

Reitz High School

TRANSITIONING TO HIGH SCHOOL: 9th Grade Course Selection





Athletics, Academics, & the Arts

⦿ Athletics

- Basketball
- Baseball
- Cheer
- Cross Country
- Football
- Golf
- Dance Team
- Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming/Diving
- Tennis
- Track
- Volleyball
- Wrestling

⦿ Club Sports

- Bowling
- Lacrosse

⦿ Theatre

- Musicals
- Plays

⦿ Music

- Choir
- Instrumental Ensemble
- Orchestra
- Marching Band
- Color Guard
- Jazz Band

⦿ Service Organizations

- Teen Power
- Student Council
- Key Club

⦿ Clubs

- World Languages
- FCA (Fellowship of Christian Anybodies)
- Art Club
- Chess Club
- SAGA (Sexuality and Gender Alliance)
- Students for Life
- D & D Club

⦿ Academic Clubs

- Academic Super-Bowl
- Speech
- National Honor Society
- Publications:
 - Yearbook
 - Newspaper

COLLEGE CREDIT COURSES



Through college credit courses, students earn college and high school credit at the same time. College credit courses are weighted on a 4.5 GPA scale.

A complete list of college credit courses offered at Reitz is listed below.

- Advanced Speech & Communications CC (3 credits)
- Pre-Calculus/Trigonometry H CC (6 credits)
- Economics H CC (3 credits)
- U. S. Government H CC (3 credits)
- German IV CC (6 credits + 6 USI department credits)
- Spanish IV CC (6 credits + 6 USI department credits)
- Digital Applications (3 credits Ivy Tech)

Green courses indicate college credit courses that are offered to freshmen.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT



AP gives students the chance to take college-level classes while they're still in high school. By taking AP Exams, students can earn college credit and placement. AP courses are weighted on a 5.0 GPA scale.

AP courses offered at Reitz:

- AP U.S. History
- AP World History
- AP Chemistry
- AP Biology
- AP Physics I
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Statistics
- AP Psychology
- AP English Language & Composition
- AP English Literature & Composition
- AP Studio Art (2-D, 3-D)
- AP Music Theory

8th Grade Year

- December
 - Day 1 - High School Counselor Presentation
 - Day 2 and 3 - Enrollment
- January/February
 - Course selection letter taken home
- May
 - Schedules created; final changes due

New Graduation Requirements

● Graduation Pathways

Overview

Students in the
graduating
class of 2023...



1

Diploma

2

Learn and Demonstrate
Employability Skills

3

Postsecondary-Ready
Competencies



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Graduation Pathways

Diploma

1

Diploma

Earn one of the diploma designations...

Core 40

Academic
Honors

Technical
Honors

General
**opt-out
required*



Graduation Pathways

Employability Skills

2

Learn and Demonstrate
Employability Skills

Complete *at least one* of
these experiences...

Project-Based
Experience

Service-Based
Experience

Work-Based
Experience



- ◎ Service-Based Experience
 - School based
 - Non-school based
- ◎ Work-Based Experience
 - Minimum 75 hours



Graduation Pathways

Competencies

3

Postsecondary-
Ready
Competencies

Meet *at least one* of
these competencies...



Honors
Diploma

ACT

SAT

ASVAB

Industry
Certification

Apprenticeship

Career & Technical
Education
Concentrator

AP/IB/Dual
Credit/Cambridge
International/CLEP

Locally Created
Pathway



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Requirement 1:

Diploma

INDIANA CORE40

Effective beginning with students who enter high school in 2012-13 school year (class of 2016).

Course and Credit Requirements

English/ Language Arts	8 credits including a balance of literature, composition and speech.
Mathematics	6 credits (in grades 9-12) 2 credits: Algebra I 2 credits: Geometry 2 credits: Algebra II <small>Or complete Integrated Math I, II, and III for 6 credits. Students must take a math course or quantitative reasoning course each year in high school.</small>
Science	6 credits 2 credits: Biology I 2 credits: Chemistry I or Physics I or Integrated Chemistry-Physics 2 credits: any Core 40 science course
Social Studies	6 credits 2 credits: U.S. History 1 credit: U.S. Government 1 credit: Economics 2 credits: World History/Civilization or Geography/History of the World
Directed Electives	5 credits World Languages Fine Arts Career and Technical Education
Physical Education	2 credits - EVSC requires 3 credits
Health and Wellness	1 credit
Electives*	6 credits <small>(College and Career Pathway courses recommended)</small>
40 Total State Credits Required +1 additional PE credit 41 Total Credits	

EVSC requires 3 Physical Education credits.

* Specifies the number of electives required by the state. High school schedules provide time for many options electives during the high school years. All students are strongly encouraged to complete a College and Career Pathway (selecting electives in a deliberate manner) to take full advantage of career and college exploration and preparation opportunities.

CORE40 with Academic Honors

(minimum 47 credits)

For the Core 40 with Academic Honors diploma, students must:

- Complete all requirements for Core 40.
- Earn 2 additional Core 40 math credits.
- Earn 6-8 Core 40 world language credits (6 credits in one language or 4 credits each in two languages).
- Earn 2 Core 40 fine arts credits.
- Earn a grade of a "C" or better in courses that will count toward the diploma.
- Have a grade point average of a "B" or better.
- Complete one of the following:
 - A. Earn 4 credits in 2 or more AP courses and take corresponding AP exams
 - B. Earn 6 verifiable transcripted college credits in dual credit courses from the approved dual credit list.
 - C. Earn two of the following:
 1. A minimum of 3 verifiable transcripted college credits from the approved dual credit list,
 2. 2 credits in AP courses and corresponding AP exams,
 3. 2 credits in IB standard level courses and corresponding IB exams.
 - D. Earn a composite score of 1250 or higher on the SAT and a minimum of 560 on math and 590 on the evidence based reading and writing section.
 - E. Earn an ACT composite score of 26 or higher and complete written section
 - F. Earn 4 credits in IB courses and take corresponding IB exams.

