



HIGH SCHOOL COURSE CATALOG

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The Counseling Department at ACA is committed to helping students and their families have a meaningful and successful high school experience. Counselors at ACA provide guidance services in the area of academic, vocational and post-secondary planning, as well as support with personal and emotional challenges and social development. Counselors provide services in many different ways including small group activities and individual counseling.



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Counseling and Guidance

Personal

Counselors help students and families with individual problem solving, crisis counseling, study skills, stress and time management. The counseling department at ACA also partners with community organizations to expand the range of services offered to students and families.

Post High School Planning

The counseling department works closely with students and families to guide and prepare students for post secondary options.

Throughout their high school career students have a chance to complete career interest surveys, learn how to

conduct college research and narrow their choices, write a resume, and understand how the total college application and financial aid process works. Whether a student chooses to attend a four or two year college, attend a vocational school, or join the armed forces, the staff at ACA will support all students to make informed decisions and be academically prepared for their choice of college and career.

Academic Planning

Active involvement of the student, parent or guardian, and counselor in developing a four- year high school academic plan is the first step towards a positive high school experience. When developing a plan students should :

- include courses to help meet all graduation



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Counseling and Guidance

requirements

- Be sure to meet any prerequisites for courses students plan to take
- Take courses in proper sequence
- Plan for course fees
- Plan for post high school academic and career goals
- Use your academic strengths to your advantage
- Maximize your chance for success in areas of academic weakness
- Keep all options open by taking a full academic load each year
- Seek recommendations from teachers who know your work
- Revise the four- year plan every year

Students in middle school should consult their teachers and counselors for assistance with their four year plans and course selections for high school

Current 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th graders should consult their teachers and counselors for assistance with their four- year plans and to review their progress toward meeting graduation requirements.

Grades and Classes

Students have the opportunity to increase knowledge, expand academic and thinking skills, and develop sound study techniques in their courses. The grades earned in those courses are recorded on the transcript. Colleges, universities, and technical training programs use student's transcript to determine their admissibility into their institutions and programs. Employers and military recruiters review grades and course work when considering future applicants.



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Counseling and Guidance

Meeting College and University Admission Requirements

To gain admission into most colleges and universities, and to be prepared for college-level work, students should take additional high school courses in academic areas beyond local district requirements for high school graduation. The level of each course should be the highest level of challenge of which you are capable and willing to put in a quality effort.

Electives and Extra-Curricular Activities

Most colleges, universities, and many employers seek students with skills or interests in addition to academic achievement. Participation in student

government, music, drama and art, community service, sports, clubs, and other school- sponsored activities can enrich school life and help students build leadership, cooperation, and time management skills.

Recommended Testing

PSAT/NMSQT:

(Preliminary SAT/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) is a standardized test designed by the College Board. At ACA students take this test on a specific school day in the fall. The test is recommended for sophomores and juniors interested in pursuing higher education after high school. The test is an indicator of potential achievement on the SAT, and is used to qualify juniors for the National Merit Scholarship program.



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Recommended Testing (continued)

SAT & ACT: These are college entrance exams which test mathematical, verbal, reasoning, and writing abilities. Either SAT Reasoning Test or ACT must usually be presented as part of an application for admission to a four year college or university. Consult the college or university to find out which test it requires or prefers. Many students take the SAT or ACT in the spring of their junior year. In order for results of the test to be available for the college admission process, students should plan to take one or both of these tests no later than the first week of December of your senior year.

Course Selection

A student's course selection is extremely important. The ACA master schedule, with staffing assignments and number of sections for each course, is developed based on student course selection.

Requests for course changes will be considered at the beginning of each semester and will be granted only for approved academic reasons. Any course added to your schedule as part of a schedule change will be taken only from the list of courses selected during your meeting with the Academic Advisor/ Guidance Counselor, with primary consideration of satisfying graduation requirements,



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Course Map

Freshman Year

1. 9th Bible
2. Cultural Geography (H)
3. Biology (H)
4. Spanish 1 or ASL 1
5. English 9 (H)
6. Math (H)
7. Health
8. PE

Sophomore Year

1. 10th Bible
2. World History (H)
3. Chemistry (H)
4. Spanish 2 or ASL 2
5. World Lit (H)
6. Math (H)
7. PE

*(H)= available as honors credit

Math Courses by Grade Level

The math courses that are taken are based on the level when the student enters 9th grade.

