

Welcome Class of 2028



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South Administrators



Dr. Almon, Principal

Oversees all.



**Mr. Ruggles, Activities
AP**

Manages all sports and
reserving areas of the
building, as well as booking
school travel, ex: field trips



**Mrs. Hemenway,
Curriculum AP**

Oversees master
schedule, curriculum, and
counseling team.

Counselors



**Melinda
Rocheleau**
A-F



**Debbie
Barker**
G-L



**Tor
Christopherson**
M-V



Sara Miller
Civic Leadership
Program + WXYZ



Paul Hemry
Individual
Programs

Get to know your counselor. They help with class choice, college, career, social-emotional issues- you name it!

Other Important Staff



SRO: Officer Gallen



Nurse: Susie Whited RN



Librarian:
Lydia Frankenburger

Graduation Requirements

Students Must Complete 22.5 Credits to Receive a High School Diploma

1. Language Arts	4 credits
2. Social Studies	4 credits
3. Mathematics	3 credits
4. Sciences	3 credits
5. Physical Ed/Health	1.5 credits
6. Electives	7 credits

Total 22.5 credits

ACADEMIES OF ANCHORAGE

Timeline

Fall 2024

Freshman Academies begin this year. This will be the only academy seen at the schools.

Fall 2025

Career Academies begin - 10th grade students only.
Freshman Academies have their 2nd class.

Fall 2026

2nd year of Career Academies with 10th & 11th grade students.
Freshman Academy has the 3rd class.

Fall 2027

Academies are live at all levels of each school. This will be the first year we graduate students from the academies.

