

Advice for New Students

Take note of simple but meaningful moments. Read more than necessary. Talk with someone different. Breathe deep. **Pay attention to every detail of every thing with your name on it.** Create. Trust those who believe in you. Write a better essay. Embrace. **Hold the door open for who's next.** Learn how to study. Find the path forward even when it's not marked. **Spend time on things that matter.** Smile. Discover more after class. **Be authentic.** Sit near the front. Experience. Ask the question until the answer makes sense. Be a friend when a friend is what's needed. Think. Explore the unfamiliar. Show up before/after school. Say what it means to you. Be willing to fall, then get right back on your feet. **Take advice from people who want you to succeed.** Imagine the improbable. Seek the uncomfortable challenge. Work in groups. **Find out what others think.** Cry when you must but laugh loudly whenever you can. **Say thanks.** Master the material, then review it again. **Arrive early.** Delight in your quirks as a sign of the real you. Make someone's day a little easier. Reflect. Fix what's broken. **Listen until you really hear.** Dance and skip and sing.

You can do this! Make the choice – every day – to give the very best you have to your family, your friends, your teachers, and your school! The rest will take care of itself.

** adapted from the University of Kentucky



SCHEDULING MEETING

Class of 2027

THS Administration

- Mr. Scott Davie – Principal
- Mrs. Rebekah Butz - Asst. Principal
 - 9th/11th grade
- Mr. Wesley Cole – Asst. Principal
 - 10th/12th grade

THS Athletics

- Athletic Director – Jake Richardson
- THS Offers 24 Varsity Programs
- Eligibility:
 - Fall - 2nd Semester – must pass at least 5 classes & 2.0 GPA
 - Pass 5 classes each semester (not including PE) & 2.0 GPA
- Physicals are good for one calendar year.

THS Counselors

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Planning for Graduation

Requirements for the Class of 2027

Talawanda High School 4-year Graduation Plan

Student Name:

Credit Plan: 22 total credits required (minimum)

Freshmen:		Sophomore:		Junior:		Senior:	
CORE REQUIREMENTS							
English I		English II (EOC)		English III		English IV	
Math		Math		Math		Math	
Physical Science		Biology (EOC)		Sci Elective			
World History		American History (EOC)		SS Elective		Government (EOC)	
OTHER REQUIREMENTS							
Health	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Personal Finance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Career/College Ready	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Physical Education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
ELECTIVE REQUIREMENTS							
Fine Art		Fine Art		Elective		Elective	
Elective		Elective		Elective		Elective	
Elective		Elective		Elective		Elective	

** If you desire an Academic Honors Diploma, you will need these additional requirements

3.5 Unweighted GPA 4th SS Credit 4th Science Credit 27+ ACT 3 yrs. World Lang

** If you are planning to attend a 4 year university, World Language should be included in your plan

Demonstration of Competency: One of the following must be met

EOC Exams	Career Plan	College Coursework	Military Enlistment
Algebra I	Foundational Plan:		
ELA II	Supporting Plan:		

Demonstration of Readiness: 2 total seals required (as a minimum)

State-Defined Seals (Min 1 req)							
Ohio Means Jobs	College-Ready (ACT/SAT)	Citizenship	Military Enlistment	Industry Credentials	Science	Honors Diploma	Technology
Locally-Defined Seals							
Community Service		Student-Engagement			Fine & Performing Art Involvement		

Post-Secondary Planning:

4-year University 2-year/Technical college Military Workplace Butler Tech

Graduation Requirements: 22 Credits Req

- 4 English
- 4 Math
- 3 Science
- 3 Social Studies
- .5 Health
- .5 Physical Education
- .5 Career & College Readiness (11th)
- .5 Personal Finance (12th)
- 1 Fine Art or equivalent
- 5 Additional Electives

Graduation Requirements, cont.

Competency:

- Algebra I & ELA II
- Industry Credentials
- College Coursework
- Military Enlistment

Readiness:

- Completion of two “Readiness Seals”
- 8 State-based seals
- 3 Local seals

** at least one seal must be “state-approved” **

Academic Honors Diploma (not grad w/ honors)

- Numerous Types – ODE Website
- Academic Honors Diploma (7 of 8)
 - 4 English
 - 4 Math
 - 4 Social Studies
 - 4 Science
 - 3 World Language (or 2/2)
 - 1 Fine Art (must be music or art course)
 - 3.50+ Unweighted GPA
 - 27+ ACT

Course Selection Book Review

[Course Scheduling Guide 23-24](#)

Staying up to date with happenings at THS:

Twitter: @TalawandaHS

Instagram: talawandasc



THS Technology Program

Univ of Cincinnati/THS Bilateral Agreement & CCP Options

Bilateral Agreement v CCP

Bilateral Agreement

- Taking UC Classes at THS
- The ACT/Accuplacer is not required to get college credit BUT...
 - The credit is only good at UC
 - C- average must be maintained in each course
- UC covers the cost of attending these courses.

