

# Davison Middle School Honors Program Informational Meeting

**Davison Community Schools: Where Kids Come First and Futures Begin.** 





**Davison Community Schools** encourages all students to stretch their potential in all areas. Davison is committed to offering a challenging, and rigorous curriculum for those 7-12 students whose academic achievement, strong motivation and good study skills demonstrate a need for an advanced level of coursework.



# A Comparison of 7-12 Grade Level Courses with Honors/AP Courses

Please keep in mind that Davison's grade level courses are actually college preparation courses!

#### The grade level curriculum will:

- Prepare students for the SAT test in their junior year.
- Prepare them for college-level classes after graduation from high school.



## **Who are the Honors Students?**

### **Honor Students....**

- have strong /superior academic achievement in one or more areas as determined by report card grades, achievement tests (state tests, NWEA, classroom common assessments/report card).
- are very motivated to take on a more challenging curriculum than the grade level college preparation curriculum.
- possess good study skills/study habits.
- are able to work independently; self motivated.
- are typically not challenged by the curriculum in grade level courses.
- use creative ways to solve problems.



# **English/Language Arts**

| Grade level                   | Honors/AP         |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| 7 <sup>th</sup> : English 7   | Honors English 7  |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> English 8     | Honors English 8  |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> : English 9   | Honors English 9  |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> : English 10 | Honors English 10 |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> : English 11 | AP Language**     |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> :English 12  | AP Literature**   |

Assorted electives: Yearbook, Modern American Literature.

\*\*Advanced Placement—college credit earned by passing AP Test



## **Social Studies**

#### **Grade level**

#### Honors/AP

7<sup>th</sup>: Social Studies 7

8<sup>th</sup> History 8

9th: World History

10th: U.S. History

11th: U.S Gov/ Econ.

12th: Assorted classes

**Honors Social Studies 7** 

**Honors History 8** 

**Honors World History** 

AP U.S. History\*\*

AP Economics; Macro & Micro\*\*AP US

Gov't & Politics\*\*AP Comparative Gov't &

Politics\*\*

AP Psychology\*\* AP Microeconomics\*\*

\*Other classes: Civil War/ Psychology/ Sociology/ Criminal Law

\*\*Advanced Placement—college credit earned by passing AP test



# **Science**

Grade level

7<sup>th</sup>: Science 7

8<sup>th</sup> Earth Science 8

9<sup>th</sup>: Physical Science

10<sup>th</sup>: Biology

11th: Chemistry

12th: Physics

Honors/AP

Honors Science 7

Honors Earth Science 8 w/Science Fair

Honors Physical Science, Biology

Honors Bio, Chemistry, Hnrs. Physics

Honors Physics or Chemistry and/or AP

Biology\*\* AP Chemistry

Chemistry, AP Chemistry\*\* AP Bio\*\*

**Honors Physics** 

(Must take Chemistry prior to AP Chemistry)

<sup>\*</sup>Anatomy and Physiology, Human Development and Sports Medicine are available to all students

<sup>\*\*</sup>Advanced Placement-college credit earned by passing AP Test



## Math

#### **Grade level**

#### **Honors/AP**

7<sup>th</sup>: Math 7

8<sup>th</sup> Pre-Algebra 8

9<sup>th</sup>: Algebra I

10<sup>th</sup>: Geometry

11th: Algebra II

12th: Trig. w/ Pre-Calc

Pre-Algebra/Algebra I\* (placement test)

Algebra I\* or Geometry\*

Geometry, Alg. II, Hnrs. Alg II, Hnrs. Geom.

Algebra II, Trig w/ Pre-Calc. Honors Trig.

w/Pre-Calc., Honors Algebra II

Honors Trig w/ Pre-Calculus, AP Calc, AB\*\*

AP Cal. BC\*\* AP Statistics\*\*

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\*High school credit earned for completion of Algebra 1 and Geometry \*\*Advanced Placement—college credit earned by passing AP test



# **Looking Ahead...**

# College Credit Programs Now Available At DHS

College partnerships have been developed to offer college credit classes on site at DHS and at the local colleges. *Application criteria must be met.* 

→ Davison Early College



→ GC CTE Early Middle College



# DAVISON EARLY COLLEGE

### **FREE** TUITION **COLLEGE CREDIT**





Amanda Adolph - 5Y Student Graduation: 2018 Earned Credits: 65 Transferring to Eastern Michigan University

The Davison Early College program provides Davison students an opportunity to earn their high school diploma while simultaneously earning college credits towards a **MEMCA** certificate, highly transferable credits, certification or an Associate's Degree upon completion of their 5th year of high school.

#### Potential to EARN:

- Associate's Degree
- MEMCA Certificate or Up to 65 transferable credits

#### Requirements:

- Minimum of 2.5 GPA
- Completion of Placement Testing at MCC Attendance & discipline records Application Essay and EDP

Students must apply in 10th grade and must qualify for Davison Early College Program. Application based.



# GC CTE Early Middle College

#### LEADS TO KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS for FUTURE JOBS

#### What is GC CTE Early Middle College?

The Genesee County Career and Technical Education Early Middle College (GC CTE EMC) is a three-year high school program designed to allow a student to explore and earn an associate degree, credential or transferable credit in a CTE Career Pathway while in high school.

#### **Program Guide for GC CTE EMC:**

- Accounting
- Automotive Technology
- Autopsy Assistant
- Business Management
- Computer Aided Drafting & Design
- Computer Occupations Tech Application
  Developer Genesee County

EARLY MIDDLE COLLEGE

- Computer Occupations Tech Computer Secur.
- Culinary Arts
- Dental Assisting
- Health Fitness Professional
- Marketing Management
- Nursing Prerequisites
- Paramedics
- Physical Therapist Assistant Prerequisites
- Welding Technology



# Grade Level Classes VS. Honors/AP Courses

Factors to consider when making decisions!



# **Please Consider...**

your student's natural strengths/weaknesses (enrollment in Honors, AP and college courses are NOT all or nothing; pick and choose classes your child needs at an advanced level).

•your student's informational <u>reading</u> and <u>writing</u> skills. They must have excellent skills in these two areas for success in Honors English, Science, and Social Studies classes.

your child's extra-curricular activities and commitments.

•your student's overall math skills. If your child is in regular 6th grade math, he or she will skip a whole year of math instruction (7th Grade Math) when placed in Honors Pre-Algebra in 7th grade (Pre-Algebra is the 8th grade math class). This is why we rely on test scores so much and why some very good math students are placed in 7th Grade Math rather than Honors Pre-Algebra.



# **Please Consider...**

- your student's study habits.
- your student's work ethic/commitment to challenging coursework.
- •your student's level of self-directedness/initiative.
- •Your student's need to get all A's vs. enrollment in a tougher Honors/AP class, where he/she may earn a B or even a C on some tests/papers/report cards.
- the end goal—where you want your child to end up at the end of 12th grade.
- •your child's motivation/desires vs. your motivation/desires as a parent to take an Honors/AP class.



# **DMS Honors Process**

- 1. Parents complete an application and return it to their child's current school by Friday, March 17.
- Data is gathered on all students whose parents want them to be considered for Honors courses; placement tests for math courses.
- 3. Team of administrators and teachers will review the data as well as information from report cards, etc., to decide on the best placement for each applicant in either an Honors course or grade level course.
- 4. All parents will be notified of their child's placement if an application for the Honors Program was completed and returned.



# **Questions?**



Middle School Guidance Office: 591-5101 for questions about the DMS Honors Program

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