



APS HIGH SCHOOL OPTIONS

ARLINGTON TECH, H-B WOODLAWN, WAKEFIELD,
WASHINGTON-LEE, YORKTOWN

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Things you need to know . . .

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This presentation is a quick tour of your high school choices. Plan to attend the countywide **Information Sessions** for a more detailed explanation of each program.

Terms to Know

Advanced Diploma

A certificate of completion that shows all graduation requirements from high school have been met—26 credits needed.

AP

Advanced Placement—By taking AP or IB courses, students can earn college credits if they pass the exam at the end of the course.

Aspire2Excellence

Academic planning encourages students to take challenging courses so they are 'college and career ready' after high school

Credits

CTE

Credits (points) are earned through successful completion of a high-school class--minimum final grade of C.

More Terms to Know

Dual-enrolled courses

Courses that high school students can take and earn both high school and college credits; students can be dually enrolled in high school and Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA).

GPA

Grade Point Average is calculated by adding all final grade points and dividing by the number of grades earned; 4.0 is the highest GPA .

Prerequisite

Prior skills or knowledge needed for successful completion of the next level of a course

Pupil Transfer Application

It is an application to request to go another school for a special program, i.e. Arlington Tech, I-B, and H-B Woodlawn; **parents must attend information sessions for the neighborhood school & the requested school.**

Standard Diploma

A certificate of completion that shows all graduation requirements from high school have

Diploma Options

Advanced

26 credits for graduation

- 4 English
- 4 Math
- 4 Science
- 4 Social Studies
- 1 Economics & Personal Finance
- 2 Health/PE
- *3 or 4 World Languages**
- 1 Fine Art or CTE
- 3 Electives

***3 years of same language OR 2 years of 2 different languages**

Standard

22 credits for graduation

- 4 English
- 3 Math
- 3 Social Studies
- 3 Science
- 2 Health & PE
- 2 World Languages or CTE or *Fine Arts**
- 1 Economics & Personal Finance
- 4 Electives

***Fine Art—Visual Art, Theater Arts,**

Verified Credits (Earned through SOL's)

ADVANCED

CLASSES

9 Verified Credits

2 English
2 Math
2 Science
2 Social Studies
1 Student Selected

English 11 Reading, Writing
Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II
Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry
World Geography, World History to 1500 AD, World History after 1500, US VA History

STANDARD

6 Verified Credits

2 English
1 Math
1 Science
1 Social Studies
1 Student Selected

SAVE THE DATE

(Updated November 2016)

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| November 7 | | High School Transfer Applications Open |
| November 15 | 7-8:30 PM | Arlington Tech Parent Information Session @ Career Center |
| December 7 | 7 PM | IB Information Night @ Washington-Lee Auditorium |
| December 12 | 7 PM | High School Information Night @ Washington-Lee Auditorium |
| December 15 | 7 PM | Immersion Information Night @ Wakefield |

Pupil Transfer Sessions: Parents must complete this process in order to transfer to APS programs outside of your attendance area.

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| Arlington Tech | Jan. 9, 2017 at 2 p.m. |
| H-B Woodlawn | Jan. 9, 2017 at 3 p.m. |
| Wakefield | Jan. 9, 2017 at 10 a.m. |
| Washington-Lee | Jan. 9, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. |
| Yorktown | Jan. 9, 2017 at 11 a.m. |

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| January 11 | 7 PM | Wakefield AP Network Information Night |
| January 12 | 7 PM | Yorktown Academic Information Night |
| January 17 | 7 PM | "Welcome to Wakefield" Meeting |
| January 31 | 4 PM | Deadline for IB applications at W-L IB office, Room 1030 |
| January 31 | | Deadline for High School Transfer Applications |

Program Options

- Arlington Tech at the Career Center
- H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program
9th grade lottery
- Wakefield High School Advanced Placement (AP) Network
- Wakefield Dual Language Immersion Program
- Washington-Lee High School International Baccalaureate (IB) Program

Transfer applications are available through your school counselor and online. Applications to programs will only be accepted that meet the established transfer guidelines.



Programs & Services at All APS High Schools

- ❑ AP Courses
- ❑ Dual-Enrolled Courses
- ❑ Gifted Services
- ❑ HILT/EX
- ❑ Section 504
- ❑ Special Education
- ❑ 30-minute academic support periods: Warriors Period (Wakefield), Generals Period (W-L), Patriots Period (Yorktown)

Arlington Tech @ The Career Center

Project-based learning

STEM-related courses

Dual-enrolled courses to earn early college credits

Industry certifications

Frequently Asked Questions about Arlington Tech

Applying to Arlington Tech

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- Arlington Tech Online Application
- APS Secondary Pupil Transfer Application
- Minimum **GPA of 2.0** in all **core classes**
- Earn a **verified credit for Algebra I** by the end of 8th grade

Applications and Secondary Pupil Transfers are due by January 31, 2017.

