

Turner High School

9th Grade Course Description Book

2021-2022



***Note:** To see the full Turner High School course book please visit the THS website. The full book contains information about graduation requirements, career pathways, college credit opportunities, and much more. This booklet is simply a list of electives available to 9th graders and the descriptions for those courses.

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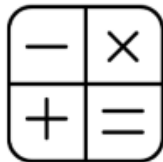
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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Each semester class = 0.5 credit
You can earn 7 credits in a year



English Language Arts
4 Credits



Mathematics
3 Credits
College Prep
4 Credits
- Algebra I
- Geometry
- Algebra II
- College Prep Math



Social Studies
3 Credits



Science
3 Credits
College Prep
3 Credits
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics



Fine Arts
1 Credit



PE
.5 Credit
Health
.5 Credit



Business Communications
1 Credit



Future 101
0.5 Credit



Electives
8.5 Credits



World Languages
College Prep
2 Credits
Taken in H.S.

10TH GRADE
5

11TH GRADE
11

12TH GRADE
18

C R E D I T S B E F O R E 1 S T S E M E S T E R

Students who transfer after 9th grade will consult with their counselor about meeting the Future 101 requirement.

Val/Sa/KS Scholars must take the College Prep Curriculum.

TOTAL = 25 CREDITS

See Board Policy for Specific Requirements

Physical Education & Health

PE08002	General Physical Education (Female)	Grade: 9 Credit: ½ Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None The class will cover a wide array of team and individual sports and possibly swimming. It will also use various conditioning exercises and warm-ups to maintain physical fitness. Dressing out is required.
PE08004	General Physical Education (Male)	Grade: 9 Credit: ½ Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None The class will cover a wide array of team and individual sports and possibly swimming. It will also use various conditioning exercises and warm-ups to maintain physical fitness. Dressing out is required.
PE08010(Fall) PE08011 (Spring) <i>*May be taken one semester or all year.</i>	Weights and Fitness (Coed)	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ or 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None This class is designed for students interested in their physical fitness. Activities will include weight training using free weights and weight machines as well as other training activities.
PE8018-19	Weights and Fitness (Female)	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None This class is designed for female students interested in their physical fitness. Activities will include weight training using free weights and weight machines as well as other training activities.
PE0820-21	Swimming	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None This course is designed to teach students the skills necessary to swim 5 basic strokes: front crawl, back crawl, elementary backstroke, breaststroke, and sidestroke. By the end of the semester students should be able to swim continuously for 500 yards. Students do not need to have any swimming ability to enroll in this course. All students must provide their own swimsuit. Swimsuit regulations will be given on the first day of class.
PE08100	Health & Safety/First Aid	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None This course is required for graduation. Areas of emphasis include emotional wellness, intellectual wellness, first aid, CPR training, human sexuality (AIDS education), drug use and abuse, and personal hygiene.

Foreign Language

WL06000	French I A & B	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: No Prerequisite: None Basic introduction to French. Through the study of French culture, students will develop skills in speaking, reading, and writing basic French. Oral communication skills will be enhanced through simulations.
WL06050-51 WL06052-53	Spanish I and II* A & B	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: No Prerequisite: None Basic introduction to Spanish. Through oral communication, the student develops the ability to read and write what he/she hears. Important cultural differences are noted. Spanish II requires successful completion of Spanish I A & B.

