



**Freshman
Students**

Welcome to Wheaton Academy

Welcome to your Course Registration Guide. This booklet provides freshman students the information they need to prepare for the 2018-2019 academic school year.



Welcome to the 2018-2019 School Year

Let's get started...

Welcome to Wheaton Academy! We are so excited to have your student here for the 2018-2019 school year. As we begin the planning and registration process for next year, we want to provide some key information and details to assist you. Incoming freshman families will meet with a member of our Student Services team on an upcoming Saturday to select courses for your student. Our goal is to encourage students, in collaboration with their parents, to take ownership of their course selections and educational plan for future years.

This is an exciting time of year as you help your child choose opportunities to help them discover their gifts and to have additional time to hone passions they have already discovered. We look forward to providing support for you and your student throughout the registration process.

If you have any questions...

If you have any questions pertaining to anything about the next school year or want clarification, feel free to contact the following individuals:

• Student Services

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• Nurse/Magnus

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• Financial/Business Office

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• Wheaton Academy Service Interns

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Important Dates to Remember for 2018-2019

Dates	Description
March 5	Registration information/materials available on Wheaton Academy website
March 5	Curriculum Symposium: Understanding WA to Empower your Student
March 5	Registration opens for Summer Academy and Summer Work Weeks Summer Academy—Go to the Registration button on the Wheaton Academy website for a link to register. It will require payment by credit card.
March 13-20	Summer Work Weeks—Families receiving Financial Aid will receive an email to register for work study opportunities for the summer and 2018-2019 school year. These opportunities will fill up based on a first-come, first-served basis. The deadline to register for work study is March 20.
March 21	Enroll student in SMART Tuition (if not completed previously) Select payment plan option and automatic payment account information (bank debit/credit card) Add student to existing account if sibling currently attends Wheaton Academy
March 17 & April 14	Individual Course Registration Appointments with Student Services 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
May 25	Required Magnus forms must be completed for students enrolled in Summer Academy
June	First tuition payment due for all payment plans (full, semi-annual, & monthly) to secure your spot If payment is not received by due date, your student may be returned to the Wait Pool.
Mid-July	Annual Back to School forms due to Magnus (see Magnus for a checklist of required documents) Freshman grade physicals due to Magnus No additional sports physical needed for freshman grade athletes Freshman grade physicals are valid in athletics for 395 days
August 16-17	Freshman Retreat and Orientation
August 21	First day of classes

Incoming Freshman FAQs

What does a typical freshman schedule look like?

Required Classes:

- Bible (full year): Foundations of Faith
- Mathematics (full year): Algebra I, Geometry, Geometry (Adv)*, Algebra II, College Algebra (Adv)*
- Social Studies (one semester): Introduction to Historical Inquiry
- Physical Education (one semester): Introduction to Health & Fitness
- English (full year): English I or English I (Adv)*
- Science (full year): Physics or Physics (Adv)*

* Advanced level recommendations are based on placement test

Elective Classes:

- World Language (full year): Many students take Chinese, French, or Spanish
- Elective(s) – This may include a study hall or any elective class – (see Freshman Course Listing on Registration Worksheet)

How will my student be placed in regular or advanced classes?

Placement is a multi-step process. Placement recommendations for english, math, science, and world language will be made by Student Services after reviewing information gained through the WA placement exam. Recommended course placement will be shared with families on the day prior to their WA registration meeting. If you have questions or concerns about the proposed placement, we will be happy to discuss them with you. Our goal is to make certain that each student is properly placed based on his/her abilities.

Can freshmen take AP classes?

If a freshman student takes Introduction to Historical Inquiry during the summer, he/she may be eligible to take AP World History during his/her freshman year.

Can we make a change to the electives our student registered for if he/she changes his/her mind mid-summer?

The only schedule changes made after registration closes will be due to placement issues. This may come up for freshmen since final placements will not be available until after registration. You will be notified of any necessary changes. There will be opportunities to discuss the recommendations and finalize the schedule.

