

Caregiver Guide for Virtual Campus Course Requests 2023-24 School Year

MYAP Overview

MYAP (My/Multi-Year Academic Plan) is a student's plan of the courses they will take in each year of high school to prepare for their post-secondary goal and meet the DMPS graduation requirements.

Students meet with their counselor each fall to make course requests for the following school year and enter their requests in MYAP. During this meeting, students will also talk with their school counselor about their post-secondary plans. Students' course requests should align with their post-secondary plans. For example, if a student is planning to apprentice after high school as a carpenter, they should take Exploring Math in the Trades as their junior year math course and could also take courses in the Skilled Trades Academy at Central Campus. If a student is planning to attend a four-year college and major in Biology after high school, they should take at least two years of world language, and a fourth year of math, science, and social studies courses to meet college admissions requirements.

Students must complete their grade level specific planning sheet using the course catalog and have a post-secondary goal in mind prior to meeting with their counselor for MYAP. Grade level planning sheets and the course catalog can be found on the Virtual Campus website under Student - - Counseling and are linked here - <https://virtualcampus.dmschools.org/resources/counseling/>. Students who are unsure of their post-secondary goals should use the SchoolLinks program to explore education and career pathways that may be a good fit for them. SchoolLinks is accessed through www.clever.com. Please reach out to your school counselor or post-secondary success coach if you need help with SchoolLinks.

Students will request courses for their home high school (Virtual Campus) and can also request courses at Central Campus and Central Academy during the MYAP process. All students need to meet with their counselor for MYAP, even if they plan to attend a high school other than Virtual Campus next year. Courses requests entered in MYAP will transfer with students who enroll in other DMPS high school. If a student does not meet with their counselor, the counselor will complete their course requests based on courses needed to progress towards graduation. Once course requests have been entered in MYAP, caregivers will be able to view their student's requests through the "Academic Plan" tab in the Infinite Campus portal.

Middle School Timeline for MYAP

- Middle School Counselor, Brenna Stoffa, will be presenting information about the MYAP course selection process in 8th Grade Advisories on November 1st & 2nd.
- There will be a virtual 8th Grade Parent Meeting on November 3rd at 7:00 PM on Teams for any parents who would like to receive the same information or ask any questions they might have. The meeting will be recorded for those who are unable to attend.
- Counselor will then schedule individual Teams meetings with 8th Graders to enter their course requests. These meetings will take place between November 9 – December 16.

High School Timeline for MYAP

- November 3rd – High school counselors host mandatory grade level meetings to share information about courses available and MYAP process with students. After this meeting,

students complete their grade level course planning sheet in preparation for meeting individually with their counselor.

- November 9th through early-December – Each high school student schedules a 10–20-minute meeting with their counselor to make their course requests in MYAP in Infinite Campus.
- Early- through mid-December – Counselors reach out to students who have not yet scheduled a meeting.
- December 16th – MYAP closes, counselors complete course requests for any students who did not meet for MYAP course requests.
- January through February 2023 – Central Campus and Central Academy staff review course requests and offer seats to students. Students who are offered a seat will be notified by their Virtual Campus counselor and must reply to accept/decline their seat.
- Summer 2023 – Schedules are built by Virtual Campus staff and are ready for students to view in Infinite Campus in mid-August.

DMPS Graduation Requirements

Graduation requirements for a high school diploma from Des Moines Public Schools can be found on page 4 of the course catalog and on the school district website linked here -


<https://www.dmschools.org/academics/graduation-requirements/>

DMPS Course Catalog

The DMPS 23-24 High School Course catalog can be found on the Virtual Campus website under Students – Counseling. It can also be accessed using the QR code below.



Virtual Campus School Counselors

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