

Considerations for School Choice

1. Academic interests and programs
2. Extra-curricular activities
3. Athletic programs
4. School culture and fit
5. Post-secondary options
6. Family schedules and transportation
7. Friends

Open Enrollment

Open Enrollment: 11/29/10-1/14/10

- Attend Information Nights
- Schedule Shadow Days
- Notify the Summit Office with the scheduled dates for shadow days (summit.office@bvsd.org)
- Learn more about each school's academic and co-curricular programs
- Choose your high school by January 14th!
- Submit the open enrollment application to BVSD. The application is available online at <http://bvsd.org/openenrollment/Pages/default.aspx>
- First offers of enrollment are sent from the district February 3rd. Your response is due to BVSD by February 12th. Please notify the Summit Office with this information, for transition purposes (summit.office@bvsd.org).

Student Transition Programs

High School Transition Program at Summit: January 2011

- All 8th grade students will attend an assembly provided by the high school counselors from BVSD. Students will learn about high school course requirements, registration, and the course selection process in high school.

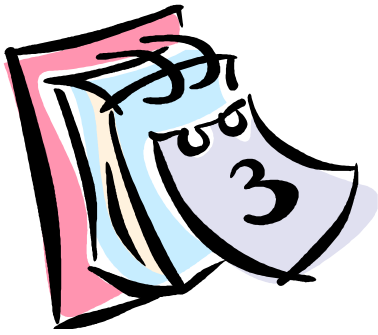
Career Exploration and Four Year Plan: January 2011

- All 8th grade students will open accounts with www.collegeincolorado.org and will create an ICAP (Individual Career and Academic Plan). This is a state mandated program and one which promotes academic planning in support of individual strengths, interests and aptitudes and post-secondary plans.
- All 8th graders in BVSD will identify possible career clusters through interest inventories and create four year plans. This academic and post-secondary planning will continue in high school.

Student Transition Programs

High School Course Recommendation Forms: February 2011

- Students will receive the high school placement forms that should be filled out by each of their teachers throughout the scheduled course recommendation day.
 - The form must be filled out by each teacher, and signed by parent(s).
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- **High School Registration: February 2011 at Summit**



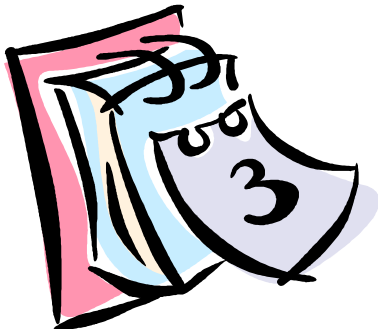
Transition Nights

Once your child's enrollment has been confirmed, you should attend the Eighth to Ninth Grade Parent/Student Transition Night.....

The transition night programs provide more information on course selection, answer questions about courses and on-line course selection, and provide you with the necessary paperwork and information for course registration.

Course Recommendations

- BVSD recommends following middle school teacher recommendations. Please see the link “Guidelines for High School Course Placement” for more information.
- If you have a concern or there is some question about the “right” placement for your child, please contact the teacher directly or Elizabeth Troup.
- Course recommendations will be made prior to Parent/Teacher conferences so that you may discuss any questions.



Course Selection

Mid-January to February:

- Go to the high school's website and explore options.
- Learn more about courses of interest.
- Review course guidelines.
- Create a four year plan that outlines subjects and areas of interest.
- Notice the course's grade level, whether it is a semester or year long course, prerequisites, and fees.

Ninth Grade Courses

One year of :

- ✓ Language Arts
- ✓ Math
- ✓ Science

One semester of:

Government
World Geography
Physical Education

Electives:

A combination of full year and/or semester electives so that you are taking six to seven courses per semester (depending on your high school).

A typical ninth grade schedule could look like:

	Term 1 (08/16/07-12/21/07)	Term 2 (12/22/07-05/29/08)
01	P20-1 (Day Full, We) COMP PHYS ED Vandepol, Rob Rm: SGM	EMPTY
02	S10A-2 (Day Full, Th) PHYSICAL SCI Guthrie, Joe Rm: 432	S10B-2 (Day Full, Th) PHYSICAL SCI Guthrie, Joe Rm: 432
03	M31A-1 (Day Full, We) ALGEBRA 1 Boland, Paul Rm: 201	M31B-4 (Day Full, We) ALGEBRA 1 Johnson, Randell Rm: 731
04	L08A-4 (Day Full, Th) FRESH LA YR Burke, Erin Rm: 854	L08B-4 (Day Full, Th) FRESH LA YR Burke, Erin Rm: 854
05	F51A-1 (Day Full, We) LATIN 1 Gibert, Lynn Rm: 632	F51B-1 (Day Full, We) LATIN 1 Gibert, Lynn Rm: 632
06	XLA-3 (Day Full, Th) LUNCH 1 Rm: <hr/> X62-20 (Day Th) FRESHMAN SEMINAR Vandepol, Rob Rm: 731	XLB-3 (Day Full, Th) LUNCH 1 Rm:
07	N72A-1 (Day Full, We) BAND 2 Keller Travis	N72B-1 (Day Full, We) BAND 2 Keller Travis