CCP (College Credit Plus)

- Taking UC Classes at THS
- Qualify for CCP at UC
 - Apply by May 1st
 - ACT or Accuplacer
 - Credit is fully transferable to any college (public v private)
 - No cost for applying/attending

Potential Sequence of Courses

9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade
IT Fundamentals	Fundamentals of Web Development	Computer Programming Principles Computer Networking	Systems Administration Database Management

In addition to these IT classes, students must complete specific English, Math, and one other upper level course through UC if pursuing the direct pathway to sophomore status at UC.

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Transcript Example

TALAWANDA HIGH SCHOOL

5301 University Park Blvd.

OXFORD, OH 45056

(513)273-3218

Date: 2/3/2021

BIRTHDATE: [REDACTED]

STUDENT NUMBER: [REDACTED]

ADMISSION DATE: [REDACTED]

WITHDRAWAL DATE: [REDACTED]

GRADUATION DATE: [REDACTED]

SSID NUMBER: [REDACTED]

2020-2021

GRADE	SCHOOL NAME	COURSE NAME	IN GPA	S1F	CRED ATTM	CRED EARN
09	Talawanda HS	ACADEMIC SEMINAR 9	Yes		0.000	0.000
09	Talawanda HS	ACADEMIC SEMINAR 9	Yes	A	0.500	0.500
09	TALAWANDA HS	ALGEBRA A	Yes	D	0.500	0.500
09	TALAWANDA HS	ALGEBRA B	Yes		0.000	0.000
09	Talawanda HS	CULINARY FUNDAMENTALS	Yes		0.000	0.000
09	TALAWANDA HS	ENGLISH I	Yes	D	0.500	0.500
09	TALAWANDA HS	ENGLISH I	Yes		0.000	0.000
09	TALAWANDA HS	FRENCH I	Yes	F	0.500	0.000
09	TALAWANDA HS	HEALTH	Yes	C	0.500	0.500
09	TALAWANDA HS	PHYSICAL SCIENCE	Yes	D	0.500	0.500
09	TALAWANDA HS	PHYSICAL SCIENCE	Yes		0.000	0.000
09	TALAWANDA HS	WORLD HISTORY	Yes	C	0.500	0.500
09	TALAWANDA HS	WORLD HISTORY	Yes		0.000	0.000
10	TALAWANDA HS	HONORS BIOLOGY	Yes		0.000	0.000
10	TALAWANDA HS	HONORS BIOLOGY	Yes	C	0.500	0.500
10	TALAWANDA HS	INTRO TO ART	Yes	A	0.500	0.500
10	TALAWANDA HS	ORCHESTRA	Yes		0.000	0.000
10	TALAWANDA HS	ORCHESTRA	Yes	A	0.500	0.500
10	TALAWANDA HS	PERSONAL FINANCE	Yes		0.000	0.000
10	TALAWANDA HS	SPANISH II	Yes		0.000	0.000
10	TALAWANDA HS	SPANISH II	Yes	B	0.500	0.500

Total Credits			
SCHOOL YEAR	SCHOOL NAME	CRED ATTM	CRED EARN
2020	TALAWANDA HS	3.500	3.000
Credits Total:		3.50	3.00

Attendance				
SCHOOL YEAR	SCHOOL	DAYS PRESENT	DAYS ABSENT	TIMES TARDY
2020	TAHS	38.00	0.00	0.00

Important Dates for HS Registration

- Thursday, Feb 9th – Registration Forms due to TMS Teacher
- You'll get your forms on Friday
- Questions for your HS School Counselor?

9th Grade Sample Schedule

1st Semester

1. English I
2. Algebra I
3. Modern World History
4. Physical Science
5. PE (.25 Credit)
6. Elective
7. Elective

2nd Semester

1. English I
2. Algebra I
3. Modern World History
4. Physical Science
5. Health
6. Elective
7. Elective

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Course Selection Sheet

Sample Forms

Grade 9 Course Selection Sheet: 2023-24

Student Name: Sample		ID:	Parent Signature:			
<i>ENGLISH</i>			Cr.	Sym	Req	
1008/9	English I	Yr	R	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
1020/1	English I (Honors)	Yr	A			
<i>MATHEMATICS</i>			Cr.	Sym	Req	
3214/5	Extended Algebra I A/B	Yr	R	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
3434/5	Algebra I	Yr	R	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
3437/8	Geometry	Yr	P			
3424/5	Geometry (Honors)	Yr	P			
3521/2	Algebra II (Honors)	Yr	P			
<i>SCIENCE</i>			Cr.	Sym	Req	
4220/1	Physical Science	Yr	R	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
4230/1	Physical Science (Honors)	Yr	A			
<i>SOCIAL STUDIES</i>			Cr.	Sym	Req	
2000/1	Modern World History	Yr	R	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
2002/3	Mod World History (Honors)	Yr	A			
<i>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</i>			Cr.	Sym	Req	
5242	Cardio & Core Training	Sem				
5238	Lifetime Sports	Sem				
5236	Strength Training	Sem				
5043	Health	Sem	R	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<i>WORLD LANGUAGES</i>			Cr.	Sym	Req	
0231/2	Spanish I	Yr		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
0251/2	Spanish II	Yr	P			
0633/4	Intercultural Studies	Sem				
<i>ART</i>			Cr.	Sym	Req	
8457	Introduction to Art	Sem		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
8231	2D Art	Sem	P			
<i>BUSINESS & TECH ED</i>			Cr.	Sym	Req	
6183	Economics	Sem				
6252/3	Broadcast Journalism	Yr	A			
6210	Entrepreneurship	Sem				
6293	Game Design & Programming I	Sem				
6262D	IT Fundamentals	Sem	CCP			
6260D	Fund of Web Development	Sem	CCP			
<i>AGRICULTURE EDUCATION</i>			Cr.	Sym	Req	
7211/2	Agriculture, Food, & Nat Res	Yr				

