

Welcome Class of 2028 Parents!



Spanish Interpretation. Please sit on the Left
Interpretación en español. Por favor, siéntese a la izquierda

Portuguese Interpretation. Please sit on the Right
Interpretação Portuguese. Por favor, sente-se à direita



Scheduling Info
Night for Incoming
9th Graders

Administration



Dr. Scioli
Principal



Ms. Reutter



Miss Walls



Mr. McAdams

Assistant Principals



School Counselors



Mr. Gumby
A-EI

Ms. Kilpatrick
Em-Lz



Ms. Osborn
Ma-Qz

Mr. Shackelford
Ra-Z

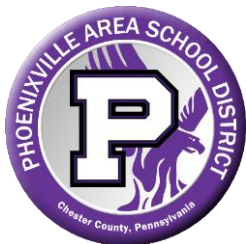


Other Staff



Mr. Grinstead
Athletic & Activities Director

Ms. Bhalla
College & Career Counselor



Scheduling Timeline

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Program of Studies

- Review BEFORE electives are entered!
- PASD Website > HS > Counseling Department

The screenshot displays the Phoenixville Area High School website. At the top left is the Phoenixville Area School District logo, a purple circle with a white 'P' and the text 'PHOENIXVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT' and 'Chestnut County, Pennsylvania'. To the right of the logo is the school name 'PHOENIXVILLE AREA HIGH SCHOOL' and the slogan 'Home of the Phantoms'. Below this is the address '1200 Gay Street, Phoenixville, PA 19460' and phone/fax numbers 'P: 484-927-5100 | F: 484-927-5174'. A navigation menu includes 'Home', 'About PAHS', 'Departments', 'Parents', 'Students', 'Clubs', 'Athletics', 'Alumni', 'Calendar', and 'Staff Directory'. The main heading is 'COUNSELING DEPARTMENT'. The text below reads: 'The American School Counseling Association (ASCA) as well as the Pennsylvania School Counseling Association (PSCA) asserts that school counseling is an integral part of the overall educational experience. Phoenixville Area School District's school counseling department is committed to provide all students with a comprehensive school counseling program which systematically addresses the three areas of academic, career, and personal/social development. It is our belief that in doing so, we assist students in exploring, planning, and realizing their individual interests, abilities, goals, thus helping them reach their full potential as productive members of society.' At the bottom, it lists services: 'Services include: pre-scheduled 1-on-1 meetings with grade level counselors 2x/year, course scheduling requirements, tutoring services, goal setting, and transitioning to high school.' There are also two award logos: '2022 BEST Communities for MUSIC EDUCATION' and 'BEST HIGH SCHOOLS US News NATIONAL 2022'.

Requirements to Graduate PAHS

Students must take these....		
English	4.0 Credits	You must take a 4 th year in TWO of these departments!
Social Studies	3.0 Credits	
Math	3.0 Credits	
Science	3.0 Credits	

...and these...	
Techniques of Writing	0.5 Credits
Technology Course	0.5 Credits
Health	0.5 Credits
Physical Education	1.0 Credits
Fine Arts	0.5 Credits

..as well as ...	
Additional Electives	6.0 Credits
Complete the Career Exploration Project	
Complete your Keystone Pathway	

To earn a diploma!

Graduation Requirements: Physical Education/Health Requirements

- 1.0 credit of PE is required for graduation
- 0.5 credit of Health during 10th Grade—Online Health option available
- Examples:

Phys Ed Class (during day)	0.5 Credits	XC Athletic Activity	0.5 Credits (2 Seasons Max)	XC Athletic Activity	0.5 Credits (2 Seasons Max)
Phys Ed Class (during day)	0.5 Credits	Phys Ed Class (during day)	0.5 Credits	XC Athletic Activity #2	0.5 Credits (2 Seasons Max)
Health & PE	0.5 Credits	Health & PE	0.5 Credits	Health & PE	0.5 Credits

Keystone Exam Requirement



The Pennsylvania Department of Education has mandated that students demonstrate Proficiency in Keystone Exams prior to taking receipt of their High School diploma.



