




# Union Pines High School

Registration 2023-2024



# Welcome to 2023-2024 Registration

\*Students MUST choose 8 total courses for the next school year. Please discuss your course selections with your parents/guardians. Students must also choose 2 alternate elective courses just in case their first choices are full. Please choose classes you would like to take. Schedule changes will not be honored if you have requested a class and decide to change your mind later.

\*Visit the Guidance Webpage on the UPHS site <https://www.ncmcs.org/uphs> for more information about registration. Simply click on the Guidance Department link, followed by High School Registration 2023-2024.

\*Registration will be online. Registration will open for current 9th, 10th and 11th grade students on March 20 and will close on March 27. You must register for your classes during this time. If you do not register, courses will be selected for you.



# Steps for Choosing Courses

- \*Read the course descriptions in the course guide. The link can be found on the Union Pines High School page. Click the “Academics” link near the top of the page and then select “High School Course Guide” from the drop down box.
- \*Check your transcript for courses you have already taken. Simple transcripts will be provided to you along with your registration packet.
- \*Graduation requirements will also be one of the handouts you get with your packet. Please review it carefully.
- \*Talk to your teachers and counselor about your options.
- \*If you are interested in Sandhills classes or NCVPS classes, you will need to speak with your counselor further about these options before you are able to sign up for these classes.



# Standard vs. Honors/AP Courses

- \*Honors and AP courses are more rigorous and time-consuming
- \*More out of class reading assignments
- \*In-depth writing assignments
- \*Additional independent projects
- \*A greater number of essay/short answer test questions
- \* A minimum of 80% in a prerequisite course is required.



# Grading Scales and Weights

## Standard Grading Scale:

\*A 90-100

\*B 80-89

\*C 70-79

\*D 60-69

\*F 0-59

## More Information:

\*Honors courses add .5 point weight

\*SCC and AP courses add 1.0 point weight

\*All 9th-12th courses are added in class rank

\*Class rank is calculated at the end of each semester

\*Middle School courses taken for High School credit are not included in rank, but are counted toward graduation requirements



# Student Promotion Policy & Guidelines

High School grade level is dictated by Moore County School Board Policy 5530 Promotion of Students. Grade level is determined by the number and types of credit hours earned in total.

- 9th grade = 6 credits, two of which must be English I, NC Math I or higher, a core science, or a core social studies
- 10th grade = 13 credits, which must include two additional core credits from English II, NC Math 2 or higher, a core science, a core social studies, and English II and Math 1 EOCs have been taken
- 11th grade = 18 credits, which must include two additional core credits from English III, NC Math 3 or higher (or alternative math sequence), Biology, a core social studies, and Biology EOC must have been taken

If you have been retained, you may need to see your assigned counselor to get a correct registration sheet.



# Athletic Eligibility

\*Athletes must pass a minimum of 3 credits in the semester prior to their sport's season to be eligible to play. A day/B day year long classes are considered 0.5 for each class.

\*Athletes must be currently enrolled as a full time student at UPHS to remain eligible for athletic competition.



# High School Graduation Requirements-

## \*28 Credits Recommended\*

\*4 English

\*4 Math

\*3 Science

\*4 Social Studies

\*1 Health/PE + CPR

\*2 World Language courses (same language) for university admissions requirements

\*12 Electives including a 4-course concentration from one of the following: (recommended)

CTE, NJROTC, Arts Education, or any other Core subject area outside of graduation requirements, i.e., additional Math, Social Studies, Science, English, or World Language





# Diploma Requirements and Seals

\*To receive the Moore County Schools (MCS) Seal, students must take 28 or more credits

\*To receive the NC Academic Scholars Seal, students must have at least 24 credits and a 3.5 unweighted GPA, along with a 4-course concentration, and 3 higher level courses

\*Keep in mind, students must have a minimum of 22 credits to graduate in North Carolina, these credits must be 16 in the core subject areas and 6 in the area of electives.



# Registration Instructions

\*Students will receive a registration packet which will contain your simple transcript, grade level graduation requirements, and grade level registration form. Please note that registration is online, however, you will need to return your completed registration form to guidance, along with your name and your parent's signature. Returning this form helps you in the event there are errors. The form serves as your proof of completed registration.

\*The online portal for registration will open on Monday, March 20 and will close on Monday, March 27. Failure to complete online registration will result in your courses being chosen for you.

\*To register online, you will go to your student portal in PowerSchool, click on the link to the left that reads "Class Registration" From there you will begin selecting your classes.

\*Students eligible to take Sandhills courses must first meet with Stacy Patterson before they can sign up for Sandhills courses.

\*Students wishing to take NCVPS courses must meet with their counselor and get an NCVPS registration form before they can register for these classes.



# Out of District Students

\*Students who live out of district will not be able to register for courses online. Please turn in your registration sheet to guidance. If your request to attend UPHS is approved, your counselor will enter your course requests in PowerSchool.



# Schedule Changes

## Possible reasons for a schedule change

- \*Student has received credit for the course
- \*Student is a senior and needs a course to graduate
- \*Student needs a different course level (needs honors or is in level 2 but has not taken level 1). Keep in mind that in order to take Honors or AP classes, you must make an 80 or higher in the previous grade's subject.
- \*Student has a missing course or has an empty class period in their schedule



# Schedule Changes (continued)

## Requests for a schedule change will NOT be approved for the following reasons

- \*Student wants to change an elective preference. Remember: counselors tried to give you your requested electives, but this is not always feasible based on availability and prerequisites.
- \*Student did not submit course requests during registration.
- \*Student wants another teacher.
- \*Student wants a different lunch period.
- \*Student has changed their mind about taking a course.
- \*Student wants to change the order of their classes.
- \*Student has friends in another class.



# Questions and Where to Find Answers

If you have questions, please contact your assigned counselor:

Polly Robinson: Last Names A-G; [psrobinson@ncmcs.org](mailto:psrobinson@ncmcs.org)

Jillian Edwards: Last Names H-N; [jedwards@ncmcs.org](mailto:jedwards@ncmcs.org)

Lauren Giggey: Last Names O-Z; [lgiggey@ncmcs.org](mailto:lgiggey@ncmcs.org)

For questions about Sandhills courses, please contact Stacy Patterson, Career and College Promise Counselor; [spatterson@ncmcs.org](mailto:spatterson@ncmcs.org)

For questions about CTE courses, please contact Brittnei Sanborn, Career Development Coordinator; [bsanborn@ncmcs.org](mailto:bsanborn@ncmcs.org)

For questions about ROTC, please contact Commander Winn; [twinn@ncmcs.org](mailto:twinn@ncmcs.org)

For questions about our Athletics Program, please contact Chad Hill, Athletic Director; [rchill@ncmcs.org](mailto:rchill@ncmcs.org)