



J-Term Policies & Requirements

REGISTRATION

Registration for J-Term trips (domestic and international) will begin on the following dates at 8 p.m.

- Rising seniors – March 8
- Rising juniors – March 10
- Rising sophomores – March 11
- Rising freshmen – March 12

Registration for local (on- or off-campus) J-Term courses will take place in the fall.

SCHEDULE

J-Term (January Term) is held during the first week of the second semester after students return from Christmas break. If a student opts to stay on campus, these classes may run a half-day (three hours) or full-day (six hours) basis. Students are expected to take either two half-day classes or one full-day class with **most** on-campus classes starting at 8 a.m. and ending at 3 p.m. Please note a teacher may give specific start and end times for their class offering because of time restraints, activities, etc. Off-campus, overnight trips have their own schedule.

COSTS

J-Term trips will cost the most with local and/or on-campus course offerings costing less. The cost of most on-campus classes will range from \$0 - \$50, though some very specialized classes may be offered which could cost more. Students will have the opportunity to choose from a variety of courses/experiences, recognizing however, that the final listing of course offerings will be dependent upon student registration.

CREDITS

Every upper school student is required to participate in a J-Term activity and in doing so will earn .25 credit (per year) toward the total 1.0 graduation requirement.

J-Term grades will be earned on a pass/fail basis and will not be calculated in the student's overall GPA. Should a student fail to earn a .25 J-Term credit during any given year, they will need to make arrangements with administration to make up the credit. The title **J-Term** with a grade of pass and a **.25** credit will appear on the report card each year. Specific experience offered to a student through J-Term may provide material for discussion in a college application essay.

Please note: J-Term courses and trips will not count toward fulfilling students' required service hours.

ATTENDANCE

With J-Term being a required course for graduation and only being five days, consistent attendance is critical. Absence of more than one day will result in the student being required to make up the hours. Arrangements will be made with administration. Each absence will be considered on an individual basis and must be approved by the principal.