IRHS School Counseling Information – April/May 2026

Course Request Letters – Course request letters for the 2026-2027 school year were available in StudentVue and ParentVue starting on March 5, 2026. This was Indian River's official notification of the classes that our students signed up for next year. These course request letters have been removed. Changes were due by March 9, 2026. At this point course request changes will not be made unless there is an academic reason. If you still need to make a course request change, please complete the google form link below. **Please note that the IRHS School Counselors will not be checking the requests until May and they will follow up with students who make requests no later than June 1**. After June 1, IRHS will not be discussing schedules until after July 1 when parents/guardians can call Guidance to set up a meeting in the summertime with a counselor. The google form will be closed on Thursday, May 21 at noon.
Course Request Changes for 2026-2027

Advanced Placement (AP) Exam Updates:
2026 AP Exams will be administered in school during the first two weeks of May. For subject-specific dates, visit http://collegeboard.org/apexamdates. The deadline for registering for AP exams for Spring AP courses was March 11, 2026. You may contact the AP teacher, or Mrs. Christen Jones, AP Coordinator, at christen.jones@cpschools.com with any questions. Students who have registered for exams will receive additional information in April regarding exam day procedures.

Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) - The ASVAB will be administered on April 30, 2026 at 9:30 am. Students must register (we can only test a certain number of students) and have a fully charged chromebook to test. ASVAB Registration

Report Cards - Marking Period 06 report cards will be available in StudentVue and ParentVue on April 17, 2026. And Marking Period 07 report cards will be available on May 22, 2026.

SOL Testing – the majority of SOL End of Course testing will take place in May and June 2026. Students in SOL courses should check with their SOL teachers to confirm if they are or are not taking the SOL test. SOL teachers can provide all of the detailed information required for the testing days.

Summer School Registration – Summer School 2026 info should be available after Spring Break.

Who may want to consider going to summer school?

1. Students who have failed a course during the year and would like to make it up during the summer.
2. Students who are fall or winter athletes and need to take a class to meet VHSL requirements (must pass three out of four credit bearing classes this semester to be eligible for Fall and Winter sports) OR student athletes who have fallen below the 2.0 GPA requirement.
3. Any rising senior who will need an extra class in order to graduate on time in June 2027.

Promotion Requirements
Below are the promotion requirements from one grade level to the next:

- **9th grade to 10th grade** – the successful completion of five credits
- **10th grade to 11th grade** - the successful completion of ten credits
- **11th grade to 12th grade** - the successful completion of sixteen credits

Transcripts – All students can request a free transcript through www.parchment.com Directions on how to create an account are located here

Class of 2026 Graduation Information – There will be a senior assembly on April 1, 2026 during 2nd block to go over all types of end of the year information for seniors. College bound seniors are reminded to request a final transcript through Parchment (see info above) to be sent to their college of choice. Colleges require that they receive these final transcripts to complete the registration process. Transcripts will be released to the colleges no later than July 8, 2026. Seniors should be aware that final transcripts won't be ready until June 25, so plan your summer college registration days accordingly. Seniors are reminded that their Chesapeake School e-mail addresses will be inactivated after graduation. There will be a Senior Awards Assembly in June 2026. The date will be determined later. Scholarships and special Senior Awards will be announced at this assembly.

Scholarship Information

Seniors should be checking ScholarshipVue often through Chesapeake Public Schools to see all that we have to offer. Applications and deadlines are posted. **ScholarshipVue. Scholarships are also available through other avenues.** Please also visit the IRH Scholarship Central for more information and scholarship databases: **Scholarship Central.** If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Timothy Hargrove in the Counseling Office.

Scholarship Award Letters

Seniors should upload scholarship award letters to be recognized in the graduation program. The deadline is May 29, 2026. *NEW THIS YEAR - PLEASE ONLY SUBMIT THE SCHOLARSHIPS YOU ARE ACCEPTING.* The upload form can be found here: **Senior Scholarship Awards – C/O 2026**

ACCESS Information

The **final deadline** to complete and submit the Commitment Day Permission Slip for the field trip is NO LATER than **April 26.** The Commitment Day **field trip will be on May 5th**. It is a fun event for seniors to celebrate with their peers. We will be leaving from IRHS on school buses to the event. Seniors from Virginia Beach, Portsmouth, Norfolk, and other Chesapeake, Suffolk, and Northampton schools will be in attendance at this event. Lunch and t-shirts will be provided to the students attending the field trip at no cost to students. Here is a video of last year's event CCD 2025 Highlights There is a scholarship opportunity for those attending the field trip.

ACCESS "Last Dollar Scholarship" deadline is **April 26.** ACCESS Scholarship Application. It is one application for consideration for multiple scholarships. Many do not require an essay. Seniors should continue to send me via email (Natasha.Sackey@cpschools.com) screenshots or copies of financial award letters once received.