

CRYSTAL LAKE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL



WELCOME CLASS OF 2027



STUDENT ENROLLMENT
FOR THE 2023-2024
SCHOOL YEAR IS DUE BY
DECEMBER 12, 2022.

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PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME



Welcome Class of 2027 Gators! We are excited for you to join in the many traditions that Crystal Lake South High School has to offer including Friday Night Lights, school dances, athletics, plays and musicals, and much more!

Save the dates for Curriculum Night and 8th Grade Night! You will have an opportunity to learn more about the courses and electives we offer at our Curriculum Night January 5, 2023. It will also provide you the opportunity to speak with counselors, learn about 4-year course planning, and meet our elective teachers. This night will help you make decisions about which classes you want to enroll in. On January 12, 2023, students will select their academic courses at 8th Grade Night, but the primary focus of the evening will be getting to experience our culture here at Crystal Lake South. Your child will have the opportunity to meet student mentors and learn about extra-curricular activities and athletics.

We believe our students have more success and feel more connected when they get involved in athletics and extracurricular activities. We encourage you to try new activities and meet new people. We will share more information about getting involved in our summer newsletter prior to the start of the 2023-24 school year.

We look forward to meeting you soon!

Josh Nobilio
Principal



IMPORTANT DATES

November 4, 2022 - Incoming Freshman Enrollment Opens
December 12, 2022 - Enrollment Documents Due
December 16, 2022 - Core Course Placements Mailed Home
January 5, 2023 - Curriculum Night
January 12, 2023 - 8th Grade Night
January 26, 2023 - Deadline to Change Elective Course Requests
May 2023 - Confirmed Course List Sent to Students
August 10, 2023 - Distribution Day
August 11, 2023 - Freshmen Orientation
August 2023 - Freshman Parent Night
August 16, 2023 - First Day of School

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

A required one-time process for students new to District 155.

District 155 has established a secure online portal to support incoming freshmen school enrollment. Parents may access the online portal [HERE](#) and must complete the process affirming their intent to send their child to a District 155 school in the 2023-2024 school year.

Please make sure to enroll your incoming freshmen by December 12, 2022, so that we can be fully prepared for 8th Grade Night.

See page 4 for details about 8th Grade Night.

Required Enrollment Documents

1 PROOF OF RESIDENCY: Proof of residency can be satisfied by uploading the following:

One of these documents:

- Valid rental contract
- Closing statement
- Current real estate tax bill

And

Two of these documents:

- Valid driver's license
 - Current utility bill - ComEd, NICOR (within three months)
- OR**
- If there are special circumstances regarding your residency, please contact the District Registrar Enrollment Office.

2 BIRTH CERTIFICATE: All students must upload a birth certificate.



Limited access to online services?

Enrollment documents can be dropped off at the District 155 office on school days between 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



1 S. Virginia Road, Crystal Lake, IL 60014



Questions about high school enrollment?