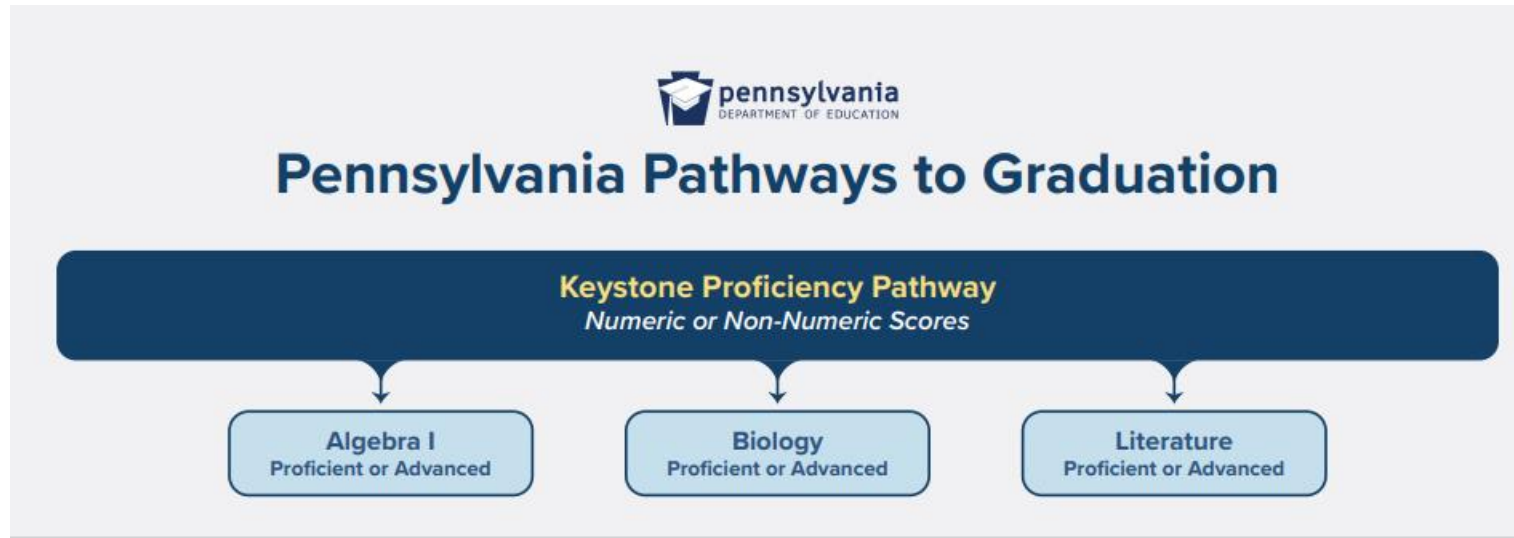
Prior to the completion of their junior year, students will have taken 3 Keystone Exams: Literature, Biology and Algebra I.



Any student completing a Keystone-related course must take the appropriate Keystone Exam.

