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English Language Arts Courses

Previous performance in English Language Arts courses and teacher recommendation should be considered in course selection.

CHOICES FOR REQUIRED ENGLISH COURSES

ENGLISH I 10212X0 1 CREDIT

This academic course is designed for the student who aspires to post-secondary college or career experience. A survey of literary types, this course focuses on reading, writing, speaking and listening, and language. Students should expect homework assignments and/or compositions that reinforce classroom instruction. Writing instruction at this level focuses on mechanical correctness, fluency, and structure. The student is expected to function at grade level in communication and thinking skills.

ENGLISH I HONORS 10215X0 1 CREDIT

This honors course is designed to challenge students. It concentrates on developing reading, writing, and critical thinking skills through an intensive survey of literary types and appropriate oral and written responses. The course provides a review of grammar, mechanics, vocabulary, and usage as needed. This college preparatory course focuses on the development of complex thought processes, independence in learning, and creative expression through discussion and frequent writing assignments. Homework is a reinforcement and extension of classroom instruction.

ENGLISH II 10222X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: English I

This academic world literature course is designed for the student who aspires to post-secondary college or career experience. This class focuses on reading, writing, speaking and listening, and language. Students should expect homework assignments and/or compositions that reinforce classroom instruction. Writing instruction at this level focuses on mechanical correctness, fluency, and structure. The student is expected to function at grade level in communication and thinking skills.

ENGLISH II HONORS 10225X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: English I

This honors course is designed to challenge students. This course concentrates on developing reading, writing, and critical thinking skills through an intensive study of a variety of selected world literature and appropriate oral and written responses. The course provides a review of grammar, mechanics, vocabulary, and usage as needed. This college preparatory course focuses on the development of complex thought processes, independence in learning, and creative expression through discussion and frequent writing assignments. Homework is a reinforcement and extension of classroom instruction.

ENGLISH III 10232X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: English II

This academic American literature course is designed for the student who aspires to post-secondary college or vocational experience. The course addresses reading, writing, speaking and listening, and language. Students should expect homework assignments and/or compositions that reinforce classroom instruction. Writing instruction at this level focuses on mechanical correctness, fluency, and structure. The student is expected to function at grade level in communication and thinking skills.

ENGLISH III HONORS 10235X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: English II

This honors course is designed to challenge students. This course concentrates on developing reading, writing, and critical thinking skills through an intensive study of selected American literature and appropriate oral and written responses. The course provides a review of grammar, mechanics, vocabulary, and usage as needed. This college preparatory course focuses on the development of complex thought processes, independence in learning, and creative expression through discussion and frequent writing assignments. Homework is a reinforcement and extension of classroom instruction.

AP ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION

1A007X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: English II, honors-level recommended

This college-level course provides an analytical and historical study of American literature and language as well as other literature in a comprehensive program of reading, writing, and critical thinking. It fulfills the NC graduation requirement for English III. As preparation to take the AP Exam in Language and Composition, students read, discuss, analyze, and write about challenging works of recognized literary merit to develop honest, concise, and effective use of language and the ability to organize ideas in a clear, coherent, and persuasive way. Independent literary analysis and a total mastery of writing skills are the goals of the course. Because this course meets the needs of academically gifted or highly motivated advanced students who hope to bypass introductory courses in composition and literature when they enter college, students in an AP course should expect assignments and instruction paced at the college level. Students enrolled in this course are expected to take The College Board AP Exam.

ENGLISH IV 10242X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: English III

This academic British literature course is designed for the student who aspires to post-secondary college or career experience. The course addresses reading, writing, speaking and listening, and language. Students should expect homework assignments and/or compositions that reinforce classroom instruction. Writing instruction at this level focuses on mechanical correctness, fluency, and structure. The student is expected to function at grade level in communication and thinking skills.

ENGLISH IV HONORS 10245X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: English III

This honors course is designed to challenge students. This course concentrates on developing reading, writing, and critical thinking skills through an intensive study of selected British literature and appropriate oral and written responses. The course provides a review of grammar, mechanics, vocabulary, and usage as needed. This college preparatory course focuses on the development of complex thought processes, independence in learning, and creative expression through discussion and frequent writing assignments. Homework is a reinforcement and extension of classroom instruction.