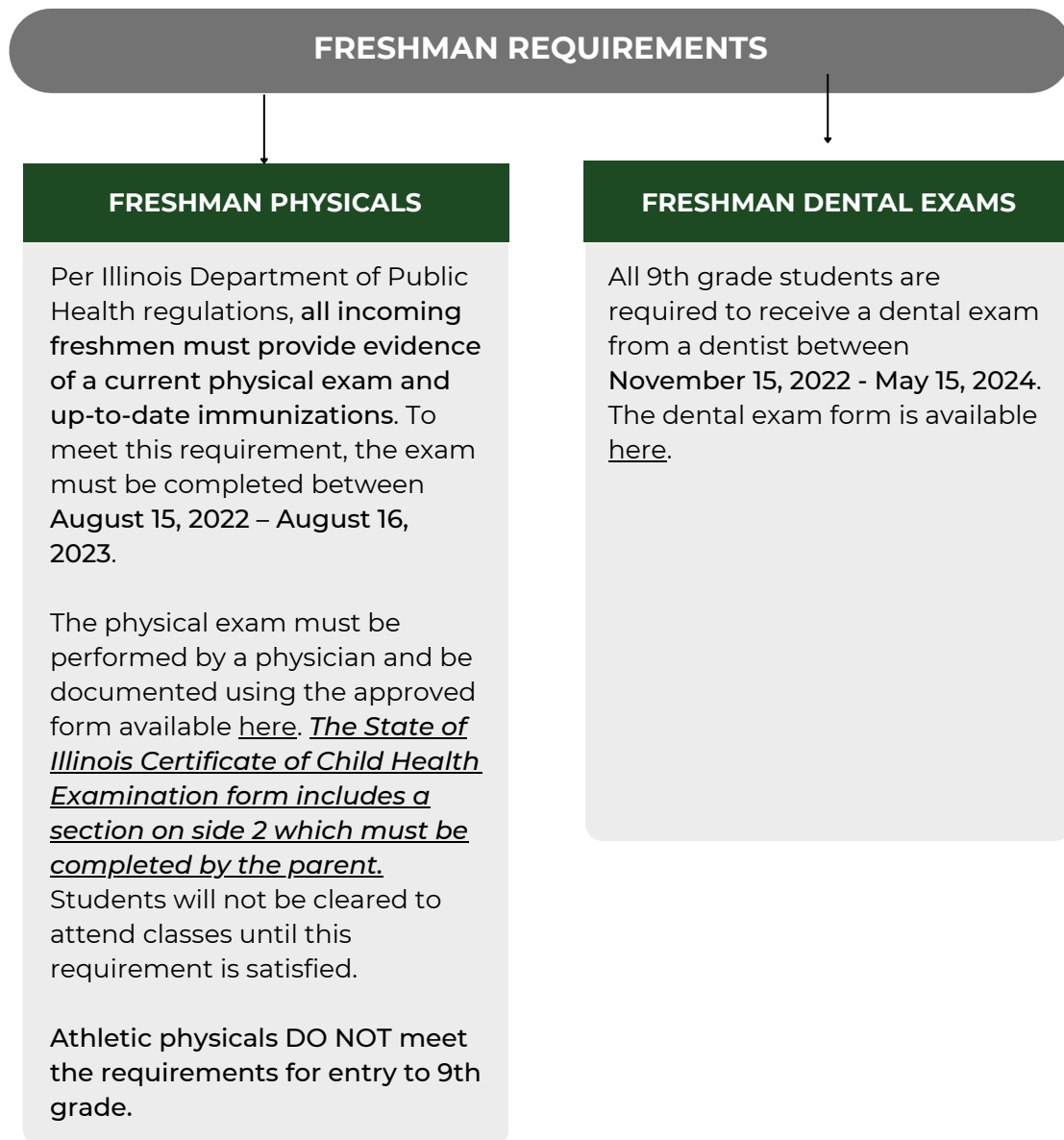
Call the District 155 registrar's office at 815-455-8510 for assistance
OR

Email: enrollment@d155.org

SCHOOL REGISTRATION

School registration is different from school enrollment. School registration happens each year, whereas school enrollment only happens once in 8th grade or when a student moves into the district. Registration information will be sent to you in May. To help you prepare for registration, you may want to schedule a school physical now as it is part of the registration process. See below for more information.

STUDENT HEALTH INFORMATION



Parents can provide the completed physical exam form by:

- Email a scan/photo of the form to cls nurse@d155.org.
- Bring to Distribution Day

Curriculum Night January 5, 2023

Please join us on **January 5** for Curriculum Night where you will hear from our counselors about the course selection process and have the opportunity to tour some elective courses. You will be able to talk to teachers, see classrooms, and get answers to your questions.

Attending Curriculum Night will prepare you to finalize your course selection for your freshman year at 8th grade night.

Attendance at Curriculum Night is strongly encouraged. Watch for more information and an RSVP to be emailed to you in December.

8TH GRADE NIGHT JANUARY 12, 2023

All incoming freshmen are expected to attend 8th Grade Night on January 12. Final course selection, including the selection of elective courses, will occur at 8th Grade Night. See page 5 for details about course placement. Additionally, students will have the opportunity to meet representatives from various sports and activities.