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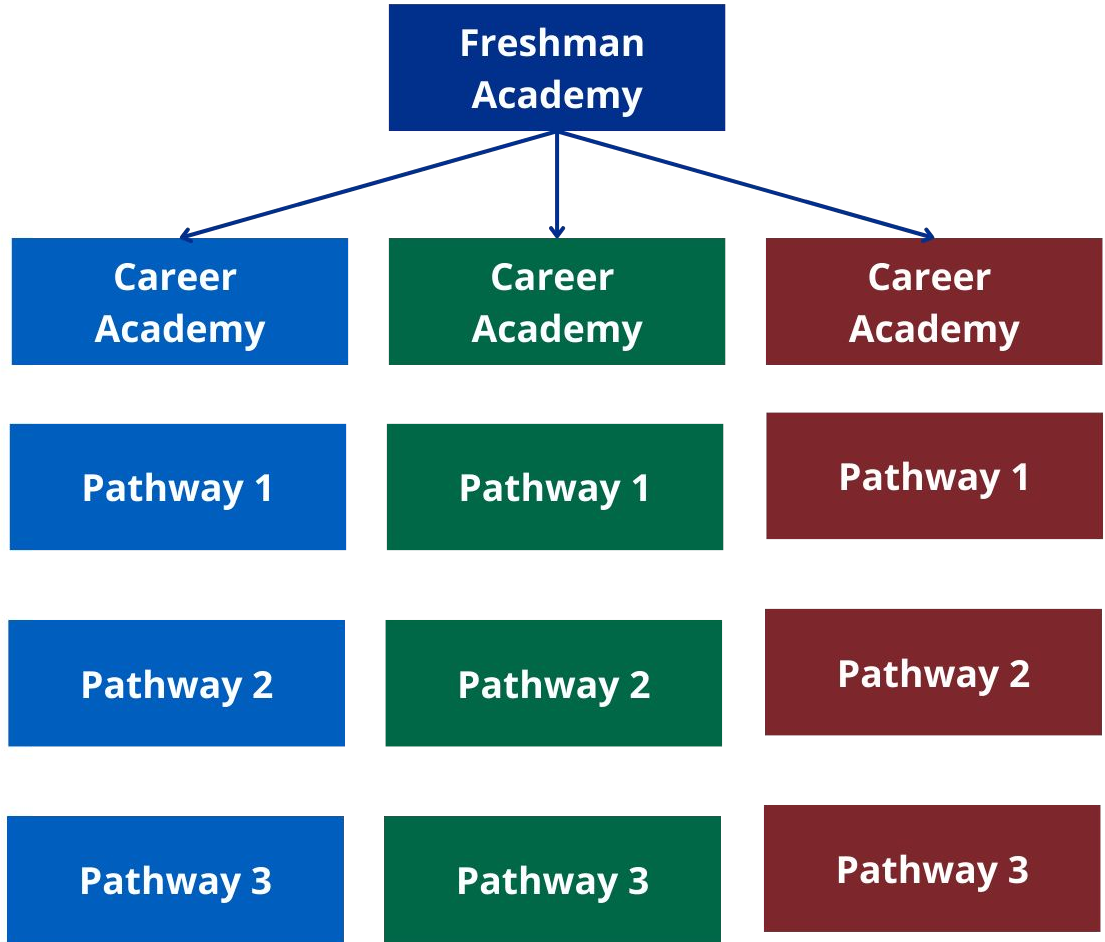
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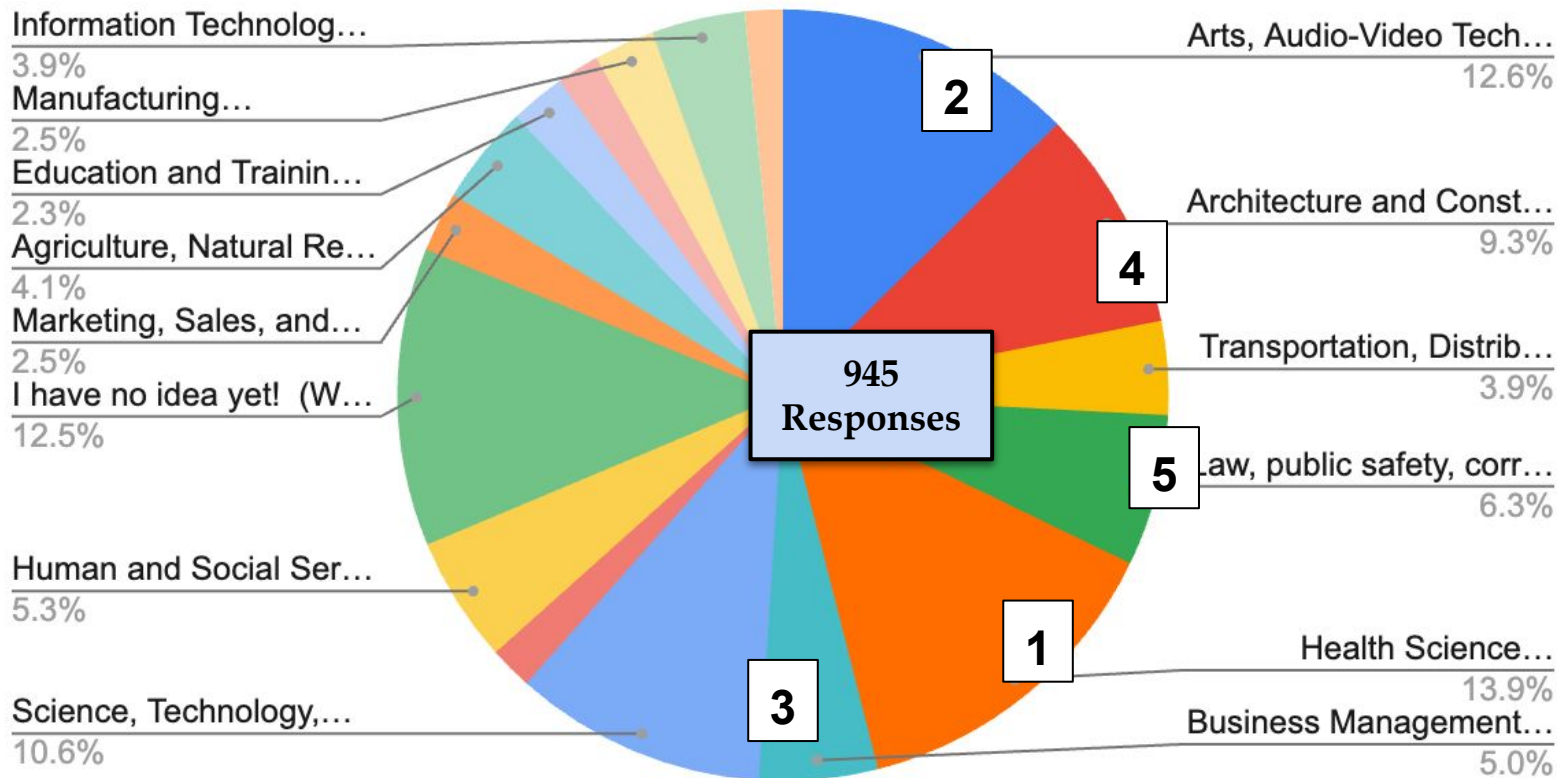
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Academy Structure