Junior Year

1. 11th Bible
2. American History or College US History (H)
3. Anatomy or Environmental Science
4. Spanish 3 (H), College Prep, or Video Production
5. American Lit or College American Lit (H)
6. Math (H)

Senior Year

1. 12th Bible
2. Government or College Government (H)
3. Anatomy or Environmental Science
4. Spanish 4 (H)
5. British Lit or College British Lit (H)
6. Math

Freshman= Algebra 1, Geometry (H), or Algebra II (H)

Sophomore= Geometry, Algebra 11 (H), Pre Calc (H)

Junior= Algebra II, Pre Calc (H), AP Calculus AB

Senior= Pre Calc (H), AP Calculus AB

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Academic Standards & Honors Course List

It is the belief of ACA that a quality education is the result of the following factors:

1. Curriculum that integrates God's Truth into all courses and adequately prepares the student for future career and/ or educational endeavors

2. Teachers who reflect a Christian philosophy in lifestyle and apply God's Truths and precepts

3. Class size that enables the student to derive maximum benefit from his academic exposure

Each student is expected to use all available school and home resources and to perform at his highest level in order to take full

advantage of the educational program. Student originality and creativity are encouraged within the organized framework of the classroom.

GPA SCALED CHART

Grade	%	Point value
A	90-100	4.0
B	80-89	3.0
C	70-79	2.0
D	60- 69	1.0
F	0-59	0.0

High School Honors

English

English 9 Honors
World Lit Honors
College American Lit*
College British Lit*

Math

Algebra 1 Honors
Geometry Honors

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Academic Standards & Honors Course List (Continued)

Math

Algebra II Honors
Pre- Calc Honors
AP Calculus 1 & 2

Language

Spanish 3
Spanish 4

Science

Chemistry Honors
Physics Honors
College Biology*
College Chemistry*

History

Cultural Geography Honors
College Government*
College Us History*
World History Honors

*Course is also offered as dual- credit through Colorado Christian University. The CCU Dual Credit program not only saves you money, but

also saves you time when you attend a higher education institution. By taking a CCU dual credit course, students receive college credit at a highly reduced rate compared to taking the course at college and are able to still enjoy their high school experience.

GPA SCALED CHART FOR HONORS COURSES/ DUAL CREDIT COURSES

Grade	%	Point Value
A	90-100	5.0
B	80-89	4.0
C	70-79	3.0
D	60- 69	1.0
F	0-59	0.0



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Honors Course Pre- Requisites & Fees

Course	Fee	Pre-Requisites
6th Eng (H)	\$40/yr	-Letter of recommendation from English teacher - Completion of summer assignment - B- in previous course
7th Eng (H)	\$40/yr	-Letter of recommendation from English teacher - Completion of summer assignment - B- in previous course
8th Eng (H)	\$40/yr	-Letter of recommendation from English teacher - Completion of summer assignment - B- in previous course
9th Eng (H)	\$50/yr	- B- in previous course
College World Lit*	\$50/yr & \$200 for CCU	-B- in previous course
College American Lit*	\$50/yr & \$200 for CCU	- Must be a junior - B- in previous course

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Honors Course Pre- Requisites & Fees

Course	Fee	Pre-Requisites
College British Lit*	\$50/yr & \$200 for CCU	- Must be a senior - B- in previous course
Cultural Geography (H)	\$50/yr	- B- in previous course
College World History*	\$50/yr & \$200 for CCU	- B- in previous course
College US History*	\$50/ yr & \$200 for CCU	- Must be a junior - B- in previous course
College Govt.*	\$50/yr & \$200 for CCU	- Must be a senior - B- in previous course - B- in previous course
Chemistry (H)	\$50/yr	- Must be a junior or a senior - B- in previous course
Physics (H)	\$50/yr	- B- in previous course
College Bio*	\$50/yr & \$200 for CCU	- Must be a junior or senior - B- in previous course
College Chem*	\$50/yr & \$200 for	