Fine Arts

FA05000	Intro to Art (A)	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None Intro to Art A is an introductory course to 2-Dimensional and 3-Dimensional art. In this class, students will be learning about the elements of art and principles of design. They will gain art techniques and refine their fine motor skills through units and projects. We will cover basic painting, drawing, and sculpture skills.
FA05001	Intro to Art (B)	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: Yes Prerequisite: Intro to Art A In this course, students will take the base knowledge learned from Intro to Art A and build off of it to increase artistic abilities. Students will specifically learn about watercolor, abstraction, sculpture and portraiture.
FA05310-11 A & B	Radio Theatre	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None Students explore the history of radio theatre from ‘The Shadow’ to ‘War of the Worlds’ all the way to podcasts like Serial and This American Life. They are then taught the unique skills necessary for radio-theatre and podcast theatre performance including voice acting, acoustics, writing, and editing. Finally, students will put it all together to write, edit, direct, perform and produce their very own fully realized radio play podcast. This course teaches skills including interviewing, research skills, radio journalism, voice-over proficiency, writing, and collaboration.
FA05300-01 A & B	Drama I	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None This is an introductory course designed to give students an overview of the theatre world. First semester topics: theatre safety, audition monologues, theatre history, body awareness, movement, stage direction, pantomime, and improvisational acting. Second semester topics: theatre history, play analysis, acting methods, audition monologues, duet acting, and reader’s theatre. Students will work on these aspects through acting projects, peer critique, reading and viewing classic plays/musicals, and evaluation of performances. Students are required to audition for a THS main stage production, perform in class, and attend and write a review of a THS main stage production.
FA05312-13 A & B	Turner Players Repertory Theatre	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: Audition Repertory Theatre students are required to work with productions throughout the year in this performance-based class. Students participate in a comedy troupe, an improvisation troupe, audition preparation, a T.I.E. (Theatre-In-Education) children’s theatre script to be produced and presented at the district elementary schools, one-act plays presented at state drama festivals, playwriting, directing, and musical theatre. The weekly reading and discussion of plays chosen by the students and attendance at district and local professional theatre productions are important extensions of the course.

EN01420	Forensics I *	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: Yes Prerequisite: C or better in English, <u>or</u> approval. An introductory course in "creative" speaking, Forensics I will prepare the student for competition in the following areas of performance: prose or poetry reading, solo acting, duet acting, extemporaneous speaking, and persuasive and informative speaking. Students will be required to perform in class, critique in-class performances and complete a performance portfolio, in addition to competing in a minimum of five tournaments. *SPRING SEMESTER
AV11002	Graphic Design Fundamentals	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None This course provides a basic understanding of the graphic design process. Topics include analyzing the design elements and principles, exploring industry tools, software and equipment and learning composition techniques to develop a quality product.
AV11200	Audio Video Production	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None This course provides a basic understanding of producing video for a variety of uses. Topics include analyzing the pre-production, production and post-production process, as well as explore the equipment and techniques used to develop a quality video production. Skills using Adobe Premiere Pro and HD Video editing and basic camera terms will be explored from conception to final production.

Music (Fine Arts)

FA05100	General Music	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None This course is for students whom would like to gain a greater understanding of music in an overall sense. You will listen, watch, and experience music happening while learning the origins of music and how it has progressed through history. Students will engage in many activities in which to grasp a better understanding of music in our world today.
FA05102	Music Theory	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None Music Theory will teach the basics of music notation, music composition and aural skills to better prepare students for being successful in a college music program or music career. This class may be offered for college credit.
FA05200-01 A & B	Bel Canto (Women's Choir)	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None This is a non-auditioned female choir. Female students will focus on sustaining correct posture, vowel placement, breathing technique, and other basic elements of a choral ensemble while preparing a variety of choral literature. Bel Canto is required to perform at fall, winter, and spring concerts. Students will also be required to compete in large group contests in the spring which entails being academically eligible. Grading is based upon daily participation and concert/performance attendance.
FA05202-03 A & B	Men's Ensemble	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None Men's ensemble is a non-auditioned male choir. Students will focus on sustaining correct posture, vowel placement, proper breathing technique, and other basic elements of a choral ensemble while preparing a variety of choral literature. Men's ensemble members are required to perform in the fall, winter, and spring concerts. Students will also be required to compete in KSHSAA music festival in the spring which entails being academically eligible. Grading is based upon daily participation, vocal and written tests, and concert/performance attendance.

FA05204-05 A & B	Turner Chorale (Mixed Choir) *	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: Audition This is a mixed auditioned male and female choir. Students will reinforce and build upon proper vocal and breathing practices, posture, and tone production while preparing numerous styles of choral music. Students must be able to match pitch, sing a vocal part alone and with others, and lastly be able to exhibit tonal recall. Turner Chorale members are required to perform, fall, winter, and spring concerts. Students will also be required to compete in large group contests in the spring which entails being academically eligible. Grading is based upon daily participation and concert/performance attendance. This ensemble will contain no less than 24 singers with the four voice parts of Soprano, alto, tenor, and bass.
FA05110-11 A & B	Band *	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: Middle school band and band director's consent. Band performances include parades, half-time shows, contests, and concerts, working toward a Christmas concert, and pep band activities at sports events. The latter part of the band course is devoted to rehearsing and performing major wind ensemble literature and other works. Band members will devote some evenings and Saturdays to rehearsal, travel, or performances. A uniform maintenance fee is required. Members will be required to attend home football games and 4-5 pep bands are required.
FA05120-21 A & B	Jazz Band *	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: Band Director's consent. A performing jazz ensemble at an advanced level. Members will devote time beyond regular school hours to performances, which may include concerts, festivals, and contests. Members will be required to perform at 1-2 home basketball games.

