

April 2016

Dear Student,

**WELCOME TO BALLARD HIGH SCHOOL!** We are happy that you have been assigned to Ballard High School for next fall! This packet contains the following information to help you choose your classes for next year:

- ✓ A **Course Selection Form** (yellow) on which you must list your class choices for next year
- ✓ A **Get Involved Survey** (blue) for you to indicate your interest in athletics and/or music  
Please note: If you are interested in participating on an athletic team at Ballard High School, please visit the BHS website under the Athletics tab for important information, requirements, and deadlines. [www.ballardhs.seattleschools.org](http://www.ballardhs.seattleschools.org)
- ✓ **Answers to Frequently Asked Questions** (see other side of this page) regarding prerequisites, auditions, and applications

€ **Please fill out the yellow Course Selection Form and the blue Get Involved Survey and bring these to your middle school on the day indicated below.** Ballard High School counselors will visit you at your middle school to collect these documents on the day listed here:

April 20	McClure, Pathfinder	April 26	Whitman
April 21	Hamilton, Mercer	April 27	TOPS, Broadview, Eckstein
April 22	Jane Addams, Madrona, Washington	April 28	South Shore, Blaine
April 25	Madison	April 29	Aki Kurose, Denny, Salmon Bay

€ **For students who receive Special Education services:** Please submit your Course Selection Form to the Ballard High School counselor on the date listed above for your middle school. We will also host a **Special Education Open House** on April 27<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 – 5:00 pm in the BHS Library for parents who would like to meet with the Special Education Department regarding their student's schedule and options for 9<sup>th</sup> grade. If you do choose to attend this Open House, please bring a copy of your current IEP to assist with course placement decisions. If you have further questions, please contact the Special Education Department Chair, Denise Bolen, at [ddbolen@seattleschools.org](mailto:ddbolen@seattleschools.org)

€ **If you are a student currently attending a school not listed above,** you may bring your completed forms to the Ballard High School Library on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., where counselors will be available to answer questions; or you can simply complete and mail your Course Selection Form and Get Involved Survey by May 6<sup>th</sup> to:

Registrar – Stephanie Waters  
Ballard High School  
1418 NW 65<sup>th</sup> Street  
Seattle WA 98117

Your 2016-2017 class schedule will be available to you toward the end of August. You will receive information about **Freshman Orientation**, which will be held **the Thursday before the first week of school beginning at 8:00 a.m.** (The exact date is to be determined – we will send you more information in the summer.) *(Please note: If you will not be attending Ballard High School, please e-mail the registrar, Stephanie Waters, at [smwaters@seattleschools.org](mailto:smwaters@seattleschools.org), to indicate where you will be attending school next year. Thank you.)*

Sincerely,

Ballard High School Counseling Department

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## ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Please see the BHS Course Catalog on our website ([www.ballardhs.seattleschools.org](http://www.ballardhs.seattleschools.org)) for more information.**

*(If you would like a copy of the Course Catalog mailed to you, please contact Carol Bristol, Counseling Secretary, at [chbristol@seattleschools.org](mailto:chbristol@seattleschools.org))*

