12
Click here to return to course request summary

English



4 years required for graduation

(D or better)

4 years required for A-G

(C or better)

- 9025 English 12 ERWC (P)
- 9027 English Language (AP)

Press enter and **+add request**
(repeat to add additional courses)

History



3 years required for graduation

(D or better)

2 years required for A-G

(C or better)

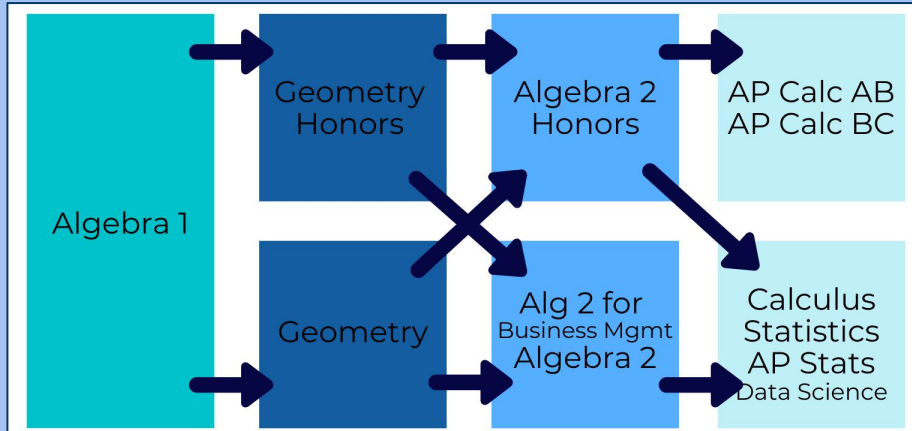
- **5021** Government (P)
- **1801** Government (P)- Period o
(may fill quickly- not guaranteed)
- **5023** Government (AP)
- **1804** Government (AP) Period o
(may fill quickly- not guaranteed)
- **5030** Economics
(AP)/Government (AP)

Press enter and **+add request**
(repeat to add additional courses)

Math

3 years required for graduation
(including one year of Geometry, D or better)

3 years required for A-G
(minimum Algebra 2, C or better, 4 years recommended)



- 7532 Algebra 1 (P)
- 7534 Geometry (P)
- 0214 Geometry (H)
- 7537 Algebra 2 (P)
- 7538 Algebra 2 (P) Business Mgt.
- 9874 Algebra 2 (H)- includes Pre-Calculus material as prep for AP Calculus
- 7501 Data Science Math (P)
- 7369 Calculus (P)
- 2223 Calculus AB (AP)
- 2225 Calculus BC (AP)
- 7368 Statistics (P)
- 7367 Statistics (AP)

Press enter and **+add request**
(repeat to add additional courses)

Life Science

1 year required for graduation

(D or better)

1 year required for A-G

(C or better, more than 1 year recommended)

- 7550 Biology of the Living Earth (P)
- 1085 Agricultural Biology (P)
- 7556 Biological Oceanography (P) (same content as Bio of Living Earth)
- 3555 Genetics (H)
- 3212 Anatomy & Physiology (H)
- 5401 Anatomy & Physiology (H)- Period o
- 3030 Biology (AP)
- 7552 Forensic Science (P)
- 3524 Forensic Science (P)- Period o

Physical Science

1 year required for graduation

(D or better)

1 year required for A-G

(C or better, more than 1 year recommended)

- 3646 Chemistry in the Earth's Systems (P)
- 3645 Chemistry in the Earth's Systems (P)- Period o
- 3548 Chemistry (AP)
- 1086 Agricultural Chemistry (P)
- 3886 Physics of the Universe (P)
- 1087 Agricultural Physics (P)
- 3565 Physics 1 (AP)
- 3566 Physics 2 (AP)
- 5408 Environmental Science (AP)

See your transcript "needed" column

World Languages



2 years LOTE required for
graduation
(D or better)

2 years of LOTE required for A-G
(C or better, 3-4 years recommended)