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AP ENGLISH LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION

1A017X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: English III, honors-level recommended

This college-level course provides an analytical and historical study of British and world literature in a comprehensive program of reading, writing, and critical thinking. It fulfills the NC graduation requirement for English III. As preparation to take the AP Exam in Literature and Composition, students read, discuss, analyze, and write about challenging works of recognized literary merit to develop honest, concise, and effective use of language and the ability to organize ideas in a clear, coherent, and persuasive way. Independent literary analysis and a total mastery of writing skills are the goals of the course. Because this course meets the needs of academically gifted or highly motivated advanced students who hope to bypass introductory courses in composition and literature when they enter college, students in an AP course should expect assignments and instruction paced at the college level. Students enrolled in this course are expected to take The College Board AP Exam.

ENGLISH ELECTIVE COURSES

AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE 10252X0A 1 CREDIT

This course explores African American writing and its relationship to American history and culture. Students study critical theories of African American literature and the contexts of cultural criticism through selected works by African American writers.

AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE HONORS

10255X0J 1 CREDIT

This literature-based course is intended for those students interested in a deep and extended exploration of African American writing and its relationship to American history and culture. Students can expect to study a survey of the African American experience, from colonial voices through urban fiction, poetry, and music lyrics. A deep study of critical theories and their application to African American literature uses a variety of African American sources as text for this course.

CREATIVE WRITING I 10252X0D 1 CREDIT

This course is designed for the student interested in writing original poetry, plays, essays, and short stories. Students consider the elements of creativity - inspiration, form, and content - in relation to styles of representative authors. Self-criticism, group evaluation, contest entries, and publication of students' work are required activities. Projects may include entertainment of a poet-in-residence and publication of a literary magazine.

CREATIVE WRITING I HONORS 10255X0D 1 CREDIT

In this course, students will study the elements of creative expression and production through mentor texts and original poetry, short story, memoir, drama, and essays. Students will use a writer's workshop course structure of self- and peer- evaluation and multiple revisions to produce publishable works of literature. Students will be expected to develop an extended project of work over time, responding to feedback and revising for a specific audience, such as a school literary magazine.

CREATIVE WRITING II 10252X0H 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Creative Writing I

In this course students will research, create, read, and study a specific genre and the movements within that genre over the past 100 years. They create manuscripts for presentation to various outlets for publication and may be expected to participate in the publication of a school literary magazine.

CREATIVE WRITING II HONORS 10255X0K 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Creative Writing I

This course is designed for students interested in exploring the Creative Writing II curriculum at a more intensive and extensive level. Students taking this course for Honors credit must write extended and polished responses to course assignments, participate in peer review panels, and submit manuscripts for publication. They may also be expected to participate in the local publication of a school literary magazine.

CULTURAL MEDIA LITERACY HONORS 10255X0E 1 CREDIT

This course is designed for the student to study forms of media that entertain, inform, and shape our society including television, movies, video games, music, advertisements, new media, the Internet, and literature. In addition to analyzing the role of media in shaping culture through a historical perspective, students can expect to design and develop their own research on modern media and its global effect on culture.

THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE HONORS 10255X0B 1 CREDIT

This literature-based course is intended for those students interested in exploring different aspects of the human experience. Divided into five units, the course explores how, through literature, we approach and define our understanding of what it means to be human. By exploring how literature and other forms of writing approach art, history, philosophy, and religion, students will gain a better understanding of the human experience.

INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNICATIONS AND MASS MEDIA

10312X0B 1 CREDIT

This introductory course is designed for students interested in pursuing additional coursework in journalism, media, and communications. Students examine the basics of writing, design, and production as well as current industry issues.

LEADERSHIP IN MEDIA I HONORS 10255X0C 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Newspaper I/II (H); or Yearbook I/II (H); or Creative Writing I/II (H)

This honors-level course provides advanced students with the environment to obtain leadership skills. Students successfully completing this course will be responsible for coaching and mentoring peers, setting and managing deadlines, leading instruction, having a cogent awareness of current trends within the medium, and producing a collaborative product that serves the school and community. This course is designed for students who have committed to leadership positions for school-wide publications, such as the school newspaper, yearbook, or literary magazine.

