Welcome Parents of

THE CLASS OF 2030

Stratford High School Alma Mater

Stratford High School

School Leadership

Administration

Jack Dellapiano

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Tabitha Cruz

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Stratford High School

Department Leadership

Humanities

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Department Chair

STEM

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Department Chair

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School Counseling

Counselor	counselor	Counselor	Counselor	Counselor
Dawn DiDonato	Hailey Kobza	Lisa Seperack	Betsy Toth	Nathan Tyler

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Instructional Focus

Connectedness

Cultivating Positive Relationships

Purpose:

Establishes goodwill, which can help minimize classroom disruptions, improve student engagement, and reduce stress for both teacher and student.

Data-Driven Instruction

Purpose:

Examines student mastery of content closely and uses data to create targeted lessons that specifically address student deficiencies.

Intellectual Engagement

Purpose:

Provides students with opportunities to engage in productive struggle.

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Graduation Requirements

Core Academics

English 4.0 Credits
Mathematics 3.0 Credits
Science 3.0 Credits
Social Studies 3.0 Credits
Health & Physical Education 2.0 Credits

Electives & Specialties

Elective in STEM 2.5 Credits
Personal Finance 0.5 Credits
Art Education 1.0 Credit
Humanities Electives 1.0 Credit
World Language 1.0 Credit
Mastery Assessment / Capstone 1.0 Credit
Additional Electives 3.0 Credits

Total Required Credits: 25 Credits

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Required 9th Grade Courses

English 9

Foundations of literature & writing

World History

Modern world history & cultures

Mathematics

Core math pathways & problem solving

Science

Human Biology / Earth & Energy Systems

PE & Health

Physical education & wellness plans

2-3 Electives

Personalized student-selected pathways

Program of Studies

2026 - 2027 Program of Studies - Grades 9-12

Portrait of a Graduate

Transferable 21st Century Skills

21st Century Skills that transfer across grade levels and content areas designed to prepared our students for success in school and beyond

Culture & Curriculum Drive

The portrait of the graduate is reflected in our culture and drives curriculum, instruction, and assessment

Student Acquisition

Advance is key for student to acquire this information



Mastery Based Credit

POG Attributes

All graduates of the Stratford Public Schools are required to demonstrate mastery of the 5 attributes that make up our POG.

Graduation Credit

This work carries one credit that is required for graduation.

Freshman Start

Students will be introduced to the competencies throughout the year and work can begin to demonstrate mastery beginning in their freshman year.

Daily Schedule

Mon - Thurs		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Friday	
7:30-7:43	13 min	Advance	Advance	Advance	Advance	Advance	7:30 - 8:20	50 min
7:47 - 8:54	67 min	1	6	3	8			
8:58 - 10:05	67 min	2	7	4	1	5	8:24 - 9:42	78 min
10:09 - 11:16	67 min	3	8	5	2	6	9:46 - 11:04	78 min
11:20- 1:04	74 min	4	1	6	3	7	11:08 - 12:52	78 min
1:08 - 2:15	67 min	5	2	7	4	8	12:56 - 2:15	79 min
	Drop	**6,7,8**	**3,4,5**	**1,2,8**	**5,6,7**	**1,2,3,4**		

Attendance Policy

High School students are held to **high standards** when it comes to attending school and classes, as consistent attendance directly affects academic achievement and success.

Credit Danger

Students absent for **18 or more** class periods (full year), or **10 or more** (half year) are in danger of losing credit for the class.

Skipping Class

Skipping a class counts as an **immediate absence**, which directly impacts your total allowed limits.

Tardiness Rule

Three tardies to any class equals **one absence**. Establish reliable morning routines to ensure you attend classes on time.

Attendance Policy

Daily Tracking

Attendance is monitored closely throughout the school day:

- Taken **every period** of high school.
- Parents receive an **automated phone call** if a student is missed.
- Applies to **every period** of the day.

Graduation Impact

According to **Attendance Works**, by 9th grade, consistent attendance is a **better predictor of graduation rates** than 8th grade test scores.

Please partner with us to establish strong morning routines that help students arrive **on time**.

Attendance Policy

Exceeding the maximum allowable absences leads to **Loss of Credit (FA)**, which restricts student activities and requires a formal appeal to resolve.

FA Consequences

Students with an FA lose course credit and are **barred from activities** like dances, after-school celebrations, and school-sponsored events.

Appeal Process

The administration will review unusual circumstances. Families are **responsible for providing documentation** to support the appeal request.

Attendance Plan

Successful appeals result in a recovery plan, including **making up time with teachers** or completing community service hours.

Student Handbook & Code of Conduct

Handbook Review

Our student handbook and Code of Conduct will be reviewed with students during the first few days of school.

Student Sign-Off

Students will be asked to sign off that this information has been reviewed with them.

Cell Phone Policy

Guidelines & Expectations

- **During class time:** All devices must be turned OFF and placed in secure storage containers.
- **Between classes & lunch:** You may use your devices appropriately.
- **Remember:** Devices must remain stored even if you leave class temporarily (bathroom, etc.).

What is NOT Allowed

- Taking photos or videos anywhere on school property.
- Using devices to cheat or help others cheat.
- Sharing inappropriate content.
- Using devices in bathrooms or locker rooms.
- Any use that disrupts class or bothers others.

Grading Practice



70%

Academic Achievement

Stratford & Bunnell High School grading practice standard for setting up gradebooks.

