# G/T Seminar Grades 7-9

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- Social and Emotional Well Being
- Counseling for Scheduling Through Honors and AP Courses

- Preparation for High-Stake Exams
- Critical Thinking, Creative Thinking, Problem Solving Skills

- Social & Emotional Well-Being
  - School related stress and ways to handle that stress
  - How and when to effectively and respectfully advocate for yourself
  - Organizational Skills
  - Study Skills/ Note Taking Skills
  - Short-Term vs Long-Term Memory
  - Note Taking Methods
  - Essential Habits of an Honor Student
    - Read over notes each night, or at least a few times each week
    - Rewrite notes if they are messy or if it is difficult to remember information
    - **■** Highlight, underline, or circle important information
    - Correct incorrect answers on tests, classwork, and homework so you won't miss the information again. (It's about learning the material, not the grade.)



#### Counseling for Scheduling Through Honors and AP Courses

- -Each grade level
- -Course Sequence Chart
- -Before students choose courses for upcoming school year
- -Students may schedule appointments with me for help planning their classes for next year or beyond.

9th Grade spends more time on course sequencing and scheduling for high school. I have several days of "office hours" scheduled at CFA for students to have one-on-one time with me, if needed, before meeting with their counselor to finalize their classes for next year.

#### **Honors Recommendations**

Teacher Recommendations- Teachers Must Use the Following Criteria to Recommend a Student for an Honors Course:

- Grades
- Motivation and Commitment to Rigorous Coursework and Homework
- 80% or Higher on Fall or Winter MAP Score

If a Student Does Not Meet Those Criteria, yet a Parent and/or Teacher feels strongly that his/her student will be successful in Honors/AP programming, the Parent May Inquire About a "Parental Request for Honors Placement" Form, (Waiver Form) through the school counseling center.

## **Spring Course Selections For Fall Placement**

Honors Recommendation Letters will be mailed Friday, January 26th.

Students who receive a recommendation for a content area will automatically be placed in Honors for that subject unless the parent requests otherwise.

If a student is not recommended for an Honors course in a specific content area, a parent may speak with the counselors to determine the best placement for their student.

Parents should be aware that by placing a student in an Honors course, the expectations will be more challenging coursework, more homework, and that there may not be an option to move to an on-level class if a student is struggling in an Honors course.

Grade	English	Math	Science	Social Studies	Elective	Elective	Elective
8 <sup>th</sup> 1.5 credits		Regular Math  Honors Algebra I		Arkansas History  Honors AR History			
9th 7 credits	Regular English  Honors English	Reg Algebra I  Honors Geometry	Physical Sci.  Honors Science	Economics/ Civics  Honors Economics/ Civics	Oral Com 1 semester (or Forensics/Debate) Keystone 1 semester	PE (Can take in Summer)  Health/Safety(Can take Summer)  Spanish Lang I	
10 <sup>th</sup> 7 credits	Regular English  Honors English 10	Reg Geometry Honors Algebra II	Reg Biology  Honors Biology	Economics/ Civics  AP US History	G/T Seminar I	Spanish Lang II  Honors Spanish Lang II	
11 <sup>th</sup> 7 credits	Regular English 11  -To Grad W/_ Honors: Advanced English 11 or AP Lang & Comp	Reg Algebra II  AP  Pre-Calculus  Algebra III  To Grad W/ Honors:  1 Math course higher than Algebra II	Biology II Chemistry Anatomy & Physiology Botany/Zoology AP Biology AP Chemistry	American History  AP US History  AP World History	G/T Seminar II	Spanish Lang III	
12 <sup>th</sup> 7 credits	Regular English  -To Grad W/ Honors: Advanced English 12 AP Lit & Comp College Freshman English	Algebra III Reg Calculus  AP Calculus AP Statistics  College Algebra/ Statistics	Biology III Anat & Physiology Botany/ Zoology Chemistry AP Biology AP Chem AP Physics Concurrent Biology	World History  AP European Hist/ AP Art History AP Government		AP Spanish  Concurrent Spanish I & Spanish II	

# Preparation for High-Stake Exams

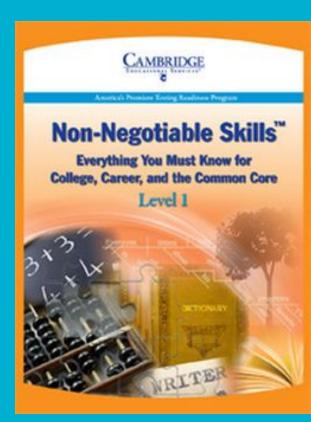
- -ACT (College Entrance Exam)
- -PSAT (NMSQT- National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test)

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- -PSAT 8/9: March 12, 2024 Freshmen (Optional)
- -PSAT 10: October, as Sophomores (Optional)
- -PSAT/NMSQT: October, as Juniors (Required)

### 7th Grade

- Cambridge Non-Negotiable Skills (Level I)
- Introduction to ACT, PSAT
- Standardized Testing Strategies



## 8th and 9th Grade

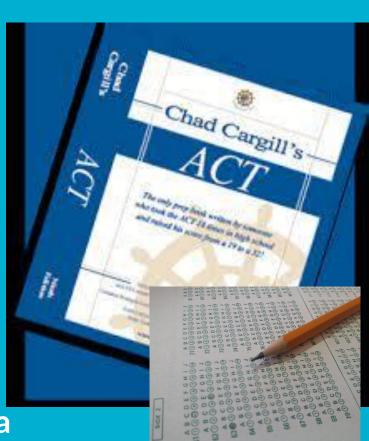
# Chad Cargill's ACT

#### 8th Grade:

**Importance of ACT, PSAT Standardized Testing Strategies** 

#### 9th Grade:

Details About the ACT, PSAT
Opportunity to Take the PSAT 8/9
Standardized Testing Strategies
Skills Based on Current CHS Testing Data



#### Critical Thinking, Creative Thinking, and Problem Solving Skills

- Puzzles
  - Deductive Reasoning
  - Critical Thinking
  - Logical Thinking
- Brain Teasers
- Hands-On Problem Solving Activities

# Parent Contact:

**Newsletters/Emails** 

**REMIND** 

7-9 G/T Website

**Phone Contact As Needed** 

**Questions?** 

**Comments?**