Rising 9th Grade
Pathway Exploration and Registration

Eastside High School

February 15, 2024

Welcome to EASTSIDE

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EASTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

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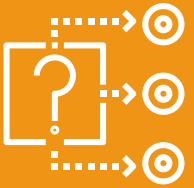**D** elivered by
E ffective educators

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Purpose

1. To hear from your future high school administrators
2. To understand 9th grade courses
3. Learn how to select electives for next year
4. Attend the activity fair with various clubs, sports, and elective teachers in the cafeteria

Example of a Freshman Schedule

Period	Class
1st Period	9th Grade Literature (Academic Core)
2nd Period	Biology (Academic Core)
3rd Period	Flex
4th Period	Algebra I (Academic Core)
5th Period	Health/Personal Fitness (Elective)
6th Period	Agriculture (Elective)
7th Period	American Government (Academic Core)

Credits needed for Grade Level Promotion

GRADUATION

-Be present each day

-Stay organized

-Submit assignments when due

-Monitor grades on IC Portal

-Elevate your GPA

-Develop your HS profile* for job, college, military, & scholarship opportunities

*Achievement
*Involvement
*Leadership
*Awards
*Recognitions
*Service

GRADUATION

GRADE PROMOTION

GRADE LEVEL IS DETERMINED BY THE NUMBER OF UNITS EARNED.

Sophomore - 5 Units
Junior   - 11 Units
Senior   - 17 Units
GRADUATE - 23* Units

*must meet all graduation requirements

Credits needed to be identified as being in the grade level

Credits	Grade
0-4 Credits	9th Grade
5 Credits	10th Grade
11 Credits	11th Grade
17 Credits	12th Grade
23 Qualifying Credits to Graduate	

Graduation Requirements

English Language Arts	4 Credits
Math	4 Credits
Science	4 Credits
Social Studies	4 Credits
Personal Fitness/Health	1 Credit
World Language Fine Arts CTAE	3 Credits
Electives	3 Credits
Total	23 Credits

If you plan to go to college, you need 2 Credits from the same World Language.
Example: French 1 and French 2.

Pathway Completion

| CTAE	Fine Arts	World Language	Advanced Academic
Agriculture	Band/Guitar	French	Two world languages
Business & Technology	Chorus	Latin	Core AP Class
Engineering & Technology	Theater Art	Spanish	
Food & Nutrition	Visual Arts		
Marketing			
Software Design			

Newton College & Career Academy

➡ NCCA has additional pathways such as healthcare, culinary arts, early childhood education, and others. Visit the Newton College and Career Academy webpage via the Newton County School System webpage

➡ Available to student beginning in 10th grade

➡ Applications for Newton College & Career Academy will be available online during Fall Semester

➡ Final decisions are emailed during Spring Semester

Newton College and Career Academy

NCCA WAY
Giving Direction to the Future...

