

SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

**8TH Grade Parents' Night
General Session**



≈ *Welcome* ≈

Dr. David Heisey, Principal

- ❖ Introduction
- ❖ Athletics
- ❖ Specific Electives

Mr. Tim Donahue, Assistant Principal

- ❖ Academics & Counseling Services

Mr. Wayne Mallette, Supervisor of Music & Fine Arts

- ❖ Elective Areas

≈*Structure of Program*≈

- + This marks the start of the general session.
- + In the General Session, you will receive an overview of the high school programs.
- + **Some** of the **elective areas** will be covered in the current General Session.
- + After the General Session, you will have the opportunity to hear from the Core Content Areas: Language Arts, Social Studies, Mathematics, Science, and World Language.
- + The Core Content Areas also offer electives and the supervisors will share this information with you.

Athletics



Ryan D. Miller
Assistant Principal-Athletics

Fall Sports Offered

- Boys/Girls Cross Country
- Field Hockey
- Football*
- Gymnastics
- Girls' Volleyball*
- Girls' Tennis
- Soccer*
- Cheerleading

**Freshman Level Offered*



Winter Sports Offered

- Boys'/Girls' Basketball*
- Ice Hockey#
- Bowling
- Wrestling
- Boys'/Girls' Indoor Track
- Boys'/Girls' Swimming
- Cheerleading

**Freshman Level Offered*



Spring Sports Offered

- Baseball*
- Softball
- Boys'/Girls' Track
- Boys' Tennis
- Boys' Lacrosse *
- Girls' Lacrosse*
- Boys' Volleyball*
- Golf

**Freshman Level Offered*



Freshman Teams

- + Football, Boys'/Girls' Soccer, Boys'/Girls' Volleyball, Boys'/Girls' Basketball, Baseball, and Boys'/Girls' Lacrosse
- + Freshmen are eligible for Varsity, Junior Varsity, or Freshman teams
 - + Parent/child involved in discussion
 - + Academics and social well being are considered

Education Based Athletics

- + High School sports (Extra-Curricular) exist to provide students with the opportunity to grow, learn, achieve, and fail in a low risk environment.
 - + Expand the horizons of each student
 - + Promote fitness
 - + Build better citizens through participation
 - + Equip students to handle adversity
 - + Develop grace under stress

Education Based Athletics

3 Goals

- + Student athletes had an enjoyable experience
- + Learned something about competing/winning/losing
- + Learned more about the sport they are in
- + We win through sports, if we develop athletically successful individuals and teams.
- + We need to participate and play in a variety of sports to create a well-rounded experience.

Getting Started in Freshman Athletics

Signing up for a fall sport begins early

Sports Physicals are to be done on a NJ State Athletic Form

These are to be handed in usually by mid – end of July to our nurses office There is a drop box outside of Door #1 on Westfield Road. Please put physicals in a sealed envelope with attention nurses office on the front. The physicals can also be mailed in but we are not responsible for the U.S. Post office – please keep copies.

At this time we are not able to upload any of the physical forms

All paperwork can be found on our spfk12.org site under the Athletics tab, we also give copies of the blank physical forms to the middle schools which can be picked up in their nurses office before the end of their 8th grade year

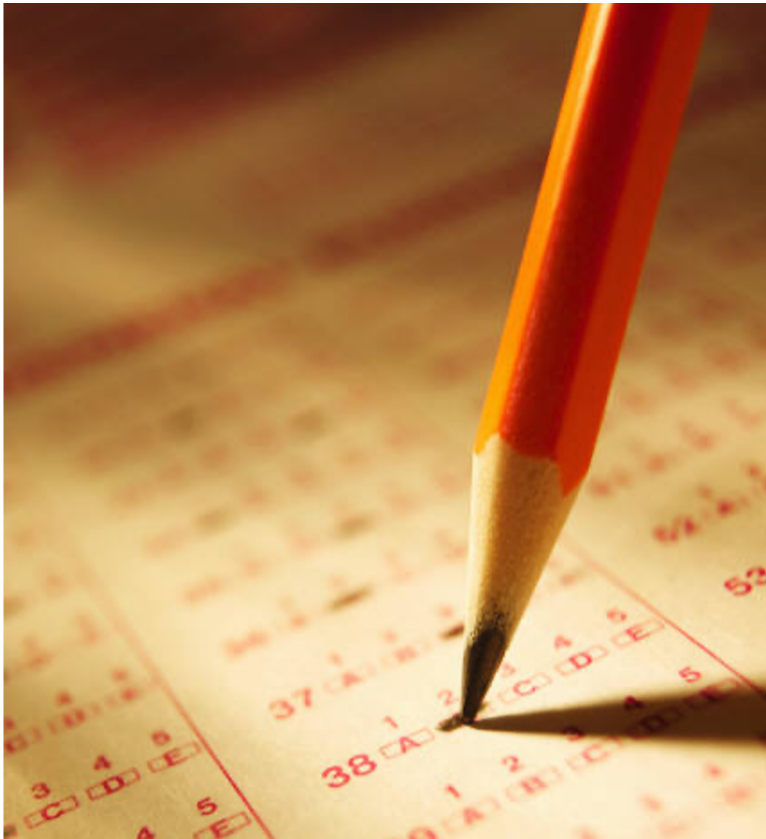
There is also an online registration which is mandatory. This portion is due at the same time as the physicals. On this site you are giving your athlete permission to participate, and filling out online forms – nothing from this site needs to be printed out and turned in. This is all electronic. Again these can be found on spfk12.org under the athletics tab finding sports forms and registration tab on the left hand side.