- American Sign Language 1 - 3 (P)
- French 1 - 3 (P)
- French 3 (H)
- French Lang. and Culture (AP)
- Spanish 1 - 2 (P)
- Spanish 3 (H)
- Spanish Language (AP)
- Spanish Literature (AP)
- Spanish for Spanish Speakers 1 (P)
- Spanish for Spanish Speakers 2 (P)

Press enter and **+add request** tab
(repeat to add additional courses)

Visual & Performing Arts



1 year required for graduation

(D or better)

1 year required for A-G

(C or better)

- Please see course selection sheet for a large variety of VAPA courses
- Some courses are in the Career Pathways (CTE) column-(VAPA) is listed after course title

Press enter and **+add request**
(repeat to add additional courses)

Physical Education



2 years required for graduation

(D or better)

Not an A-G requirement

- General PE
- General PE period 6 for athletes
- Air Force JROTC
- Dance (P) 1-3
- Dance Production (P)
- Weight Training
- Team Sports (football, basketball, baseball)
- Marching Band (P) 7th period (fall sem. only)

Press enter and **+add request**
(repeat to add additional courses)

Career Technical Education (CTE) & Other Electives



Credit requirements vary.

Core area courses (math, science LOTE, etc.) beyond minimum graduation requirements count towards elective credit.

- See course selection sheet under CTE and other electives
(new addition- 4778 Period o AP Capstone Seminar)
- **If interested in a Level 1 CTE, may only request one.**
- Some CTE courses meet VAPA for A-G and graduation
- Some courses require application or teacher approval (ASB, aide positions, band)

**TA forms in Counseling Office

**ASB Application:

<https://www.smhsasb.com/applications>

Press enter and **+add request**
(repeat to add additional courses)

Unscheduled Periods



Look in Need column on transcript to determine if this is an option for you.

- You may **not** have a gap in your schedule
- Unscheduled periods can only be in the beginning or end of the day.
- Discuss with your parent/guardian
- Enter in unscheduled period requests in StudentVUE

Press enter and **+add request**
(repeat to add additional courses)



Alternates

PLEASE include alternate electives that you would want - there are popular courses that fill, even for seniors!

In StudentVUE:

Please add three alternates by typing course ID's in the search bar and selecting the ***add alternate tab.**

Course selection meeting with your counselor

- Find your history teacher in chart on next slide for the date you're meeting
- You will meet one-on-one with your counselor
- Make sure you discuss your class requests with your parent/guardian and enter your requests in StudentVUE by **Friday February 4.**
- **After Feb 4th no changes will be allowed until you meet with your counselor for course selection.**
- Bring your questions

U.S. History teacher	Meeting day
Masters	Monday Feb. 7
Jones	Tuesday Feb. 8
Maze	Block days, Feb. 9-10
Sterling	Block day, Wed. Feb. 9
Bell	Block days, Feb. 9-10
Hunter	Block days, Feb. 9-10
Crouse	Block day, Thurs. Feb. 10
Razi	Friday Feb. 11
Zeigler	Friday Feb. 11

Course Selection Resources

Course Catalog/ Course Information

bit.ly/smhscourses2022

Outside Credit Form



Work Experience Interest List



Dual Enrollment Interest List



[Dual Enrollment Link](#)

Google Classroom/ College and Career Resources/Junior Checklist

Class Code: coxss5j

Career/Major exploration with Mr. Huerta in Future Center



Options to Earn Credit

- Summer School- Edgenuity online remediation classes for **D/F/No Pass only** (more info to follow)
- Credit Recovery- 0 period/7th period (discuss with your counselor)
- If you would like to take a high school course at a charter school over the summer, please fill out the request for outside credit form (QR code) to inform your counselor.
- If you would like to take a class at Palomar or MiraCosta, please discuss this with your counselor.
- If you have a job and would like credit for work experience, visit the W.E. website and fill out the QR code interest form

Minimum graduation requirements (Gov't, English, etc) must be taken at SMHS



Questions?

Remember you will meet 1-1 with your counselor next week!