1. Commit to Excellence
2. Work Hard
3. Focus Forward
4. Be Resilient

Selecting An Elective For Next Year
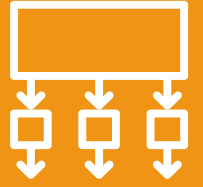
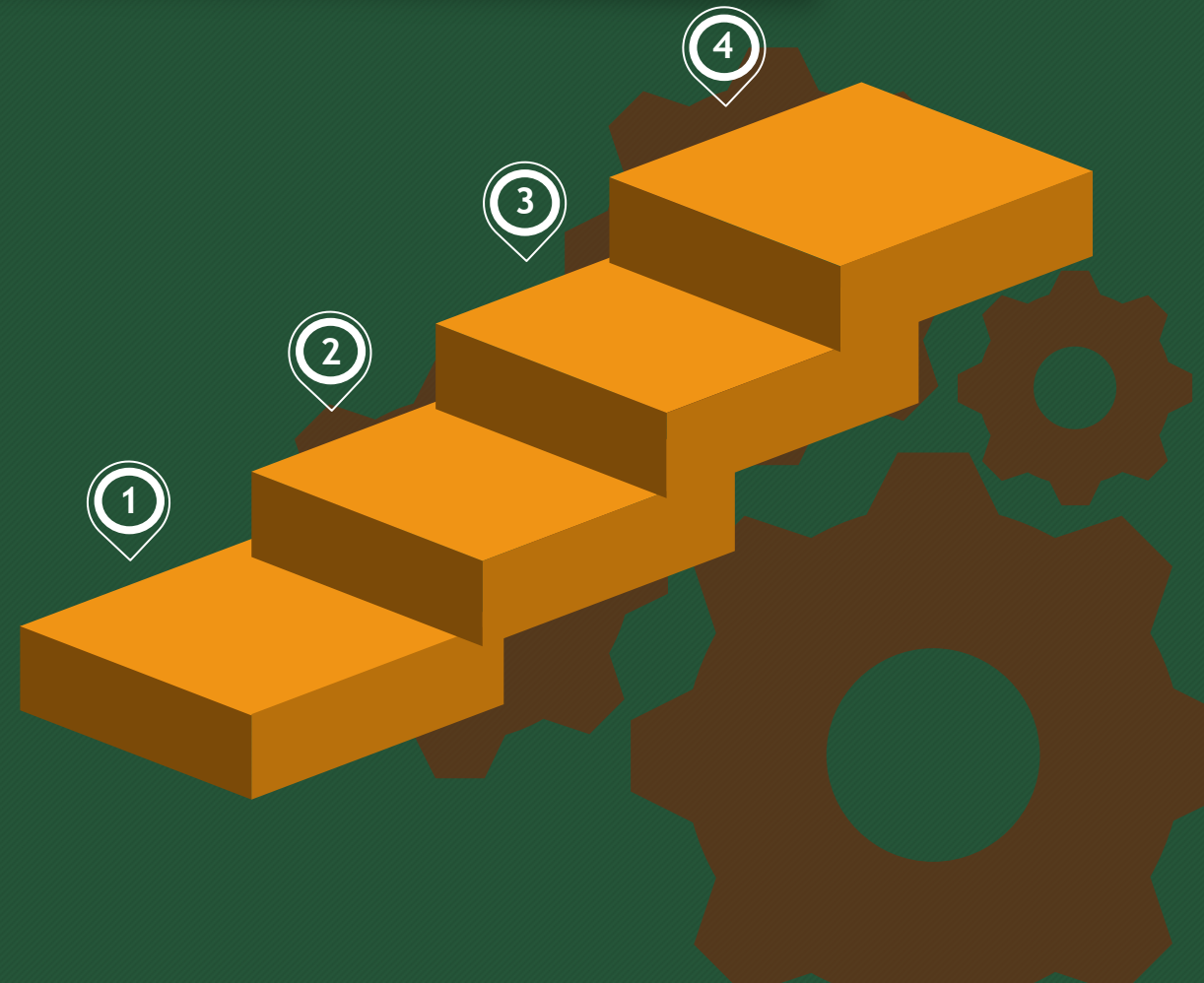- Listen to the description of each Eastside elective

- Write down the name of the elective(s) you are interested in

- Visit the table of the elective(s) you are interested in at the Activity Fair

- Complete the NCSS High School Course Selection Form

Basic Agriculture Science

Sarah Beth Hammond and Catrina Pollard

Course Description

This course is designed as the foundational course for all Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources Pathways. The course introduces the major areas of scientific agricultural production and research; presents problem solving lessons and introductory skills and knowledge in agricultural science and agri-related technologies. Classroom and laboratory activities are supplemented through supervised agricultural experiences and leadership programs and activities.

Types of Activities

Project Labs

Food Activities

Research Projects

Prerequisites

This course is appropriate for all high school students. Students must complete the Basic Agriculture Course to continue to classes in this pathway.

