

Edmund Burke School • High School Curriculum • 2026-27

	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
ENGLISH	English 9: Genres	English 10: Modern World Literature	English 11: American Literature	AP English Literature or selection of electives 2026-27 trimester electives - Creative Writing; Happiness in Literature; Literary Adaptation; Mystery, Murder & Madness; One Acts Workshop; Sci-Fi by Women Writers
HISTORY	History 9: The Ancient World	History 10: Modern World History	AP US History US History	Yearlong elective - Advanced Art History
			2026-27 trimester electives - Behavioral Psychology; Constitutional Law; History of the DMV; Modern Revolutions; Social Psychology; Sport in US Society; US Music Since 1945; Women in US History	
MATH*	Algebra 1 → Algebra 2 or Advanced Algebra 2 → Geometry or Advanced Geometry → Precalculus or Advanced Precalculus → Calculus AB or AP Calculus AB → AP Calculus BC → Multivariable Calculus Additional senior year options - Advanced Statistics; Statistics, Algebra & Finance			
SCIENCE	Environmental Science and Chemistry (order depends on math placement)		Biology AP Chemistry	AP Physics C - Mechanics; Physics; Conceptual Physics; AP Biology; AP Chemistry
			2025-26 trimester electives - Adv. Research in Molecular Biology; Bioethics; Medical Microbiology	
COMP. SCI.	Intro. to Computer Science (one trimester)	2026-27 trimester electives - 2D Game Development, Data Science, Robotics, Web Apps, Independent Projects		
WORLD LANGUAGES*	French 1 → French 2 → French 3 → AP French Language → French 5: Advanced French			
	Spanish 1 → Spanish 2 → Spanish 3 → AP Spanish Language → Advanced Topics in Spanish			

(*) student's starting level depends on placement testing and previous coursework

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SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS	Health, Values & Ethics 9 <i>(one trimester)</i>	Health, Values & Ethics 10 <i>(one trimester)</i>	Health, Values & Ethics 11 <i>(one trimester)</i>	Health, Values & Ethics 12 <i>(one trimester)</i>
	9th Grade Seminar <i>(one trimester)</i>			Senior Seminar <i>(one trimester)</i> Senior Project <i>(two weeks, full-time)</i>
PERFORMING ARTS	Introduction to Instrumental Music 9/10 Instrumental Music (Band) 9/10 Intermediate Instrumental Music (Band)		Instrumental Music (Band) 11/12 Advanced Instrumental Music (Band)	
	Advanced Acting; Drama; Improvisation; Music Production; Singing in the Spotlight; Vocal Ensemble (grades 9-12)			
VISUAL ARTS	Ceramics; Digital Photo; Drawing; Filmmaking; Illustration; Media Arts; Mixed Media; Painting; Printmaking		3D Digital Design; Adv. Ceramics; Adv. Studio Art; Animation; Ceramics; Digital Photo; Media Arts; Studio Art	

High School Graduation Requirements 2026-27

- **English:** four years
- **History:** three years, including US History
- **Math:** three years, up through Geometry
- **Science:** three years, including Biology
- **Computer Science:** introductory trimester course
- **World Language:** three years of the same language
- **Arts:** seven trimesters, including at least two Visual and two Performing Arts
- **Athletics:** six or more team sports **or** a combination of seven teams + PE (trimester) classes

(*) most performing and visual arts courses are one trimester; Intermediate Band is two trimesters and Advanced Band is year-long