LEADERSHIP IN MEDIA II HONORS 10255X0M 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Leadership in Media I HONORS

In addition to the leadership skills required in Leadership in Media I, students in this honors course act in a supervisory role for not only their peers but also for emerging leaders within their staff, conducting meetings, fostering creativity and productivity, and establishing a collaborative and communicative environment.

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Students will also be required to study a book independently on leadership. This course is designed for students who are committing to a second year of leadership for school-wide publications, such as the school newspaper, yearbook, or literary magazine.

SPEECH I 10142X0 1 CREDIT

This course, designed for the beginning and experienced public speaker alike, helps all students excel as it cultivates a positive and supportive classroom environment in which students become comfortable in front of an audience of their peers, giving a wide variety of speeches, practicing the virtues of constructive criticism, and learning the fundamentals of academic and legislative debate.

SPEECH I HONORS 10145X0 1 CREDI

This course is designed for students interested in exploring the Speech I curriculum at a more intensive and extensive level. Students taking this course for Honors credit must write and deliver deeply considered and polished responses to course assignments, participate in peer review panels, and extend their thinking through preparing presentations that fulfill fundamental standards for selected events promoted by the National Forensics League.

SPEECH II 10152X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Speech I

This course hones public speaking skills so that students may more rewardingly engage in competitive speaking and debate. Class activities are modeled on local, state, and national events expected by the National Forensics League. Included are dramatic and humorous interpretations of poetry and prose, student Congress, public forum and Lincoln-Douglas debate, extemporaneous speaking, and original oratory. Students who belong to a Speech and Debate Team will greatly benefit from this course, but all students who want to take their skills to the next level would derive much benefit and pleasure.

SPEECH II HONORS 10155X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Speech I Honors

The Honors section of this course requires students to meet the rigorous and rewarding standards promoted by the National Forensics League. Students will explore all of the main events sponsored by the league: dramatic and humorous interpretation of poetry and prose, student Congress, public forum and Lincoln- Douglas debate, extemporaneous speaking, and original oratory. In the process of honing their skills, students will be expected to delve more deeply into the art of argumentation and the resources available through advanced research.

TRENDS AND MOVEMENTS IN YOUNG ADULT LITERATURE

10252X0M 1 CREDIT

This survey course on the development and changing visions of Young Adult Literature examines themes and trends in literature that has been written specifically for teens. Students read young adult novels, drama, short stories, and poetry. They participate in literature circles, write analyses of work, do research, and develop projects.

YEARBOOK I 10312X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Application and teacher recommendation

The introductory yearbook course offers the student total involvement in the production of the school yearbook. Activities include advertising, layout planning, photography, copywriting, and proofing.

YEARBOOK II 10322X0H 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Yearbook I, application, and teacher recommendation

The second-level yearbook course is designed to help students refine their skills in copywriting, proofing, photography, and layout planning. Students deepen their understanding of advertising.

YEARBOOK II HONORS 10325X0D 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Yearbook I and teacher recommendation

This honors course is for junior- and senior-level publication staff members. Students are required to fill an editor's position or take a leadership role on the publication staff. Students plan a yearbook ladder, complete various spreads and assignments, and complete a portfolio of work. They master advanced layout and design of desktop publishing, digital imagery, and photo placement. Students may receive honors credit in Yearbook II Honors one time only.

YEARBOOK III 10332X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Yearbook I, Yearbook II, and teacher recommendation

Students who have completed Yearbook I and II and who desire to refine skills in planning, layout, and technology may elect this course. In addition to the development of higher-level writing skills and business management procedures, students enhance their knowledge of the laws and ethics of journalism.

YEARBOOK III HONORS 10335X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Yearbook I, Yearbook II HONORS, and teacher recommendation

This honors course provides journalism students the opportunity to expand their portfolios (begun in Yearbook II Honors) and to develop and deliver training modules for all staff positions. Students electing this course are required to fill an editor's position or take a leadership role on the yearbook staff. In addition, they increase technological skills and refine writing skills. Students may receive honors credit in Yearbook III Honors one time only.