Band

Elijah Clark

Course Description

Provide opportunities to develop performance skills on an instrument. Emphasizes performance and production; may include analysis, historical and cultural influences, improvisation and appreciation of music.

Types of Activities

Perform for:

- Concerts
- School Activities
- Events around the County

Prerequisites

Middle School experienced preferred but not required.

Business Technology

Dr. Victoria Brooks

Course Description

This is a mostly project-based learning class. Students enrolled in this class will learn the basics of business management and ownership, soft skills, as well as financial literacy.

Types of Activities

Projects include:

- Getting an apartment
- Budgeting
- Teamwork activities
- Conflict resolution

Prerequisites

Chorus

Alyxandrea Curry

Course Description

Eastside Chorus consists of all students interested in developing their vocal ability and performing in an ensemble. Students will learn vocal technique, diction, and literacy through choral music literature. All choir students will be required to attend concerts throughout the year and participate in any fundraising activities sponsored by the choir. We have a women's chorus, an intermediate chorus, and an advanced mixed chorus/show choir

Types of Activities

There are four concerts a year and sometimes the choirs will perform outside of those scheduled concerts for school events, District Honor Chorus, public performances in the community, and more.

Prerequisites

There are not any prerequisites for the chorus, but the Advanced Mixed Chorus will have an audition process that consists of sight reading a few examples.

Computer Science

Anthony Williams

Course Description

Introduction to Software Technology is the foundational course for Cloud Computing, Computer Science, Game Design, Internet of Things, Programming, Web and Digital Design, and Web Development pathways. This course is designed for high school students to understand, communicate, and adapt to a digital world as it impacts their personal life, society, and the business world. Exposure to foundational knowledge in programming languages, software development, app creation, and user interfacing applications are all taught in a computer lab with hands-on activities and project-focused tasks.

Types of Activities

Resume

Cover Letter

Job Application

Employability Skills

Coding

Digital Design

Web Design

Prerequisites

Introduction to Software Technology is a course that is appropriate for all high school students. The pre-requisite for this course is advisor approval.

Engineering and Technology

Jabari Bennet

Course Description

This STEM driven course provides the students with an overview of engineering and technology including the different methods used in the engineering and design process developing fundamental technology and engineering literacy.

Types of Activities

Project based activities while using an engineering design process to successfully master the "E" in STEM.

Prerequisites

There is no prerequisite to begin this pathway. All high school students are welcome.

Food and Nutrition

Lexus Robinson

Course Description

The focus of this course is centered on healthy food and lifestyle choices. Students will investigate the interrelationship of food, nutrition and wellness to promote good health.

Types of Activities

Project learning

Technical skills practice

Leadership development

Prerequisites

There is no prerequisite to begin this pathway. All high school students are welcome.

Marketing

Dr. Calvin Padget

Course Description

Marketing principles addresses all the ways in which marking satisfies consumer and business needs and wants for products and services. Student develop a basic understanding of Employability, Foundational and Business Administration skills, Economics, Entrepreneurship, Financial Analysis, Human Resources Management, Information Management, Marketing, Operations, Professional Development, Strategic Management, and Global Marketing Strategies.

Types of Activities

- Instructional projects with real businesses

- Work-based learning activities

- Students who continue with the pathway may participate in School-Based Enterprises and DECA

Prerequisites

There is no prerequisite to begin this pathway. All high school students are welcome.

Theater

Kennedy Lynn

Course Description

Develops and applies performance skills through basic vocal, physical and emotional exercises; including improvisation and scene study and related technical art forms.

Types of Activities

Winter performance

Spring performance

One act plays

Prerequisites

There is no prerequisite to begin this pathway. All high school students are welcome.

Visual Art

Melissa Parker

Course Description

Enhances skills in art history, art criticism, aesthetic judgment, and studio production. Emphasizes and reinforces knowledge and application of the design elements and their relationship to the principles of design. Explores different two- and three-dimensional art media and processes. Investigates master artworks to increase awareness and to examine the role of art and the artist in past and contemporary societies.