H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program

- Unique high school program where students take more responsibility in their own education
- Students are self-motivated and self-disciplined
- FOCUS: Student choice in 3 areas:
 - Use of time and personal behavior
 - Academic goals
 - Participation in school

Applying to H-B Woodlawn

- Complete an [H-B Woodlawn Application](#).
- Attend a transfer orientation at both the neighborhood school and at H-B Woodlawn (no RSVP required to attend). The application is submitted to H-B Woodlawn and a postcard receipt is mailed to the parent/guardian.
- Submit the application by January 31, 2017 by 4:00 PM.
- **9th Grade Lottery: Feb. 3**

Spanish Immersion @ Wakefield

- Continuation of elementary and middle school programs
- Opportunities to learn Spanish literature and culture and travel to another country
- Recognized as an International Spanish Academy

Courses include: Immersion Intensified Biology, Spanish Immersion I and II, AP Spanish Language, AP Spanish Literature I and II

AP Network @ Wakefield

- College-level courses in high school where students can earn college credits
- **30** AP courses are offered at Wakefield
- Wakefield AP Summer Bridge—a summer workshop that prepares students for AP courses
- **AP Study Seminar**—a daily class where students can work with their AP teachers to get support
- Cohort for Minority Males & United Minority Girls—academic support programs for minority students



Wakefield Freshman Foundations

A program for 9th graders that prepares students for the rigor of high school. Students are placed into **four** Houses (teams) with the same group of teachers. They learn the necessary skills, knowledge, and intellect to succeed in high school.

IB Program @ Washington-Lee

International Baccalaureate (IB) Program

A global approach to learning that allows students to gain an international understanding and respect.

Qualities of an IB student:

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| Inquirers | Open-minded |
| Knowledgeable | Caring |
| Thinkers | Risk Takers |
| Communicators | Balanced |
| Principled | Reflective |

Pre -IB Requirements

- Final Grades for 6th and 7th grade;
first quarter
grades for 8th grade
- A's and B's in all subjects
- Algebra I or greater in 8th grade
- Spanish II, French II, Chinese II, or
Latin II in 8th
grade
- Short answer/Essay Question

Rubric for Pre-IB
Eligibility_(minimum of
11 points)

Applying to Pre-IB

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- If W-L is your neighborhood school, all 9th and 10th graders are considered Pre-IB students. **(No application needed)**
- Only transfers must apply to the W-L Pre-IB in grades 9 and 10.
- Complete an APS Secondary Pupil Transfer Application.
- Complete the W-L Pre-IB Application.
- Request an **unofficial cumulative transcript** from current middle school counselor. **Transcript must include 1st quarter grades from the current school year.**
- Place all materials in a **manila envelope**, write the **applicant's name in the upper right-hand corner**, and submit the **completed application packet to the W-L IB office, room 1030, by 4 PM on Tuesday, January 31, 2017**

Yorktown High School

SEL (Social-Emotional Learning)

- ▶ Using teachable moments to encourage self-regulation, good work ethic, and positive interactions with others

ROCS (Respect Others, Community, & Self)

- ▶ Program that encourages self-management, respect for others, and determination

Center for Leadership & Public Service

- ▶ Participating in public service
- ▶ Understanding self-awareness and interest in others
- ▶ Increasing community involvement

Arlington Career Center

Students can take classes at the Career Center and earn certifications:

[Career Center Classes](#) (Click the link and watch the video)

Advice for High School

Personal/Social

Academic

- Review & support with academic SMART goals
- Encourage your student to “stretch” academically by taking Intensified or AP classes
- Support your student with work completion and setting priorities
- Review the academic plan yearly to ensure that rigorous classes are being taken and

Career

- Visit colleges throughout high school
- Review Naviance to explore careers & college options with your student
- Discuss the importance of CTE classes
- If your student decides to work a part-time job, ensure that academic

- Teach your student how to ask for help from teachers (self-advocacy)
- Consider the high school that meets your student's long-term goals and personal interests
- Monitor friendships to ensure that good decisions are being made and school is a priority
- Monitor social media because colleges and

Q & A

**Attend High School
Information Sessions**

**(See "Save the Dates"
Calendar)**

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