The number of Career Academies and the number of academy pathways will scale based on student populations




Count of FIRST CHOICE: The career pathway I am interested in the...



Freshman Academy 101


- **Create a Smaller Learning Community**
- **Transition support**
 - Robust Freshman Orientation
 - Guidance with Academy Selection (Next Spring)
- **Freshman Academy Career Exploration Course**
- **Intentional Career Exploration Opportunities**
 - Career Fair & College Visit





Freshman Academy is designed to ease the transition of 9th graders into high school with classes that connect together to support student learning.

The Freshman Academy Career Exploration Course teaches foundational success while helping navigate opportunities in Academies.



About the class

Organization skills

Time management

Goal setting

Building specific needs

21st Century skills

Digital Citizenship

Career exposure

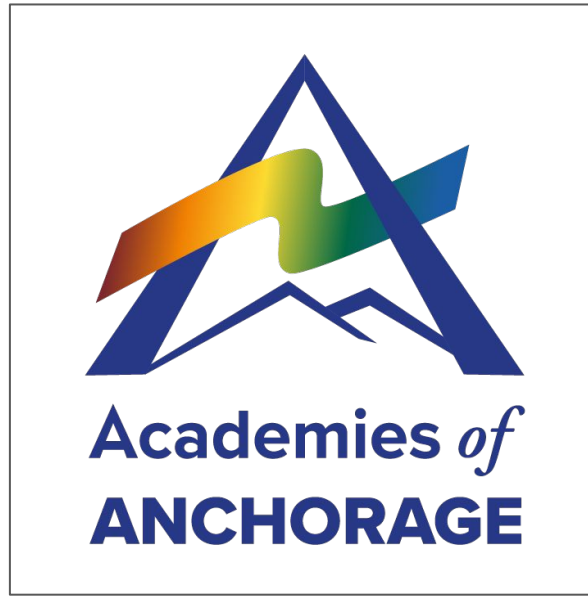
College exposure

Social and Emotional Learning

College/Career readiness lessons

Freshman Schedule 2024-2025

	Required Course List
1	Math
2	Science
3	ELA
4	Social Studies / Career Exploration
5	Elective
6	Elective



Visit asdk12.org/CCL for more information



**Your student will select their Academy
the spring of their freshman year.**

**What might your academy look like
at South High School?**



South Video Program



Contact: Butterfield_Lee@asdk12.org

Air Force JROTC Program



Contacts:

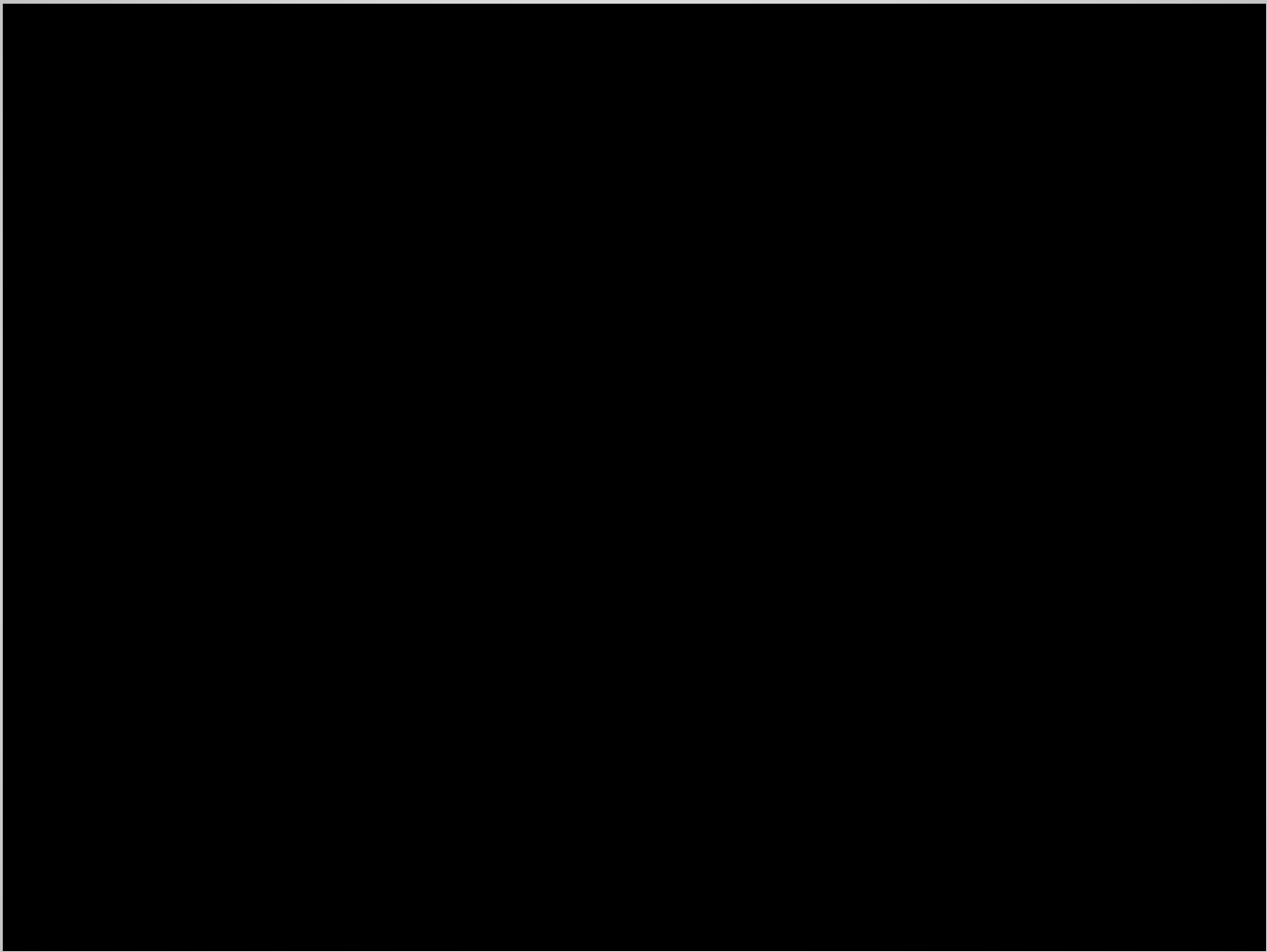
Landis_Jonathan@asdk12.org

Coulter_Keith@asdk12.org



A full explanation of the program's goals, including community service & citizenship is available here: <http://bit.ly/2OIMERC>





Engineering Pathway



Potential Four-Year Engineering Pathways:

<http://bit.ly/3e1cV2k>

Contact: Purrenhage_Timothy@asdk12.org w/ questions.

AP Capstone Program & Diploma

AP Seminar & AP Research
Courses

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Four additional AP
Subject-Areas Courses

- AP Capstone Diploma Requirements at [AP Central](#)
- Additional information at South's [Capstone Site](#)

Common Courses

AP World & AP U.S. History
AP Language & AP Literature
AP German, Spanish & French
AP Calculus AB & BC, Statistics
AP Biology, Physics, Chemistry

And 7 more.

*Can be done concurrently
with CLP

CIVIC Leadership Program



Vision:

Students will explore the connection between their individual interests, what they are learning, and their responsibility to make a positive impact on their community. Students will use logic, reflection, and constructive discourse to build collective momentum in order to create a more responsive and supportive community.

