



Welcome!

The Class of 2026
informational meeting will
begin shortly

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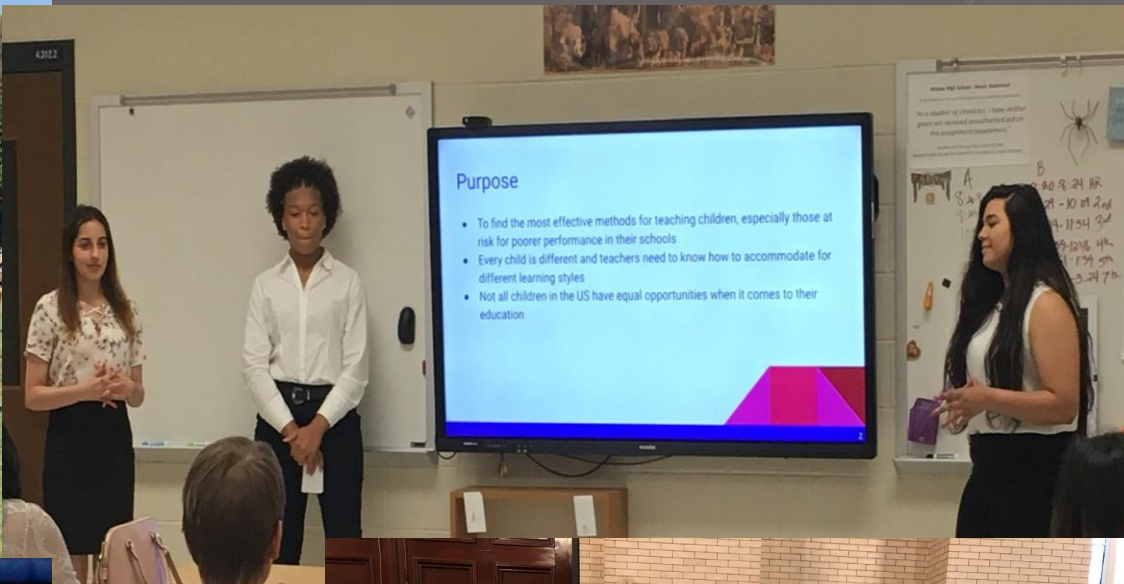
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High School

What you need to know now!





Academics

- Graduation Requirements
- Course and Level of Courses
- Electives/Opportunities

Activities and Clubs

- 65 Clubs: Interest & Community Service
- Co-curriculars: Fine Arts

Athletics

- 21 varsity teams/44 teams total/17 sports
- Directors Cup
- 79 state championships

October – General Overview



November 11- STEM Applications



November 18-ISA Information Night



March 1-High School registration materials go home with teacher recommendations



**March 8- Parent/Guardian meeting about registration/9th grade courses -
Department Chairs available for questions**



March 16 – Registration deadline for students and online system turned off



May 1 deadline to submit waivers



July- Freshman Orientation – parent meeting about first weeks of school



September- Freshman Parent night- a walk through of the 4 years

Walton High School- Schedule

Current Courses

AB Day	Period	Course Name	Room	Teacher Name	Course Section	A
1	1	Health	351	Abney, Bo	17.0110098-590	
1	2	H Algebra I A	337	Reagin, Kathryn	27.2990000-2216	
1	3	Lunch	Dining Hal	Term, Short	00.0001000-110	
1	4	AP Human Geography A	216	Staruch, Matthew	45.2770092-2246	
1	5	H Biology I A	408	Howard, Laurie	26.2120000-2137	
1	6	H 9th Lit/Comp A	323	Turnage, Catherine	23.2610004-2260	
1	7	Spanish II A	214	Trenbeath, Ana	60.0720008-813	
1	8	Homeroom/Advisement 9	233	Snoddy, Jennifer	00.0009000-933	

- 2689 students
- Fall, spring semester--classes meet every day
- Schedule will change second semester and will include different teachers & classmates.
- May change electives second semester (if not year-long course)

8th Grade Academics Matter

- EOG scores in Language Arts/Mathematics determine promotion to high school
- Placement in courses is based upon the assessment grades earned in Middle School
- Students should work hard so their grades are representative of their abilities

General Information About Placement

Current eighth grade teachers will make course recommendations for core classes based on standards set by data of student success

- will depend on student's assessment grades
- not teacher discretion - based on specific guidelines given by Walton
- may have different levels in core classes
- Possible to change level of study during high school—we encourage you to challenge yourself!

Waiver Process-Due May 1st and Nov 15th- Parents may submit to change level of course. Consider overall load, interest and life balance.

