

WELCOME

**ANDOVER HIGH
COURSE SELECTION**

REQUIREMENTS

ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL

GR. 9 REQUIREMENTS

- ENGLISH 9
- MATH
- SCIENCE:Two semesters of Science
- WORLD CIVILIZATION
- FOREIGN LANGUAGE
- HEALTH
- PHYSICAL EDUCATION-Project Challenge
- An elective choice
- Special Education Support Classes



CHOICES

- All students are required to take Health as 9th graders.
- All students are required to take no less than 7.5 credits.
- All students are required to take a foreign language.*
- All students are required to take physical education.

The only exception are special needs students/504 students with documentation.



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!

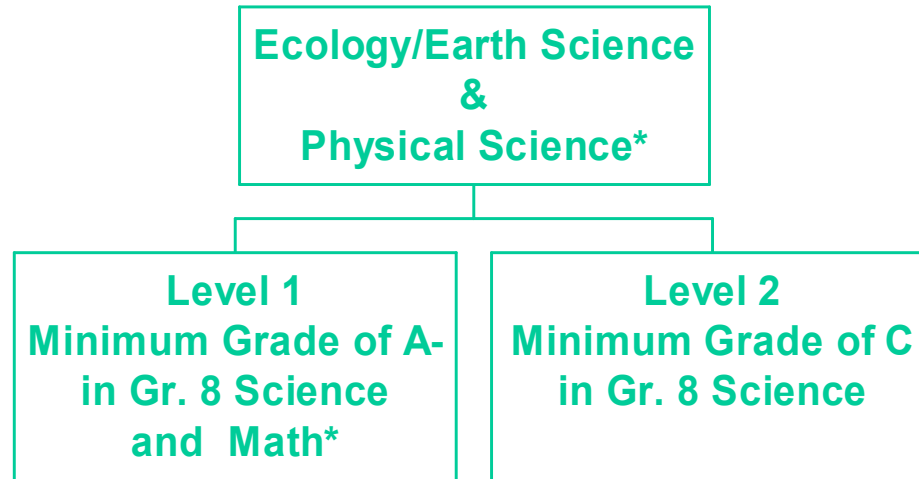
- **EACH COURSE HAS A PREREQUISITE FOR LEVELING**
- **PLEASE TAKE TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS SERIOUSLY**
- **A PARENT HAS THE RIGHT TO OVERRIDE TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS –It is not an override if teachers had recommended EITHER Level one or Level two**
- **IF A PARENT OVERRIDES THERE MAY BE NO OPTION IN THE FUTURE TO CHANGE THAT DECISION**
- **STUDENTS ARE NOT BOUND BY Gr. 9 LEVELS, THEY MAY CHANGE EACH YEAR ACCORDING TO STUDENT GRADES AND TEACHER RECOMMENDATION**

ACADEMIC CHOICES

Gr. 9 Science

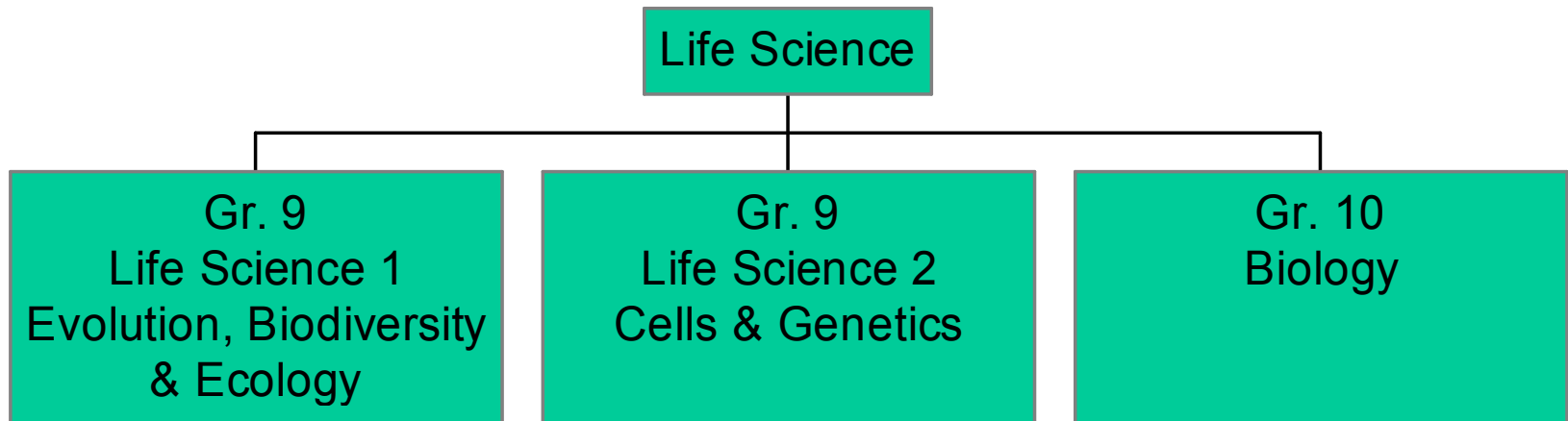
(1 course each semester)

