



SECKINGER HIGH SCHOOL **RISING 9TH GRADE** **PARENT NIGHT**

January 25, 2024

WELCOME- PRINCIPAL - MR. FISHER

Vision and Mission

- Seckinger High School will become a **world-class** school where students acquire the knowledge and skills to be successful in high school, **college and careers.**
- The mission of Seckinger High School is to pursue **excellence** in **academic knowledge, skills, and behavior** for **each student**, resulting in measured improvement against local, national, and world-class standards.



THE SECKINGER STANDARD

- Empathy + Equity + Effectiveness + Excellence = School Improvement
- School Improvement Framework - Plan, Do, Check, Act
 - Supportive Community
 - Relationships
 - Participatory Culture
 - Academic Press
 - AKS + **AI Future-Readiness Skills**
 - Relevant, Rigorous, & Engaging
 - Instructional Framework
 - Sacred Planning



WHY THE FOCUS ON AI?

- **Today's students are graduating into an ever-changing work landscape that harnesses emerging technologies.**
- **The focus on AI and future-ready skill development will ensure that students are prepared for what's ahead.**
- **Seckinger will offer all students an opportunity to explore **AI at levels to suit their level of interest.****



ACADEMIC & CAREER PATHWAYS- MS. JAMES

Advanced Sciences & Technology	Business & Leadership	Art & Design	Personalized Course of Study
Artificial Intelligence	International Business	Visual Arts	Students may choose a personalized course of study including a traditional course of study. (Based on available course offerings.)
Mechanical Engineering	Civic Leadership & Diplomacy	Digital Arts	
Environmental Engineering	World Languages (Including DLI Spanish)	Performing Arts (Band, Orchestra, Chorus, Theater, Dance)	

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REGISTRATION TIMELINE

January 3rd-January 5th- 8th Grade Teachers Completed Course Recommendations for Core Classes

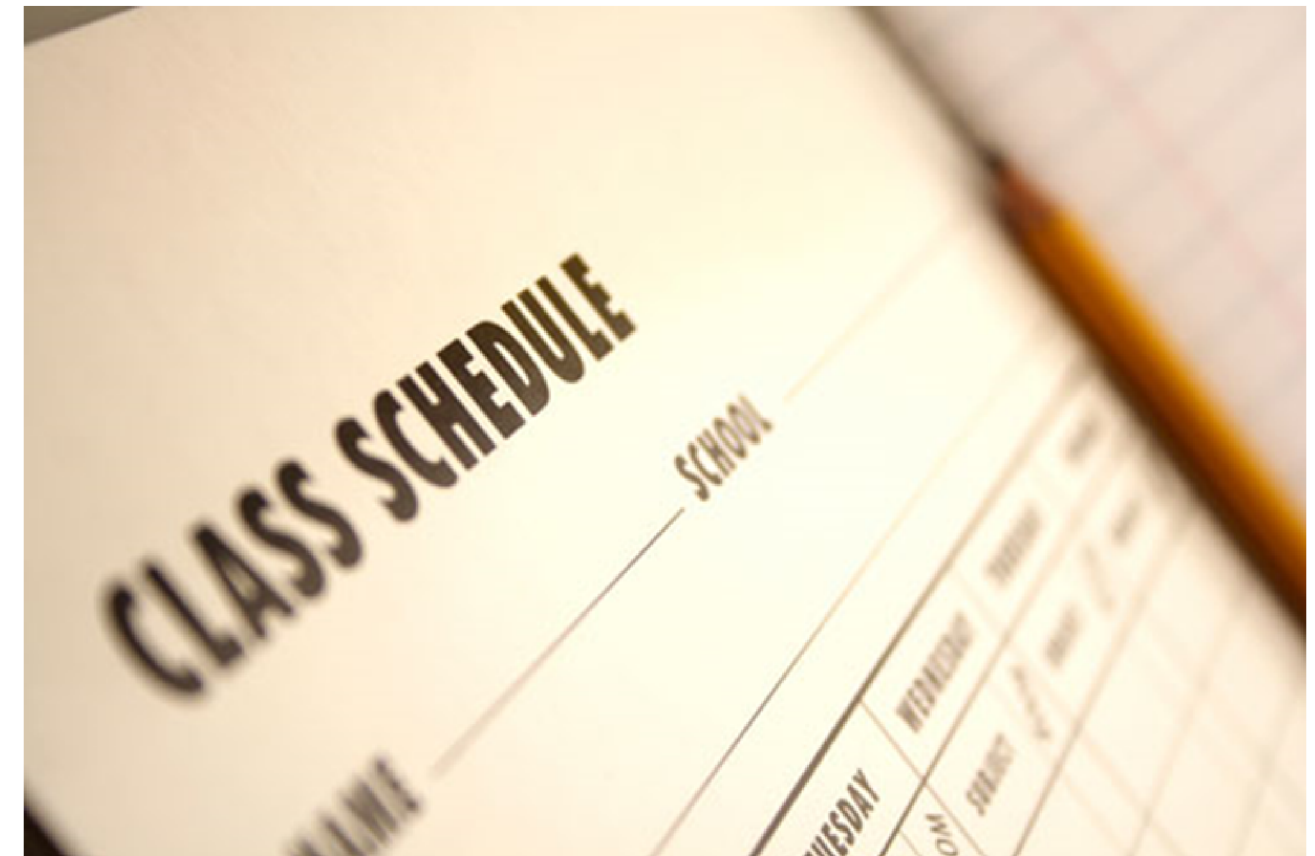
Summer Health and PE – Registration OPEN NOW

