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FRESHMEN PRESENTATION

THINGS TO KNOW...

- ▶ 9th Grade Counts!
Grades 9-12 ARE considered in college decisions
- ▶ Self-Reliance:
Teachers may not always remind you of work that is due or check homework
- ▶ Self-Advocate: It will be up to you to ASK FOR HELP. Mom and Dad cannot do it for you
- ▶ Growth- Personal and Social; Try new things, join clubs, activities, and develop yourself outside of the classroom



KEY COMPONENTS OF ACADEMIC SUCCESS

- Start/continue to build your resume
- Do your work!
- Develop good study habits!
- Ask questions!
- Know what resources are available to help you.



What are colleges looking for?

- Holistic approach to admissions
 - Academic Rigor
 - Involvement in activities both inside and outside of school
 - ACT/SAT scores
 - Volunteering
 - How well you perform now will have a direct impact on your future!



GPA

- Cumulative GPA is the average of all final semester grades earned in all courses throughout high school. (Calculated twice per year Feb. & June)
- This includes freshman year!
- Calculating Semester GPA
- Total the point values that you earned in each of your classes and divide by the number of courses that you took.
- Example:
 - English 9 B+ = 3.33
 - Algebra A- = 3.67
 - PE 9 D = 1.00
 - Phy. Sci B = 3.00
 - Am. Hist. A = 4.00
 - Pers. Fin. B+ = 3.33

Total = 18.33 / 6
GPA = 3.05

GERMANTOWN HIGH SCHOOL GRADING SCALE

A = 4.000

A- = 3.670

B+ = 3.333

B = 3.000

B- = 2.670

C+ = 2.333

C = 2.000

C- = 1.670

D+ = 1.333

D = 1.000

D- = 0.670

F = 0.000



TRANSCRIPT

- A transcript is a record of all the courses you took throughout your high school career
- It includes your cumulative GPA, your semester GPA, & your class rank
- When do you apply for college?
- See examples on the following slides.



See Examples of
Transcripts



SUBJECT COURSE	EARNED CREDITS	TO BE EARNED	GR 09-09/2011-2012		GR 10-10/2012-2013		GR 11-11/2013-2014		GR 12-12/2014-2015	
			S1	S2	S1	S2	S1	S2	S1	S2

SOCIAL STUDIES										
HONORS AM HISTORY - 2	0.500			B						
HONORS MLD HISTORY - 1	0.500				B+					
HONORS MLD HISTORY - 2	0.500					B				
A.P. PSYCHOLOGY - 1	0.500							B+		
A.P. PSYCHOLOGY - 2	0.500								B	

TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION										
INTRODUCTION TO WOODWORKING	0.500			A						
INTRO: COMPUTER AIDED DRAPTING	0.500			A						
WOOD DESIGN & TECHNIQUES - S1	0.500				A					
WOOD DESIGN & TECHNIQUES - S2	0.500					A				
BASIC WELDING	0.500							B+		
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION SYSTEMS	0.500							A		
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION SYSTEMS	0.500								A	
MACHINE TOOL TECHNOLOGY 1	0.500									A-
ADVANCED WELDING	0.500									B
AUTO SYSTEMS & DIAGNOSIS	0.500								A-	
AUTO SYSTEMS & DIAGNOSIS	0.500								A-	
IND. STUDY - TECH ED	0.500	<								P

TOTAL EARNED CREDITS				7.00 CREDITS		6.50 CREDITS		7.00 CREDITS		6.00 CREDITS

< - COURSE NOT INCLUDED IN CLASS RANK(AUDIT, PASS/FAIL, ETC)

CUMULATIVE EARNED CREDITS: 26.50 TOTAL TO BE EARNED CREDITS: 0.00
 GRADE POINT AVG: 3.620
 RANK: 86 OF 317

23,000 CREDITS ARE REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION.

WLD HISTORY - 2	0.500			A-	B		
A.P. PSYCHOLOGY - 1	0.500					B-	
A.P. PSYCHOLOGY - 2	0.500						A-
SOCIAL PROBLEMS	0.500						A
SOCIOLOGY	0.500						

WORLD LANGUAGE							
SPANISH 3 - 1	0.500		A-				
SPANISH 3 - 2	0.500			A			
SPANISH 4 - 1	0.500				A-		
SPANISH 4 - 2	0.500					B-	
SPANISH 5 - 1	0.500						A
SPANISH 5 - 2	0.500						A

TOTAL EARNED CREDITS	5.50 CREDITS		6.50 CREDITS		6.00 CREDITS		6.00 CREDITS

 < - COURSE NOT INCLUDED IN CLASS RANK(AUDIT, PASS/FAIL, ETC)

CUMULATIVE EARNED CREDITS: 24.00 TOTAL TO BE EARNED CREDITS: 0.00
 GRADE POINT AVG: 3.455
 RANK: 104 OF 344

23.000 CREDITS ARE REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION.

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 (School Official)

SUBJECT COURSE	EARNED CREDITS	TO BE EARNED	GR 09-09/2010-2011		GR 10-10/2011-2012		GR 11-11/2012-2013		GR 12-12/2013-2014	
			S1	S2	S1	S2	S1	S2	S1	S2

SCIENCE										
ADVANCED CHEMISTRY - SEM 1	0.500								A-	
ADVANCED CHEMISTRY - SEM 2	0.500									A

SOCIAL STUDIES										
AM HISTORY - 1	0.500		A-							
AM HISTORY - 2	0.500			A-						
HONORS WLD HISTORY - 1	0.500				A					
HONORS WLD HISTORY - 2	0.500					A				
PSYCHOLOGY - 1	0.500						A			
PSYCHOLOGY - 2	0.500							A		
SOCIAL PROBLEMS	0.500								A	
SOCIOLOGY	0.500									A

WORLD LANGUAGE										
SPANISH 2 - 1	0.500				A					
SPANISH 2 - 2	0.500					A				
SPANISH 3 - 1	0.500						A			
SPANISH 3 - 2	0.500							A		
SPANISH 4 - 1	0.500								A	
SPANISH 4 - 2	0.500									A

TOTAL EARNED CREDITS			6.50 CREDITS		6.00 CREDITS		6.00 CREDITS		7.00 CREDITS	

 * - COURSE NOT INCLUDED IN CLASS RANK (AUDIT, PASS/FAIL, ETC)

CUMULATIVE EARNED CREDITS: 25.50 TOTAL TO BE EARNED CREDITS: 0.00
 GRADE POINT AVG: 3.979
 RANK: 11 OF 344

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BUILDING TOWARD SUCCESS- CAREER PLANNING

- Meet with your counselor!
- G-Talk Conferences (10th Grade)
- Career Cruising and Career Pathways
<https://sso.careercruising.com/page/openidconnect>
- Research college websites or other
 - Discover majors
 - Learn about careers
 - Understand financing college costs
 - Compare & contrast 2 year vs. 4 year degree options
- ACP Next Steps...
 - Series of lessons to help you build your ACP