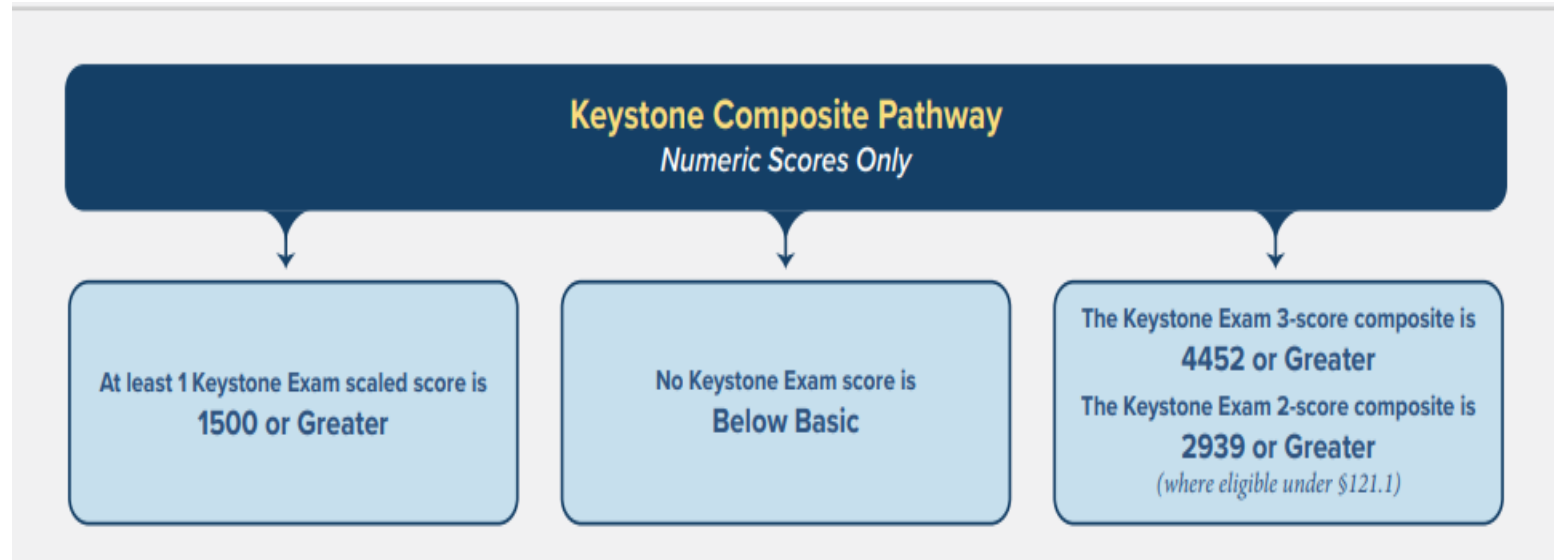
ACT 158/ Keystone

□ Keystone Proficiency Pathway:



