



The School District of Philadelphia  
**The Philadelphia High School for the Creative and Performing Arts**  
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**Course Sequencing for the 2023-24 School Year**

**English**

9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
English 1 Honors	English 2 Honors	English 3 Honors	English 4 Honors
		AP Language	AP Literature

**Math**

9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade/Electives
Algebra 1 Honors	Algebra 2	Geometry	Math of Personal Finance Pre-calculus Honors*
Algebra 2 Honors <i>(with proper transcript showing successful Algebra 1 completion)</i>	Algebra 2 Honors	Geometry Honors	AP Pre-Calculus* AP Calculus* <i>*There is a prerequisite for these classes</i>

**Social Studies**

9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
World History Honors	African American History Honors	United States History Honors	Social Science Honors
	<i>**AP African American History will be offered starting SY 24-25**</i>	AP US History (suggested) <b>OR</b> AP World History	AP Gov & Politics (suggested) <b>OR</b> AP World History

**Science**

9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade/Electives
Environmental Science Honors	Biology Honors	Chemistry Honors	Science Research Honors Physics Honors Anatomy & Physiology Honors AP Environmental Science AP Psychology

**Mandated Electives**

9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
Gym Health 9th Grade Seminar	Honors Spanish 1 or 2 <i>*Students may opt to test into Spanish 2</i>	Honors Spanish 2 or 3	Seniors who have met the PA Dept of Ed. credit requirements may opt for early release for last period each day <i>(Seniors must take 6 credits minimum)</i>

*\*\*Pennsylvania graduation requirements include one credit of PE, ½ credit of health, and two credits in a foreign language. The necessary Arts and Humanities electives for graduation are fulfilled by the requisite Arts classes in the student's major.*

**Other Electives include:** LGBTQ+ Studies and Music History (subject to availability)

**Please know that the classes you choose are not guaranteed based on availability**

Courses by Art Major and Grade

Creative Writing				
Grade	9th	10th	11th	12th
Credit 1	Fiction 1	Analytical Writing/ Nonfiction 2	Playwriting/ Screenwriting	Poetry
Credit 2	Nonfiction	Journalism	Memoir	Writing Capstone

MDTV				
Grade	9th	10th	11th	12th
Credit 1	Intro to Film	Mixed Media	Film & Video Prod. 1	Cinematography
Credit 2	Intro Graphic Design	Digital Media Production 1	Digital Media Production 2	Digital Media Production 3
Credit 3	<i>Not Applicable</i>	<i>Not Applicable</i>	Graphic Comm.	Comm. Tech.

Dance				
Grade	9th	10th	11th	12th
Credit 1	Dance 1	Dance 2	Dance 3	Dance 4
Credit 2	Dance 1	Dance 2	Dance 3	Dance 4

Instrumental
<i>Courses in this major are very flexible due to the instrument that a student plays and their ability level. Courses include Music Theory 1, Music Theory 2, Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Lab, String Quartet, Band, Advanced Instrumental, String Ensemble, Orchestra, and AP Music Theory. Students take two to three credits each year from among these choices.</i>

Theatre				
Grade	9th	10th	11th	12th
Credit 1	Intro Theatre Hist.	Creating Theater	Theater 3	Theater 4
Credit 2	Movement 1	Theatre History 2	Theater 3	Theater 4
Credit 3		Movement 2		

Visual Art				
Grade	9th	10th	11th	12th
Credit 1	Art 1	Art 2	Des Comm. 1	Des Comm. 2
Credit 2	Ceramic Found.	Adv. Hand Build	Sculpt Media	Sculpt Med
Credit 3		Art		

Vocal
<i>Courses in this major are based in theory and practice. Students, as freshmen, take Solfeggio 1 and Mixed Choir. In each preceding year, students take Solfeggio 2, Music History and AP Music Theory to advance their knowledge of music theory. Based on their ability, students, after their freshman year, either remain in Mixed Choir or are selected to move into the more elite Honors Choir. All students are enrolled in Combined Choir class which is comprised of all vocal music students. Students take three credits each year in this major and have advisory lunch unless otherwise approved by the vocal music teacher.</i>

Each Arts program at CAPA HS is a four-year sequential program with courses being offered that build upon each other. The Arts courses offered in each grade are the prerequisites for courses at the next level. Students transferring in will be placed at the appropriate level determined by the Arts teachers at their audition. Please note that this may not be the corresponding grade-level course for that Arts area. For example, if a student transfers into CAPA in 10th grade as a Theater major, they would be placed in the 9th grade Theater classes.