Mathematics Courses

The high school mathematics course of study is based upon the NC Math Standards adopted by the North Carolina State Board of Education in June 2016. The standards for the fourth math courses were revised and adopted in August 2019 and will be implemented in 2020-2021. The standards are divided into two equally important parts: The Standards for Mathematical Practice and the Standards for Mathematical Content. The Practice Standards describe the characteristics and habits of mind that all mathematically proficient students exhibit. The Standards for Mathematical Practice are:

- 1. Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
- 2. Reason abstractly and quantitatively.
- 3. Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.
- 4. Model with mathematics.
- 5. Use appropriate tools strategically.
- 6. Attend to precision.
- 7. Look for and make use of structure.
- 8. Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.

The Practice Standards will be applied throughout each course and, together with the Content Standards, will ensure that students experience mathematics as a coherent, useful, and logical subject.

The Standards for Mathematical Content for high school are divided into six conceptual categories: Number and Quantity, Algebra, Functions, Modeling, Geometry, and Statistics and Probability.

In order to graduate from the Wake County Public School System, a student must earn a minimum of four credits in mathematics. More information on typical math course sequences can be found at <u>Math Sequences</u>. Please note that this document does not include every possible path. Please talk with your school counselor about which path is best for you / your student.

FOUNDATIONS OF NC MATH 1 (ELECTIVE CREDIT)

20902X0 1 CREDIT

NOTE: This course should be paired with NC Math 1B (21092X0B)

The purpose of this course is to formalize and extend the mathematics that students learned in the middle grades. In conjunction with NC Math 1B, this course deepens and extends understanding of linear relationships, in part by contrasting them with exponential and quadratic phenomena, and in part by applying linear models to data that exhibit a linear trend. In addition to studying bivariate data, students also summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable. The geometry standards that appear in this course formalize and extend students' geometric experiences to explore more complex geometric situations and deepen their explanations of geometric relationships, moving towards formal mathematical arguments. The Standards for Mathematical Practice apply throughout each course and, together with the content standards, require that students experience mathematics as a coherent, useful, and logical subject that makes use of their ability to make sense of problem situations.

NC MATH 1 21092X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Mastery of the middle school mathematics curriculum

The purpose of this course is to formalize and extend the mathematics that students learned in the middle grades. This course deepens and extends understanding of linear relationships, in part by contrasting them with exponential and quadratic phenomena, and in part by applying linear models to data that exhibit a linear trend. In addition to studying bivariate data, students also summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable. The geometry standards that appear in this course formalize and extend students' geometric experiences to explore more complex geometric situations and deepen their explanations of geometric relationships, moving towards formal mathematical arguments. The Standards for Mathematical Practice apply throughout each course and, together with the content standards, require that students experience mathematics as a coherent, useful, and logical subject that makes use of their ability to make sense of problem situations. This course fulfills the North Carolina high school graduation requirement for NC Math 1. The final exam is the North Carolina End-of-Course Test based on the NC Math 1 Standards.

NC MATH 1 HONORS 21095X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Mastery of the middle school mathematics curriculum

The purpose of this course is to formalize and extend the mathematics that students learned in the middle grades. This course deepens and extends understanding of linear relationships, in part by contrasting them with exponential and quadratic phenomena, and in part by applying linear models to data that exhibit a linear trend. In addition to studying bivariate data, students also summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable. The geometry standards that appear in this course formalize and extend students' geometric experiences to explore more complex geometric situations and deepen their explanations of geometric relationships, moving towards formal mathematical arguments. The Standards for Mathematical Practice apply throughout each course and, together with the content standards, require that students experience mathematics as a coherent, useful, and logical subject that makes use of their ability to make sense of problem situations. Honors NC Math 1 explores content at a highly rigorous level to begin students' preparation for advanced math courses. Students are expected to be able to appropriately explain and justify their solution process through both verbal and written formats. This course fulfills the North Carolina high school graduation requirement for NC Math 1. The final exam is the North Carolina End-of-Course Test based on the NC Math 1 Standards.