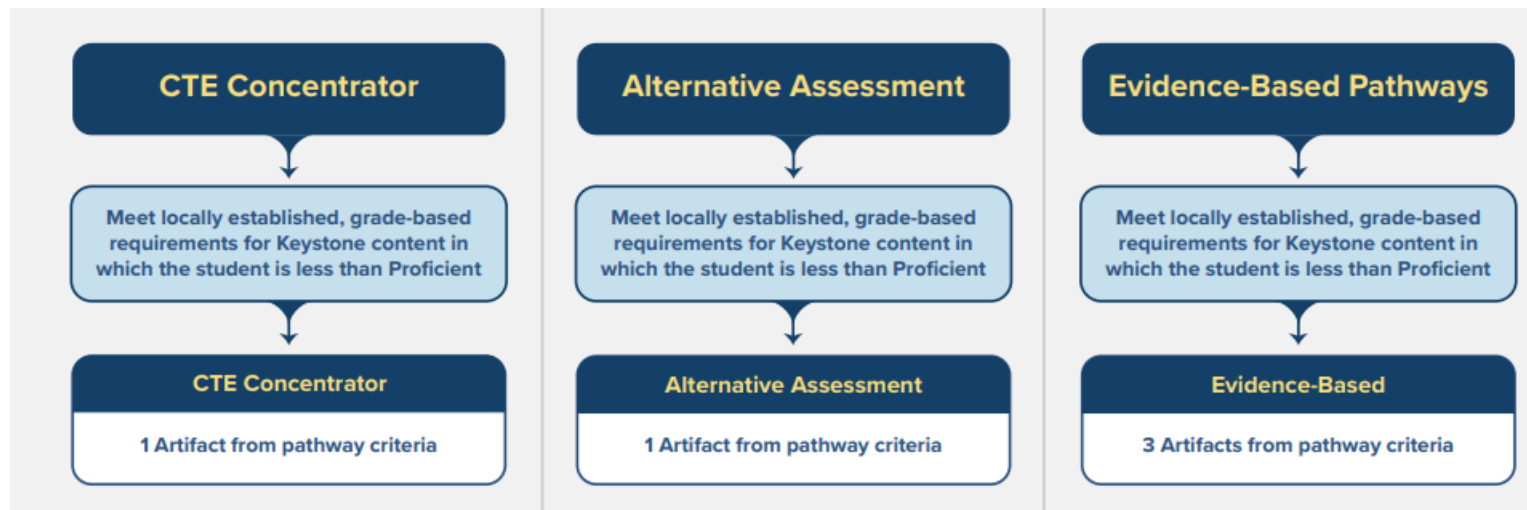
ACT 158/Keystones

□ Composite Score



ACT 158/Keystones

- CTE (Career & Technical Education)
- Alternative Assessment (PSAT, SAT, ACT,ASVAB)
- Evidence Based



Schedule Terminology

Core Classes (Science, Math, English, History) have 3 levels of intensity

- CC – College & Career
- H – Honors
 - Honors classes receive an additional weight into your GPA
- AP – Advanced Placement
 - AP Classes are taught at the college level
 - You can gain college credit based on an end of year exam

AP Information 2024-2025



Advanced Placement: College Level Course Work



All students will be required to decide on exam registration by the end of this upcoming October.



Payment (approximately \$100 per exam) is required by November 1



Registration will take place online in AP classes.



AP Credit Policy on College Board website provides information regarding scores and colleges

Schedule Terminology



We have a 6 day cycle of classes at PAHS

Every class is scheduled – there is no 8th period or advisory period like in the MS



Classes meet every day or every other day

Every day classes earn 1.0 credit
Every other day classes earn 0.5 credits



Some classes have an additional lab period connected to them

Algebra 1 & Bio Honors
3 Lab periods – 0.5 credits

Freshman Requirements

Class	Credits
English	1.0 Credits
World History	1.0 Credits
Math	1.0 Credits / 1.5 Credits
Physical Science/ Biology Honors	1.0 Credits/ 1.5 Credits
Techniques of Writing	0.5 Credits
World Language**	1.0 Credits
MINIMUM Freshmen Course Load	5.5 / 6.0 Credits

- World language is an elective and *strongly recommended (but not required)* for post-secondary collegiate goals.
- Depending on the student, this allows 0.5 to 1.0 of additional elective classes to be taken during the freshman year.

Mock 9th Grade Schedule (1)

Period/ Day	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	World History					
2	TOW	Art (Elective, Fine Arts)	TOW	Art (Elective, Fine Arts)	TOW	Art (Elective, Fine Arts)
3	World Language (Elective)					
4	English					
5	Lunch					
6	Algebra I					
7	Study Hall	Algebra	Study Hall	Algebra	Study Hall	Algebra
8	Physical Science					

6.5 credits, with three study halls per cycle, and lunch in the cafeteria every day

Mock 9th Grade Schedule (2)

Period/ Day	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	World Language (Elective)					
2	World History					
3	English					
4	Algebra II					
5	Lunch					
6	AP Computer Science Principles A (Elective, Tech)					
7	Bio Lab	TOW	Bio Lab	TOW	Bio Lab	TOW
8	Biology Honors					

7 credits, with 3 labs per cycle, and lunch in the cafeteria every day

Schedule Terminology

Study Halls can be a part of a schedule to help students get caught up in work

Lunches are assigned as part of the class schedule, not by grade

- students can take an additional class in their schedule, but this would mean giving up some of the lunch periods for “grab and go”. Students must discuss this with the counselor for this to be an option.

English 9-Elements of Literature

Course	Prerequisite
English 9 CC	Successful completion of 8th grade Language Arts
English 9 Honors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimum of 90% in 8th grade Language Arts Course• “Advanced” on Reading PSSA• 8th Grade Teacher Recommendation

If a student wants to move up from CC to Honors without meeting the requirements, they will need to complete a waiver and register for the English 9 H summer bridge course.