How do I know if my student should take advanced level classes?

You know your student best—our goal is to help students to have the best fit with their schedule as possible. Here are some things to consider:

- Student capabilities and giftedness
- Balance of life, other commitments outside of school, co-curricular involvement
- Skills necessary for success—for example, reading and writing
- Future goals for college
- If you register your student for classes and the placement test results and teacher recommendations seem to point in a different direction, we will help you make the necessary changes.

Is someone available to help me with my student's registration?

Student Services will be meeting with each incoming family to complete the course registration for next year. Instructions for signing up for an individual or group appointment were sent home via email. Please contact Angie Roberts, aroberts@wheatonacademy.org if you should have any questions.

If my student takes summer school, will it open up a slot for more elective classes?

Taking summer school is a great way to free up space in student schedules for electives.

Many freshmen take one or two summer school classes—such as Intro to Historical Inquiry and Intro to Health & Fitness or Intro to Media Arts. This will make room for a full-year elective class or two semester electives. Taking even one summer school class will make room for students to take a semester elective class. Please be aware that while there may be room for additional classes in freshman year, it is possible that specific courses may not fit into your student's schedule.

Summer Academy Registration information is included in the Registration materials available on the website. Plan your summer courses while you are planning for next year as there are many course offerings that will allow you to free up space in next year's schedule. A deposit is required when registering for summer classes or you may pay in full. The balance will be due on May 1.

When will my student get confirmation of his/her scheduling requests?

- Tentative schedules and placement will be given to families at their class registration meetings on either March 17, April 14 or April 16
- Final schedules with class order will be available mid to late July

If you have other questions not answered by the questions above, please contact us at aroberts@wheatonacademy.org. We look forward to meeting you and working with your family this spring!

Freshman Registration Worksheet



Freshman Schedule— 7 courses each semester

1. Foundations of Faith
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3. English
4. English
5. Math (Algebra, Geometry or other)
6. Math (Algebra, Geometry or other)
7. Intro to Historical Inquiry*
8. Physics
9. Physics
10. Chinese, French, Spanish, or elective
11. Chinese, French, Spanish, or elective
12. Intro to Health & Fitness*
13. Elective class
14. Elective class

***These are required one semester courses that must be completed by the end of the freshman year. These classes are offered as Summer Academy classes, and if taken during the summer, they may allow students the opportunity to fit additional elective course(s) in their schedules during the school year.**

Elective options

21st Century Programming/Design

Algebra I Lab***

Adv Python Programming*

Band**

Business Principles

Chinese, French, or Spanish

Geometry Lab***

Graphic Design I*

In-Field Event Livestreaming

Intro to Ceramics

Intro to Dance

Intro to Engineering

Intro to Illustration

Intro to Media Arts

Intro to Python Programming

Intro to Research Techniques

Intro to Robotics

Men's Ensemble**

Musical Theatre Performance

Networking*

Orchestra**

Percussion Ensemble**

Percussion Studies**

Service/Work Study

Strength & Conditioning

Study Hall

Study Lab***

Video Production*

WAtv*

Women's Chorale**

*Subject to a prerequisite

**Audition required after registration

***By recommendation only

Essential Enrollment To-Dos Due March 21

Tuition Accounts

New Families: Create a Smart Tuition account (if not completed already)

Families who are new to Wheaton Academy or who do not have an active Smart Tuition account this year should log into www.enrollwithsmart.com and choose "I DO NOT HAVE A SMART ACCOUNT" at the login screen. Please follow the steps to create an account. New families need to enroll in Smart Tuition by the enrollment date listed on the student's acceptance letter, and prior to enrolling in classes for the 2018-2019 academic year.

If you have questions about your Smart Tuition account, please contact Smart Tuition at (888) 868-8828.