	Term 1 (08/16/07-12/21/07)	Term 2 (12/22/07-05/29/08)
01	N81A-1 (Day Full, We) ORCHESTRA 1 Wallace, Brett Rm: Band	N81B-1 (Day Full, We) ORCHESTRA 1 Wallace, Brett Rm: Band
02	F71A-2 (Day Full, Th) SPANISH 1 Arzt, Megan Rm: 634	F71B-2 (Day Full, Th) SPANISH 1 Arzt, Meghan Rm: 634
03	M35A-1 (Day Full, We) ALGEBRA 1 ADV Silverman, Emily Rm: 233	M31B-4 (Day Full, We) ALGEBRA 1 Johnson, Randell Rm: 731 Start:12/14/2007
04	XLA-1 (Day Full, Th) LUNCH 1 Rm: _____ X62-6 (Day Th) FRESHMAN SEMINAR Glaab, Joshua Rm: 408	XLB-1 (Day Full, Th) LUNCH 1 Rm:
05	L08A-5 (Day Full, We) FRESH LA YR Luper, M Angela Rm: 847	L08B-5 (Day Full, We) FRESH LA YR Luper, M Angela Rm: 847
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07	P20-4 (Day Full, We) COMP PHYS ED Zadigian, John Rm: MGM	P44-2 (Day Full, We) AER. WALK Vandepol, Rob Rm: Mat rm
08	I28-7 (Day Full, Th) PIB GOVERN Niedringhaus, Daniel Rm: 625	I26-7 (Day Full, Th) PIB GEOG Gardner, Molly Rm: 639

Course Registration



On-line Course Selection:

- ✓ All students will select courses through Infinite Campus at Summit.
- ✓ High school counselors will be at Summit to support the course registration process.
- ✓ Students will need their Infinite Campus password.
- ✓ We expect course registration to occur in late February. We will confirm the date.



If you are open enrolling.....

If you have accepted open enrollment to a high school, you may select courses at that high school.

Otherwise, you need to select courses at your neighborhood high school until it is confirmed that you will be attending a different high school.



Class of 2016

Boulder Valley School District

Graduation Requirements



Students earn FIVE credits for each semester class that is pass.

All Freshmen and Sophomores need to pass at least six-seven classes per semester which will equal at least 60 credits per year. Juniors and Seniors must earn 50 credits per year, for a total of 220 credits during high school.

Permanency of Transcripts

Credits in high school really COUNT!

...they count towards a high school diploma...

...they count towards college admission...

...the grades earned in 9th grade WILL be on your permanent transcript...

DO YOUR BEST! It really matters!

Graduation Requirements

Graduation Requirements for Students graduating in 2010 and beyond

A student must successfully complete a minimum of 220 credits in grades 9-12 to graduate from the Boulder Valley School District. 100 of these credits must be earned in grades 11-12. Ten credits are equivalent to one full year of study in a specific subject.

Language Arts: 40 credits in grades 9-12

10 in Language Arts 9

10 in World Literature & Composition, grade 10

10 in American Literature & Composition, grade 11

5 in language arts elective courses, 9-12

5 in communication courses, grades 9-12

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Social Studies: 30 credits in grades 9-12

5 in US Government in grade 9

5 in World Geography in grades 9-10

10 in World History in grade 10

10 in US History in grade 11

Math: 20 credits in grades 9-12

10 credits of which must include Algebra I or higher level mathematics

Science: 20 credits in grades 9-12

10 credits in courses designated as Life Sciences

10 credits in courses designated as Physical Sciences

Graduation Requirements

Physical Education: 15 credits in grades 9-12

5 in Comprehensive P.E., grade 9

10 in elective P.E. courses, grades 9-12, balanced between individual fitness and team sports

Health: 5 credits in grades 9-10

Fine Arts: 5 credits in grades 9-12 (includes music or art)

Second Language Acquisition: 10 credits in World Language, Level 2 or higher; or, for ELL students, ESL Level 2 or higher

Graduation Requirements

Practical Experiences: 5 credits in grades 9-12

The Computer Science/Applied Technology requirement may be fulfilled at the middle level by successfully completing an approved class. Class offerings vary by middle school. Check with your middle school office for classes that meet this requirement.

If this requirement was not fulfilled in grades 6-8, 5 credits in **Business, Consumer and Family Studies, Computer Science, Applied Technology, or Technical Education** are still needed to meet this graduation requirement.

College Admission Requirements

- While college admission requirements are not universal, there is some consistency.
- If your child has a particular interest area, such as science, he/she should consider four years in this subject area.
- World Language is not a graduation requirement, however at least one and typically two years of a world language is required for college admission. The IB diploma and AP exams will require five years of a world language.
- Elective choices will become more relevant in the junior and senior years.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

