

EDHS Incoming 8th FAQs (CLASS 2027)

Where can I find the El Dorado High School Website?

- Go to our EDHS website at <https://cougar.eduhsd.k12.ca.us> to view resources and commonly asked questions.

When does school start?

- Go to: <https://www.eduhsd.k12.ca.us/Calendars/index.html> for the 2022-2023 EDUHSD Student Calendar.
 - This year, school will start on Monday, August 7, 2023.
 - The last day of school is Friday, May 24, 2024.
 - Please note various non-school and holidays.
- Please plan vacations accordingly.

What is the EDHS Bell Schedule?

- Go to: <https://cougar.eduhsd.k12.ca.us/Our-School/Bell-Schedules/index.html> for the EDHS Bell Schedule.

Is there a map of the EDHS campus?

- (<https://cougar.eduhsd.k12.ca.us/documents/2020-21%20School%20Info/2021-22-EDHS-Site-Map-8-5-21-2.pdf>)

When can I create a Parent Aeries Portal?

- You will be contacted in the summer (late July/early August) with the information you need to create an account. Parents will need the Student ID, primary telephone number and verification code to complete setup.

How does El Dorado High School communicate with the learning community?

- El Dorado High School uses Parent Square as the platform for communication.

When will I receive a Parent Square account/invite?

- Once a Parent Aeries Portal is created, the parent/guardian will need to add oneself as a contact in the Contacts section in Aeries and designate "Lives With".
- Once this step is completed, an invite will be sent to the email address on file 24 hours after.

What are the Graduation Requirements for the El Dorado Union High School District (and therefore El Dorado High School)?

- Page 7 of the EDUHSD Course Directory outlines the graduation requirements.
- [Here](#) is the link to the EDUHSD Course Information page with resources like Course Directory.

Is there a description of the courses offered at the school?

- [Here](#) is the EDUHSD Course Directory with course descriptions.

Is a Language Other Than English (LOTE) a graduation requirement?

- Contrary to what some might think, a LOTE is not required to graduate from El Dorado High School. Students graduate from EDHS each year who have never taken German or Spanish courses.
- And yet, two years of the same LOTE are required by most universities to be eligible to apply for university admissions. The UC/CSU systems, for example, require two years of the same LOTE as a minimum eligibility requirement.

Which level of English should my incoming ninth grader take?

- El Dorado High School has two English classes for incoming freshmen: English 1 and Advanced English 1. Both classes are college preparatory. Both classes are accepted by UC/CSU for college admission.
- Middle School English teachers collaborate and articulate with High School English teachers about high school course expectations and basic skills needed to be successful in each level of the EDHS ninth grade English courses. Middle School teachers make recommendations about the best fit English class based on current mastery of skills and anticipated skills needed.

If my student takes English I as a freshman, is Advanced English 2 available to my student during sophomore year?

- Yes. A student may take English 1 in freshman year and Advanced English 2 in sophomore year.

What is the math placement criteria for incoming freshmen?

- [Here](#) is the 9th Grade Mathematics Placement Criteria.

What is the difference between ICT Foundations and ECS?

- Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Foundations is a semester-long class. It meets the EDUHSD graduation requirement. This class is paired with the other semester-long graduation requirement: Health.
- Exploring Computer Science (ECS) is a year-long class. It meets the EDUHSD graduation requirement. This class is the first class in the Computer Science Pathway. Students who request this class will take Health at some point during high school to meet the graduation requirement.
- [Here](#) is the EDUHSD Course Directory. ICT Foundations is described on page 37. ECS is described on page 34.

How do I purchase PE clothes?

- Clothes for the Life Fitness class can be purchased from your Life Fitness teacher.

Is there an Advanced Placement (AP) class available to freshmen?

- El Dorado High School does not have AP classes available to freshmen.

Should my student take six or seven classes during freshman year?

- A full schedule at El Dorado High School is six classes.

What are the UC/CSU minimum eligibility requirements?

- [Here](#) are the UC minimum eligibility requirements.
- [Here](#) are the CSU minimum eligibility requirements.

Where can I find information about EDHS clubs?

- [Here](#) is the list of EDHS clubs from last year. We will hold a “club day” in the beginning of the school year (ASB advertises). Students will have the opportunity to learn more about current clubs available on campus this year and join clubs of interest!

Where can I find information about EDHS athletics?

- [Here](#) is information about EDHS athletics.

Where can I find information about the EDHS College and Career Center?

- [Here](#) is information about the EDHS College and Career Center.

May I make an appointment with my student’s high school counselor now ?

- Once your student transitions onto the EDHS campus and starts as a student in the fall, if an appointment is needed/desired, we are happy to help. Until then, if you need to ask a question, please email. [Here](#) is contact information for EDHS Counseling Staff.

Is the School Office/Counseling Office open during the summer?

- The School Office/Counseling Office has modified hours during the summer.
 - The offices are open Monday through Thursday and are closed on Fridays.
- The School Office/Counseling Office are closed from mid June to mid July.
 - If you need something during that time, the District Office is open most of the summer to help as needed.
 - **The District Office is also closed on Fridays during the summer*

Are counselors/teachers available during the summer?

- No, teachers and counselors are not contracted to work during the summer. They will check email/voicemail once they return from the summer break.