Business Entrepreneurship, Marketing & Finance

BU12010	Career & Life Planning	Grade: 9-12 (Recommended 9-10) Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None Students will use aptitude tests and interest inventories to identify careers for which they may be suited. The students will research all aspects of these careers using a variety of sources. Students will also research colleges, have a better understanding of banking, learn to create a budget, and understand personal finances when living on their own.
BU12100	Business Essentials	Grade: 9-10 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None This course is designed to give students an overview of the business, marketing and finance career cluster occupations. Students will understand the basics in the following business areas: economics, global economics, social responsibility, types of business ownership, entrepreneurship, management, marketing, and banking. Students who take this class will have a better understanding of introductory concepts and terms to help them in any other business class they may take.
BU12204-05 A & B	Database Applications [^]	Grade: 10-12 Credit: 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None Data is a critical component used in business, sports, design, and almost all industries and career fields around the world. Companies use data to create strategies, set goals, and make important business decisions. This course will teach students how to find, organize, manipulate and manage data.

BU12002-03 A & B	Bus. Comm & Mgmt	Grade: 9-10 Credit: 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None This course helps students to develop an understanding of effective communication in business environments. Emphasis is placed on all phases of communication: speaking, listening, thinking, responding, reading, writing, communicating non-verbally, and utilizing technology for communication. Business communication functions, processes, and applications may be practiced through problem-based projects and real-world applications.
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Web & Digital Communications + Programming & Software Development

BU12202-03 A & B	Web Page Design *	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: No Prerequisite: Digital Media Technology is <i>preferred</i> (not required). Web Page Design students will learn to design effective, interactive content for the World Wide Web. Students will create web pages and blogs using HTML and CSS, Adobe Dreamweaver, and WordPress software. Students will use graphic design tools such as Adobe Flash and Adobe Photoshop to create graphics for the web. Students will learn the basic architecture of the Internet and learn how to use server software to connect to the Internet. Additionally, students will learn the legal processes of fair use, copyright, and responsible Internet use.
CS10014-15 A & B	Computer Programming	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: No Prerequisite:-None This course teaches students the foundations of Computer Science and the methods and logic of several computer coding languages including JavaScript, Java, and Python. Students will apply coding skills to create computer programs, computer graphics, animation and simple games. Students will learn the process for creating applications and games for Web and mobile devices such as IOS and Android devices. Students will explore real-world applications of coding skills including careers, post-secondary education, and entrepreneurial opportunities.
CS10016-17 A & B	Visual C#.net Programming*^	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: No Prerequisite: Algebra I and knowledge of the keyboard. This course is an introduction to Visual C#.net programming. We will use problem-solving techniques to create programs. This course is offered on a rotation with other programming courses. Please see a counselor to see which programming course is currently available.

Visual Arts: Graphic Design + Audio/Video Communications & Journalism

AV11100	Digital Media Technology	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None This course will teach students how to work with various forms of electronic media such as blogs, social media, electronic mailings, etc. Topics include exploring the use of digital media today and in
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		the future, a study of the relationship of workflow to project planning and completion and the software, equipment and tools used in the industry.
AV11102	Media & Public Relations	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None This course will teach students how to work with various forms of electronic media such as blogs and social media as a method of promoting a personal brand. Topics include exploring the use of public relations in the past, today, and in the future, a study of the relationship of workflow to project planning and completion and the software, equipment and tools used in the industry. Other topics consist of media literacy, propaganda, public service announcements, and press releases.
AV11200	Audio Video Production	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None This course provides a basic understanding of producing video for a variety of uses. Topics include analyzing the pre-production, production and post-production process, as well as explore the equipment and techniques used to develop a quality video production. Skills using Adobe Premiere Pro and HD Video editing and basic camera terms will be explored from conception to final production.
AV11104	21 st Century Journalism	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: Students must have earned a C or better in the previous year English class. The purpose of this course is to prepare students interested in being on staff for either the Booster. Students will learn about the history and future of journalism, law and ethics as it applies to student media, how to interview and report news for a variety of mediums, the role of social media, design techniques, as well as teamwork and project management skills.
AV11002	Graphic Design Fundamentals	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None This course provides a basic understanding of the graphic design process. Topics include analyzing the design elements and principles, exploring industry tools, software and equipment and learning composition techniques to develop a quality product.