January 25th – Rising 9th Grade Parent Night

Week of February 12th – Rising 9th Grade Elective Selection – Google Form – Link Sent Via E-Mail – Link Available on SKG Website

April 19th – Course Request are Viewable through StudentVUE

April 19th-May 3rd – Drop/Add Window



CARNEGIE UNITS

1 ALGEBRA

2 PHYSICAL SCIENCE

3 SPANISH

In order to earn your high school diploma specific credits are needed to meet the requirements for graduation



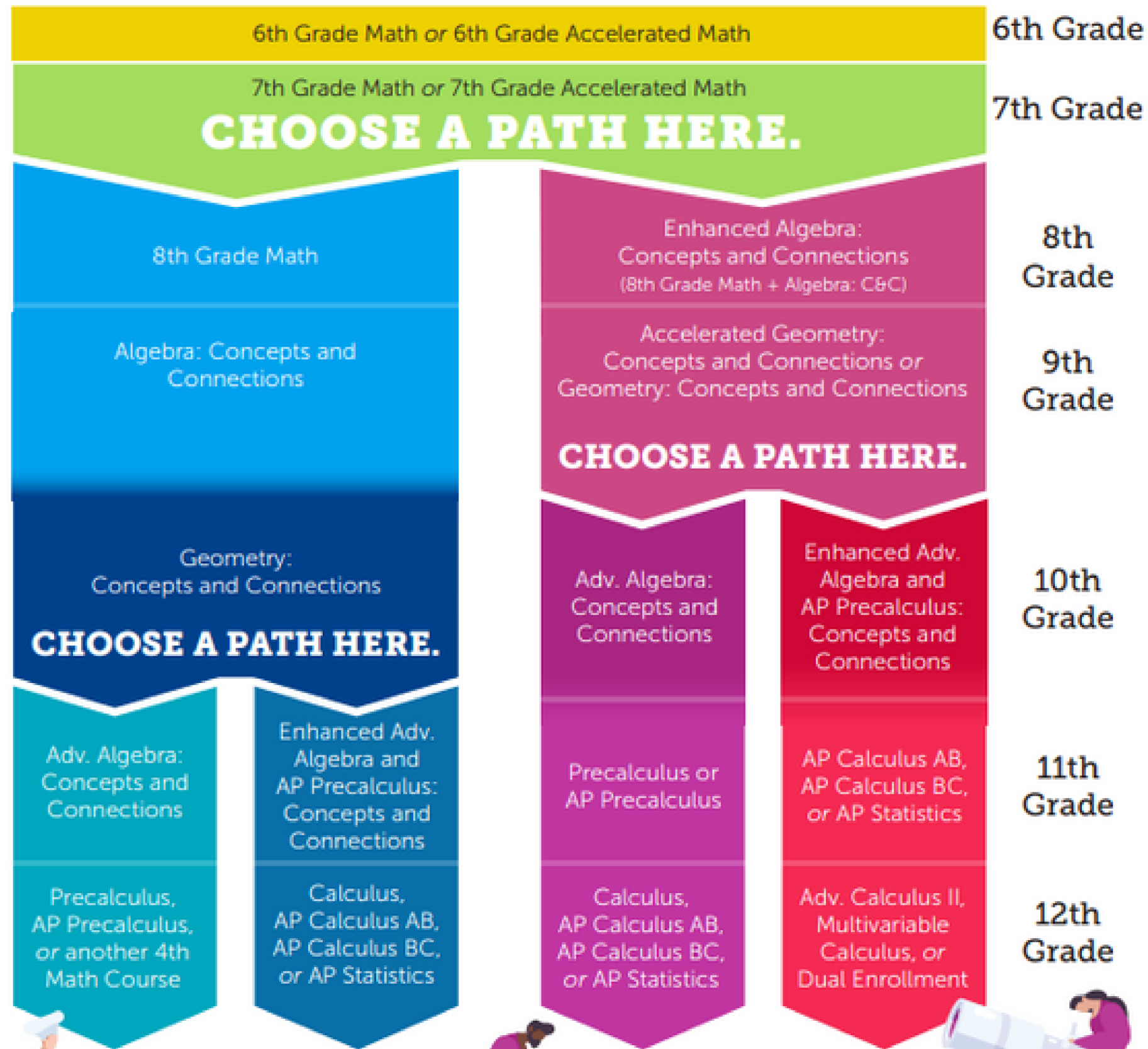
MATH- MS. SPRINGER

- **3 Course Options for Freshman:**
 - **Algebra: Concepts and Connections**
 - **Geometry: Concepts and Connections**
 - **Accelerated Geometry: Concepts and Connections**
 - **Our most advanced freshman math students may choose to take AP Statistics as an elective concurrently with Accelerated Geometry**
- **AI Incorporation into Math**
 - **Algebraic Reasoning**
 - **Computational Thinking**
 - **Design Thinking**
 - **Creative Problem Solving**
 - **Programming**
 - **Teachable Machines**



Choose **YOUR** Math Path

The GCPS mathematics curriculum, aligned with the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) standards, is designed to give you the tools you need to achieve your goals. As you make plans for your future, you can choose the math path that will help you on your journey, and alter your path to accomplish your unique goals.



SCIENCE-MS. KASSAM

4 YEARS OF SCIENCE ARE REQUIRED TO GRADUATE

Biology, Chemistry, Physics

PLUS 1 science elective

Biology

Biochemistry – Nutritional Bar – Data Analysis & Creativity

Cells – Homeostasis – Design thinking

Photosynthesis / Cellular Respiration – Efficiency – Design

Thinking – Models

Genetics – Extraction of DNA – Modeling

Biotechnology – Ethics and the use of genetic modification

Evolution – Decision Making and Data Analysis

Ecology – Sustainability – Decision making



LANGUAGE ARTS- MS. LOWE

9th Grade Language Arts

- **Reading**
 - Poetry
 - Short Stories
 - Romeo & Juliet
 - Informational Texts
- **Writing**
 - Literary Analysis
 - Informational Essay
