



# 9th Period *Opportunities for All*

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# Background



- NYSED requires **990 hours** of instruction a year at the secondary level. We had a waiver but now it is expiring.
- Sachem Schools is ready to implement the long awaited 9th period at our secondary schools. Generally, this allows for additional support classes to assist students to take more rigorous courses and or updated electives based on interest.

# Where are we now?



- We've met with directors, building leaders and chairpeople to to elicit potential courses with the goal of supporting students to take higher order classes (Algebra and Earth Science in 8th Grade for example) and or offer updated interest based electives.
- We also want to have exposure early on in the middle school years for *Civic Readiness, CTE pathways, College and Career Prep* and overall *Life Skills* to support students academically and socially emotionally.
- 9th Period Committee met to review proposed courses and to elicit additional feedback for course. Curriculum Council was also a partner in planning. *We rounded our feedback with survey results that came from a parent and student survey.*

## 9th Period Class Proposal

Department	Subject	Related Information
ELA	Humanities Research semester	Regents & AP Prep, General Reading & Writing Skills
	SAT/ACT Prep- 1/2 year	Alternating with Math (every other day)
Social Studies	History of American Sports - 1/2 Year Semester	Grades 10-12
	Human Geography- AP (9th only)	Putting it in 9th grade (ES and Algebra Students 1st year)
Math	SAT/ACT- 1/2 year	Alternating with English (every other day)
	Intro to Computer Programming with Java (1/2 Year each)	(Spring) (formerly half of Intro to computer)
	Python Programming with Drone Applications (1/2 year)	(Fall) (formerly half of Intro to computer)
	AP Computer Science Principles	New
	Practical and Financial Math	New Full year
	Truth Seeking through Data Science	New Full year
World Language	Heritage Class for Native Spanish Speakers	New Seal of Biliteracy
Science	All Courses Remain As Is	
CTE	Entrepreneurship & Culinary	
Special Ed	PAEZ Lab @ East	Include 15.1 & Use Precision Exams
	Anatomy & Physiology A	15.1
	Farm to Table A	8:1 & 12:1 -in lieu of BOCES
		ASL training for exploratory exposure activities (PD)
Art	Creative Crafts	1/2 year Semester Grades 10, 11, 12
	Life Design~ Art & Wellness (Lauren-N, Katrina Wrigley)	Art Credit
PE	Yoga & Wellness (Erb-E, Joan Wolfer)	PE Credit
Music /Drama	Theatre Arts Program -Stage Craft-Year 1	<b>Introductory Class-build the pathway 2022-2025</b>
Middle School	6th Grade Flex- World Language Exploratory	CTE- Modules: Extended Careers
	6th Success Prep for Organizational & Study Skills	
	Math/Science Support 6-8	
	College & Career Prep -Grade 8	

# K-12 Bell Schedules



## \*Starting 2022-2023

### Elementary:

**Early Buildings- 8:10 am-2:40 pm**  
(Nokomis and Merrimac)

**Late Buildings- 8:50 am-3:20 pm**

### Middle School:

**7:50 am-2:40 pm**

### High School:

**7:10 am-2:00 pm**

## **Current Bell Schedule**

### Elementary:

**Early Buildings- 8:00 am-2:30 pm**  
(Nokomis and Merrimac)

**Late Buildings- 8:45 am-3:15 pm**

### Middle School:

**8:10 am-2:30 pm**

### High School:

**7:20 am-1:40**

# Some Next Steps

- Send final 9th period information to the community and students.
- Scheduling and Staffing
- Curriculum Writing and Professional Development for new courses.



Questions?

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