

Student Registration FAQ

Q: How do I know if I am allowed to take a class?

A: Check required prerequisites before selecting a course. A comprehensive list titled Course Guide and Prerequisites is linked here (<https://www.fcusd.org/Page/11365>).

Q: Can anyone take a zero period? What classes are offered zero period?

A: Zero period is available to all future 10-12th grade students. Incoming Freshmen students are not allowed to take a zero period (only exception is if your Band is only offered that period). This is to ensure students are successful transitioning to high school and can balance a standard 6 period day before adding a 7th period. Zero period classes are based on enrollment and interest, typically they are a core class: Math, World Language, Science, Social Studies.

Q: How do I challenge a course?

A: Challenge tests are offered for students who are seeking to progress and self-study in math and world language. Taking the test is not recommended as it is much better to learn the material in class. Students who pass the test with a B or better may progress to the next math course. The grade earned on the test is posted to students' high school transcript and credits will be awarded. The test is typically offered ONE TIME in August. Must Attend a Virtual Challenge Test Informational Session (Math/World Language): Monday, March 8th or 15th at 2pm. The Zoom link may be found on the FHS Counseling Webpage. During registration, enter the course that you are "supposed" to go into. For Example: If currently in IM1 but want to challenge IM2, enter IM2 on your course selection AND then attend our special info session for Challenge Test.

Q: What if I want/need to go to summer school?

A: Summer school is only an option for current 9-11th graders, current 8th graders are not eligible. If you earned a D/F in a required core class for graduation you can sign up for REMEDIAL summer school.

<https://forms.gle/PhqNaFYhLvtixsut8>.

If you are interested in taking an ENRICHMENT summer school course you must meet these requirements <https://www.fcusd.org/Page/32955> and attend the sign up sessions on Monday, April 12th at 10:30am OR April 19th at 2pm <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5263566263?pwd=UFRDNIJHMHVDbzg5RGllckxQWjd3UT09;>
Passcode: FHS

Q: How do I enroll in an AP/Honors class?

A: Check the prerequisites on the curriculum guide (<https://www.fcusd.org/Page/11365>) and if you meet the requirements for the desired class, then register for the specific class during registration. For more information regarding AP Registration Process: <https://www.fcusd.org/Page/36103>

Q: How do I take an AP/Honors course?

A: You would sign up on your course selection form. Students must have a 3.0 college prep GPA and have an A/B in the prerequisite courses all grading periods. Please review our curriculum guide for prerequisites.

Q: How do I qualify to take an AP/Honors course?

A: Students must meet the prerequisites for the AP/Honors course that they select on their course form. Specific prerequisites for each course can be found in the FHS curriculum guide. The college prep gpa for AP/Honors courses is a 3.0. There may be consideration for students who fall below the 3.0 GPA requirement to be accepted in an AP/Honors course. (If you have a college prep gpa of 2.7 or higher and/or did not meet the "grade" prerequisite for an AP/Honors Course (future 10-12th grades), you may qualify for an AP/Honors petition. The petition acknowledges that you do not meet the prerequisites, however you would still like to be considered for an opportunity to the course. Completed petitions are given to AP teachers who will review the

requests and determine if you will be given a spot in the course. Students will be notified if the petition is approved and they have been enrolled in the course)

****All students admitted into an AP/Honors course will sign an AP/Honors contract with specific responsibilities. If you are granted a seat in the course you will not be permitted to drop the course once the AP/Honors contract is in place.**

Q:What if I make a mistake entering my classes into PowerSchool?

A: Be very careful to enter your course requests accurately into PowerSchool. If an error is made the course selection form is flagged and reviewed for correction. This may cause a delay and can cause students to not get their first choice courses. Some examples of errors are: requesting a course where the prerequisite has not been met, not selecting the matching 1st semester (A) and 2nd semester (B) for each course and not including required forms such as TA forms or AP contracts.

Q:What if I change my mind about my class choices?

A: It is advised that students choose courses of interest. We are unable to guarantee changes after submission. If there is an error, counselors will adjust it during their review process (March/April). We will be using the grade level google forms/course selection forms.

Q: When can I sign up to be a teacher/office assistant?

A: 11th and 12th graders are eligible to be teacher and office assistants. If you would like to be scheduled for a teacher/office assistant position, you will need to enter the teachers name into your course selection form and it will be submitted to the teacher for approval.

Q: What if I want to graduate early (mid-year/December)?

A: During class registration, please mark “mid year-grad” and your counselor will be in contact with you in March/April to create a plan. Once a plan has been made, your counselor will give you a Mid-Year Grad Contract that will be completed by student and parent, and then returned.