Program Highlights:

- Seminar-Based Learning
- Strengthen college applications
- 30 college credits (\$25 per credit)
- Smaller Learning Community
- Senior Capstone Project
- Community Engagement (junior/senior year)

Program Offerings

CLP Program Overview

9th	Hon Eng I (CLP Seminar)	Hon AK Studies (CLP) Freshman Seminar
10th	Philosophy 201 3 cr	History 101+102 (Western Civ 1+2) 6 cr
11th	Writing A111 English 121 6 cr	History 131+ 132 (US History 1+2) 6 cr
12th	Comm 241 Comm 320 6 cr	Pol Sci A102 (Us Gov't) 3 cr

Other Requirements: Community Engagement (80 hours of involvement with a chosen non profit). Two credits that meet program goals: AP Environmental Science, AP Statistics, Peer Leadership, AP Seminar, AP Research, 2 full years of a world language, Gifted Mentorship, JROTC. Other electives approved by application. Program culminates with a capstone TED talk style presentation.

- Students start earning college credit in 10th grade (30 credits upon graduating)
- English and History classes only.
- 2 credits of electives within program goal areas.
- 80 hours community engagement.
- Senior capstone project



**CLP tuition is \$25 per credit vs \$234/282 at UAA

Ideal Civic Leadership Candidates

Program is for students who...

- Have a strong work-ethic
- Are interested in helping their community
- Enjoy discussion-based learning (Socratic seminar)
- Would appreciate a smaller learning community
- Are motivated by learning
- Are interested in earning college credits during high school

Academic success is not a prerequisite; however, consistent attendance and the drive to succeed academically is expected.



Next Steps for Freshmen

- Communicate with your 8th grade social studies and English teachers that you would like to be recommended for the Civic Leadership Program.
- Once you complete your freshman year in CLP, you can apply to the official college-credit bearing program which begins sophomore year.

Any questions...

Contact: Miller_Sara@asdk12.org

More information is available in the following [slides](#)

World Language Program



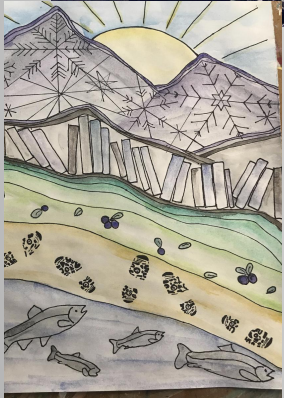
Choose from **French**, **German**, or **Spanish**. A much more detailed explanation of programs is available at the following link, including teachers, programs, exchange trips, and other relevant information:

<http://bit.ly/388ht36>



The Visual Arts at South

2-D Programs with Mark Stewart

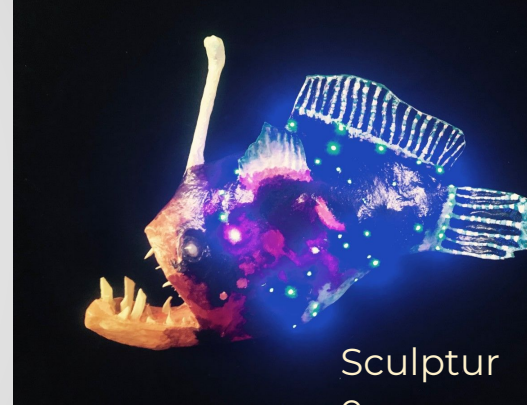


3-D Programs with David Fandel



Metals/Jewelry

More images of
student work here:
<http://bit.ly/309XzAB>



Sculpture



Ceramics

Music Program



Performances from **Band**, **Choir**, and **Orchestra** are available here: <http://bit.ly/3uQk3V9>

Band: Somaduroff_Justin@asdk12.org,

Choir: Nelson_Rebecca@asdk12.org,

Orchestra: Levine_Nathan@asdk12.org

Music Program



Sports and Clubs



South has arguably the highest rate of participation for sports in the district. Whether you are shooting to be a state champion or just want to get involved in something new, South has the sport or club for you!!