Types of Activities

- Drawing
- Painting
- Sculpture
- art history

Prerequisites

Visual Art Comprehensive I

Connect with Eastside

- Follow Eastside High School on social media platforms
- Join the Remind Class of 2028
    - Text @EGE2028 to 81010
- Scan the code in the cafeteria to connect with teachers, club sponsors, and coaches
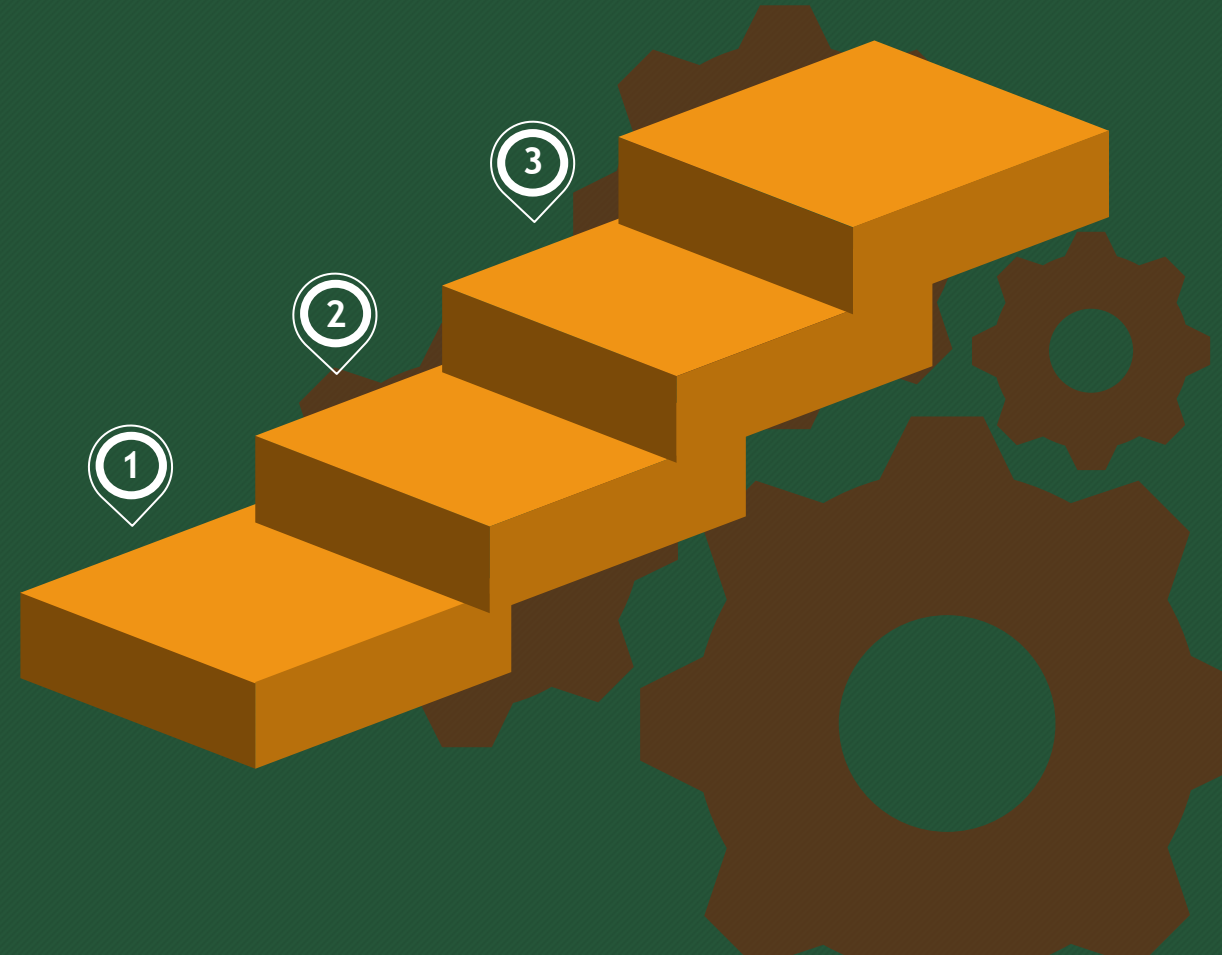
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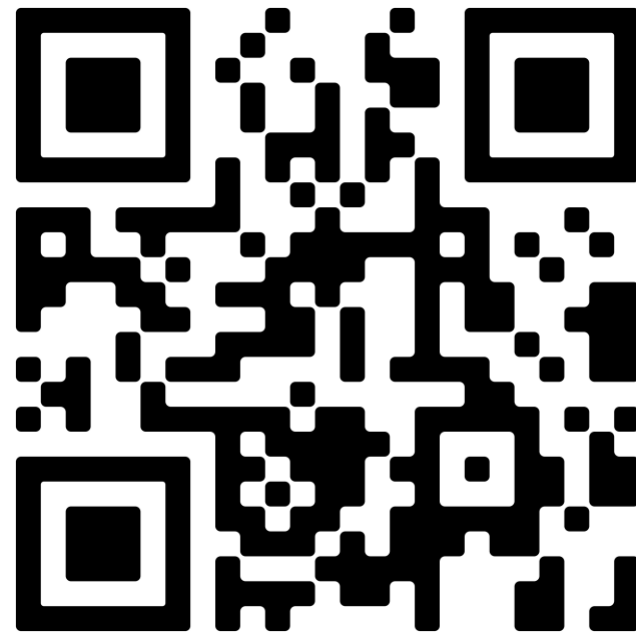2028

