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ADMISSION TO EASTERN

Eastern Senior High School is not an application school. We will provide a rigorous, college preparatory curriculum to all who attend. Current eighth grade students living within Eastern's boundary or attending one of its feeder middle schools must complete annual DC Public Schools enrollment and residency forms in April. Families should complete these documents by June 1, 2012. All other students and families who would like to join the Eastern community must participate in the DC Public Schools Out-of-Boundary Lottery between January 30th, 2011 and February 27th, 2012 for limited seats. More information about this process can be found on the DCPS website: www.dcps.dc.gov. All students will be held to Eastern's CARE standards:

- Come to school every day in full uniform.
- Arrive on time, ready to learn.
- Respect yourself and our school community.
- Excel through hard work.

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Eastern Senior High School: Re-Launching the Legacy



Founded in 1890, **Eastern Senior High School** provides engaging, college preparatory coursework and extra-curricular learning experiences that ensure all students graduate with the content knowledge, character, and confidence to serve as innovative, inclusive global leaders. Eastern enrolled first time ninth grade students only in the fall of 2011, growing by one grade each year in order to strategically design a rigorous, well-rounded high school experience for every student.



Members of the Class of 2015 start their first day of school at Eastern

Our student body, with the support from exemplary teachers and a diverse set of community partners, will build upon rich traditions and set a course of excellence on our newly restored, state-of-the-art campus.

THE EASTERN EXPERIENCE

The Class of 2015 will embody **Excellence, Scholarship, Honor and Service (ESHS)** as we build our school culture to develop a confident scholar with a high level of respect for self and others. Our school community will cultivate a commitment to service through opportunities to serve as leaders in the classroom along with meaningful volunteer experiences outside of the school setting.

We also believe that high quality athletics, arts, and music programs alongside college and career exploration opportunities prepare students for post-secondary success. Eastern boasts a rich history of

nationally recognized teams and programs, and we will continue the practice of developing well-rounded scholars.

Below are just some of the extra-curricular opportunities that are offered:

Performing and Media Arts: Marching Band, DC Youth Orchestra, Washington Youth Choir, Digital and Media Arts Club, newspaper club* and drama club*

Athletics: football, basketball, cheerleading, volleyball, softball, soccer, track, yoga

Leadership: ESHS student council, Key Club, and Super Leaders, Reach Inc. (paid tutoring at Payne ES)

Academic: daily academic "Power Hour," debate team*, "Words with Friends" vocabulary enrichment

**Will be instituted by Fall, 2012*

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AT EASTERN

All coursework at Eastern will incorporate the principles of analytical reading and writing, effective oral communication, and application of 21st century skills. Students will have open access to a portfolio of academic offerings that include:

Exposure to College and Careers

Every Eastern freshman will take a daily credit-bearing course called College and Career Advisory. This class will ensure that students have an opportunity to develop skills such as organization and time management. Students will also be guided through designing their four-year graduation plan, finding valuable summer learning experiences, and building collaborative relationships with peers and Eastern faculty. Guest speakers and college trips will provide enrichment and inspiration as students set and reach academic and social goals.

International Baccalaureate
The IB Diploma Program is a globally recognized college preparatory course of study taught in Grades 11 and 12. IB courses encourage international-mindedness and a positive attitude to learning while insisting upon rigorous external standards and an in-depth exploration of six disciplines.

Advanced Placement
The College Board designed AP classes to expose high school students to college level coursework and obtain university credits for proficiency on a national exam in a specific content area. Eastern will offer AP courses ranging from Calculus to Language and Composition. All students will be encouraged to take at least one Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate class before graduation.

Health and Medical Sciences Academy
Students with an interest in preparing for pre-medical studies or for careers in nursing, pharmacy, or emergency response can elect to enroll in this exciting academy that provides an additional course in science each year addressing biomedical issues, human body systems, and medical interventions. The program utilizes the national Project Lead the Way curriculum and supplements rigorous classroom learning with out-of-school activities in the medical field.