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Honors Course Pre- Requisites & Fees

Course	Fee	Pre-Requisites
Above grade level (Alg, Geom, AlgII)	N/A	- These courses are for those students that are above grade level in math

Pre-Calc	N/A	
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Calculus	N/A	
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Spanish III /IV	N/A	- B- in previous course
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*** Denotes payment through Colorado Christian University if taking this class for dual- credit**

Students enrolled in dual credit courses through CCU receive both high school and college credit

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Academic Requirements

	State	Distinguished	Adv. Honors
Course	Credits	Credits	Credits
Bible	4	4	4
English	4	4	4 (3 Honors)
Math	3	4	4
Science	3	3	3 (2 Honors)
History	3	3	3 (2 Honors)
Language	-	2	4 (2 Honors)
PE	2	2	2
Speech	-	1	1
Health	1	1	1
Electives	5	5	5
Total	25	29	31 (9 Honors)

Advanced Honors Diploma

- 31 units needs to be completed with 9 Honors/ Dual Credit classes
- Transfer students may be eligible based on previous honors course work
- Must meet Millennium Scholarship requirements
- Meet the GPA requirement of a 3.5 (unweighted) no grade under B-

- Math must be taken all 4 years of high school or up through Pre- Calc (Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Pre Calc, Calc I/II)

Advantage of Adv. Honors Diploma

Most competitive colleges consider not only student's grades, but also their academic background evidenced by courses listed on the transcript

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State Standard Diploma

State standard Diploma

Credit Requirements:

504 students, students with accommodations, or as approved by ACA Administration

Diploma Requirements:

Area of Study	Credit(s)
English	4
Math (Alg I or higher)	3
Science	3
World History/ Geography	1
U.S History	1
U.S Government	1
Health	1/2
Computers	1/2
Bible	4
Electives	5
PE	2
Total	25

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Distinguished Diploma

Distinguished Diploma Credit Requirements: The distinguished diploma is the requirement of ACA students. These requirements exceed the state standards of Nevada. ACA prides itself on going above and

beyond the standards of Nevada to challenge our students and guide them towards the path to success. If students would like a greater challenge, they may work towards the Adv. Honors Diploma

Diploma Requirements: Area of Study

Credit(s)

English	4
Math (Alg I or higher)	4
Science	3
History	1/2
Health	1/2
Computers	2
Language	4
Bible	4
Electives	2
PE	1/2
Speech/ College Prep	

Total

504 students, students with accommodations, and students approved by administration are not required to complete the

required credits of the Distinguished Diploma, but may do so if they would like to.

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Advanced Honors Diploma

Advanced Honors Diploma requires additional rigorous course work beyond those required for the Distinguished Diploma. Students must

achieve a minimum of a 3.5 unweighted GPA and 4.0 weighted GPA.

Diploma Requirements:
Area of Study

English	4 (3 honors)
Math (Alg I or higher)	4
Science	3 (2 honors)
History	3 (2 honors)
Health	1/2
Computers	1/2
Language	2 (2 honors)
Bible	4
Electives	5
PE	2
Speech/ College Prep	1

Total **31**

Enrollment in the Advanced Honors Program will assist students in their preparation for college applications and college entrance exams. Students may take Honors

courses even if they have not chosen to complete the requirements for the Advanced Honors Diploma.



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Honor Roll/ Valedictorian & Salutatorian Requirements

Honor Roll Recognition:

- 1. President's List:** Students must have a 95% (no grade below an A) in all of their classes for the semester
- 2. High Honor Roll:** Students must have a 90% (no grade below an A-) in all of their classes for the semester.
- 3. A/B Honor Roll:** Students must have an 80% or greater in all of their classes for the semester

Students that are enrolled in honors classes are expected to meet the criteria listed above in order to receive the above recognition.

Valedictorian & Salutatorian: are awarded to the top students in high school. The student with the highest overall grade point average (GPA) receives the Valedictorian award and the student with the second highest is awarded the Salutatorian award. Although many times these awards are based on academic achievement, a student's conduct may inhibit them from either receiving the award or being able to speak at school functions while in that role. A student must be part of ACA for a majority of their high school career.