<i>NON-CREDIT CLASSES</i>			
SH	Study Hall 1st sem	Sem	
SH	Study Hall 2nd sem	Sem	
9901/2	ETE9	Yr	
<i>MUSIC</i>			
8773/4	Chamber Singers	Yr	A
8771/2	Concert Choir	Yr	
8532	Concert Band (spring)	Sem	
8634/5	Jazz Ensemble	Yr	A
8531	Marching Band (fall)	Sem	
8792	Music Theory	Sem	
8631/2	Orchestra	Yr	
8722/3	Show Choir	Yr	A
8529/30	Steel Band	Yr	A, P
8775/6	Women's Ensemble	Yr	A
<i>FAMILY & CONSUMER SCI</i>			
7130/1	Cuisine	Yr	
7147	Foods	Sem	
7162/3	Interior & Fashion Design **	Yr	
7144/5	Child Development **	Yr	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7167	Personal Wellness *	Sem	
7134/5	Baking & Pastry Arts *	Yr	

List four alternate classes in rank order

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|---|--------------------------|
| 1 | Strength training |
| 2 | Interior design |
| 3 | foods |
| 4 | study hall |

TOL	Summer School Health	<input type="checkbox"/>
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INSTRUCTIONS:

Place a check mark in the shaded request (Req) column for each class requested.

*** One (1) check mark=Sem credit*

*** Two (2) check marks=1 credit*

A completed registration form will have 14 course selections plus 4 alternative classes.

Registration form is due to your Social Studies teacher by:

Thursday, February 9th



Questions?



Next Steps

Honors Meeting begins momentarily...



THS HONORS PROGRAM

THS Honors Program

- Goal: Challenge student's academic knowledge, ability, and problem-solving skills
 - Pacing
 - Depth of knowledge
 - Critical thinking
 - Increased rigor
 - Increased composition

9th Grade Honors Application

Honors Application: 9th Grade

STUDENT: complete information IN THIS BOX. A separate application must be submitted for each subject area that the student wants to be considered for honors placement. Give the application to your current teacher in each subject area by **Wednesday, February 8th**

Student Name _____
Honors Course _____
Current Teacher _____
Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Does your student have an IEP or Section 504 Plan that may impact admission into honors? Yes or No

Teachers please return the application to Mrs. Koontz- NOT THE STUDENT- by **Friday, February 17th**

Criteria #1: Teacher Check List must be completed by the current middle school teacher in the subject area for which the student wants to be considered for honors placement. Write the number on the line next to each phrase that best describes the student with 1 being poor and 5 being exceptional.

1-----2-----3-----4-----5

1. Initiative, independence, intrinsic motivation _____
2. Consistent, on-time work completion _____
3. Active class participation _____
4. Display of critical thinking skills _____
5. Creative, original thought _____

Additional Comments for Consideration (please be sure to comment if you gave a 1 or 2):

Teacher Signature: _____

Criteria #2: Must be completed by TMS School Counselor.

- Attendance at 95% or better

Criteria #3: Must be completed by TMS School Counselor.

- A/B average in current course in the same subject area

Criteria #4: Must be filled out by the Gifted Coordinator.

- A check here indicates that in the last 24 months the student scored in the 95%tile or higher in this subject area on a standardized test or a gifted cognitive score.

Talawanda High School: Honors Process

Decisions regarding Honors acceptance will be made by April 1st and students will be notified accordingly. At that time, students will have until May 1st to submit an honors appeal. An honors appeal consists of a typed letter (not an email) from the student, directed to the High School Principal. The appeals letter should address why the student believes that he/she is a good candidate for honors. Once received and reviewed, the Principal and corresponding Department Chairperson (or designee) will meet with the student and the three will discuss the appeal. Please note: Parents/guardians are welcome to discuss the results of the appeals meeting once completed. The appeals process can only be implemented once during a student's high school career. All appeals meetings should be completed by May 20th to allow for adequate time to complete any required summer assignments.

The above criteria will be reviewed for honors placement.

Key Dates & Application Process

Honors applications are due Thursday, Feb 9th & return to your content specific teacher

**** You will be notified if ARE NOT approved for honors. If you have requested an honors course and are approved, you will be scheduled into an honors section. ****

If you fail to turn in an honors application but register for an honors section, you will be placed into the college prep section.



Questions?