Please make sure to enroll your incoming freshmen by December 12, 2022.



PLACEMENT INTO CORE COURSES

All 9th grade students at Crystal Lake South High School are assigned to specific courses in English, math, and science. Courses in these core subject areas are leveled to best serve individual students by aligning to the student's subject aptitude, previous coursework experiences, and readiness for learning. Although some courses are not offered at every level, a general description of the levels is provided:

1. **General** - courses that build upon previously attained fundamental skills while preparing students for higher levels of rigor
2. **Honors** - courses that challenge students who have demonstrated a capacity to learn at an accelerated pace



Course placement is determined through a review of current academic achievement scores, recommendations from 8th-grade teachers, and *conferences between the high school and middle school about appropriate rigor.*

CHOOSING ELECTIVE COURSES

Crystal Lake South encourages students to participate in elective coursework that supports students' individual post-secondary goals. Our elective offerings are designed to align with career pathways, foster student talents, and encourage exploration of interests.



[Click here](#) to view full District 155 Curriculum Guide.

PROMOTING STUDENT SUCCESS

Each student at Crystal Lake South High School is assigned a school counselor to assist with academic planning, social-emotional needs, and post-high school goals.

Students needing assistance balancing their academic workload, extracurricular involvement, community involvement, and other obligations are encouraged to contact their school counselor to explore solutions.

BALANCE

Each day students must balance a variety of school-related activities and personal obligations.

Students should consider these four factors as they choose elective courses and seek to manage their time and energy.

ACADEMIC WORKLOAD

- Students are encouraged to participate in rigorous coursework aligned with their individual post-high school goals.
- Achieving a 2.75 or higher grade point average is a strong indicator of academic success.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Student volunteerism is valued as a learning opportunity and as a service to others.
- Every student is encouraged to participate in community service during their 4-year high school experience.

EXTRACURRICULAR INVOLVEMENT

- Club and team memberships provide opportunities to make meaningful social connections and develop interpersonal & intrapersonal skills.
- Each student is encouraged to join at least one school activity or school athletic team during each year of high school.

LIFE BALANCE

- The combined impact of academic coursework, extracurricular involvement, community employment, community service, and other obligations can create unhealthy stressors for some students.
- All students are encouraged to consider the collective workload associated with their day-to-day routines as they balance their unique obligations.

PROMOTING STUDENT SUCCESS

Direct support for academic needs and social-emotional challenges is available to all students.

ACADEMIC SUPPORTS

An array of academic supports is available at Crystal Lake South High School. These supports are available before school, during school, and after school to meet students' individual needs. Examples of our school's supports include:

- Gator Learner Center
- STEM Center
- Advisory structure & counseling lessons
- Student Services Support

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL SUPPORTS

A full team of school social workers and school psychologists is available to help students develop coping strategies and to connect them with outside-of-school resources that may be valuable in forming long-term solutions to present-day difficulties. More information about social-emotional support at School High School can be found [here](#).

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must earn 20.25 credits to graduate. Specific course requirements are listed.



*The Career Experiences Program (CEP) requirement will be met by successful completion of all tasks assigned in the required seminar/advisory period each year. This graduation requirement begins with the class of 2025. All seniors must complete the FAFSA.

Classroom Driver Education	0.25 credit
Computer Education	0.5 credit
Consumer Education	0.25 credit
Electives	6.0 credits
English	4.0 credits
Health Education	0.50 credit
Mathematics	3.0 credits
Physical Education	1.75 credits
Science	2.0 credits
Social Studies	2.0 credits
*Career Experience Program	0 credits
TOTAL	20.25 UNITS



ONE-TO-ONE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

All students at Crystal Lake South High School are assigned a Google Chromebook as part of District 155's one-to-one technology program. Chromebooks are an integral part of our approach to teaching and learning, and students are expected to have their fully charged Chromebook in school each day. Student Chromebooks are optimized for learning. Access to selected device settings is controlled by school personnel in order to minimize distractions. More information about school-assigned Chromebooks, including details about technical support, is available [here](#).