Tryouts will begin sometime close to the second week of August. There are no make up tryouts so please plan family vacations accordingly. There will also be conditioning and practices that will occur over the summer should your athlete make the team. Those practices will be mandatory as well. So please plan vacations accordingly!

Course Requirements for Graduation

- + Four credit years of English
- + Three credit years of Mathematics
- + Three credit years of social studies:
 - + US I
 - + US II
 - + Global Perspectives
- + Three credit years of natural or physical science
- + Two credit years of the same world language
- + One credit year of PE for each year of enrollment
- + One credit year in visual/performing art and one credit year in practical arts
- + One half credit year of Financial Literacy

Testing Graduation Requirements



- + Successful completion of a minimum of 120 credits
- + NJ Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NJ-GPA) - 11th grade

Levels of Instruction

All required full year courses have varying levels of instruction

- Accelerated
- Academic

Most elective courses will be academic level.



Timeline for selection of electives

- + The Program of Studies will be posted online and sent home electronically in January 2022.
- + Selection of electives for the 2022-2023 school year will be made online through PowerSchool.
- + Middle School Counselors will record and post a presentation for parents and students regarding the online selection process.
- + Course recommendations will be posted in PowerSchool in late May 2022.

ELECTIVE COURSES

- + Business Education
 - + Industrial Technology Education
 - + Family & Consumer Science
 - + Music/Visual Arts
- + The majority of the courses are 2.5 credits meaning they are a semester in length.

Business Education

Courses available to Freshmen

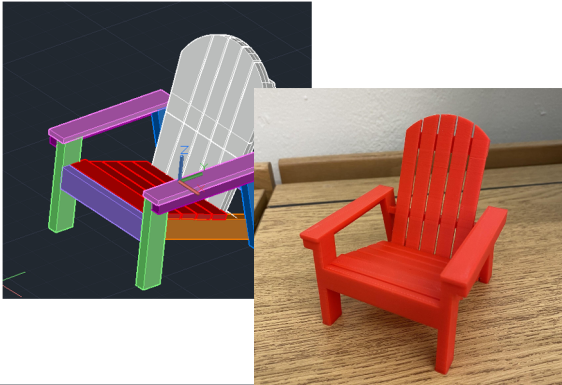
- + Consumer Finance
- + Business Technology
 - Multimedia Presentations
 - Information Technology
 - Spreadsheets

FINANCIAL LITERACY

- + All students are required to meet the Financial Literacy Requirement:
 - + Consumer Finance
 - + Economics (Social Studies Course)
 - + AP Economics (available in grades 11-12)

- + What is AP (Advanced Placement)?

Industrial and Technology Education



+ Drafting and Design

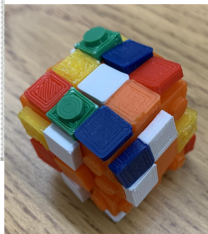
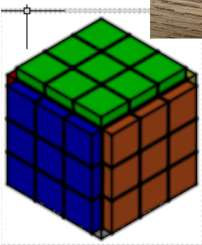
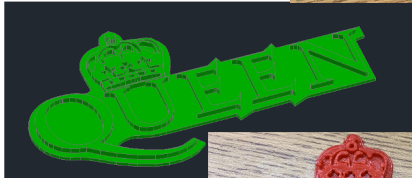
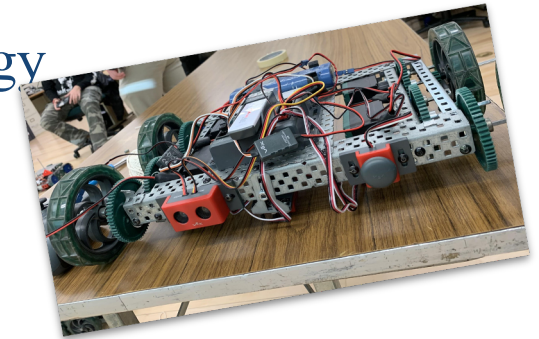
+ Architectural Design

+ Engineering Technology

+ Robotics

+ Woodworking I

+ Woodworking II



Family and Consumer Science

- + Introduction to Foods
- + Advanced Foods



MUSIC/VISUAL ARTS

- + Drawing I
- + Global Art Immersion
- + Digital Photography
- + 3D Design
- + Concert Choir/ Band-9 (2.5 Credits)
- + Concert Band/Choir-9 (2.5 Credits)
- + Chorus 9 (5 Credits)
- + Concert Band 9 (5 Credits)



ACADEMIC SCHEDULE

Full Day					
			A	B	LENGTH
Start	End	BLOCK	DAY	DAY	(MIN)
8:08	9:26	1	1A	1B	78
9:31	10:48	2	2A	2B	77
10:53	11:39	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	46
11:44	1:01	3	3A	3B	77
1:06	2:24	4	4A	4B	78
<u>Shared-Time Students</u>					
AM Vo-tech Students arrive @ 10:15 AM (Attend Lunch & Blocks 3 & 4).					
PM Vo-tech Students depart SPFHS @ Noon (Attend Blocks 1 & 2 and Lunch).					

CONTENT AREA SUPERVISORS

- + The Content Area Supervisors will now present important information related to their academic discipline.
 - + English
 - + Social Studies
 - + Mathematics
 - + Science
 - + World Language
 - + Special Education