



Buena High School Freshman Registration Orientation

March 3, 2021

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Who's Who at BHS?

Your BHS Counselors:

David Vallejo: A - CER

*Bertha Zaragoza: CES - GOM

Shannon Pelmear: GON - LIF

Natasha Hillis: LIG - OJ

*Monica Fierro: OK - SEK

John Beattie: SEL - Z

**The following staff members are Spanish speakers*



Natalie Debbas: College/Career Counselor

Matt Lazansky: Student Assistance Programs

*Anita Vasquez Mendoza: Wellness Center
Coordinator/ Counselor

Counselor Support:

Frank Davis

AP Curriculum and
Instruction

*Geneva Vega:

Counseling Assistant

*Carmen Aparicio:

Records Tech

Deb Dryden:

Data Tech

Registration

Students who are coming from a VUSD middle school and live within Buena's boundary (or have been approved through School of Choice) are automatically enrolled at BHS for next year...

Ventura Unified
SCHOOL DISTRICT



HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

How many credits do you need to graduate from High School?

230 credits

How many credits do you earn for a one semester class?

5 credits

How many credits should you have earned by the end of 9th grade (assuming you are taking 6 classes and pass all your classes)?

60 credits

230 Credits Required for HS Graduation

Typical number of credits earned per year. Extra credits may be earned by being enrolled in 0 period classes, taking college classes, taking CEC classes, etc.



$$\begin{array}{r} 60 - \text{9th Grade} \\ + 60 - \text{10th Grade} \\ + 60 - \text{11th Grade} \\ + 50 (or 60) - \text{12th Grade} \\ \hline = 230 (or more) \text{ total credits} \end{array}$$

**** Many students will graduate with MORE than 230 credits...*

A Typical Freshman Schedule Consists Of **Six** Classes:

- 1) **ENGLISH 9** (College Prep, Honors, English Learner/SDAIE, Intervention (ESR/SPED) levels)
- 2) **MATH** (Math 1 Readiness, Math 1, Math 1 Honors)
- 3) **SCIENCE** (Earth Science, Biology w/ES Topics, Biology w/ES Topics Honors)
- 4) **COLLEGE CAREER SEMINAR & HEALTH** (1 semester each)
- 5) **PE/ATHLETICS/MARCHING BAND**
- 6) **ELECTIVE - a class of your choice!**

- Recommendations for English, Math, and Science will be provided by the District. You may request a waiver for a different level if you do not agree with the district recommended class. Waivers are granted based on space availability and the master schedule.

Students receiving Special Education services...

- Counselors receive recommendations from middle school Case Managers for placement in level specific English, Math and science classes.
- Students with IEP's are typically enrolled in a 6 period daily schedule, unless otherwise specified.
- Students with IEP's who are on a diploma track, fulfill the same graduation requirements as all other students.

College Career Seminar/Health

- For now, all future freshman students will also be enrolled into College Career Seminar and Health.
- If students take College Career/Health during summer school, they will have room to take an additional elective class in their schedule.
- Summer school applications for College Career and Health will be distributed through current middle schools.



Selecting Electives

- Most students have room for ONE elective in their freshmen schedule (sometimes two...)
- We are going to ask you to identify 3 elective choices on your Google Registration Form
- Foreign Languages
 - *Are you thinking about attending a 4 year college/university after high school?*
 - *2 years of foreign language required for admission **directly** to a four year college or university...*
 - *Foreign Language NOT required for graduation...*
 - *Spanish, French, and German offered plus **German Exchange Program***





PE / ELECTIVES

60 Elective Credits required for graduation

2 years of PE required to graduate = 20 credits

- Yes, sports count for PE
- Yes, Marching Band counts for PE
- Independent Study PE available for qualified students, see your counselor or contact Shaun Strople at shaun.strople@venturausd.org for more information

- *Everything you take above and beyond the minimum subject requirements counts as elective credit. (e.g. 4th year of math, 3rd year of science, foreign language classes, etc.)*
- *You won't earn many elective credits during your freshman and sophomore years because you are taking required classes... by senior year, almost all classes will count toward elective credit...*

Google Registration Form

- Students will receive an email via their VUSD Gmail accounts with a link to their:

9th Grade Google Registration Form

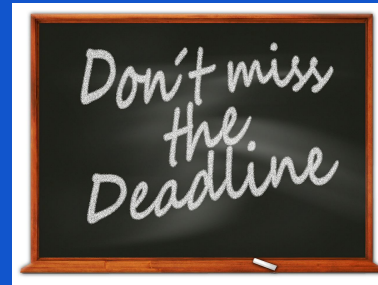
- Students will be asked to select **3 elective choices**.
- Students will also make PE selections on **Google Registration Form**.

[Google Registration Form](#)

Google Registration Form Deadlines

Monday, March 8th: Students who have completed their Google Registration Form by **March 8th at 3:30 pm** will earn **PRIORITY** registration.

Friday, March 12th: Last day to submit Google Registration Form *After this counselors will register for you (elective options may be limited)!*



Drop-in Zoom Help Sessions

Counselors will be available for drop-in assistance and to answer any questions during this time. Help sessions are open to all students at all times and are *not* counselor specific. Student help Sessions will be held at the following times:

March 4th: 12:00 - 3:00 pm

March 5th: 12:00 - 3:00 pm

March 10th: *Final Registration Help sessions;* 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87213645187?pwd=Z1hWMW4zVXpNc3dMVU1vTDZadEN2dz09>

Staying in Touch...

Student Last Name	Counselor	Email
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Thank you for coming...

Questions?