



Welcome!

Incoming 9th Grade Parent Course Selection
Meeting

Southern Lehigh High School

January 31, 2019

Opening Remarks

o High School Introductions

- Mrs. Beth Guarriello, Principal
- Mr. Thomas Ruhf, Assistant Principal
 - Last Names A – M
- Ms. Jennifer Brinson, Assistant Principal
 - Last Names N – Z

o Middle School Introductions

- Dr. Edward Donahue, Principal
- Mrs. Anne Cooper, School Counselor

Guidance Department

- o Mrs. Christie Piascik
 - Last Names A - G
- o Mrs. Tamme Westbrooks
 - Last Names H - O
- o Mrs. Lynne Kelly
 - Last Names P - Z
- o Mr. Cotie Strong
 - School Psychologist



Graduation Requirements

Class of 2023

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Credits</u>
English	4.0 Credits	Health	1.0 Credit
Social Studies	3.0 Credits	Arts & Humanities <small>(World Language, Art, or Music)</small>	1.0 Credit
Mathematics	3.0 or 4.0 Credits	Technology Education <small>(Found of Tech OR Hon Intro to Engineering Design)</small>	0.5 Credit
Science <small>(Must have 7.0 credits in Math & Science)</small>	3.0 or 4.0 Credits	Business	0.5 Credit
Physical Education	2.0 Credits	Electives	8.0 Credits
Driver Education	0.5 Credit	Graduation Project <small>(10th Grade - Careers & Technology Applications)</small>	Pass
TOTAL CREDITS			= 27.5

Proficiency on Keystone Exams Algebra I, Biology, Literature

Course Selection Process

- o 8th Grade Students were given a *Program of Studies* booklet (also available on the website)
- o HS Counselors presented course selection information



Course Selection Process

- o 8th Grade Teachers have entered course recommendations based upon students' current performance in core content courses (including World Language)
- o Students must meet course prerequisite grades in order to enroll in honors level courses and math courses.

Course Selection Process

- o Students will input their course selections into Sapphire Feb. 1st through Feb. 6th at their convenience. ALL course selections must be entered during this window.
- o Detailed instructions on how to input courses into Sapphire will be emailed home and will also be available on the website.

Questions/Concerns About Scheduling

- o Please contact the Middle School Guidance Office at 610-282-3700
- o Schedule changes can be made up until [July 1st](#).
- o Any changes after July 1st will need to follow the Schedule Change Policy (pg 5 POS)

Sample Schedule

Odd Days 1,3,5

1. English 9
2. Civics & Gov
 - * Spartan Period
3. Phys Ed/Health
4. Elective or
Study Hall

Even Days 2,4,6

1. Biology
2. Algebra I
 - * Spartan Period
3. World Lang or
Elective
4. Found Tech/0.5
Credit Elective

Spartan Period

- o 40 minutes in length
- o INTERVENTION & ENRICHMENT
- o Students will select activities (one per cycle day for a total of 6)
- o Students may be selected by their teachers for intervention programs if they are in need of additional support



Homeroom & Lunches

- o Attendance is taken in Block/Class #1

- o Lunch will be included in Block/Class #3
 - Lunch 1: Before class
 - Lunch 2: In the middle of class
 - Lunch 3: At the end of class

Lehigh Career & Technical Institute

- o 1/2 Day Option: Students spend 1/2 day at Southern Lehigh (English, Social Studies, Math, and Science) and the remainder of the day at LCTI
- o 1st Year LCTI students rotate through 3 technical areas for approximately 7 days each before selecting desired lab
 - o Approximately 35 labs to choose from
 - o See Mrs. Cooper for an application; applications are due March 1st



Sample LCTI Schedule

Odd Days 1,3,5

1. English
2. Civics & Gov

*Spartan Period

PM LCTI

Even Days 2,4,6

1. Math
2. Science

*Spartan Period

PM LCTI



LCTI

LEHIGH CAREER &
TECHNICAL INSTITUTE



9th Grade Course Offerings

Course Levels

o Applied

- Projects
- Pacing
- Supports (i.e. additional teacher or aide)