Family & Consumer Sciences

Family & Consumer Sciences Career Pathways:

Culinary Arts & Restaurant Management

Early Childhood Development & Services

Family, Community & Consumer Services

Fashion, Apparel & Interior Design

FC09100	Nutrition & Wellness	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None Nutrition and Wellness explores the relationship of basic nutrition and wellness across the lifespan. Main topics covered will include
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		good nutrition, and food preparation skills of healthy meals, incorporating physical activity into daily life, and how to maintain healthy relationships and good mental health.
FC09102	Leadership Service in Action *	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: Students enrolled in this course must also be involved in a school club. This course provides students with the opportunity to analyze real world issues of concern, refine and action plan and apply leadership, teamwork, and decision-making skills through civic engagement and service learning within Family and Consumer Sciences and Turner High School. The course promotes empowerment of students to assume advocacy roles in high school, family, community and FCS/human services businesses and industry environments.

Culinary Arts & Restaurant Management

FC09218-19 A & B	Culinary & Baking Essentials	Grade: 9-11 Credit: 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None Students will integrate knowledge, skills and practices required for careers in food production and services; demonstrate food safety and sanitation procedures; apply industry standards in selecting, using and maintaining food production areas and equipment; apply measuring techniques; follow a recipe; examine the principles of food production mgmt. and service methods; and demonstrate common food production skills. Students will apply principles of nutrition to food preparation. Second semester focuses on bakery items. Topics include grain production, nutritional values, product performance, food allergies and properties of ingredients. Baking experiences include yeast breads, quick breads, cakes (and cake decoration) and other baked desserts.
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Early Childhood Development & Services + Family, Community & Consumer Services Fashion, Apparel & Interior Design (F.A.I.D.)

FC09400-01 A & B	Human Growth & Development	Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: No Prerequisite: None This course provides students with knowledge about the physical, mental, emotional, and social growth and development of humans from conception to old age. Course content will provide an overview of life stages, with a strong tie to prenatal and birth processes; fundamentals of children’s emotional and physical development; and the appropriate care of children. In addition, this course helps students discover how individuals respond to various stages of the life span, with a strong tie to teen years, adulthood and later years.
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FC09300	<p>Essentials of Fashion, Apparel & Interior Design (F.A.I.D.)</p> <p><i>*Part 1 of 2: taken in the fall semester!</i></p>	<p>Grade: 9-11 Credit: ½ Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None</p> <p>This course introduces students to the various aspects of industry, conveying the commercial application of principles and elements of design, production processes, and maintenance techniques to meet the design needs of humans. This course will also provide a discussion and exploration of career opportunities in interior, fashion, textiles, and set/exhibit design. Fee covers some project supplies. Additional costs depend upon projects selected.</p>
FC093002	<p>Trends in F.A.I.D.</p> <p><i>*Part 2 of 2: taken in the spring semester!</i></p>	<p>Grade: 9-11 Credit: ½ Fee: Yes Prerequisite: Essentials of F.A.I.D. with a “C” or higher, or administrator approval.</p> <p>This course examines special topics in apparel and interiors that meet the needs of humans now and projected in the future rather than providing a general study. Topics include sustainable design, shelter/apparel for diverse populations (such as aging, special needs, etc.) and how trends are developed. Additional topics may be generated as trends are identified.</p>

Construction & Design (Building Trades)

TR07300-01 A & B	Carpentry I	<p>Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None</p> <p>A comprehensive course designed to instruct students in the basic knowledge and skills required for construction of residential structures.</p>
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**Note: If you successfully complete Carpentry I, you could join the Building Trades program and build a house in grades 10-12!*

Trade Services

TR07100-01 A & B	General Services I	<p>Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1 Fee: Yes Prerequisite: None</p> <p>The student will gain a basic in car care techniques and various automotive systems and tools (cooling, lubrication, fuel, tire, and wheel). Lecture and lab experiences will introduce the student to automotive areas of engine tune-up, engine service and repair, automotive drivelines, chassis and front end, accessory systems, computer scanner analysis, and computer information.</p>
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Other Electives