4 Levels of Study

Advanced Placement

- College Level Work
- National Curriculum determined by College Board
- Test taken in May determines college credit

Honors Classes

- Depth of Knowledge increased
- More critical thinking
- Leads to AP classes

College Preparatory

- Students will be prepared for college classes

Level Three

- Moves at a slower pace
- Allows for more embedded remediation

- Students need to be self-motivated and self-directed.
- Students need to have a high level of interest in the subject

Math Curriculum

HONORS

- Accelerated Courses- increased rigor and pace

Accelerated Geom/Adv Alg and above – ½ quality point

- Honors Math- more rigorous includes an opportunity to take two math course at the same time and reach AP Calculus

SUPPORT

- Meets twice a day
- Allows more time, daily practice
- Chunking, review

Support Programs

- **Special Education**
 - Case Manager will contact during pre-planning
 - Support is determined by IEP
 - Course level is determined using placement guide
- **English Language Learners**
 - Active students scheduled with dual certified teacher in English and select other core courses
 - Lunch time extra support
- **Gifted – Served through Honors and AP courses**

Student Services Continue in High School

- RTI- Counseling
- 504- Counseling
- Health Plan- Nurse Sandy Evans

Graduation Requirements

- English
 - 4 units required must include 1 unit of 9th grade Literature and 1 unit of American Lit.
- Mathematics
 - 4 units required
- Science
 - 4 units required must include 1 unit of Biology, 1 unit of Physical Science or Physics, 1 unit of Chemistry, Earth Science, Environmental Science or an AP Science, and 1 additional unit

Graduation Requirements

- Social Studies
 - 3 units required must include 1 unit of World History, 1 unit of US History, 1/2 unit of American Government, and 1/2 unit of Economics
- Health and Physical Education
 - 1/2 unit of Health and 1/2 unit of Personal Fitness required
- Career Technology and/or World Language and/or Fine Arts
 - 3 total units are required – Students planning on attending a University System of Georgia institution must take 2 units of the same world language

English

- Ninth Lit/Comp
- World Lit/Comp or AP Language/World Lit
- American Literature or AP Language/American Lit
- British Lit/Comp or Dramatic Writing or AP Lit/Comp



Mathematics- 21/22

- **College Prep**

- GSE Algebra*
- GSE Geometry*
- GSE Algebra II
- GSE Precalculus

*Support courses available

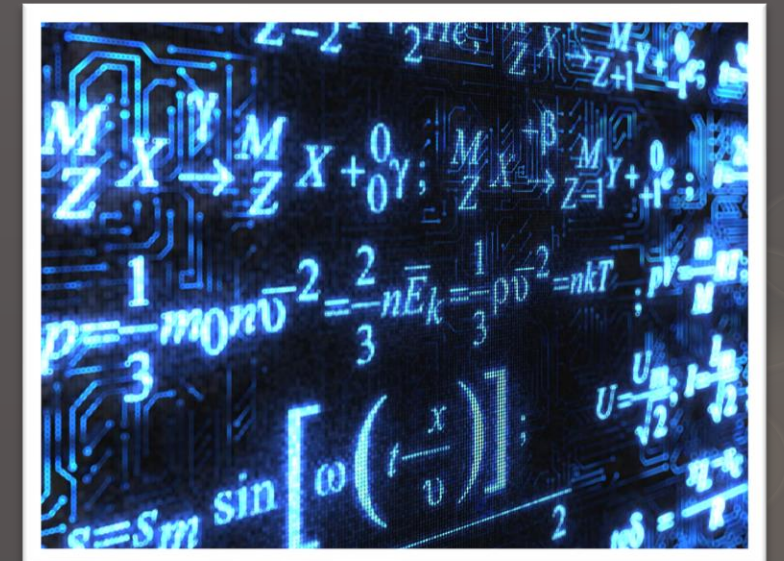
- **Honors**

- GSE Hon Alg
- GSE Hon Geom*
- GSE Hon Alg II*
- GSE Acc Precalc

*May take simultaneously to reach
AP Calculus AB

- **Hyper-Accelerated**

- GSE Accel Geom/Alg II
- GSE Accel Precalc
- AP Calculus AB, BC or AP Stats
- Multivariable Calculus



Science

- Freshman Physics I
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Anatomy/Physiology
- Earth Systems
- Biotechnology



Science

- AP Environmental Science (may be taken in 10th grade)
- Astronomy
- Forensics
- AP Physics I
- AP Physics II
- AP Physics C – Mechanics
- AP Physics C – E&M (Electricity & Magnetism)
- AP Chemistry
- AP Biology

Social Studies

- World Geography
- AP Human Geography
- American Government
- AP Govt Politics & Comparative
- Economics
- AP Macro & Micro
- United States History
- World History