Traditional Science Program



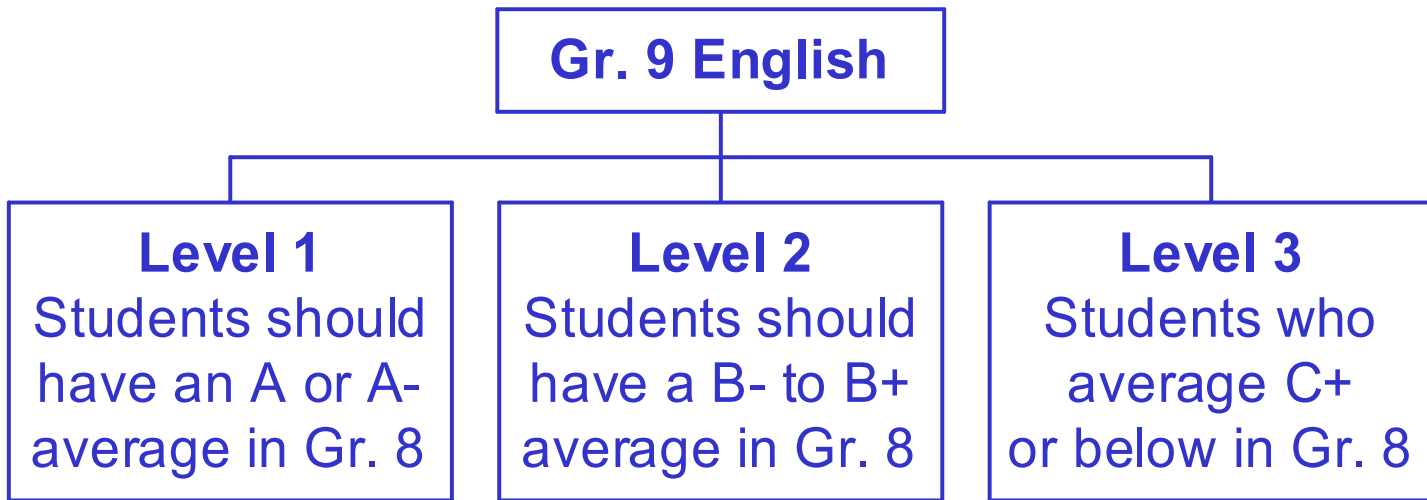
Life Science

**Three Course Program for Levels 2 & 3
Designed to address Biology MCAS Gr. 10**



Gr. 9 English*

*Level 2 & 3 are a combined class.



English 9/Spanish 1*

* This is a level 2/3 course

- One block English 9, One Block Spanish 1
- This course will be a traditional all year program with each course being 45 minutes long
- Taught by two separate teachers, this is not an interdisciplinary course
- For those students who want a traditional program, and who are beginning Spanish 1 as a new language or repeating Spanish 1
- Emphasis on reading, writing, speaking and study skills
- Course # EN712/713 & WL712/713