- English Language Arts: 9<sup>th</sup> grade students take Intro to Literature & Composition or Honors Intro to Literature & Composition. No application or recommendation is required to select the Honors class.
- Social Studies: 9<sup>th</sup> grade students take World History 1 and 2, or Honors World History 1 and 2. No application or recommendation is required to select the Honors class. A college-level textbook is used in the Honors course, so students should be prepared to use this level of reading if choosing the Honors course.
- Math: Please consult with your middle school math teacher for their suggestion for your next course.
- Science: 9<sup>th</sup> grade students take Physical Science. Students who are taking Geometry or higher in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade may request Biology instead if desired. Students who have already passed high school credit-bearing Biology and Geometry courses in middle school may request Chemistry or another science course. Please refer to the Course Catalog for prerequisites.
- World Language: World Language is not required for graduation. However, World Language is required for admission to 4-year colleges and universities (2 years minimum).
- Instrumental Music: Symphonic Band: No audition required. Middle school band experience or instructor permission required.  
Wind Ensemble: Audition required for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade students. Middle school band experience or instructor permission required.  
Jazz Band: Audition required. (This is an additional 7:45 a.m. before-school class. Concurrent enrollment in a large ensemble class will be required)  
Percussion: Middle school band experience or audition. Contact Mr. James.  
Chamber Orchestra: Audition required for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade students.  
Symphonic Orchestra: No audition required. Middle school orchestra or instructor permission required.  
Contacts: Mr. Michael James, Director of Bands, [mijames@seattleschools.org](mailto:mijames@seattleschools.org)  
Ms. Brittany Newell, Director of Orchestras, [bcnewell@seattleschools.org](mailto:bcnewell@seattleschools.org)
- Choral Music: Treble Choir: Open to all women in grades 9-12. No Audition required.  
Concert Choir: Open to all men in grades 9-12. Open to women in grades 10-12 by audition.  
Contact: Ms. Courtney Rowley, Director of Choirs, [crpelavin@seattleschools.org](mailto:crpelavin@seattleschools.org)
- Digital Filmmaking: This program is for students interested in pursuing college or careers in film and television production, broadcast journalism, or advertising, as well as students with a general interest in motion picture production. An application is required for students interested in this program and must be received at Ballard High School by **May 13, 2016**. Applications are available on the Ballard High School website: [www.ballardhs.seattleschools.org](http://www.ballardhs.seattleschools.org). Click on the Digital Filmmaking Pathway button under the Academics tab. Contact: Mr. Matt Lawrence: [mplawrence@seattleschools.org](mailto:mplawrence@seattleschools.org)
- Biotechnology Academy: An application is required for students wishing to enter this program. Students may apply for the 9<sup>th</sup> grade cohort if they will be entering Geometry or higher. Completed applications for the 9<sup>th</sup> grade cohort must be received at Ballard High School by **May 13, 2016**. Applications are available on the Ballard High School website: [www.ballardhs.seattleschools.org](http://www.ballardhs.seattleschools.org) under the Academics tab. (Students entering Algebra I in grade 9 may apply for the 10<sup>th</sup> grade cohort in spring of 2017. Applications for the 10<sup>th</sup> grade cohort will be available in spring of students' 9<sup>th</sup> grade year.)  
Contact: Ms. Penny Pagels, [pepagels@seattleschools.org](mailto:pepagels@seattleschools.org)
- Maritime Academy: This program begins in 10<sup>th</sup> grade. No application is required until that time.  
Contact: Mr. John Foster, [jffoster@seattleschools.org](mailto:jffoster@seattleschools.org)
- Academy of Finance: This program begins in 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade. No application is required until that time, but students interested in this program for the future should consider taking Marketing, Advertising, Sports Marketing, or Accounting in 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Contact: Mr. Eric Blazevic, [edblazevic@seattleschools.org](mailto:edblazevic@seattleschools.org)
- Project Lead the Way Engineering: No application is required. Students interested in beginning this program in 9<sup>th</sup> grade should take Intro to Engineering Design, a year-long course.  
Contact: Mr. Brian Connolly, [baconnolly@seattleschools.org](mailto:baconnolly@seattleschools.org)

# BALLARD HIGH SCHOOL COURSE SELECTION/REGISTRATION FORM 2016-2017

**Grade level next year**

Student Name (*print*) \_\_\_\_\_ Grade level (*circle one*): **9**   **10**   **11**   **12**  
*class of (2020) (2019) (2018) (2017)*

Student E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Middle School (*if incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grader*) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian signature (*recommended*) \_\_\_\_\_

**Reminders:**

- You are selecting courses for the entire year—choose carefully! Schedule changes will be limited to correcting errors only.
- The computer will place courses in either semester and in any period order.
- Course descriptions can be found in the BHS Course Catalog at [www.ballardhs.seattleschools.org](http://www.ballardhs.seattleschools.org) under the Academics tab.

**Use the course titles and prerequisites listed on the back of this sheet to fill in your schedule requests below. Also, list 3 Alternate Courses in case your first choices fill up.**

<u>1<sup>st</sup> semester</u>	<i>Write Course Title on Line</i>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> semester</u>	<i>Write Course Title on Line</i>
LANGUAGE ARTS	_____	_____	_____
SOCIAL STUDIES	_____	_____	_____
MATH _____ <small>(math teacher signature)</small>	_____	_____	_____
SCIENCE	_____	_____	_____
COURSE	_____	_____	_____
COURSE	_____	_____	_____

Alternate #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate #2 \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate #3 \_\_\_\_\_

### Required Courses for Each Grade Level

<u>9<sup>th</sup> grade</u>	<u>10<sup>th</sup> grade</u>	<u>11<sup>th</sup> grade</u>	<u>12<sup>th</sup> grade</u>
*Intro to World Lit & Comp 9A & 9B *World History 1 & 2 *Math Science Health ( <i>one semester</i> ) <i>(if you are taking two year-long courses for example, music and world language, you may delay taking Health until a later year.)</i>	*World Lit & Comp 10A & 10B ** World History 3 ( <i>one semester</i> ) *Math Science	**American Lit & Comp 11A & 11B **US History 11A & 11B *Math	**Comp Lit & Comp 12A & 12B **A. Government ( <i>one semester</i> )
		*Honors section also a choice. **Advanced Placement (AP) section also a choice.	