Social Studies-World History

Course	Prerequisite
World History CC	Successful completion of 8 th grade Social Studies
World History Honors	80% or above 8 th grade Social Studies and Language Arts <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>“Proficient” on Reading PSSA</i>
AP World History	90% or above in 8th grade Social Studies and Language Arts <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>“Advanced” on Reading PSSA</i>• <i>Teacher Recommendation</i>

Math Courses

Course	Prerequisite
Algebra I	Successful completion of Pre-Algebra
Geometry CC	Successful completion of Algebra I
Geometry Honors	90% or higher in Algebra I
Algebra II CC	Successful completion of Geometry
Algebra II Honors	80% or higher in Geometry
Pre-Calculus Honors	80% or higher in Algebra II H and Geometry

Students must score “proficient” on the Algebra I Keystone in order to move on to Geometry!

Mathematics: Students currently in Algebra I

Algebra I Keystone Result	Programming
Pass	Move to Geometry
Score Basic (between 1450 and 1499)	Algebra I (fall semester) Geometry (spring semester) 2 credit course Retest Keystone in Winter testing window
Score Below Basic (below 1450)	Repeat Algebra I course for 1 credit Retest Keystone in Spring testing window

- January CDT scores will be used as a predictor for initial recommendations. Recommendations will be altered based on Keystone exam results

Science

Course	Prerequisite
Physical Science CC	Successful completion of 8 th grade Science
Physical Science Honors	90% in Algebra I
Biology Honors	90% in 8 th grade Science Score of 1000 on the CDT Assessment Teacher Recommendation

If a student want to move up from CC to Honors without meeting the requirements, they will need to complete a waiver and register for the summer bridge Science bridge course.

World Language

If a student is in a level 1 language class now:

- Students can move on to Level 2 with a grade of 70% or higher.
- If not, we recommend that the student repeat Level 1 at the HS level
- End of year diagnostic test will be given to level 1 students to confirm placement.

Option is also to switch to a different Level 1 class at the HS level!

- French → Spanish
- Spanish → Latin
- Etc

Level Change Process

- Core course recommendations will be available in the Skyward Student Access. Parents will be notified once they are imported.
- Core course recommendations are based on prerequisites (semester 1 grades).
- School counselors will be available to meet virtually with parents in March (19th & 20th). Information on conference sign-ups(sign up genius) will be communicated at the beginning of March

ELECTIVE COURSE SCHEDULING FORM

□ Handout review

Name (Print Full Skyward Name) _____ Homeroom _____

Phone # _____ Email _____

This information is also available in the Program of Studies, located on the PAHS Counseling Department website.

Required Core Courses:

Core course levels will be recommended by the content area district coordinators in accordance with the prerequisites listed in the Program of Studies. These courses will be added to your skyward account after your electives are entered. Students will be alerted when the course recommendations are viewable in Skyward.

	Core Course Name	Credit
Core	English – The Elements of Literature	1
Core	Math – Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Pre-Calculus	1-1.5
Core	Science – Physical Science, Biology H	1-1.5
Core	Social Studies – World History	1
Required	Techniques of Writing	0.5

Elective Form - 2

On February 1, 2024:

You will need to know your personal student username and password for Skyward on or before February 1st when the high school counselors visit your class. At that time, you will be asked to enter your elective choices into Skyward. Please ensure you have reviewed the options, and have made your choices prior to this date. After Monday, February 5th, no changes can be made to your elective choices.

World Language

World Language is not required for graduation, but the PAHS Counseling Department strongly recommends all students enroll in at least three years of a World Language during their high school career because many colleges require it. Some colleges require more than three years. All world language courses are 1.0 credit.