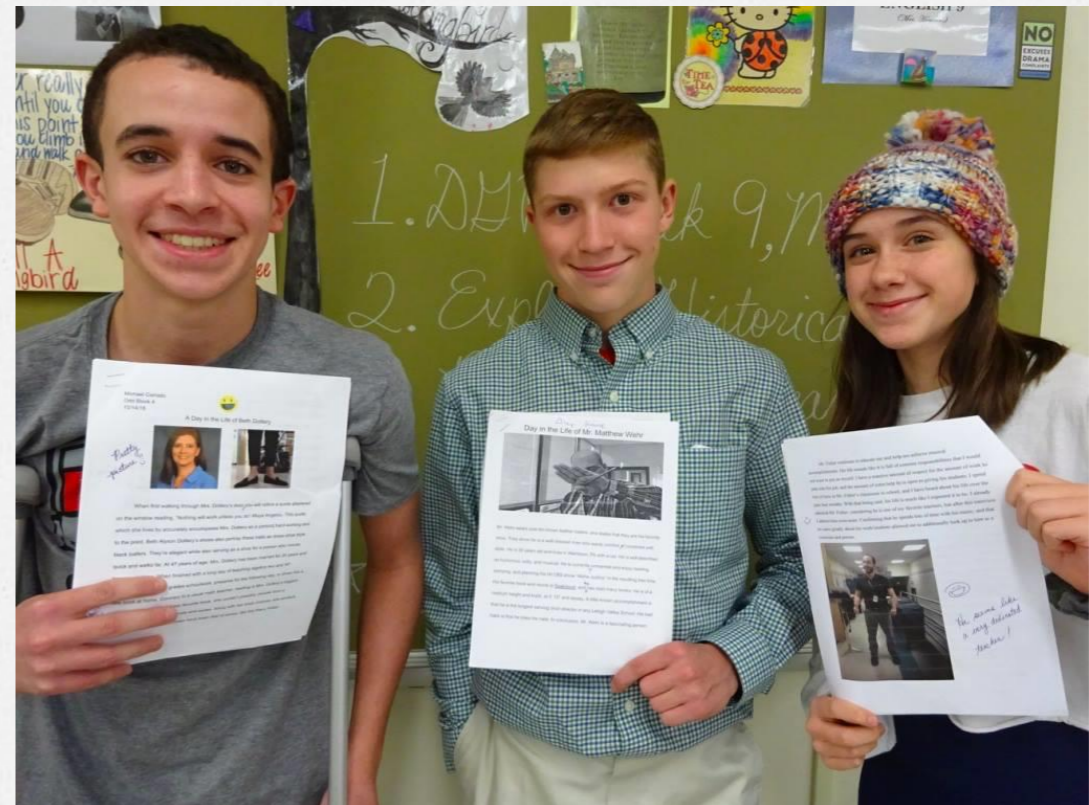
o College Prep

o Honors

- Faster-paced
- In-Depth

English

- o Applied English 9
 - o English 9
 - o Honors English 9
- ❖ Summer Reading required in all levels



Social Studies

- Applied Civics & Government
- Civics & Government
- Honors Civics & Government



Mathematics

- o Successful completion Algebra IA
 - An Algebra I course
- o Successful completion Algebra IB
 - A Geometry course
- o Successful completion Algebra I
 - A Geometry course
- o Successful completion Geometry
 - An Algebra II course

***Level
placement
according to
prerequisites**

ELECTIVES: Introduction to Computer Science I & II,
AP Computer Science Principles

Algebra I Spartan Period

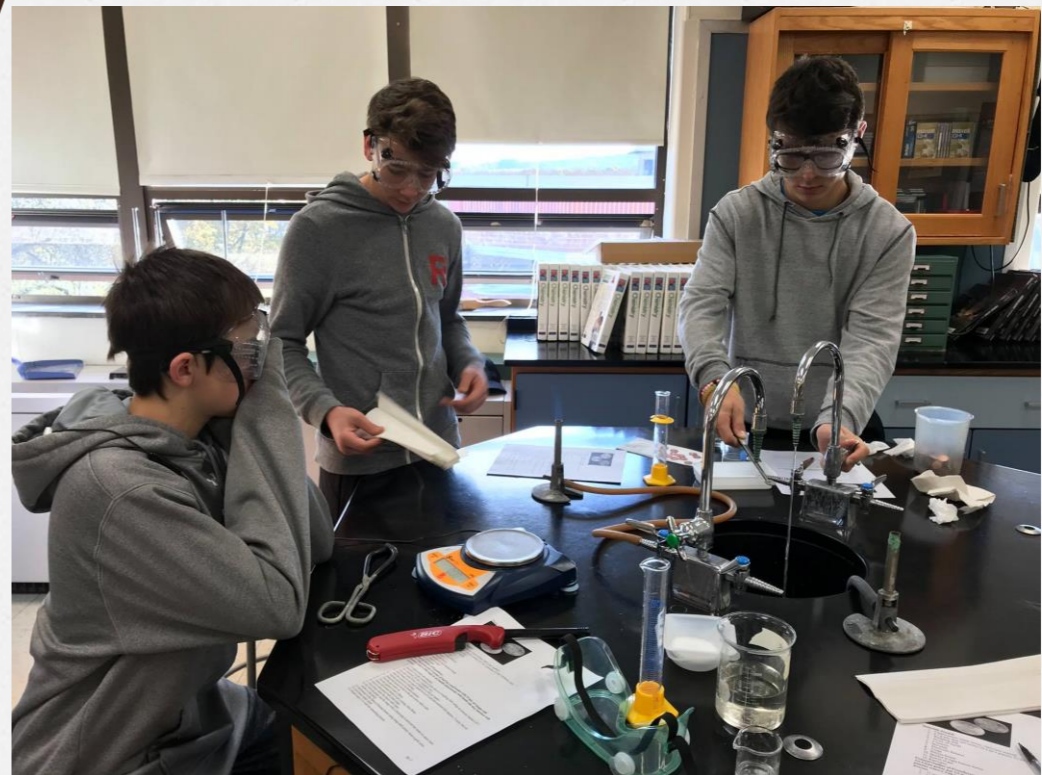
- o All students enrolled in Algebra I will be placed in a Spartan Period once in the 6 day cycle to strengthen their fundamental understanding of Algebra