CORE40 with Technical Honors

(minimum 47 credits)

For the Core 40 with Technical Honors diploma, students must:

- Complete all requirements for Core 40.
- Earn 6 credits in the college and career preparation courses in a state-approved College & Career Pathway and one of the following:
 1. Pathway designated industry-based certification or credential, or
 2. Pathway dual credits from the approved dual credit list resulting in 6 transcripted college credits
- Earn a grade of "C" or better in courses that will count toward the diploma.
- Have a grade point average of a "B" or better.
- Complete one of the following.
 - A. Any one of the options (A - F) of the Core 40 with Academic Honors
 - B. Earn the following scores or higher on WorkKeys: Reading for Information - Level 6, Applied Mathematics - Level 6, and Locating Information - Level 5.
 - C. Earn the following minimum score(s) on Accuplacer: Writing 80, Reading 90, Math 75.
 - D. Earn the following minimum score(s) on Compass: Algebra 66 Writing 70, Reading 80.

Core 40



- Required to go to a 4-year college
- Classes set by state of Indiana
- EVSC requires 41 credits to graduate (1 extra PE class)

Core 40 w/ Academic Honors

- Meet Core 40 requirements, plus:

- **Math:** one more year
- **World Language:** 6-8 credits
- **Fine Arts:** two credits
- No grades lower than C, GPA of 3.0 or higher
- 4 credits AP, 6 College Credit, or combination of both



Core 40 w/ Technical Honors

- Meet Core 40 requirements, plus:
 - Six credits of technical courses at SICTC (offered Junior and Senior year)
 - No grades lower than C
 - GPA 3.0 or greater



High School Information

◎ Credits

- 1 semester class = 1 credit
- A semester is $\frac{1}{2}$ the school year (Two 9 weeks grading periods plus a final exam)
- Example:
 - English 9 1st sem. = 1 credit
 - English 9 2nd sem. = 1 credit
 - Two total credits earned for passing full year of 9th grade English
- Ideally 14 credits earned 9th grade year
- Must pass the class, to earn the credit

English



- English 9
- English 9 Honors

Math

8TH GRADE	9TH GRADE
Math 8	Algebra I
Algebra with A's / B's	Geometry Honors
Algebra with C or lower	Repeat Algebra
Geometry Honors	Algebra II Honors

Biology and US History

Regular Biology or Honors Biology

- Regular US History OR

Honors diploma students can take AP

(Advanced Placement) US History Junior

Year instead of Freshman Year

Additional classes

PE / Health - All freshmen will take 1 semester of PE and 1 semester of Health

Electives

World Language -

German

Spanish

- ◉ Select Year number II if you are currently in a World Language as an 8th grader.
- ◉ Should be stronger in current English class, in order to start a language 9th grade year.
- ◉ Required for Academic Honors diploma. Some colleges prefer a World Language.

Electives

Fine Arts - Theatre

- ⦿ Theatre - read and understand plays and scripts, develop acting skills
- ⦿ Technical Theatre - “behind the scenes” - focus is on lights, sounds, set
- ⦿ These are classes, separate from the evening Theatre club production.

Electives

Fine Arts - Visual

- ◎ 2 Dimensional Art - introduction to drawing, painting
- ◎ 3 Dimensional Art - introduction to clay, sculpture

Electives

Fine Arts - Music

- ◎ Choir
- ◎ Orchestra

- ◎ Band (all must participate in marching band)
 - Instrumental (wind instruments)
 - Concert (percussion only)
 - Jazz (must be taken with instrumental or concert)

Electives

Engineering and Technology

- ◎ Intro to Transportation- study of various energy sources, combustible engines in cars, logistics in travel, build model cars & ships, etc.
- ◎ Intro to Construction- building small wood projects, bird houses, mini-cornhole boards, etc.
- ◎ PLTW Intro to Engineering- CAD systems, interested in engineering as a career

Electives

Business, Marketing and IT

- ◉ Introduction to Business- learn basics of business management and human resources
- ◉ Digital Applications CC - only college credit option offered in 9th grade, certification in Microsoft Office, Learn about computer programs
- ◉ Introduction to Computer Science- programming and computer coding
- ◉ Personal Finance - budgeting, savings, money management

Electives

Family and Consumer Sciences

- Preparing for College and Careers - discover your values, skills and interests, explore careers and learn details about options after graduation

Innovative School Models (Satellite Programs)



Students who apply to Early College,
Medical Professions, and Shepard
Academy of Law

- We will select a full (7 period) schedule together as if you will be at Reitz full time
- When acceptances are announced in January, counselors will adjust schedules accordingly to the program of acceptance (3 classes will be removed)

Final Thoughts

- ◎ Every student will take a copy of the Course Enrollment sheet home today.
- ◎ Students will meet with counselors 1:1 the next two days. They should bring their Course Enrollment sheet with them for this meetings.
- ◎ Please know your electives of interest and alternate electives!