Gr. 9 Math

2 Options

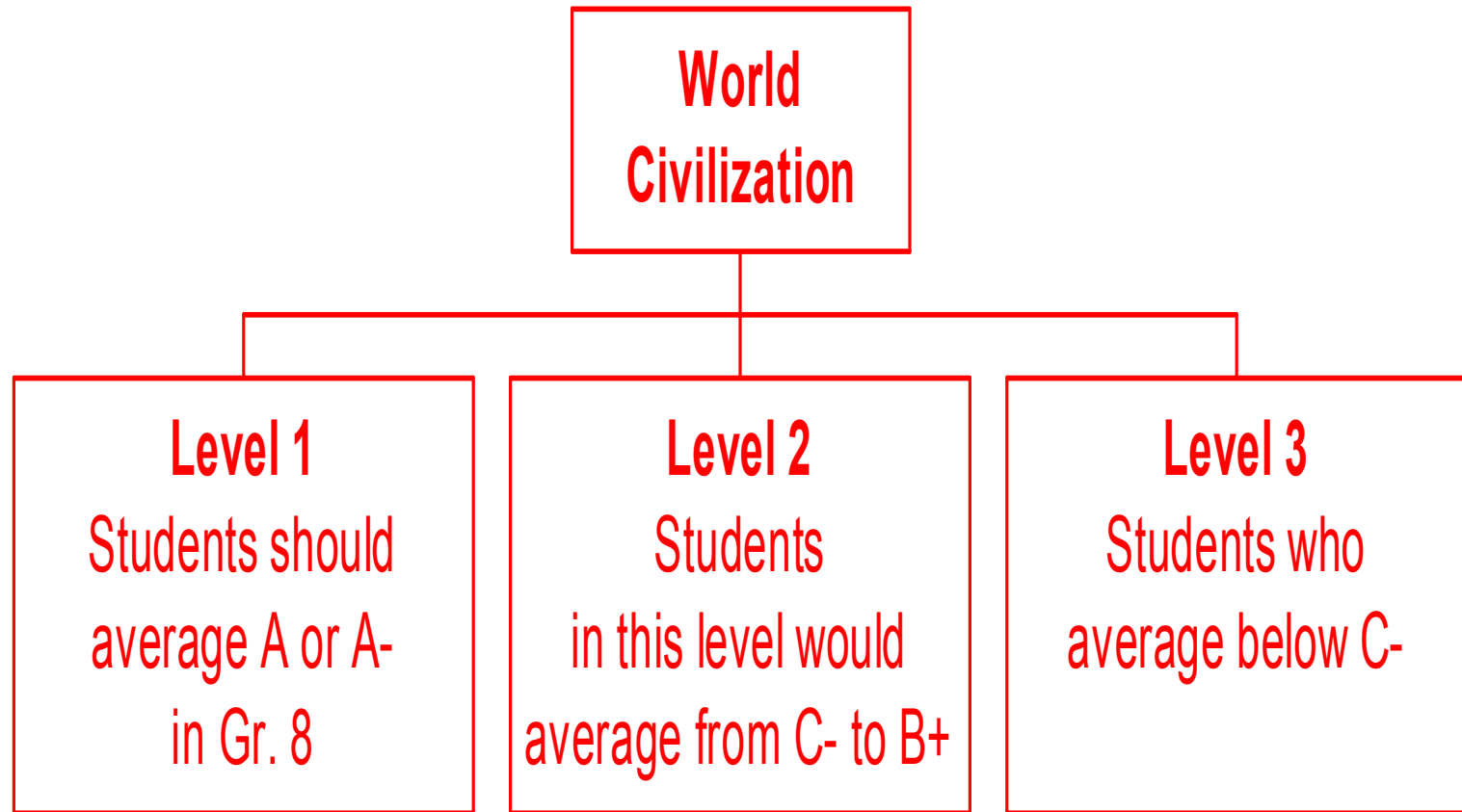
Traditional Program

- Algebra 1: B- average or below in gr. 8 should take this before Geometry
- Enriched Geometry : A average
- Geometry 1: A average
- Geometry 2: minimum grade of B

Math I

- Math 1(level 1): A average
- Math 1 (level 2): B-average
- Math 1 (level 3): C+ or below

Gr. 9 World Civilization



Foreign Language

Gr. 8 Students with a grade of C- or above will be placed in year 2 of the foreign language they took in grade 8. If students decide to change languages they will begin in year one of the language with the level recommended by their language teacher. Foreign languages have only 2 levels, with the exception of Spanish, which has a level 3 offered.

Gr. 9 Foreign Language



Health & Physical Education

HEALTH

**Physical
Education**

- Project Challenge

Electives

*** You must choose 3 electives on your course selection sheets!**

- **Chorus**
- **Concert Band**
- **Art of Theater**
- **Technical Theater**
- **Performance Art
(dance, guitar, etc.)**
- **Survey of Music**
- **Foundation Studio**
- **Musical Theater
Workshop**
- **Survey of American
Film**
- **Intro. To Sign
Language**

What next?

- 1. Please check over your son/daughter's course selection sheet.**
- 2. Sign the bottom of the sheet and return it to the homeroom teacher.**
- 3. If you are waiving a teacher recommendation make sure that you follow directions. All courses that you are waiving need to be indicated on this sheet.**
- 4. If you have a questions please call
Mrs. Larschan 623-8752**
- 5. For SPED services call Mrs. Clark-623-8773**

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Additional Information

- All students will have 6 Academic Subjects
- The additional credits will come from the following areas: PE, Health, or The Arts
- Total credits will equal 7.5 or 8
- World Studies will not be offered this year

Parent Request for Waiver

- Please fill out all of the information on the reverse side of the form
- Sign the signature line – if you do not sign the changes will not be made
- Correct the front of the Course Request Form – change the Course #, Course Name and Requested Level
- No need to fill out the back of the form if teachers had written **either** Level 1 OR Level 2-Just circle your choice on the front with the correct course number.

Good Luck!

**If you have any further questions please
feel free to call the Guidance
Department! @ 978-623-8752**

Thanks!

Mrs. Larschan