

Brandon High School – Incoming 9th Grade Course Selection Form 2020-2021

Student Name: _____ Student #: _____
 (Last) (First) (M.I.)

Student Email Address: _____ Parent Email Address: _____

Core Course Teacher Recommendations

Note: Your academic courses are assigned based on grades, test scores, and teacher recommendations

- Teachers and/or counselors will identify core course placement for students.
- Any inquiries or requests about recommended course placement must be coordinated with the middle school teacher and/or counselor.
- High school counselors will have individual meetings with students to review these recommendations starting in January, and students will be advised for elective selections.

Schedule Change Policy

- **VALID reasons** for a schedule change may include: **scheduling error, computer error, failing a required course, passing a course in summer school or night school, lacking a graduation requirement and/or lacking the proper prerequisite.**
- **Elective changes most often cannot be honored** due to teacher unit allocation and class size reduction amendment.
- **Schedule change requests will NOT be considered for the purpose of teacher preference.**
- Failure to complete summer reading (e.g., AP Courses) does not constitute a valid reason of a schedule change.
- A change request may require the entire schedule to be altered to meet the request the student has made, including different teachers and different class periods.
- Once a schedule has been changed, it cannot be changed back again to the original schedule.
- The student is responsible for all class work from the beginning of the semester, regardless of the date the student entered the class.
- **All schedule change requests must be approved by the Assistant Principal for Curriculum, subject department head and school counselor.**
- A level change (regular to honors) or (honors to regular) may not be possible due to **CLASS SIZE AVERAGE REQUIREMENTS (25 per class).**
- **Due to the requirement of the CLASS SIZE REDUCTION AMENDMENT, requests for Schedule Changes may be denied as classes reach maximum legal capacity.**

Graduation Requirements

English	4 required English I, II, III, IV
Mathematics	4 required Including Algebra I or its equivalent and Geometry
Science	3 required Including 1 Biology and 2 credits in equally rigorous science course, 2 of which must have a laboratory component
Social Studies	3 required Including 1 World History, 1 United States History, ½ United States Government and ½ Economics
Fine Arts	1 required In Fine or Performing Arts, Speech and Debate, or an approved Practical Arts course (2 years of JROTC waives Practical/Fine Arts credit)
Physical Ed. (HOPE)	1 required HOPE (2 years of JROTC waives HOPE)
World/Foreign Language	Not required for high school graduation, but at least 2 credits in the same language are required for admission into four year colleges and universities
Electives	8 required (for Bright Futures elective credit details go to www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org)
Online/Virtual Requirement	At least one course must be completed through online learning
Minimum Credits/G.P.A	24 credits/2.0 unweighted G.P.A.

College Admission Requirements: Minimum state requirements do not necessarily prepare you for college. Most universities require a minimum of 4 credits of English, 4 credits of Mathematics, 3 credits in Science, 3 credits in Social Science and 2 credits in Foreign Language, and a 3.0 G.P.A or higher. Your counselor can give you more information.

GPA Bonus Points: If students receive a “C” or higher in a honors class they will receive .04 per ½ honors credit, .08 per ½ credit for Dual Enrollment and AP.

FLVS Information: If your child plans to take an online class this summer, he/she must register for the course through his/her 8th grade counselor by **May 29, 2020**. In addition, electives that students intend to take on FLVS should **not** be listed on this programming sheet.

I am aware of the programs offered to my child at Brandon High School and I agree with his/her choices as indicated. I have also read and understand the schedule change policy as detailed on the back of this form. In addition, I am aware of my child’s graduation requirements.

 Parent signature Date

 Student Signature Date

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Core Course Recommendation (To be completed by 8 th Grade School Counselor or Teacher)				
1. English (Teacher Approval) <input type="checkbox"/> English 1 <input type="checkbox"/> English 1 Honors <input type="checkbox"/> English 1 ESOL	2. Mathematics (Teacher Approval) <input type="checkbox"/> Algebra 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Liberal Arts Math 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Geometry <input type="checkbox"/> Geometry Honors <input type="checkbox"/> Algebra 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Algebra 2 Honors	3. Science (Teacher Approval) <input type="checkbox"/> Biology <input type="checkbox"/> Biology Honors <input type="checkbox"/> AP Biology (2 Period Block) (with teacher approval)	4. Physical Education <input type="checkbox"/> HOPE (graduation requirement)	5. Recommended Courses (Teacher Approval) <input type="checkbox"/> Intensive Reading <input type="checkbox"/> Reading 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Reading Honors */ Semantics & Logics Honors* <input type="checkbox"/> Dev. Lang. ESOL <input type="checkbox"/> AP Human Geography