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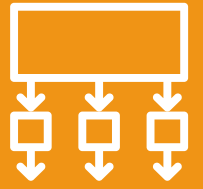
- Attend the Activity Fair

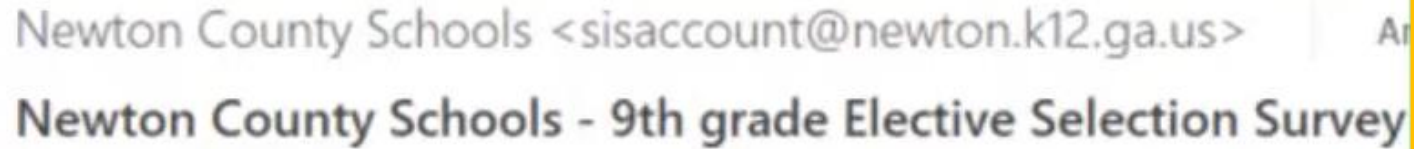- Scan and complete the EHS Class of 2028 Interest Inventory

- Complete the NCSS High School Course Selection Form

EHS Class of 2028 Interest Inventory

The email will look like…

Newton County Schools <sisaccount@newton.k12.ga.us>
Newton County Schools - 9th grade Elective Selection Survey

**Click on the link in the email
to complete the survey.**

- If you do not receive the email, please check your spam or junk folder.

- You may also complete the survey using the Rising 9th grade Canvas page.

The survey will look like…

NCSS High School Course Selection Form

Family/Student: Course selections are for the 9th Grade school year. Student schedules for the year will be developed based on courses selected and availability. Course offerings are subject to change depending on availability.

Sign in to Google to save your progress. Learn more

* Required

Newton County Schools

Student Name *

Your answer

Student ID *

Your answer

Birth Date

Date

mm/dd/yyyy

Electives Course Selection

Please review the offered courses carefully. If you are in band or chorus, please make that selection and 2 other courses of interest. Health and Fitness is a requirement for graduation. Each student is allowed 3 choices.

*Physical Education Required course to graduate
**Please schedule an appointment with your child's counselor if you're interested in ROTC
***Foreign Language limited space, requires ELA teacher approval

First Course Selection *

Choose

Second Course Selection *

Choose

Third Course Selection *

Choose

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NCSS High School Course Selection Form