06101 Spanish I
06102 Spanish II
06121 French I
06122 French II
06301 Latin I
06302 Latin II

Elective Form- 3

ELECTIVE COURSES

BROADCAST PRODUCTION

11103	Broadcast	1.0 YR
11105	Sports Broadcasting and Journalism	0.5 YR
11051A	Phantom TV After School	0.25 YR
11051B	Phantom TV Announcements	0.25 YR
11056A	TV Production I	0.5 YR

BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY

10005	Computer Applications & Programming	0.5 YR
12051	Fundamentals of Business	0.5 YR
12103	Personal Finance	0.5 YR
12167	Social Media Marketing	0.5 YR
10201	Computer Animation and Web Design	1.0 YR
10251	Technology Essentials	0.5 YR
10154	Introduction to Programming	0.5 YR
	* <u>must</u> have completed Algebra I prior	
10019	AP Computer Science Principles	1.0 YR
	* <u>must</u> have completed Algebra I prior	

ENGLISH

01151	Communication Arts/Public Speaking	0.5 YR
01104	Creative Writing	0.5 YR
05052A	<u>Theatre Arts</u>	0.5 YR
05168	Introduction to Film Studies	0.5 YR

FINE ART

05154	Art I	0.5 YR
05165	Mixed Media	0.5 YR
10202A	Graphics I	0.5 YR

MUSIC

05113	Music Theory and Composition	0.5 YR
05108	Beginning Guitar	0.5 YR
05107A	Beginning Piano	0.5 YR
21008	Digital Music	0.5 YR

PERFORMING ARTS

05106A	FT Band H (Brass & Woodwind)	1.0 YR
05106D	PT Band H (Brass & Woodwind)	0.5 YR
05106F	FT Band H (Percussion)	1.0 YR
05106I	PT Band H (Percussion)	0.5 YR
05104	FT Orchestra (Strings)	1.0 YR
05104C	PT Orchestra (Strings)	0.5 YR
05110A	FT Phantom Singers (All Voices)	1.0 YR
05110C	PT Phantom Singers (All Voices)	0.5 YR
05110F	FT Bel Canto (Soprano & Alto)	1.0 YR
05110I	PT Bel Canto (Soprano & Alto)	0.5 YR

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

08001R	Physical Education	0.5 YR
08051S	Stress Management	0.5 YR

*is an elective course that does not count towards PE for grad requirement.

Skyward Snapshot

See further directions on the PAHS Counseling Website

Schedule

Currently Scheduled Class: Wed Dec 2, 2015 12:56pm

JILLIAN Period 06B [PERSONAL FINANCE](#)

Course Requests **now open**

JILLIAN: [Request Courses for 2016-2017 in Phoenixville Area High School](#)

JILLIAN (Phoenixville Area High School) [Display Options](#) **Current Year** The current term is **highlighted**.

2015 - 2016 Print Schedule	Term 1 (08/31/15 - 11/06/15)	Term 2 (11/09/15 - 01/22/16)	Term 3 (01/25/16 - 04/01/16)	Term 4 (04/04/16 - ...)
Period 1 (7:55 - 8:45 AM)	AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY MRS KABATT 123456 Room J3	AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY MRS KABATT 123456 Room J3	AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY MRS KABATT 123456 Room J3	AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY MRS KABATT 123456
Period 2 (8:43 AM - 9:26 AM)	CHEMISTRY H WINTERS 1 Room E4 Study Hall GIANNI 2 Room Cafe Study Hall GIANNI 3 Room Cafe Study Hall MR STAVENSKI	CHEMISTRY H WINTERS 1 Room E4 Study Hall GIANNI 2 Room Cafe Study Hall GIANNI 3 Room Cafe Study Hall MR STAVENSKI	CHEMISTRY H WINTERS 1 Room E4	CHEMISTRY H WINTERS 1 Room

Skyward Snapshot

Request Courses for 2015-2016 in Phoenixville Area High School

(Phoenixville Area High School) [Request Courses](#) | [Request Alternates](#)