 - Argumentative Essay
- **Speaking/Listening**
 - Podcasts
 - Class Discussions
- **AI/Infusion**
 - Ethics
 - Logical Reasoning



SOCIAL STUDIES- COACH GAFFNEY

• Class Options for 9th Grade Social Studies

○ Civic Engagement in Our Nation and Our World

- Course unique to Seckinger High School
- Elements of History, Government, Elections, Voting, Media Literacy and Artificial Intelligence
- Begin earning the Civic Engagement Diploma Seal through a project that addresses a community need

○ AP Human Geography

- Explore how humans have understood, used, and changed the surface of Earth. Use the tools and thinking processes of geographers to examine patterns of human population, migration, and land use.
- Great course to build Advanced Placement experience for future AP Social Studies Courses.



WORLD LANGUAGE- MS. EMMANUEL

- **The Goals**
 - **Communication**
 - **Cultural Competence**
 - **College**
- **Course Options for 9th Graders**
 - **French 1**
 - **Spanish 1**
 - **Spanish 2**
 - **Students currently in Spanish 1**
 - **Spanish for Native Speakers**
 - **Students test into the course**



VISUAL ARTS- MR. LASSETER

- **Visual Art Comp I / II (Intro Art course for 9th – 12th graders)**
 - Studio Art course - open to all
 - Visual Art Comp I / II is the prerequisite for all advanced Art courses
- **Advanced Art Courses (10th – 12th graders that have taken Visual Art I/II)**
 - Drawing and Painting, Printmaking, Digital Design, Sculpture
 - AP Drawing, AP 2D Art and Design, AP Digital 2D Art and Design

Ways to earn distinctions in Art

- Art Pathways (Complete 4 units of Art)
- Fine Arts Diploma Seal (Art Pathway with 20 hours of service)
- Honor Cord (National Art Honor Society with 20 hours service)
 - Letter in Art (90+ art grade avg with 20 hours service)
 - Art Competitions and Exhibitions



Scan to go to
Seckinger
Art & Design
website



PERFORMING ARTS- MR. LASSETER

Audition ONLY

Band – Audition at Jones OR contact Ms. Cavender directly

Band class is separate from Marching Band (competitive)