Social Studies Electives

- AP European History
- AP Psychology
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Current Issues
- Ethnic Studies
- Technology and Society

World Language

- French
- Latin
- Spanish
- Chinese
- Four years of language available
- Opportunity for international travel
in AP Spanish and French



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AP Capstone Program

- Innovative Diploma Program
- Two Courses- AP Seminar and AP Research
- Analysis, research methodologies, argumentation
- 4 other AP Courses with a score of 3 or higher

International Spanish Academy - ISA

- Students in the Academy take 4 years of Spanish at Walton along with a minimum of 4 additional content area classes (honors and AP level) that include a component of Spanish in the coursework.
- For full participation in the International Spanish Academy, students may earn double academic certification (receiving a diploma from the government of Spain as well as their Walton High School diploma.)
- Students should be recommended for Honors Ninth Lit and AP Human Geography
- November 18th- see website for link



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Walton STEM Academy

- Passionate about area of study
- Three Options: Biomedical Science, Engineering, Advanced Math & Science
- Take 4 years of courses major area along with a minimum of 4 specific honors or AP level science courses
- Cumulative group research project senior year
- Extracurricular participation required
- STEM Academy distinction on diploma
- November 11- see website for link



Band



- May audition for higher bands
- Most freshmen: Concert Band
- Four concert bands, two jazz bands, two percussion ensembles, and the Marching Raider Band
- Recognitions include: Georgia Music Educators Association in-service Conference Performance, Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, Rose Bowl Parade, Bands of America finalists, Waikiki Holiday Parade, & Music for All Southeastern Concert Band Festival
- Sudler Shield recipient by the John Phillip Sousa Foundation



Orchestra



- May audition for higher orchestras
- Most freshmen: on level orchestra
- Largest orchestra program in Cobb County-400 students in 6 orchestras
- Recognized nationally and internationally for excellence including winning the National Championship in the Mark of Excellence competition
- Six times invited to play at the Midwest Clinic and have had performances abroad in Austria, Czech Republic, and Italy



Chorus



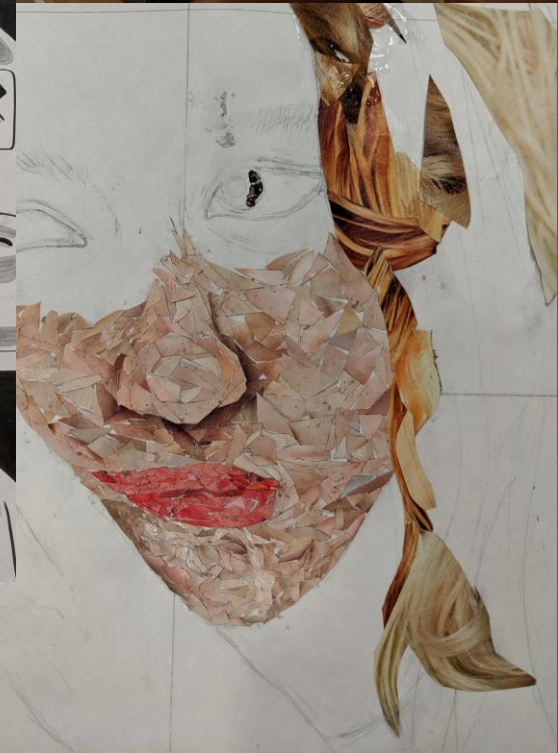
9th grade treble or 9th grade tenor/bass

- Largest choral program in Cobb County with 400 members
- Performed with Atlanta Symphony
- Men's Ensemble only high school choir to ever perform at Spivey Hall
- Tour Choir Performances: Italy, Austria, Ireland, Scotland, & New York City



Visual Arts

- Comprehensive art or Drawing I
- Work displayed at US Capital, US Dept. of Treasury, High Museum, Dogwood Festival, Capitol Art Exhibit and All-State Art Symposium



Drama

- Technical theater & acting introduction class for freshmen
- Drama Club produces 2 shows a year- musicals and plays
- Nominated for multiple Georgia High School Musical Theater Awards.
- Drama is a part of the International Thespian Society



Career Technology Courses

- Business
 - Intro to Business & Technology
 - Financial Literacy
 - Banking, Investing, & Insurance
- Computer Science
 - AP Computer Science Principles
 - AP Computer Science
- Broadcast
 - News Broadcast
- And...

