

## Science

- Science is an integral part of a well-rounded education.
  - The study of science helps build critical thinking and problem-solving skills that are essential in today's everchanging and advancing society.
- Students must complete at least three years of science to meet high school graduation requirements but are encouraged to take as many science courses as possible.
- College bound students are encouraged to complete four years of Honors or AP science courses.



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All students are required to pass 3 years of science to graduate from high school.

The state of Michigan requires all students pass:

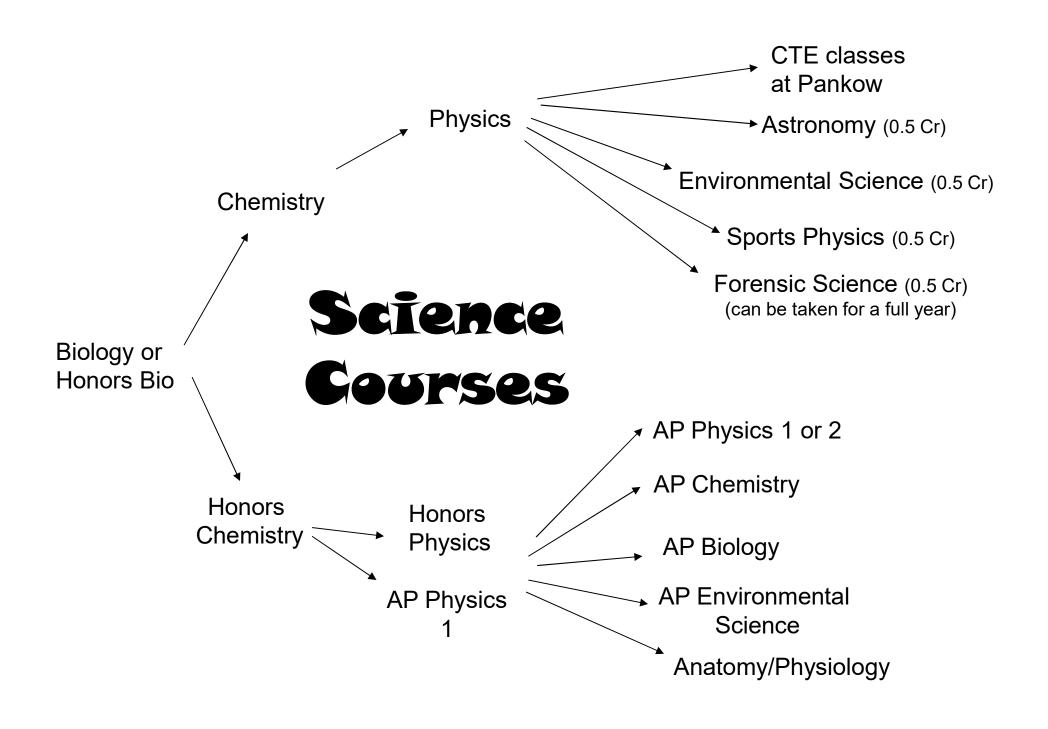
- 1. Biology
- 2. Chemistry OR Physics
- 3. a third year (of their choosing)

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Courses

- Most students take Biology
- Students will be selected for HONORS Biology (approximately 60 students based on teacher recommendations, standardized test scores, math level, reading scores)
- Some students test into MST program

## **9<sup>th</sup>** Grade HONORS Biology

- intended for students who plan to pursue upper-level science courses or a science related career
- course extends beyond the Michigan Science Standards
- level of breadth (more topics)is greater
- level of depth is greater as well
- more independent work is expected such as projects and presentations
- students receive a 0.25 GPA bump



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