SOFTWARE SYSTEMS & USER ACCOUNTS

01

Skyward

Skyward enables parents to view real-time data about their child's educational experience including demographic information, grades, attendance, class schedule, and health information. Access is secured by a unique username and password. Details about account creation will be sent to parents once registrars approve applications during the New Student Online Enrollment (NSOE) process.

02

Canvas

Our school uses Canvas to manage and support students' learning experiences. The online platform provides access to classroom activities, teacher resources, and collaborative tools that help students engage in their coursework.

03

SchoolLinks

Post-secondary planning is a critical component of our school's approach to student success. SchoolLinks, an online tool, provides students access to many tools that aid college, career, and life readiness preparation so that students have a smooth transition after graduation. Parents can access their child's profile so they can actively engage in the planning process with their child.

ACTIVITIES



Students who participate in extracurricular activities and clubs develop life skills, create strong peer-to-peer relationships, feel more connected to their school, and are more likely to experience academic success. We encourage all students at Crystal Lake South High School to join at least one extracurricular activity or club each year.



[Click here](#) for more information about activities and clubs, or contact our Activity Directors, Anna Carroll and Patrick Kelly, at acarroll@d155.org and pkelly@d155.org.

ACES
Aevidum
Art Club
Band
Bass Fishing
Gator Buddies
Choir
Color Guard
CLS Soundcheck
CLS Theater
Fall Play
FCCLA
French Club
Freshmen Class
Gator Leadership Crew
Gator Nation
Gator Prints
German Club
Gay/Straight Alliance
Jazz Band
Junior CLass
Key Club
Math Team
Media Club
Model U.N
Musical
National Honor Society
Robotics
Scholastic Bowl
Science Olympiad
Senior Class
Sophomore Class
Spanish Club
Speech Team
Spring Play
Student Council
Yearbook

ATHLETICS

Students at Crystal Lake South High School may take part in a variety of competitive sports teams.

[Click here](#) for more information about registration and fees associated with participation in athletics. You may contact Athletic Director, Jason Bott at jbott@d155.org with questions about eligibility requirements.

FALL	WINTER	SPRING
Cheerleading	Basketball Boys & Girls	Baseball
Cross Country Boys & Girls	Competitive Cheerleading	Lacrosse Boys & Girls
Dance	Competitive Dance	Soccer Girls
Football	Gymnastics Girls Co-Op	Softball
Golf Boys & Girls	Swimming Boys Co-Op	Tennis Boys
Soccer Boys	Wrestling	Track & Field Boys & Girls
Swimming Girls Co-Op		
Tennis Girls		
Volleyball Girls		

Crystal Lake South High School offers many summer sports camps designed to enhance athletes' readiness to participate. Watch for a notice about summer camps in the spring.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q

Why do I need to provide proof of residency?

A

District 155 requires all new students to demonstrate they reside within the district boundaries.

Q

Does my child need to take a placement exam for 9th grade?

A

District 155 does not use placement exams. See page 5 for more information about the course placement process.

Q

When will my child receive a class schedule?

A

Students receive their class schedules on Distribution Day in August. More information about Distribution Day will be sent to parents when school registration opens in May.

Q

I want my child to take an additional class instead of having a study hall. How do I arrange for this?

A

Course selection guidelines will be reviewed at 8th Grade Night in January.

Q

My child wants to participate on an athletic team. Is there a fee to take part in athletics?

A

Yes. All student athletes are required to pay a \$100 participation fee per sport (\$200 maximum per student; \$400 maximum per household). See our school's Athletics webpage for more detail.

Q

My child is a student athlete. Will an athletic physical meet the requirements for a 9th grade physical exam?

A

Athletic physicals do not satisfy the requirement for a physical exam prior to the start of 9th grade. See page 3 for more details about health requirements or contact our school nurse, Colleen Wing, at cwing@d155.org, for more information.

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