

Welcome to Gardner Edgerton High School



Home of the Trailblazers!

Freshman Transition

- ✓ Freshman lockers and core classes are in the new addition of the building. (18 classrooms)
- ✓ Freshman core teachers assigned to same area.
- ✓ Individual Plans of Study
- ✓ Link Crew - Student organization designed to assist Freshman and new students to our school.
- ✓ Orientation Day - August 12

Grade Reporting

✓ Grades:

- *Are available daily through Skyward Family Access
- *Only Semester grades go on a transcript
- *Honor Roll is also only recognized at the end of a semester
- *Family Access and the classroom teachers are your **KEY** to academic information throughout the year

✓ For Eligibility: **KSHSAA requirements state:**

Students must pass a minimum of 5 classes of equal unit weight the semester before participation starting their freshman year (Summer School, Teacher Aide, Drivers Ed, and Seminar do not count).

GEHS Daily Schedule

- ✓ The school day is from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- ✓ We follow a block schedule where each student has 4 classes and seminar daily. (8 classes total)



Block Scheduling

BLOCKS	BEGIN	END
B1/W1	8:00	9:23
B2/W2	9:30	10:53
B3/W3 *LUNCH*	11:00	12:50
B4/W4 SEMINAR	12:57	1:30
B5/W5	1:37	3:00

A Lunch	10:55-11:20
B Lunch	11:25-11:50
C Lunch	11:55-12:20
D Lunch	12:25-12:50

Freshman Focus Team

Melissa Veatch, Lead Administrator
Jan Bechard, Freshman Counselor



Graduation Requirements



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Class of 2024

- 4 credits of English
- 1/2 credit of Fine Arts
- 1 credit of PE
- 1/2 credit of Health
- 3 credits of Math
- 3 credits of Social Science
- 3 credits of Science
- 1/2 credit of Career/Life Planning

How many credits should my student have by the end of their freshman year?

8 Credits

Students need 28 CREDITS in order to GRADUATE from GEHS.

Individual Plan of Study

The Individual Plan of Study is about career and interest exploration and learning what it will take to achieve career goals.

It is FLUID and can change frequently

The goal is that students learn how to evaluate their own **strengths and interests** and match those to career areas. Then they need to learn how to use resources to understand what requirements are needed to achieve career goals

Freshman Required Courses

Honors English 9/ English 9

Honors Biology/Biology

***Consideration of Honors classes**

World Geography

Math

Physical Science or Biology

Career Life Planning

Paths to Explore

Career and Technical Education-

Students select a pathway based on interest. Certification, advanced credit and internships are possible

Post Secondary Education-

2 year or 4 year college. Students take classes that will qualify them for college admittance

Trade School- Students go to school for a specific skill

Military

Work

Pre Enrollment Information

- ✓ Counselors will visit **Trailridge** on February 4th.
- ✓ Counselors will visit **Pioneer Ridge** on February 6th.
- ✓ Counselors will visit **Wheatridge** on February 7th.



**Students should bring home their enrollment sheet after the dates listed above. It is due back the last week of February.

Course Change Policy

All students have the opportunity to select their own courses and, as much as possible, these requests are honored. Courses are scheduled based on the student request forms.

Please be aware that if a course is listed on the student request form it is very rare that class preference changes are made (see page 1 of the Course Description Guide for further details).

***Students are not allowed to drop AP or Honors classes**

***Changing a student's schedule to accommodate a specific teacher is not permitted.**

Questions??

Please contact:

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Thanks for your attendance tonight!

Please feel free to walk around and explore the building.

