

CA Scholars Program

Requirement 1 (suggested for the 10th grade)	Requirement 2 (suggested for the 11th grade)	Requirement 3 (suggested for the 12th grade)
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Research writing in English II 2. Buildout of sophomore research paper 2nd semester (podcast, expert interview, digital build out– Adobe Express, Canva, etc) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Must work with Eng II teacher for approval 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Begin advanced courses (students need a total of 3 credits across their time in the program). See “Advanced Class Options” below. 2. 1 semester job study (already PACE requirement) 3. 2nd Semester– Submit proposal for Final Custom Course <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Must include the following components: research, product creation, authentic audience presentation 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Final Custom Course taken independently during the year 2. Enroll in “Scholars Research” class for first semester 3. Final Presentation

*Transfer students or those joining the program their junior/senior year must still complete all requirements but will receive guidance from the Scholars’ Committee in regard to pacing (e.g. research writing requirements might be completed in a history or English III class)

Advanced Class Options

English: Comp 101 & 102*, Great Books^

Science: Anatomy & Physiology*, Physics

Math: Precalculus, Dual Stats*, Calculus^

Music: Chattanooga Youth Symphony, Student Composer for Music groups

History: APUSH^

Technology: Emerging Tech

Languages: Spanish 3 or higher as an independent study with Mrs. Marquez

^ these classes are currently weighted on the 5.0 scale

* these classes are currently dual enrollment classes

Prerequisites & Remaining in the Program

Prerequisites–Completed freshmen year, application with two teacher recommendations

Remaining in the program– In addition to completing the yearly requirements outlined in the table above, CA Scholars must maintain a GPA of 3.5 and must not have any grade lower than a B on their transcript for each year in the program in order to gain the benefits of the Scholars Program.

Benefits:

- The Scholars Program affords students a rigorous/accelerated program of coursework that they get to tailor to their individual interests and goals
- CA Scholars have the ability to petition to take advanced courses that fit within their schedule
- 4 field trips for the year (2 arranged by program; 2 student-proposed).
- Participation in dual enrollment and AP (5.0) courses
- Scholars research and job shadowing assignments work to connect students to community leaders/mentors
- A scholar’s project portfolio for their independent course can be used for college scholarships, internships, and work examples
- CA Scholars diploma & sash upon graduation