


Brea Olinda High School – WHICH COURSES ARE RIGHT FOR ME?

	Teacher Primary Recommendation Based Upon Course Level Taken, Grades Earned* & Completion	Teacher Secondary Recommendation Based Upon Previous Coursework Grades or Standardized Test Scores*
ENGLISH DEPARTMENT		
ESL 1/2/3	English Learner status AND Teacher Recommendation REQUIRED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 7, 8, or Grade 11 CAASPP (SBAC) standardized test results CELDT Scores Language Arts 8 benchmark exams
Lit/Comp 1	Signature not needed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 7, 8, or Grade 11 CAASPP (SBAC) standardized test results Previous year's course grades Benchmark or Common Formative Assessment test results
Lit/Comp 1 – Honors	Language Arts 8(H) = A or B or Language Arts 8 = A	
Lit/Comp 2	Signature not needed.	
Lit/Comp 2 – Honors	Lit/Comp 1 = A or Lit/Comp 1 (H) = A or B	
Lit/Comp 3	Signature not needed.	
AP Lang/Comp	Lit/Comp 2 = A or Lit/Comp 2 (H) = A or B	
Lit/Comp 4 (ERWC)	Signature not needed.	
AP Lit/Comp	Lit/Comp 3 = A or AP Lang/Comp = A or B	
SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT		
World History	Signature not needed.	
World History Online Hybrid Course	Signature needed from instructor. To determine whether a student is an ideal candidate for taking the hybrid online course offering, students should survey themselves using the following URL or QR code: https://esurvey.tlt.psu.edu/Survey.aspx?s=246aa3a5c4b64bb386543eab834f8e75	
AP European History	Student should see current English teacher for recommendation. Lit/Comp 1 = A or Lit/Comp 1 (H) = A or B	Lit/Comp 1 Benchmark Tests
U.S. History	Signature not needed.	
AP U.S. History	World History = A or AP European History = A or B	<i>Passing score on AP European or World History Exams; World History and Lit/Comp 2 Benchmark Tests</i>
Government/Economics	Signature not needed.	
AP Government	U.S. History = A or AP U.S. History = A or B	<i>Passing score on AP European, U.S., or World History Exams; U.S. History and Lit/Comp 3 Benchmark Tests</i>
AP Economics	Algebra 2 = A or B U.S. History = A or AP U.S. History = A or B	<i>Passing score on AP European, U.S., or World History Exams; U.S. History and Lit/Comp 3 Benchmark Tests</i>
WORLD LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT – Chinese (Mandarin), French, Japanese, and Spanish Languages Offered		
1 st Year Course	Signature not needed.	
2 nd Year Course	1 st year course = A, B or C	1 st Year Course Benchmark Tests or Teacher Evaluation
3 rd Year Course	2 nd year course = A, B or C	2 nd Year Course Benchmark Tests or Teacher Evaluation
4 th Year Course (AP)	3 rd year course = A or B	3 rd Year Course Benchmark Tests or Teacher Evaluation

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MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT		
Algebra 1	Math 8 Core = A or B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 7, 8, or Grade 11 CAASPP (SBAC) standardized test results Previous year's course grades Benchmark or Common Formative Assessment test results
Algebra 1A	Lowest level of math offered at BOHS Math 8 Core = C, D or F	
Algebra 1B	Algebra 1A = A, B or C OR *Algebra 1 = D or F second semester (junior high only)	
Financial Math	Algebra 1B = D or F; Math C = D or F (grade 11 or 12 only)	
Math C	Algebra I = C or D or Algebra IB = C or D	
Geometry	Algebra 1B = A, B or C or Algebra 1 = A, B or C or Math C completed	
Algebra 2	Geometry = A, B or C	
FST	Algebra 2 = A, B or C	
Pre-Calculus – Honors	Algebra 2 = A or B	
AP Statistics	FST = A or B and/or Pre-Calculus (H) = A, B or C	
AP Calculus AB	Pre-Calculus (H) = A or B	
AP Calculus BC	AP Calculus AB = A or B	
SCIENCE DEPARTMENT		
Intro to Physical Science	Signature not needed.	
Biology	Signature not needed.	
Biology – Honors	8 th Grade Science or Intro to Physical Science = A or B Algebra 1B = A or B or Algebra 1 = A or B	Intro to Physical Science Benchmark Tests
AP Biology	Completed Algebra 2 Algebra 2 = A or B Biology = A or Biology (H) = A or B Chemistry = A or Chemistry (H) = A or B	Biology Benchmark Tests
Chemistry	Completed or concurrent enrollment in Algebra 2 Biology = A, B or C Geometry = A, B or C	
Chemistry – Honors	Completed or concurrent enrollment in Algebra 2 Biology = A or Biology (H) = A or B Geometry = A or B	Biology Benchmark Tests
AP Chemistry	Completed Algebra 2 Algebra 2 = A or B Biology = A or Biology (H) = A or B Chemistry = A or Chemistry (H) = A or B	Chemistry Benchmark Tests
Conceptual Physics	No signature needed.	
AP Physics 1	Concurrent enrollment in FST or Pre-Calculus (H) Completed Algebra 2 with an A or B Biology = A, B or C Geometry = A, B or C	Algebra 2 Benchmark Tests
AP Physics 2	AP Physics 1 = A, B, or C Completed or concurrent enrollment in Pre-Calculus (H) Algebra 2 = A or B and/or FST = A or B	<i>passing score on AP Physics 1 exam</i> ; FST or Pre-Calculus (H) Benchmark Tests
AP Physics C	Completed or concurrent enrollment in AP Calculus AB or BC Pre-Calculus (H) = A or B AP Physics 1 = A, B or C	<i>passing score on AP Physics 1 exam</i>
AP Environmental Science	Completed Algebra 2 Algebra 2 = A or B Biology = A or Biology (H) = A or B Chemistry = A or Chemistry (H) = A or B	Algebra 2 and/or FST and/or Pre-Calculus (H) Benchmark Tests

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