



2025-2026 Academic Advising

Robinson Student Services

Learning Targets

Following this presentation, I will:

1. Understand my graduation requirements.
2. Know the 2025-2026 course registration process.
3. Know the factors and inputs to consider to select required and elective courses next year.
4. I will meet with my Counselor individually to select courses.



Counselor Introductions



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Graduation Requirements



Standard Diploma:

English	4
History	3
Math	3
Science	3
Health and PE	2
Fine Arts OR CTE, World Language	2
Electives (including sequential)	4
<u>Econ and Personal Finance</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	22

*AP/IB/HN or CTE Credential/Exam

*First Aid/CPR/AED (met in HPE 9)

*Virtual Course (met in EPF)

Advanced Diploma:

English	4
History	4
Math	4
Science	4
Health and PE	2
World Language	3 or 2+2
Fine Arts OR CTE	1
Electives (including sequential)	3
<u>Econ and Personal Finance</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	26

*AP/IB/HN or CTE Credential/Exam

*First Aid/CPR/AED (met in HPE 9)

*Virtual Course (met in EPF)

[Virginia Department of Education Diploma Requirements in detail](#)



Verified credits = SOL Credits

SOL requirements for both Standard & Advanced Diplomas

- English 2
- Math 1
- Science 1
- History 1
- Total 5**



Detailed Graduation Requirement Chart:

[Graduation Requirements for Students Entering 9th Grade in 2018-2019 and Beyond](#)

IB Coordinators & Diploma options

IB Office located in C118 across from SS12

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February 6, 2025, 7-8:30pm Davala Hall - Rising 11th grade Parent Information Meeting



Things to consider when selecting courses...

✓ Graduation Requirements

- Standard (22 credits) vs. Advanced (26 credits)
- IB Diploma – [additional requirements](#)

Interested students must meet with an IB Coordinator starting in January of their 10th grade year to develop a 2-year plan!

✓ Prerequisites

- A class you must pass to enroll in a more advanced course
- Class prerequisites are listed in the [Course Catalog](#)





Things to consider when selecting courses...

✓ Interests

- Which courses are you excited & passionate about?
- What career goals and postsecondary plans do you have?

✓ Athletes

- Student athletes must be enrolled & PASSING 5 courses to be eligible to compete each season

✓ Teacher Input

- January 16 and 17: Academic Days of Emphasis

✓ BALANCE!

- Consider schoolwork, activities, other commitments when selecting courses for next year





Robinson course options

1. Non-Honors and Honors

- Considerations for taking an Honors class:
 - ✓ Do I have strong organizational skills, strong study habits?
 - ✓ Do I have the desire to devote extra time to my courses?
 - ✓ Am I thinking about IB courses in the future?
- Honors courses generally offer students:
 - ✓ Greater emphasis on analysis
 - ✓ Analytical skill development
 - ✓ More reading and writing requirements
 - ✓ Offers 0.5 GPA bump

2. IB and AP (college level)

- ✓ A subject you are passionate AND interested in studying
- ✓ Offers 1.0 GPA bump

3. Electives

Subject Area
English 9
English 10
English 11
English 12
World History/Geog 1
World History/Geog 2
VA US History
VA US Government
Mathematics
Science
World Languages
Health & Phys Ed 9
Health & Phys Ed 10
Econ & Personal Finance
Fine Arts/Career & Tech Ed
Other Electives
Sequential Electives

Robinson course offerings



Log into Student Services
Schoolology for Course
Selection sheets

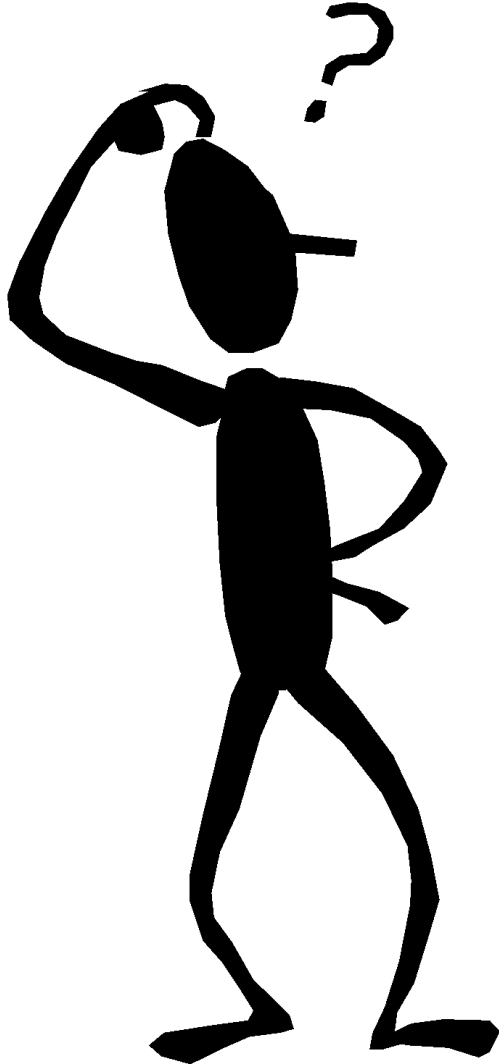
- Grade Level Folder → Academic Advising

“Application required”
courses found in Student
Services Schoolology

- Peer Helping
- SGA
- Sports Leadership
- Yearbook
- Teachers for Tomorrow Level 1 DE



Electives?!