Total Requests/Scheduled: 18 Total Credits: 7.170

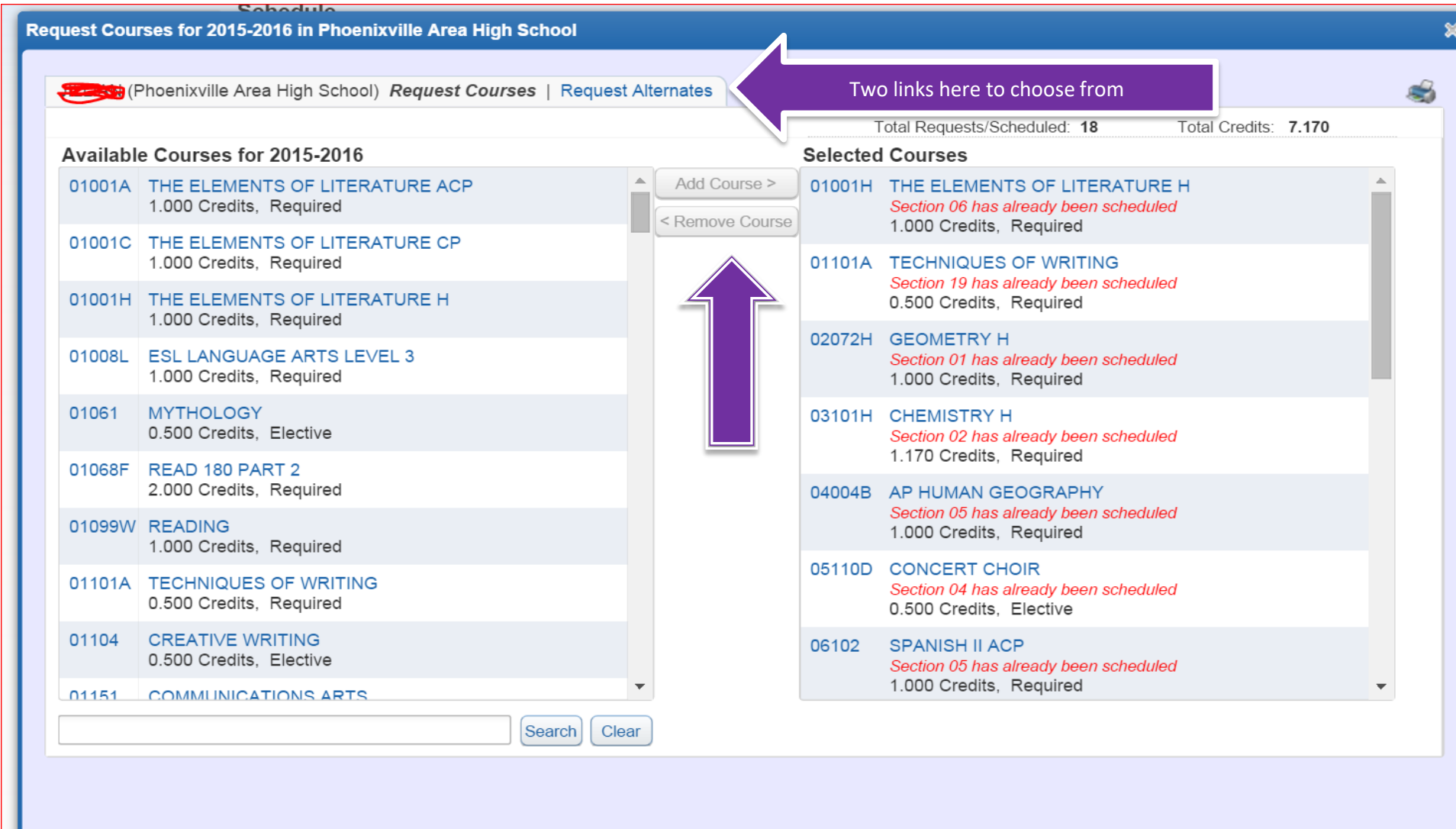
Available Courses for 2015-2016

01001A	THE ELEMENTS OF LITERATURE ACP	1.000 Credits, Required
01001C	THE ELEMENTS OF LITERATURE CP	1.000 Credits, Required
01001H	THE ELEMENTS OF LITERATURE H	1.000 Credits, Required
01008L	ESL LANGUAGE ARTS LEVEL 3	1.000 Credits, Required
01061	MYTHOLOGY	0.500 Credits, Elective
01068F	READ 180 PART 2	2.000 Credits, Required
01099W	READING	1.000 Credits, Required
01101A	TECHNIQUES OF WRITING	0.500 Credits, Required
01104	CREATIVE WRITING	0.500 Credits, Elective
01151	COMMUNICATIONS ARTS	