Sports and Clubs

Club	Improv Club
Battle of the Books	
Practice for BOB competition.	Improv club is a way for students to practice the important and useful theatrical skills of improvisation.
Book Club	Key Club
To read and discuss books.	Key Club gives students service opportunities to perform as a group.
Cafe Lit	Lacrosse Club
Study, chill, creative writing & art	Music Therapy Club
Chess Club	
Play chess.	A way for students to get together and help out through music.
Creative Lore	Mathematical Outreach Program
A writing club.	A place for students to come together if they are interested in Mu Alpha Theta
Cookie Club	Native Leadership Committee
To share cookies with others.	Partners Club
Christmas Club	
To spread the Christmas spirit year round.	Integrate General Education and Special Education students to break down social barriers.
Crochet Critters	Spike Ball Club
Crocheting for the people in need.	To get students physically involved in the sport of Spikeball, to have fun, and make new Friends.
Dungeons/Dragons & more	Super Smash Bros Club
This club allows students to socialize and educate on storytelling, creativity, and teamwork	This club was created to create a positive community where students get together and play video games. In the future to host charity-raising tournaments outside of the school as well.
Eco Friends Club	You Are Not Alone
To spread awareness of the earth/global issues that humanity is facing.	Focuses on suicide awareness and prevention. Also promotes anti-bullying

NEXT STEPS:

- Look over this over with parents and discuss with your teachers.
- Teachers will place you in your core classes (English, math, science, and social studies).
- Rank your electives in order of importance and turn this into your teacher by....
- South counselors will visit Goldenview on March 20th to collect all forms.
- If you don't turn this form in, WE will just GUESS

SOUTH ANCHORAGE HIGH SCHOOL
FRESHMEN 2024/2025



NAME _____

COUNSELOR _____

- ☐ Ms. Rocheleau (A – G)
- ☐ Ms. Barker (H – M)
- ☐ Mr. Christopherson (N – V)
- ☐ Ms. Miller (W – Z, Civic Leadership)
- ☐ Mr. Hemry (Special Programs)

FRESHMAN YEAR COURSE REQUESTS

INSTRUCTIONS

Below are listed the course options for the 24/25 school year. Be sure to consider alternate courses in the event that your first choice is full or collapsed in the fall.

LANGUAGE ARTS – 4.0 credits required

8th grade teacher recommendation →

- English I*
- Honors English I*
- CLP Honors English I* (Civic Leadership Program)

SOCIAL STUDIES – 4.0 credits required

8th grade teacher recommendation →

- Alaska Studies / Career Exploration*
- Honors Alaska Studies / Career Exploration*
- CLP Honors Alaska Studies / Career Exploration* (Civic Leadership Program)

SCIENCE – 3.0 credits required

8th grade teacher recommendation →

- Life Science / Physical Science*
- Biology*

MATH – 3.0 credits required

8th grade teacher recommendation →

- Foundations for Algebra*
- Survey of Algebra*
- Algebra I*
- Geometry*
- Algebra II*
- Other (as recommended by 8th grade math teacher)

PE – 1.5 credits / GENERAL ELECTIVES – 7.0 credits

PE	LANGUAGE	ART	MUSIC	APPLICATIONS	CAREER TECH
Basketball	French I,II,III,IV,AP*	Art Studio ⁵	Band, Concert*	Yearbook**APP	Applied Tech I ⁵
Cross Training	German I,II,III,IV,AP* ^{APP}	Drawing & Design ⁵	Band, Jazz* (10 hour) ^{APP}	Student Government**BY ELECTION	Construction Tech I ⁵ , APTECH
Fitness Basics	Spanish I,II,III,IV,AP*	Jewelry ⁵	Choir, Mixed*		Culinary Hospitality ⁵
Pursuing Wellness		Painting ⁵	Orchestra, Prep*	AFJROTC	Media & Broadcast Foundations*
Recreational Games		Sculpture ⁵	Guitar, Beg & Int	AFJROTC I*	Robotics ⁵
Volleyball					
Weight Training					
Yoga					

Former Rilke Schule students: Select German level II. Your language skills will be assessed in this class for appropriate level placement.
Questions? Email Frau Dick at dick_elizabeth@asdk12.org.

PLEASE NEATLY WRITE YOUR ELECTIVE CHOICES IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE HERE, PROVIDING ALTERNATES IN THE EVENT YOUR FIRST CHOICES BECOME UNAVAILABLE:

1 ST CHOICE	
2 ND CHOICE	
3 RD CHOICE	
4 TH CHOICE	
5 TH CHOICE	
6 TH CHOICE	

KEY - * = Yearlong course, ⁵ = Course Fee, ^{APP} or ^{COURSE} = Course has a prerequisite, ^{APP} = Course has an application on the South website, ^{APP} = By audition