- **Performance & Application**
  Assignments graded strictly for correctness.
- **Late Penalties**
  5 day grace period with a potential 10% penalty
- **Summative**
  Assessments are scored for mastery.
- **Consistent Re-Assessment**
  Uniform policy remains in effect across all departments.

Grading Practice

30%

Formative Practice

Formative practice is intended to support learning rather than evaluate. These assignments provide students with opportunities to practice skills, **receive timely feedback**, monitor progress, and prepare for summative demonstrations of learning.

Practice & Checkpoints

Draft performance tasks, skill-based checkpoints, and practice assessments.

Informative Classwork & Homework

Relevant tasks designed to inform instruction, provide timely feedback, and guide improvement.

Conferencing & Feedback Cycles

Collaborative processes allowing teachers and students to analyze performance and support growth.

Science

3 Credits minimum

Semester Courses	Number of Credits	Grades offered
• Earth & Energy Systems (College Prep & Honors)	.5	9 and 10
• Human Biology (College Prep & Honors)	.5	9 and 10
• Environmental Biology (College Prep & Honors)	.5	9, 10 and 11

Math

3 Credits minimum

Semester Courses	Number of Credits	Grades offered
• Numeracy Lab	.5	9 - 12
• Integrated Math	1	9 and 10
• Algebra I (College Prep & Honors)	1	9, 10 and 11
• Geometry (College Prep & Honors)	1	9, 10, and 11

Humanities

English: 4 Credit Minimum

Social Studies: 3 Credit Minimum

Semester Courses	Number of Credits	Grades offered
• **9th Grade:** English 1 (College Prep & Honors)	1	9 and 10
• **9th Grade:** Modern World Studies (CP & Honors)	1	9, 10 and 11

World Language Requirement - 1 credit

- **French:** I; II & II Honors; III and III Honors; IV and IV Honors; V AP
- **Spanish:** I, II & II Honors; III & III Honors; IV & IV Honors; V AP; Native Heritage
- **Latin:** I, II & II Honors; III & III Honors; IV Honors

CAREER PATHWAY PROGRAMS

Authentic, Off-Site Learning Experiences

- Career Shadowing
- Electronic Mentoring
- Internships
- Advisory Committees
- Professional & Educational Tours
- Service Learning Opportunities
- Health & Medical Careers Expo

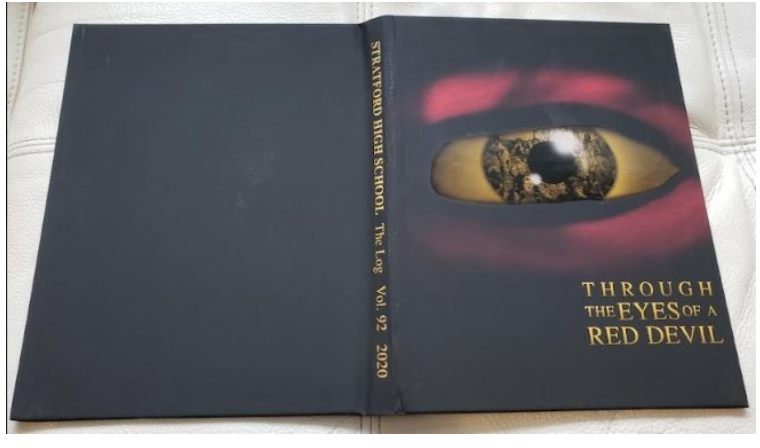
Enrollment periods vary, with some pathways beginning as early as the **9th grade**.

Additional Elective Courses:

- Art Electives
- Music Electives
- Physical Education Electives
- World Language Electives
- Humanities Elective Options







Career Pathway Programs

- Therapeutic Services Pathway (Pre-Nursing) Electives
- Engineering Design and Development Pathway- Architecture & Engineering Electives
- Marketing Management Pathway- Marketing Management Cluster Electives
- Education & Training Electives– Teaching/Training Pathway
- Facility & Mobile Maintenance Electives- Transportation, Distribution & Logistics Cluster
- Manufacturing Production Process Pathway Electives
- Hospitality and Tourism Cluster Restaurant, Food, Beverage, and Services Pathway
- Information and Technology Cluster- Web & Digital Communications Electives

Additional Offerings at SHS:

After-School Activities

Sports

School Activities

Some activities include:

- Art Club
- Athletic Association
- Band
- Be Kind
- Chess Club
- Choir
- Community Service
- Environmental Club
- Future Business Leaders of America
- Freshman Class Council
- Gender & Sexuality Alliance
- Health Occupation Students of America

SHS Clubs and Organizations

School Activities

- Job Shadowing (Grade 10)
- Junior Class Council
- National Honor Society
- Senior Class Council
- Sophomore Class Council
- Spanish/French /Latin Honor Society
- Science Honor Society
- Stage
- Stage Crew
- Stomp & Shake
- Student Council
- Ushers Guild
- Volunteer Club

Fall Sports

- Cheerleading
- Cross Country – boys, girls
- Dance Team
- Football
- Golf - boys
- Soccer – boys, girls
- Swimming - girls
- Volleyball - girls
- Unified Soccer





Winter Sports

- Basketball – boys, girls
- Bowling - Co-ed
- Cheerleading
- Dance Team
- Swimming - boys
- Wrestling - Co-ed
- Indoor Track and Field
- Unified Basketball



Spring Sports

- Baseball - boys
- Golf - girls
- Lacrosse - boys, girls
- Softball - girls
- Tennis - boys, girls
- Track and Field - boys, girls





School Community Events







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Thank You