Enrollment Contract

New families completed upon acceptance

The Continuous Enrollment Contract will be completed online and electronically signed on the Magnus website. Follow the easy steps below to complete your Continuous Enrollment Contract:

1

Go to the Wheaton Academy website, click on the Registration button in the lower right hand corner and then click on the Enrollment Contract button at the top of the page. Alternatively, you can go directly to the Magnus website: <https://secure.magnushealthportal.com>.

2

Log in using your username and password. Only one parent needs to log in to complete and sign the Continuous Enrollment Contract, but you will need to sign one for each returning student.

3

The screen will indicate: You have requirements to complete on your To- Do List. Click on the Complete Now button. (You may have more than one requirement to do, but the only one due by March 21 is the Continuous Enrollment Contract.)

4

The Continuous Enrollment Contract will now be on the screen with the names and graduation year of your students automatically filled in. You will need to sign one for each student currently enrolled at Wheaton Academy who will be returning next year. After you have reviewed the Continuous Enrollment Contract, simply type your name at the bottom of the screen on the line that follows the pink Sign Here marker, click on the orange Sign button and you are done.

If you do not remember your username and password, click on the Magnus homepage, forgot username or password. For additional help with the website, please contact Magnus by phone at (877) 461-6831 or email at service@magnushealthportal.com.

Fine Arts



Interested in Musical Theatre?

- Class:** Musical Theatre Performance (grades 9-10; no audition required)
- Note:** This class is for anyone interested in ALL THREE aspects of musical theatre: vocal, dance, and theatre.
- Questions:** Email Mrs. Woelfel at awoelfel@wheatonacademy.org

Interested in Theatre and/or Improv?

- Class:** Musical Theatre Performance (grades 9-10; see above)
Drama (grades 11-12, grade 10 by permission only; no audition required)
- Co-curricular:** Furnace Company Improv Team
-auditions the week of May 16-18
Fall Show auditions in September
Spring Musical auditions in November/December
- Questions:** Email Mrs. Burick at cburick@wheatonacademy.org



Interested in Instrumental Music?

- Class:** Band if you play brass or woodwinds (audition required)
Percussion if you play percussion (audition required)
Orchestra if you play strings (audition required)
- Audition:** Register for Instrumental Music and contact Mr. Willemsen to schedule your audition. The outcome of that audition will confirm your enrollment in the appropriate class.
- Questions:** Email Mr. Willemsen at swillemsen@wheatonacademy.org



Interested in Vocal Music?

Class: Men's Ensemble (grades 9-12; audition required)
Women's Chorale (grades 9-12; audition required)
Concert Choir (grades 10-12; audition required)

Audition: Register for Vocal Music and contact Mrs. Westerfield to schedule your audition April 5 or 7.
The outcome of the audition will confirm your enrollment in the appropriate class.

Co-Curricular: WAcappella Kantorei, WAcappla Gracenotes, WAcappla Prince Crossing (audition required for each)

Questions: Email Mrs. Westerfield at hwesterfield@wheatonacademy.org

Interested in Media Art?

Video, graphic design, and digital photography

Class: Intro to Media Arts

Questions: Email Mr. Hockett at mhockett@wheatonacademy.org



Interested in Visual Art ?

Drawing, painting, ceramics

Class: Intro to Illustration (grade 9-12)
Ceramics I (grades 9-12)

Questions: Email Mrs. Perry (ceramics) at aperry@wheatonacademy.org
Email Mr. McCallum (drawing & painting) at smccallum@wheatonacademy.org

Upcoming Fine Arts Events in 2018

See www.wheatonacademy.org/fine-arts for more info

Spring Musical—Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat—\$15
(250 Fine Arts Students)
ticket information available at wheatonacademy.org

March 2-3, 8-10

Percussion and Jazz Show—free
(Percussion and jazz students and select choral students)

April 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Spring Choral Concert—free
(Women's Chorale, Men's Ensemble, Concert Choir,
co-curricular vocal groups)

April 27 at 7:30 p.m.