LANGUAGE ARTS ELECTIVES		
EN01310	Young Adult Literature	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None This course explores modern literature geared toward young adults. The literature read in this course encompasses different genres and themes that are of high interest and relatable to students. Units may include the themes of searching for identity, coming of age, challenges and acceptance, social issues, and making a difference. A student enrolling in the course should enjoy reading.
EN01314	African American Literature	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None Students in this course will explore the works of African American individuals from the periods of slavery to the great Harlem Renaissance to the contemporary era. Through close readings of selected literary works, students will enhance and increase their development of literary and analytical skills. Reading selections will include fiction, nonfiction, drama, and poetry. A student enrolling in the course should enjoy reading. This course is open to any student of any ethnicity.
EN01320	Poetry	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None This course takes students into the personal, powerful, and genre-defining process of creating original poetry. Students will learn the basic elements of poetry, important types of poems, and fundamental poetic techniques. They will discover and sculpt their own poetic voice and unique stage performance; write and speak with more clarity and power; better manage fears around public speaking; and create deeper, more honest connections with an audience. We will explore historical contexts of poetry and spoken word by studying hip-hop and rap, stand-up comedy, traditional poetic form, lyric writing, dramatic monologue, and more. Classes include weekly writing prompts, in-class open mics, and an end-of-semester performance poetry showcase. All writers and performers, regardless of experience, are welcome.
EN01322	Mythology	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None Mighty heroes. Angry gods and goddesses. Cunning animals. Mythology has been used since the first people gathered around the fire as a way to make sense of humankind and our world. This course focuses on the many myths and legends woven into cultures around the world. Starting with an overview of mythology, the student will journey with ancient heroes as they slay dragons and outwit the gods, follow fearless warrior women into battle and watch as clever animals outwit those stronger than themselves. They will explore the universality and social significance of myths and folklore and see how they are still used to shape society today.
SOCIAL STUDIES ELECTIVES		
3602	Holocaust	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None Using primary sources, the student will learn about the Holocaust from the personal perspectives of survivors, eyewitness accounts, records, and documents. They will trace the roots of antisemitism in Europe, the beginnings of pogroms to the ghettos, uprisings, the camps, and the Final Solution. We will examine the aftereffects and relate the Holocaust to recent acts of genocide.
3604	Film and American History	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: No Prerequisite: None In this course we will explore significant issues in American History through the camera lens. Film provides a unique and intriguing entry-point into history for the masses. Film also presents significant historical challenges - namely, cultural mythmaking. This course challenges student to question the blurred lines between

		"reality" and "representation," and we will do that by exploring the following themes in American cinema: slavery, the Cold War, race and society, heroism in combat, organized crime in America, sports and culture, and gender roles.
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SCIENCE/MATH ELECTIVES

2122	Engineering Design	Grade: 9-12 Credit: ½ Fee: Yes Prerequisite: Completed Geometry Students are introduced to the world of engineering product design. Students will work through the steps of the engineering design process by completing an actual design challenge. The project challenge is up to the teacher or class to determine. As students begin defining the problem, they learn to recognize the need, identify a target population, relate to project and identify its requirements and constraints. Then they conduct research, brainstorm alternative solutions, evaluate possible solutions, create and test prototypes, and consider issues for manufacturing.
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WITH PERMISSION

MI22100-01 A & B	JAG 9	Grade: 9 Credit: 1 Fee: No Prerequisite: *Application + Approval. JAG is an in-school model serving high school students in a classroom setting. The primary focus is on graduation, career exploration and planning, and development of employability skills with an emphasis on post-secondary education. Students practice their skills outside the classroom through internships, job shadowing, career development conferences, service-learning projects and a school-based Career Association.
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MI22200-01 A & B	AVID	Grade: 9 Credit: 1 Fee: No Prerequisite: Students will be expected to complete the application process for acceptance. This course is the first step of a four-year college preparatory program. Students will learn AVID basics: WICR (writing, inquiry, collaboration & reading), time management, tutorials, Socratic seminars, academic goal setting and motivation. Student must maintain a binder, participate actively in all classes, and maintain a 3.0 GPA in all general education courses and at least a 2.0 overall GPA while in AVID.
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