Provide 3 Alternative Elective options

If there is a conflict in your schedule, the alternative course(s) will replace your first-choice elective(s).

Example:

1. Studio Art 1
2. Creative Writing 1
3. Theater Arts 1



Counselors reserve the right to choose alternate courses if student does not provide 3

Additional Course Options

1. [FCPS Online Campus](#) course options (open to all grades)

- Students may take up to 2 FCPS online courses during the school year
- Dual Enrollment options, registration & NOVA application required

2. Academy options (primarily junior & seniors)

**May require additional travel periods, registration deadline March 6

- [Fairfax Academy](#) Open House Feb 4 (6:30-8:00 PM)
- [Chantilly Academy](#) Open House Jan 8 (6:00-8:00 PM)
- [Falls Church Academy](#) Open House Jan 9 (6:00-9:00 PM)

3. Dual/Concurrent Enrollment options (primarily junior & seniors)

- [Dual Enrollment](#) - *taught at the FCPS Academies and FCPS Online Campus.*
 - Offers college credit with a college/university & HS credit, while taking the course in high school. ADDITIONAL STEPS REQUIRED. SEE COUNSELOR
- [Concurrent Enrollment](#) - *taken directly through the college/university*
 - Students may request to receive high school AND college credit, or college credit only and MUST be approved prior to enrolling in the college level course. SEE COUNSELOR. ADDITIONAL FORM REQUIRED.



Economics & Personal Finance

*Requirement for all students to graduate in the State of VA

1. Face to Face Options at Robinson:

- ☐ Economics and Personal Finance Honors
 - 10-12 grade
- ☐ IB Business and Management SL
 - 11 & 12 grade only
- ☐ IB Economics SL
 - 11 & 12 grade only

2. [Self-Directed Online](#) Econ & Personal Finance

- ☐ 8th course or summer option available
- ☐ Counselor approval required
 - Fee associated with course
 - Pass/Fail only

3. Online Options through [FCPS Online Campus](#):

- ☐ Economics and Personal Finance-online
 - If 8th course, fee required
 - Summer option available, fee required



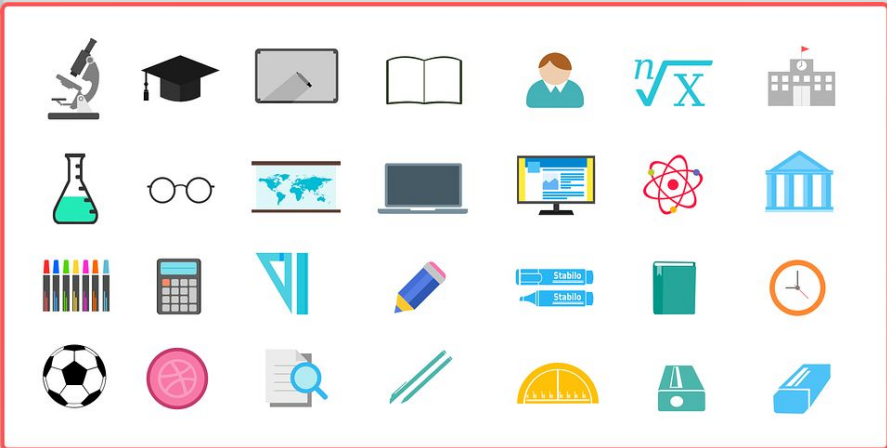
Pass/Fail Option

With parent/guardian approval, high school students are given the option of taking ONE elective credit per school year to be marked on pass-fail basis

A [form](#) must be submitted to your school counselor



Choose wisely



& review course descriptions!



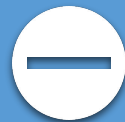
Use the [Course Catalog](#) to read up on course descriptions BEFORE you select a course!



[Review short videos](#) on elective options here



June 11, 2025 last day of school & LAST DAY to make changes to your course request.
*Be mindful of selecting a good fit & BALANCE!



No changes guaranteed after March 14, 2025

Changes are made on space available basis

GET INVOLVED AT ROBINSON!

[HTTPS://ROBINSONSS.FCPS.EDU/STUDENT-LIFE-ACTIVITIES/HIGH-SCHOOL-ACTIVITIES](https://robinsonss.fcps.edu/student-life-activities/high-school-activities)



Make high school count!

Next steps:



Meeting dates with Counselor for individual advising



- Rising 12 Academic Advising: Feb 3—Feb 14 in English
- Rising 11 Academic Advising: Feb 18—Feb 28 in HPE 10
- Rising 10 Academic Advising: Jan 21—Jan 31 in HPE 9
- Students not enrolled in above/online course will meet separately

✓ Prior to your meeting above, review with your family:

- [Course selection sheet](#)- please review prior to 1 on 1 meeting
- [Online Course catalog](#) for course descriptions and prerequisites
- [Electives Fair](#) - January 17 during RAISE

✓ Be prepared for your meeting by bringing:

- 7 class selections
- 3 alternate electives
- Questions!