Elective Courses (To be completed by Student and Parent)
<p>List your elective courses from the courses listed below. Please choose in order of preference with #6 being your top choice. Courses with an asterisk (*) after it means that the course is one (1) semester. Fill in two courses with an asterisk (*) to equal one full year (For example: <i>sem 1 Women's Studies/sem 2 Vietnam War</i>) for each elective number of or alternate. Courses with "NO" asterisk after it means that the course is a full year (2 semester) course. Fill in the names of full year courses (the courses without an asterisk) only in semester 1 (For example: <i>sem 1 HOPE /sem 2 -----</i>).</p> <p>Choose carefully, electives changes will not be honored once school starts.</p> <p>6. <i>sem 1</i> _____ /<i>sem 2</i> _____</p> <p>7. <i>sem 1</i> _____ /<i>sem 2</i> _____</p> <p>8. <i>sem 1</i> _____ /<i>sem 2</i> _____</p> <p>** Your top 3 electives (#6-8) might not be available next year. Be sure to list Alternate Elective Choices here.</p> <p>Alt 1 <i>sem 1</i> _____ /<i>sem 2</i> _____</p> <p>Alt 2: <i>sem 1</i> _____ /<i>sem 2</i> _____</p> <p>FLVS Course(s): List any courses you plan on taking during the summer prior to 9th grade.</p>

Elective Courses Offered			
AGRISCIENCE and VETERINARY ASSISTING <input type="checkbox"/> Agritechnology 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Veterinary Assisting Honors 1 ART (PF) <input type="checkbox"/> Creating 2-D Art* <input type="checkbox"/> Creating 3-D Art* <input type="checkbox"/> Ceramics/Pottery 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2-D Studio Art 1 AUTOMOTIVE EDUCATION <input type="checkbox"/> Auto Maintenance/Light Repair 1 AVID <input type="checkbox"/> AVID 1 WORLD LANGUAGE <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 2 Honors <input type="checkbox"/> American Sign Language 1 <input type="checkbox"/> American Sign Language 2 <input type="checkbox"/> French 1 <input type="checkbox"/> French 2	INSTITUTE OF BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY Academy of Finance (AOF) (AOF Students Only) <input type="checkbox"/> Business Communications & Technology (PF) Academy of Information Technology (AOIT) (AOIT Students Only) <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Fundamentals (CIW) (PF) Other Technology (PF) <input type="checkbox"/> Digital Information Technology (Microsoft Suite) <input type="checkbox"/> 3-D Animation 1 <input type="checkbox"/> TV Production 1 DRAMA (PF) <input type="checkbox"/> Intro to Drama* <input type="checkbox"/> Theatre 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Acting 1 (Competition) (audition) <input type="checkbox"/> Technical Theatre Design & Production 1 ENGLISH <input type="checkbox"/> Journalism 1 (PF) <input type="checkbox"/> Debate 1 (PF) <input type="checkbox"/> Speech 1 (PF)	DRIVERS EDUCATION <input type="checkbox"/> Drivers Education* (\$) (must be 15yo) (Semester 2) FAMILY CONSUMER SCIENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Child Development* <input type="checkbox"/> Parenting Skills* <input type="checkbox"/> Early Childhood Ed 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Nutrition and Wellness* JROTC (2 years = Hope credit & PF) <input type="checkbox"/> JROTC 1 MUSIC (PF) \$ <input type="checkbox"/> Band 1 (Instrument: _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Ins. Ensemble 1 (Percussion/Drumline) <input type="checkbox"/> Chorus 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Adv. Vocal Ensemble 1(Aquilla) (audition) <input type="checkbox"/> Orchestra 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Eurhythmics (Color Guard) 1 (audition) <input type="checkbox"/> Jazz Ensemble 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Guitar (Instrument Required) SCIENCE (elective only) <input type="checkbox"/> Zoology Honors	PHYSICAL EDUCATION <input type="checkbox"/> Aerobics 1* <input type="checkbox"/> Aerobics 2* <input type="checkbox"/> Aerobics 3* <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball 1* <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball 2* <input type="checkbox"/> Team Sports 1* <input type="checkbox"/> Team Sports 2* <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball 1* <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball 2* <input type="checkbox"/> Weight Train 1* <input type="checkbox"/> Weight Train 2* <input type="checkbox"/> Weight Train 3* <input type="checkbox"/> Wrestling 1* <input type="checkbox"/> Wrestling 2* SOCIAL STUDIES (elective) <input type="checkbox"/> African American History* <input type="checkbox"/> Anthropology* <input type="checkbox"/> Holocaust* <input type="checkbox"/> Latin American History* <input type="checkbox"/> Law Studies* <input type="checkbox"/> Philosophy Honors* <input type="checkbox"/> Psychology 1* <input type="checkbox"/> Psychology 2* <input type="checkbox"/> Sociology* <input type="checkbox"/> Wars of the 20 th Century* <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Studies* <input type="checkbox"/> World Religions*
KEY * = ½ Semester Course + = Does not count towards Bright Futures credit PF = Performing Fine Arts Credit \$ = Fees Required		** Note: Students will be placed in a Reading course based on their FSA scores and reading level.	