Listed below are courses for the 2016-2017 school year. Please refer to the BHS Course Catalog if you want a full description of each course. An (\*) by a course indicates an application, audition or special process is required. Some courses indicate the grade level (9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup>) students must be in to register for the course. Also, if the course is a semester (*sem*) or year-long (*year*). Courses with (CIHS) are College in the High School.

### ENGLISH/LA

Intro to World Lit & Comp 9A/9B *or* Honors  
 World Lit & Comp 10A/10B *or* Honors  
 American Lit & Comp 11A/11B  
 AP Eng Lang & Comp 11A/11B  
 Comparative Lit & Comp 12A/12B  
 AP Eng Lit & Comp 12A/12B  
 Comp: Exposition/ Writ Compar Lit (CIHS)

### SCIENCE

AP Biology (*prereq Bio & Chem*)  
 AP Chemistry (*prereq Bio & Chem*)  
 Astronomy (*prereq Bio & Geom*)  
 Biology  
 Botany (*prereq Bio*)  
 Chemistry (*prereq Bio & Geom*)  
 Environmental Horticulture (10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)  
 Genetics (*Biotech, prereq Chem*)  
 Oceanography (CIHS) (*prereq Bio*)  
 Physics (*prereq Bio & Alg 2*)  
 Physical Science

### BUSINESS & MARKETING

Advertising (*sem*)  
 Accounting 1 & 2 (*sem*)  
 Marketing 1 & 2 (*sem*)  
 Entrepreneurship (*sem*)  
 Sports Marketing (*sem*)  
 Computer Applications (*sem*)  
 Principles of Finance (*non AOF*)  
 \*Academy of Finance:  
 Prin of Finance/Bus Econ (*year 11*)  
 Bus Glob Econ/Ethics in Bus (*year 12*)

### COMPUTER SCIENCE

Intro to Comp Science (*sem*)  
 Exploring Comp Science (*sem*)  
 (*prereq Intro to Comp Sci*)  
 AP Comp Sci (*prereq Intro to Comp Sci/year*)  
 Comp Sci Proj 1 & 2 (*prereq AP Comp Sci*)

### DIGITAL FILMMAKING

Video Production 1 (*sem*)  
 \*Video Production 1 (*year, Digital Film Pathway application*)  
 \*Video Production 2 (*year*)  
 \*Video Production 3 (*year*)  
 \*Video Production 4 (*year*)

### FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE

Apparel & Textiles 1 & 2 (*sem*)  
 Food Science 1 & 2 (*sem or year*)  
 Human Development (*sem*)  
 Independent Living (*sem*)

### HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Health (*sem*)  
 Individual Sports (*sem*)  
 Lifetime Activities/Yoga (*sem*)  
 Personal Fitness (*sem*)  
 Swimming (*sem*)  
 Team Sports (*sem*)  
 Weight Training (*sem*)

### SOCIAL STUDIES

World History 1 & 2 *or* Honors (9<sup>th</sup> /*year*)  
 World History 3 (10<sup>th</sup>/*sem*)  
 AP World History (10<sup>th</sup>/*year*)  
 US History 11A/11B  
 AP US History 11A/11B  
 A. Government (12<sup>th</sup>/*sem*)  
 AP A. Government (12<sup>th</sup>/*year*)

### WORLD LANGUAGE

French 1A/1B  
 French 2A/2B  
 French 3A/3B (CIHS)  
 AP French  
 French Ind. Study (*teacher rec*)  
 Japanese 1A/1B  
 Japanese 2A/2B  
 Japanese 3A/3B  
 Japanese 4A/4B  
 Japanese Ind. Study (*teacher rec*)

### JOURNALISM

Journalism Writing (*sem*)  
 Newspaper (*year*)  
 Yearbook (*year*)

### \*MARITIME

Maritime Survey (*sem*)  
 Maritime Skills (*year*)  
 Maritime 4 OUPV (*sem*)

### PERFORMING ARTS/MUSIC

Tech Theatre Foundations (*sem*)  
 \*Tech Theatre Adv (*sem/year*)  
 Theatre 1 (*sem or year*)  
 Theatre 2 (*sem or year*)  
 Guitar (*sem*)  
 Piano (*sem*)  
 \*Percussion (*year*)  
 Symphonic Band (*year*)  
 \*Wind Ensemble (*year*)  
 Symphonic Orchestra (*year*)  
 \*Chamber Orchestra (*year*)  
 \*Jazz Band 1 & 2 (*audition/year*)  
 Treble Choir (*open to all women/year*)  
 \*Concert Choir (*open to all men-no audition, open all women grades 10-12 w/ audition/year*)  
 \*Advanced Women's Chorale (*open all women grades 10-12 w/ audition/year*)  
 \*Vocal Jazz (*audition/year*)

