



January 20, 2026

Dear Student and Parents/Guardians,

We are very excited to announce that course selection for the 2026-2027 school year will be taking place starting in January for all current 9th-grade students. School counselors will meet with students during the week of January 27th to advise students and review each student's course preferences to ensure selections are in accordance with high school graduation requirements, post-secondary requirements, and individual goals and needs.

Current 9th-grade students will select their courses once the portal opens in PowerSchool on January 27th and will have until February 12th to submit their final course selection (course requests may be changed and resubmitted up through the final day the window is open). Please note that all other grade levels will select courses in January/February.

To input course requests, students will need to log in to PowerSchool and click on the Class Registration link. Please note that course selection can only be accessed through the **Student's PowerSchool Login**. A video tutorial can be found [here](#). Students, please take your time while choosing courses to ensure selecting a course load that you will be happy to have even if you get alternative electives.

0-Period Request:

If you are interested in taking a 0-period course, which starts at 7:30 a.m. and on Wednesdays at 7:00 a.m., please fill out the request from [here](#). Please note that we will try to accommodate requests but cannot make any guarantees. If a student is given a 0-period, they will have a 0-5th period schedule to complete a 6-period day. If you are placed in a zero period, you are making a commitment to arrive at class on time on a daily basis.

If the student has an IEP, they will be meeting with their case managers to ensure they are scheduled in accordance with their specific IEP needs.

Thank you for your collaboration and support during this process.

The CVCHS School Counseling Team

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PowerSchool Guide and Resources:

Information to assist students in course selection can be accessed on the Clayton Valley Charter website. We have posted many helpful documents under Resources > Counseling > Course Selection or [here](#). These documents include: scheduling tips, FAQs, four-year plan template, course catalog, electives-at-a-glance, graduation requirements, UC/CSU A-G requirements, math and science sequence diagrams, AP time management chart, and a pathways course chart.

HOW TO MAKE COURSE SELECTIONS:

Step 1

Students go to PowerSchool by visiting the [student portal page](#) and selecting the blue PowerSchool button towards the center of the page. Use the following information to log into the student's PowerSchool account:

Student Username:

First letter First name, First letter Last name, Student ID# No Spaces

Student Password:

Your initial password was your 2 digit Birth Month, 2 digit Birth Day, Student ID# No spaces. If you have already changed your password, use the password you created.

Step 2

Log on to PowerSchool and click on the "Class Registration" link. Students will click on the pencil icon next to each subject area to access the choices for that subject. When done, click on the Submit button at the bottom to save your selections.

Advanced Placement (AP) Courses:

CVCHS offers a wide range of AP courses. These are college-level classes that require strong time-management skills, consistent effort, and a commitment to completing rigorous coursework.

Students considering AP courses need to:

- Carefully evaluate their overall academic and extracurricular workload.
- Schedule an appointment with their counselor to discuss AP course selection.
- Recognize there is no guarantee of placement in all requested AP courses.
- **Understand that AP courses, once scheduled, cannot be dropped.**
- Contact the AP teacher directly and check the CVCHS website for AP course expectations and required summer assignments.
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- For more detailed information, visit: <https://ap.collegeboard.org/>

Parents are strongly encouraged to review AP expectations and support their students in managing the increased rigor.

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Students are assigned a school counselor according to their last name in the alphabet. The Counseling Department page on the school website contains biographical information for each counselor, as well as their contact information. Please be advised that the counselor assignment is subject to change due to enrollment.

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