Career Technology Courses: Graphic Arts

- Intro to Graphic Arts
- Graphic Arts II
- Graphic Arts III
- Graphic Arts IV



Career Technology Courses: Engineering

- Intro to Engineering
- Principles of Engineering
- Digital Electronics
- Aerospace Engineering



Career Technology Courses: Healthcare Science

- Intro to Healthcare
- Essentials of Healthcare
- Sports Medicine

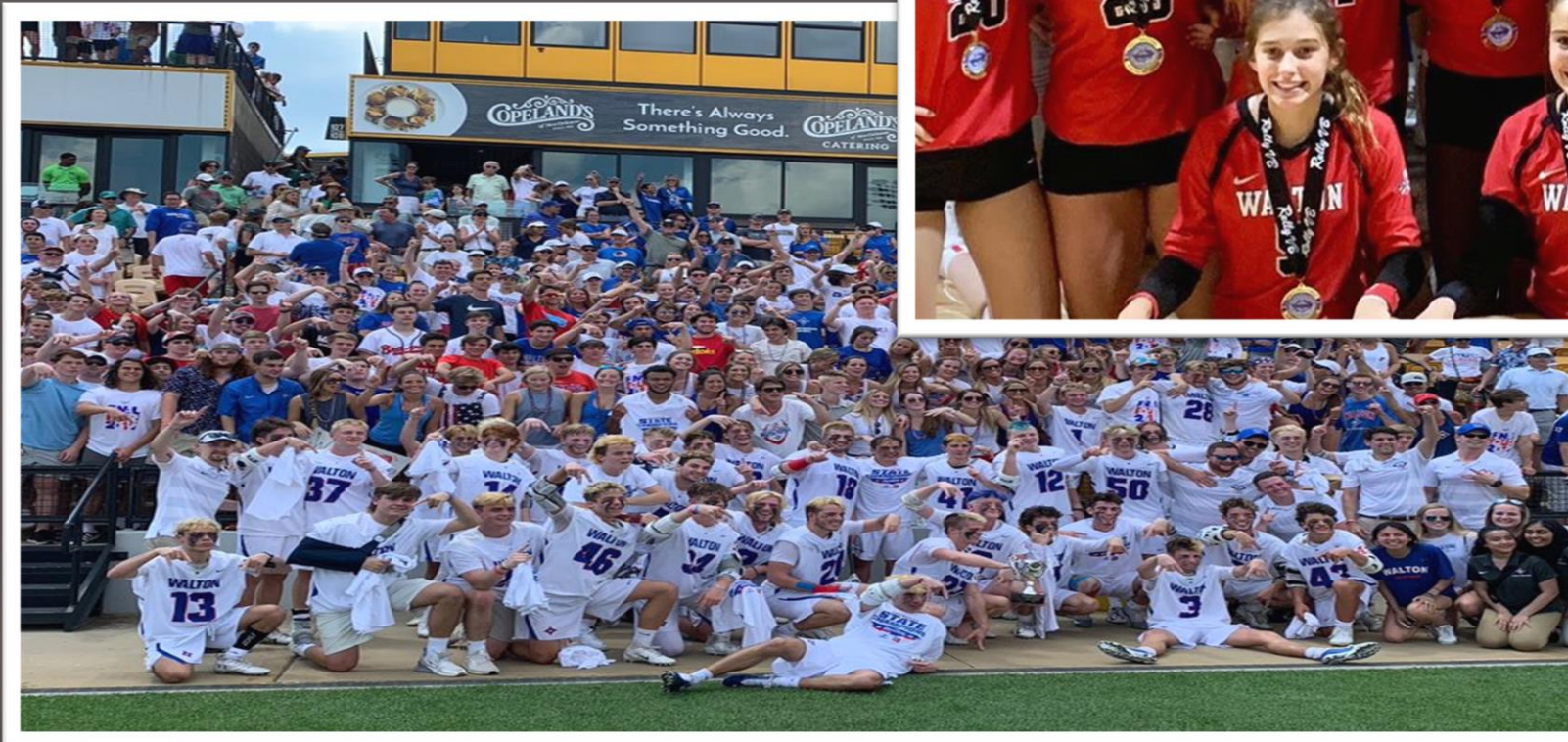


Other Opportunities at Walton

- Walton Enrichment Block (WEB) offers various opportunities for additional help
 - Classroom teachers
 - Writing lab
 - Media Center
- Zero Period
 - Morning Tuition Classes
- PTSA E-Blast

Athletics

- 21 varsity teams
- State All Sports Trophy- Walton has won the trophy eight of the 20 years in existence
- Walton has won 79 State Championships!



Academic Recognitions

- Between 2009-2021, 351 National Merit Semi-finalists
- 2021- 35 from Walton!
- Highest SAT and ACT in Cobb
- Highest Milestones in Cobb



So much to offer! There is a place for **EVERYONE!**





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Walton is your school and you will continue the tradition of excellence!

**Information about 8th grade
articulation can be found
here:**

<https://www.waltonhighcounseling.com/articulation>



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**Thank you for
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