Spring Instrumental Concert—free
(Band, Orchestra, Percussion, Jazz)

April 28 at 7:30 p.m.

Evening in the Furnace—\$5
(Comedy Improv & Dance Students)

May 4 at 7:00 p.m.

MTP Show—Annie—\$5
(Musical Theatre Performance Students)

May 10 & 11 at 7:00 p.m.

Kairos International Student Show—free
(International students theatre show)

May 18 & 19 at 7:00 p.m.

Art Show—free
(Visual Art Students)

May 23 at 6:00 p.m.

Advanced Drama Show—\$5
(Fine Arts student theatre performance)

May 25 & 26 at 7:00 p.m.



Wheaton Academy Physical Education 2018-2019

How should I meet my PE requirement?

In order to graduate, students must meet one PE requirement for each of their four years in high school, one of which must include Introduction to Health and Fitness during their freshman year. In order to meet the PE requirement for the year, students must fulfill one of the following requirements:

1. Enroll in one of the following courses offered during the school day:

- Introduction to Health and Fitness (freshman year – may be taken during the school year or during summer school)
- Strength and Conditioning (RECOMMENDED for all athletes grades 10-12)
- Introduction to Dance
- Intermediate Dance
- Advanced Dance
- Fitness & Total Body Conditioning
- Athletes should meet the requirements by enrolling in a course during the school day or by completing the Wheaton Academy Performance Program.

2. Students unable to take a class during the school day may fulfill the PE requirement by enrolling in one of the following programs:

- Wheaton Academy Performance Program: (M/W/F outside of school hours; recommended for athletes unable to enroll in Strength and Conditioning course during the school day)
- Fitness for Life: Full year requirement and one Wednesday morning/month required (not designed for Wheaton Academy athletes; see course description in the Curriculum Guide)
- Off-Campus Sport or Competitive Activity (see course description in the Curriculum Guide)
- Physical Fitness Performance Testing (summer only – see course description in the Curriculum Guide)

2018 Summer Academy

June 11-29, 2018

Purpose

Summer Academy is intended to give students the opportunity for more flexibility in their school-year schedule and to provide enrichment experiences through new courses.

Eligibility

All current Wheaton Academy students and incoming (accepted freshman and transfer) students are eligible to enroll in Summer Academy.

Dates & Times

June 11-June 29, 2018. Monday through Friday (unless otherwise indicated).

Morning classes: 8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Afternoon classes: 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.

All day classes: 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Course Offerings

Detailed information on courses is listed on the Summer Academy Course Offerings with tuition. Course descriptions can be found in the Summer Academy section of the Curriculum Guide found under the registration button on the Wheaton Academy website.

Credits

Most courses will receive one semester of credit. However, Biology, Biology (Adv), Chemistry and Accelerated Chemistry (Adv) will receive a full year (2 semesters) of credit. Credit courses count toward total credits required for graduation at Wheaton Academy.

Attendance

Attendance is crucial due to the accelerated pace of Summer Academy. Students who miss two days may receive a P/F grade rather than a letter grade and may find it difficult to make up work to receive a passing grade. Students missing three or more days may be required to withdraw from the class and receive no credit. Students are expected to be on time.

Registration

Registration and payment must be completed on the Wheaton Academy website (www.wheatonacademy.org) by selecting the Registration button and then Summer Academy. Classes will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. We will remove classes as they become full.

Tuition

The cost of each course is noted on the summary sheet. A deposit is due at the time of registration. The balance is due on May 1. Summer Academy deposits and tuition are non-refundable unless the class is canceled.

Cancellation

Classes with fewer than 10 students enrolled may be canceled. You will be notified and your tuition refunded if there are not enough students to offer a class.

Guidelines

All Wheaton Academy standards and expectations, including dress code, remain as described in our current Student Handbook and Curriculum Guide.



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