Other

- o Math Sequence for ALL students will be Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II.
- o Math Acceleration & Doubling Up on Math courses are strongly discouraged
- o Importance of solid foundation in Algebra I

Science

- o Honors Biology
- o Biology
- o Applied Biology



Biology I Spartan

- o All students enrolled in Biology will be placed in a Spartan Period once in the 6 day cycle to strengthen their understanding of Biology

World Languages



- Chinese I and II
- French I and II
- Spanish I and II
- Spanish Culture and Communication
 - For Immersion Students

Health & Physical Education

- Personal Fitness (Grades 9-12)

OR

- Individual and Team Sports (Grades 9-10)

AND

- Health 9

- ❖ Each course meets every other day for one semester



Technology Education

o REQUIRED: Foundations of Technology I (0.5 Credit)

OR

o Honors Introduction Engineering Design (1.0 Credit)

o New Program: PROJECT LEAD THE WAY

Electives: Computer Aided Drafting & Design, Foundations of Tech II, and Manufacturing Technology

Business

- o Accounting I and II (0.5 Credit Each)
- o Accounting II (0.5 Credit)
- o Business Law (0.5 Credit)
- o Business Concepts (0.5 Credit)
- o Financial Literacy (0.5 Credit)
- o Introduction to Business (0.5 Credit)
- o Marketing (0.5 Credit)
- o Web Page Design I and II (0.5 Credit Each)

- ❖ Careers & Technology Applications – 10th grade

Family & Consumer Sciences

- o Family & Consumer Sciences (1.0 credit)



Music

- o Band (1.0 Credit)
 - o Color Guard (0.5 Credit; 1st semester only)
 - o Chorus (1.0 Credit)
 - o Meistersingers (1.0 Credit)
 - o Music Theory (1.0 Credit)
 - o Orchestra (1.0 Credit)
 - o Piano I (0.5 Credit)
 - o Piano II (0.5 Credit)
 - o Theatre (0.5 Credit)
- ❖ Fall Play and Spring Musical



Visual Arts

- o Ceramics (0.5 Credit)
- o Ceramics II (0.5 Credit)
- o Foundations of Art (0.5 Credit)
- o Drawing (0.5 Credit)
- o Graphic Design (1.0 Credit)
- o Methods & Materials (0.5 Credit)
- o Photography (0.5 Credit)
- o Three-Dimensional Design (0.5 Credit)

Special Education

- o 6 Teachers
- o 9 Instructional Aides
- o Provide supports for students with IEP's
 - Regular Education classrooms
 - Resource Room classrooms

Freshmen Academy

- o All Freshmen will be scheduled for Freshmen Academy in Semester 1.
- o The purpose of Freshmen Academy is to aid students in their transition to high school. Various activities are scheduled during this time.
- o Freshmen Academy meets once in the 6 day cycle during Spartan Period.

Clubs & Organizations

- There are a wide variety of clubs and organizations for students to become involved with at the High School.
- Many clubs and organizations meet during Spartan Period and/or before or after school.
- A Freshmen Club/Activity Rush will take place at Freshmen Orientation and students will be able to sign up at this time.
- We encourage students to become involved in activities at the high school!



Interscholastic Teams

- o Baseball
- o Basketball
- o Cheerleading
- o Cross Country
- o Field Hockey
- o Football
- o Golf
- o Lacrosse
- o Rifle
- o Soccer
- o Softball
- o Swimming
- o Tennis
- o Track
- o Volleyball
- o Wrestling



Orientation

August 22, 2019 (Tentative Date)

- o For incoming 9th grade students and new students to the district
- o Provides information about the high school and gives students the opportunity to walk around the building with their schedules
- o Club & Activity “Rush” in Cafeteria

New Student Registration

For students new to the Southern Lehigh School District

- o Registration for the 2019-2020 school year will begin mid-March
- o Items required at the time of registration are:
 - Immunization records
 - Birth Certificate
 - Proof of residence (such as a current electric, gas, or telephone bill)
 - Other documents such as an IEP or custody agreement if applicable
- o Hours for registration are 8:45am to 4:30pm
- o After registering at our Central Office, please contact the High School Guidance Office for an appointment to select classes (610-282-1421)