Orchestra – Audition at Jones OR contact Ms. Weber directly

Chorus - Audition at Jones OR contact Ms. Archer directly

Open to ALL students (9th - 12th)

Beginning Guitar – open to all

Beginning Piano – open to all

Music Tech – open to all

Fundamentals of Theater – open to all

Tech Theatre – open to all

Introduction to Dance – open to all

Dance for Athletes – open to all

Theatre auditions for upper levels - contact Ms. Sandrew directly

Dance auditions for upper levels – contact Ms. Kimmel directly

Men's dance class to pair with weight training/sports

ALL PERFORMING ARTS HAVE ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING OPPORTUNITIES:

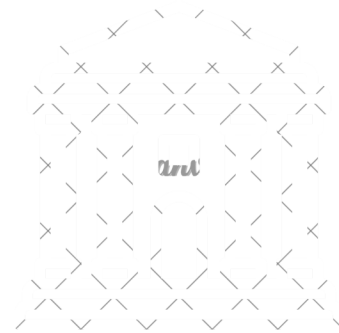
CHANCE TO PERFORM IN A PUBLIC PLATFORM
CHANCE TO PARTICIPATE THROUGH LGPE (MUSIC)
OR ONE ACT (THEATER)

JOIN A NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY
EARN A CORD, LETTER, MEDAL, FINE ARTS DIPLOMA SEAL
LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES, COMPETITIONS, TRIPS



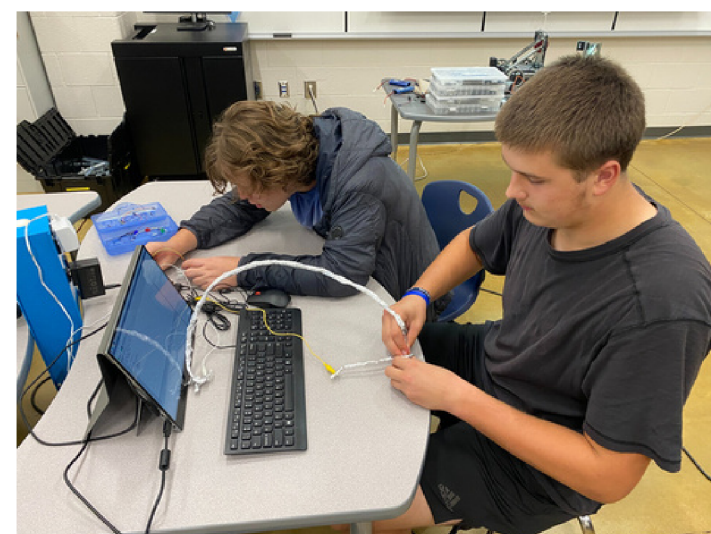
STUDENT LEADERSHIP-MS. BENSON

- Student Leadership is embedded throughout SKG
 - Student Council
 - School Officers
 - Class Officers
- Club Leadership Opportunities
- GSLT – Gwinnett Student Leadership Team
- Seckinger Leadership Team- SCRATCH



CTAE- MR. HURD

Career, Technical, & Agricultural Education



- Environmental Engineering
- Mechatronics
- Artificial Intelligence
- Computer Science
- International Business
- Marketing
- Audio/Video Tech & Film



COUNSELING-MS. ADAM

- Counselors assigned by student last name
- High School Counselors assist with students via academic support, social/emotional support, and crisis intervention
- Students can schedule an appointment through the SKG website or by scanning a QR code or visiting the Counseling Canopy
- Parents can schedule an appointment by contacting counselor
- Visit SKG website -> Counseling tab for resources, including college and career resources and to request a transcript
- Classroom visits for college and career guidance throughout high school





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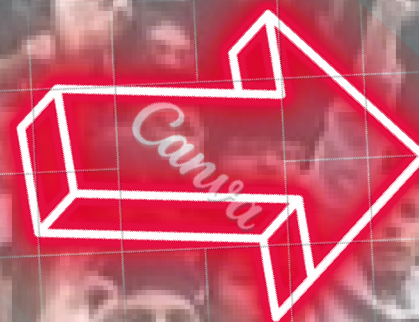
PARTICIPATORY CULTURE

CLUBS

**50 DIFFERENT CLUBS. CHECK OUT THE
ATHLETICS/CLUBS LINK ON OUR SCHOOL
WEBSITE!**

ATHLETICS

**28 DIFFERENT SPORTS OFFERED
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SCHEDULING QUESTIONS?

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