Law and Public Policy
As early as sophomore year, students may choose to pursue courses that delve into constitutional law, mock trial, debate, and public policy. These electives will not only serve as excellent preparation for Advanced Placement Government in Grade 12, but will also provide the content knowledge and communication

skills necessary to earn legal or federal internships while still in high school.

THE NINTH GRADE YEAR

A successful transition from middle to high school is one of the largest indicators of future academic success. Our goal is to provide freshmen with an exceptional level of instruction in core content areas to serve as the foundation upon which their more specialized coursework will be based.

As ninth graders, students will earn eight credits toward graduation: English, Math, History, Biology, Spanish, Physical Education, Advisory, Music (.5) and Art (.5). Should students decide to begin their exploration of health careers, they may substitute their gym credit for a course in biomedical sciences. Students requiring reading intervention will take Reading Strategies (Read 180 or Just Words) instead of other electives.

Successfully balancing this course schedule will require a sense of discipline and scholarship that we will support through our school policies and expectations. It is essential that students attend our summer orientation so that we can begin the school year with a collective sense of community standards.

THE CAMPUS

Eastern has completed a transformative \$70 million renovation that preserved the classic architecture of the building while dramatically modernizing the facility. Features include Promethean boards in every classroom, wireless connection to the internet throughout the campus, band room/recording studio, athletic fields, science labs, a library/media center, greenhouse, two breathtaking atrium spaces, and a full service health center.

Eastern Senior High School Course Offerings

GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
English			
Honors English I English I English I + Read 180	Honors English II English II	AP Language and Composition IB English, Part I English III	AP Literature IB English, Part II English IV
Mathematics			
Geometry Algebra I	Algebra II Geometry	Honors Pre-Calculus IB Math Studies Algebra II	AP Calculus (AB) IB Math Studies Probability and Statistics I and II
Social Studies			
World History and Geography I	World History and Geography II AP Human Geography	AP United States History IB History of the Americas U.S. History and Geography	IB 20th Century World History U.S. Government (.5) D.C. History and Government (.5)
Science			
Biology	Chemistry Honors Chemistry	AP Chemistry IB Biology Physics I	AP Psychology IB Biology Physics I
<i>Health/Medical Pathway*</i> Biomedical Sciences	<i>Health/Medical Pathway*</i> Human Body Systems	<i>Health/Medical Pathway*</i> Medical Interventions	<i>Health/Medical Pathway*</i> Clinical or Capstone Experience
Foreign Language			
Spanish II Spanish I	Spanish III Spanish II	Honors Spanish IV IB Spanish Spanish III	AP Spanish Language IB Spanish Spanish IV
The Arts**			
From Bach to Rap (.5) Art and Design Foundations (.5)	Seminar in Visual Arts Music Theory and Ear Training	IB Visual Arts I AP Music Theory	IB Visual Arts II AP Music Theory
Physical Education			
Team Sports (.5) Individual & Dual Sports (.5)	Health Education (.5)		
Elective			
	Introduction to Street Law (.5) Mock Trial/Debate (.5) Creative Writing (.5) Journalism	IB Theory of Knowledge, Part I (.5) IB Extended Essay (.5) Introduction to Public Policy (.5) Public Service Issues (.5) Constitutional Law Second Foreign Language	IB Theory of Knowledge, Part II (.5) AP Government Research/Internship Experience AP Economics Constitutional Law Second Foreign Language
College & Career Advisory***	College & Career Advisory***	College & Career Advisory***	College & Career Advisory***

*The Health and Medical Sciences courses are taken in addition to the student's regular science course each year. For instance, in the junior year, students will choose whether to take AP Chemistry, IB Biology, or Physics along with their Medical Interventions course.
** Courses in the Arts after freshman year are electives. Only ninth grade coursework is required.

***Advisory Sessions are credit-bearing courses that will include interactive dialogue and assignments addressing academic planning, college and career exploration, leadership development, community projects, current events, and study skills.