

Students may add a course during the first three weeks of a full-year course and during the first two weeks of a semester course.

AP EXAM FEE SCHEDULE

AP Exam Fees for 2023-2024 school year are not finalized yet.

The College Board is now requiring that school districts must order all AP exams scheduled to be taken in May, by **November 15th** each year.

During the 2022-2023 school year, all exams ordered on time cost \$97 per exam. If a student enrolled in an AP course after November 14th, they incurred an additional \$40 late order fee imposed by the College Board for a total of \$137 per exam. If an exam was ordered for a student and the exam was unused or cancelled the student was responsible for paying the unused/cancelled exam fee of \$40 imposed by the College Board. Students transferring in or out of North Salem after the deadline did not incur the fee.

GRADE APPEALS: Please note that all appeals regarding a final grade must be submitted by July 15th.

REPEATING A COURSE OR REGENTS EXAM

Students may elect to retake a course or Regents exam, but will receive credit once. If a student retakes a Regents exam in August and achieves a higher grade than in June, the new grade will be used to re-calculate the final course average. Any time a Regents exam is taken again after August, the higher exam grade will appear on the transcript (though the final grade will not be recalculated).

MINIMUM NUMBER OF COURSES: All students must take the equivalent of five courses each semester plus physical education.

PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS: Eighth-grade students must successfully complete a minimum of four of the five basic courses (English, mathematics, science, social studies, and world language) to earn promotion to the next grade level. High school students must earn the following number of credits to earn sophomore, junior or senior status:

Grade 10 – Four credits (including English 9 and Global Studies I)

Grade 11 – Nine credits (including English 10 and Global Studies II)

Grade 12 – Fourteen credits (including English 11 and U.S. History)

We **strongly** urge any student who fails a course to attend summer school. It is extremely difficult for a student to make up a failed course during the school year.

Course requests will be available for parents to review on Parent Portal during the 3rd marking period.

INDEPENDENT STUDY: Students who have an interest in a particular area of study which is not offered in our curriculum may want to consider study of that course on an independent basis. Credit will be granted providing the student works under the direction of a teacher who agrees to monitor the progress made during the independent study process. Independent study for courses required for graduation must follow the regulations set forth by the State Education Department of New York. Final approval for these courses is at the discretion of the Building Principal.

AWARDING CREDIT: The granting of credit will not be based solely on a Regents examination or final exam score, but on a passing final average. Regents and final exams account for 10% of the final average for a class.

SCHEDULING GUIDELINES

Every effort is made to tailor a schedule to individual needs. Your counselor will meet with you each year to

conduct an annual review of your program and progress. This is an excellent time to look ahead at your goals. Having a long-range goal in mind, whether it is a particular career, a certain type of college or a specific job, helps considerably when you make decisions about which course to take.

There are some general guidelines one should follow throughout the process. First, if you are considering college of any type, enrolling in the most challenging courses possible is recommended. Second, if you know far enough in advance of graduation that you are not planning to attend college, it is most important to develop a skill before graduation. Having a high school diploma is not enough; our increasingly complex and technological world demands job skills. It is possible to build enough skills for an entry-level job upon graduation through PNWBOCES (see list of Tech Center courses).