### PROJECT LEAD THE WAY

Intro to Engineering Design I/II  
 Principles of Engineering (*prereq ITED*)  
 Comp Integ Manufacturing I/II (*prereq ITED*)  
 Engineering Design & Development  
 (*prereq POE/CIM/year*)

### MATH

Algebra 1A/1B  
 Geometry A/B  
 Geometry A/B Honors  
 Algebra 2A/2B  
 Algebra 2A/2B Honors  
 Pre-Calculus  
 Pre-Calculus Honors  
 Calculus  
 AP Calculus AB  
 AP Calculus BC  
 Probability & Statistics  
 Financial Algebra (*see counselor*)

### TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Graphic Arts (*sem*)  
 Metal I (*sem*)  
 Wood I (*sem*)  
 Wood Advanced (*sem*)

### VISUAL ARTS

Art Survey (*sem*)  
 Ceramics (*sem*)  
 Drawing & Painting (*sem*)  
 Drawing & Painting Adv (*sem*)  
 Photo Foundations (*sem*)  
 Photo Advanced (*sem*)  
 \*AP Art-Drawing (*year*)  
 \*AP Art-Photo (*year*)

### ELECTIVES

Proyecto Saber-Our Cultural Heritage (*sem/year*)  
 \*Teacher Assistant  
 \*Office Assistant

### OTHER

Late Arrival or Early Dismissal

### OFF CAMPUS OPPORTUNITIES

\*Running Start (*see counselor*)  
 \*City Campus (*see counselor*)  
 \*Skills Center (*see counselor*)

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

Please select courses listed on this form.  
 Your ELL teacher will review your course selections after you turn in this form.

### SPECIAL EDUCATION

Please select courses listed on this form.  
 Your IEP manager will review your course selections after you turn in this form.

**BALLARD H.S. ACTIVITIES 2016-2017 GET INVOLVED SURVEY**

There are many fun activities for you to get involved in when you become a Ballard Beaver! Among these are the Athletic and Music programs. Please indicate your interests by answering the survey below.

**ATHLETIC PROGRAMS:**

Ballard High School is a member of the 3A division of the Metro League, which includes Bainbridge, Bishop Blanchet, Cleveland, Eastside Catholic, Franklin, Garfield, Nathan Hale, Holy Names, Ingraham, Lakeside, O'Dea, Rainier Beach, Roosevelt, Chief Sealth, Seattle Prep, and West Seattle. There are 24 different programs offered to both males and females during the school year. All are after-school competitive athletic programs.

<u>Fall</u>	<u>Winter</u>	<u>Spring</u>
Football (M)	Basketball (F)	Track (M/F)      Ultimate Frisbee - club sport
Volleyball (F)	Basketball (M)	Baseball (M)      (F/Co-ed)
Soccer (F)	Wrestling (M/F)	Softball (F)
Swimming (F)	Gymnastics (F)	Soccer (M)
Cross Country (Co-ed)	Swimming (M)	Tennis (M/F)
Golf (M/F)	Unified Basketball (Co-ed)	Unified Soccer (Co-ed)
Ultimate Frisbee – club sport (M)		Lacrosse - club sport (F)
Cheer (Co-ed)		Lacrosse – club sport (M)
Dance (Co-ed)		

**MUSIC PROGRAMS**

BHS music programs participate in several types of performances, including concerts, district competitions, and out-of-town parades and festivals. The following courses are available to 9<sup>th</sup> grade students. Please see the BHS Course Catalog for prerequisites and additional course offerings.

**Classes during the School Day**

- Symphonic Band
- Wind Ensemble (*audition only*)
- Percussion (*middle school band experience or audition required*)
- Chamber Orchestra (*audition only*)
- Symphonic Orchestra
- Treble Choir (F)
- Concert Choir (M)
- Guitar
- Piano

**Before School/Zero Hour Classes**

- Jazz Band 1 and 2 (*audition only*)
- Vocal Jazz (*audition only*)

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**Please list all athletic or music programs you would be interested in participating, regardless of previous experience. Your information will be forwarded to the appropriate coaches/teachers.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Middle school you are currently attending \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in participating in the following sports or music programs:

\_\_\_\_\_

If you are interested in an instrumental music program (Symphonic Band, Orchestra, etc.), please list the instrument(s) you play: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please explain any previous experience/lessons in the areas you list (especially any competitive team experience, or music groups) on the back of this sheet.