



Frequently Asked Questions **for Incoming 9th Grade Students**

How can I stay updated on what is happening at San Juan Hills High School?

Answer: Please regularly check the SJHHS website, www.sjhhs.org, for detailed information about school programs, upcoming events, school staff, course catalog, and district guidelines. Also follow up on instagram: @sjhhs_guidance @officialsjhhs @sjhhspta @sjhhsgram. Once your student is enrolled in at SJHHS you will be automatically sent updates via our weekly newsletters.

Does my child need to create a separate Student Portal Account even if I have a Parent Portal Account?

Answer: Yes. Every student **MUST** have an account in order to choose his/her courses throughout high school. Current CUSD 8th grade students should contact their middle school for the necessary information to create their account. Non-CUSD students will receive this information during enrollment. Parents must also have their own account in order to complete the registration process and receive the data confirmation for Walk-Through Registration. <https://portal.capousd.org/Portal.htm>

How many classes does my child need to take their freshman year?

Answer: All freshmen **MUST** be enrolled in at least 6 classes each semester.

Can my child take Honors courses? When can my child take AP courses?

Answer: Yes, we offer Honors English, Honors Algebra II/Trig, Honors Biology and Honors World History to freshmen. CUSD has set district guidelines for placement ([Link to District placement criteria](#)). Have your child continue to work hard for the remainder of their 8th grade year as final 4th quarters grades will be taken into consideration.

Answer: Select AP courses are available at the beginning of a student's sophomore year. Most AP courses are offered to juniors and seniors. [Link to District placement criteria](#)

Can my child go into a higher level of math?

Answer: Students will be placed in a Math based on the CUSD district guidelines. ([Link to District placement criteria](#)). For students outside of CUSD, School Counselor will review their MS and the transcript/report card will be the determining factor on where to place.

Can my child take health during the summer?

Answer: Most 9th grade students take Health during their freshman year. When a student has an impacted schedule (more than 6 classes), a student may take Health over summer (summer prior to entering 9th grade or following their 9th grade year). Students must see their middle school school counselors to register. Non-CUSD students will be able to register when they meet with their SJHHS school counselor to select their Fall schedule. Space is limited; current SJHHS students have priority. Please keep in mind that students who do not get a spot in summer school will still have plenty of opportunities to take the course.

What electives can freshmen take?

Answer: Freshmen are able to select from a list of electives.

What world languages are offered at SJHHS?

Answer: We offer Spanish and French.



If my child took a world language in middle school, should they go into an advanced level of that language as a freshman?

Answer: Freshmen will enroll upon successful completion of their chosen language. 9th grade students enrolling in Spanish II must have completed Spanish I with quarter grades of As or Bs.

Can my child request a specific teacher or specific periods?

Answer: No, we cannot accept teacher requests, teacher changes or period requests.

Can my child have a zero period?

Answer: A zero period may be granted to students with impacted schedules (more than 6 classes). Zero Period requests are done during online course requests in the Student Portal.

My child will be trying out for a sport second semester. Do they have to be in PE first semester?

Answer: Yes. All freshmen must be enrolled in either PE or a sport both semesters.

Does my child have to try out for sports?

Answer: Yes, all sports require a tryout with the exception of freshman football, boys and girls wrestling and boys and girls water polo. Please visit: www.sjhstallions.com/camps for information regarding summer camps and tryouts. You can also contact the coach directly for further details or questions.

My child attended a private school during 8th grade, when do we enroll?

Answer: New Enrollment for 2024-2025 begins February 2, 2024. The first step is to submit the Online Enrollment Form found at <https://portal.capousd.org/AIR/>. Once submitted, the SJHHS registrar will contact you for an appointment to submit all the necessary paperwork to complete enrollment. At that appointment the family will meet with the Counselor to set a schedule for the upcoming school year.