[Add Course >](#)
[< Remove Course](#)

Selected Courses

01001H	THE ELEMENTS OF LITERATURE H	<i>Section 06 has already been scheduled</i>	1.000 Credits, Required
01101A	TECHNIQUES OF WRITING	<i>Section 19 has already been scheduled</i>	0.500 Credits, Required
02072H	GEOMETRY H	<i>Section 01 has already been scheduled</i>	1.000 Credits, Required
03101H	CHEMISTRY H	<i>Section 02 has already been scheduled</i>	1.170 Credits, Required
04004B	AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY	<i>Section 05 has already been scheduled</i>	1.000 Credits, Required
05110D	CONCERT CHOIR	<i>Section 04 has already been scheduled</i>	0.500 Credits, Elective
06102	SPANISH II ACP	<i>Section 05 has already been scheduled</i>	1.000 Credits, Required



The screenshot shows a web application window titled "Request Courses for 2015-2016 in Phoenixville Area High School". It features two main panels: "Available Courses for 2015-2016" on the left and "Selected Courses" on the right. A purple arrow points to the "Request Courses" and "Request Alternates" links in the top navigation bar, with the text "Two links here to choose from". Another purple arrow points to the "Add Course >" and "< Remove Course" buttons between the two panels. The "Selected Courses" panel lists several courses with red text indicating that certain sections have already been scheduled. At the bottom, there is a search bar with "Search" and "Clear" buttons.



Students will also need to select 5-6 elective choices. *Put these in order of preference as well.*



We can't guarantee the electives that are chosen, but will work as hard as possible to make that happen.



If a student doesn't select any electives, the counselor will automatically choose them for them.

School Year Course Changes

Electives

- No elective changes will take place after elective selection is complete in Skyward.

Leveling Down

- All course level change requests to move down a level must be made during Marking Period 1. Students may not level down during Marking Period 2.

Leveling Up

- All course level change requests to move up a level must be made within the first two academic cycles of the school year.

Withdrawal

- A withdrawal from a PAHS course during semester one will result in the recording of a WITHDRAWAL PASS (WP) or a WITHDRAWAL FAIL (WF) on the student's transcript. The designation is dependent upon the course grade at the time of the withdrawal. Only a student who has a current final grade of a 59 or below may withdraw after the semester 2 start and will receive that grade on their transcript. In either scenario the student does not gain credit for any portion of the course.

See the Program of Studies (POS) for more information.

Summer Offerings

- *A Summer Program of Studies will be available on the PAHS Counseling Office Webpage in the Spring with more specific information.*
- *Bridge Programs for:*
 - *AP World History- Recommended for all students enrolled*
 - *English 9 H Bridge- required attendance with waiver*
 - *Physical Science H Bridge-required attendance with waiver*



Technical College High School Pickering Campus

Achieving Success Together

- Technical College High School (TCHS) is a place where students get to explore the things that interest them through a hands-on approach to education. TCHS is a part-time, public career-focused program for high school students in Chester County.
- Available for students to begin attending for their 10th grade year.

TCHS Programs

- Animal Science
- Automotive Collision Technology
- Automotive Service Technology
- Carpentry
- Commercial & Graphic Arts
- Cosmetology
- Criminal Justice & Police Sciences
- Culinary Arts
- Digital Media & Sound Communication
- Early Childhood Care & Education
- Electrical Occupations
- Health Career Pathways
- HVAC (new in 2024)
- Welding

Post-Secondary Planning

West Chester University Admissions Requirements

Temple University Admissions Requirements

University of Pittsburgh Admissions Requirements

Princeton University Admissions Requirements

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