MATH PLUS HONORS (ELECTIVE CREDIT)

28005X0L 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Students making a mid to lower B or below in NC Math 1 in 8th grade

Math Plus deepens the understanding of mathematical concepts covered in NC Math 1 to ensure that students are successful in future math courses. Students will be exposed to the content of NC Math 1 to reinforce crucial skills needed for Honors level courses. Students will also preview content for Honors NC Math 2.

FOUNDATIONS OF NC MATH 2 (ELECTIVE CREDIT)

Recommended prerequisite(s): Marginal proficiency in NC Math 1

Foundations of NC Math 2 provides learners with an opportunity to review and study foundational topics for higher-level mathematics. The topics covered will be based on student needs and will be aligned with NC Math 2. Students will solve relevant and authentic problems using manipulatives and appropriate technology.

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NC MATH 2 22092X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): NC Math 1

In NC Math 2, students continue to deepen their study of quadratic expressions, equations, and functions, comparing their characteristics and behavior to those of linear and exponential relationships from NC Math 1. The concept of quadratics is generalized with the introduction of higher degree polynomials. New methods for solving quadratic equations are developed. The characteristics of advanced types of functions are investigated (including inverse variation and square root functions). The link between probability and data is explored through conditional probability and counting methods. Students explore more complex geometric situations and deepen their explanations of geometric relationships, moving towards formal mathematical arguments. Important differences exist between NC Math 2 and the historical approach taken in Geometry classes. For example, transformations are explored early in the course and provide the framework for studying geometric concepts such as similarity and congruence. The study of similarity leads to an understanding of right triangle trigonometry and connects to quadratics through Pythagorean relationships. The Standards for Mathematical Practice apply throughout each course and, together with the content standards, require that students experience mathematics as a coherent, useful, and logical subject that makes use of their ability to make sense of problem situations. This course fulfills the North Carolina high school graduation requirement for NC Math 2.

NC MATH 2 HONORS 22095X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): NC Math 1

In NC Math 2, students continue to deepen their study of quadratic expressions, equations, and functions, comparing their characteristics and behavior to those of linear and exponential relationships from NC Math 1. The concept of quadratics is generalized with the introduction of more sophisticated polynomials. New methods for solving quadratic and exponential equations are developed. The characteristics of more advanced types of functions are investigated (including inverse variation and square root functions). The link between probability and data is explored through conditional probability and counting methods. Students explore more complex geometric situations and deepen their explanations of geometric relationships, moving towards formal mathematical arguments. Important differences exist between NC Math 2 and the historical approach taken in Geometry classes. For example, transformations are explored early in the course and provide the framework for studying geometric concepts such as similarity and congruence. The study of similarity leads to an understanding of right triangle trigonometry and connects to quadratics through Pythagorean relationships. Honors NC Math 2 explores content at a rigorous level to students' preparation for advanced math courses. The Standards for Mathematical Practice apply throughout each course and, together with the content standards, require that students experience mathematics as a coherent, useful, and logical subject that makes use of their ability to make sense of problem situations. This course fulfills the North Carolina high school graduation requirement for NC Math 2.

NC MATH 3 23092X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): NC Math 2

This course is designed so that students have the opportunity to pull together and apply the accumulation of mathematics concepts learned previously. They apply methods from probability and statistics to draw inferences and conclusions from data. Students expand their repertoire of functions to include logarithmic, polynomial, rational, absolute value, piecewise, and trigonometric functions, including an intense study of families of functions and the relationships therein. They expand their study of right triangle trigonometry to include the study of trigonometric functions to model simple periodic phenomena. Finally, students bring together all their experience with functions and geometry to create models and solve contextual problems. Appropriate technology and tools, including manipulatives and calculators, will be used regularly for instruction and assessment. The Standard for Mathematical Practice applies throughout each course and, together with the content standards, require that students experience mathematics as a coherent, useful, and logical subject that means use of their ability to make sense of problems and situations. This course fulfills the North Carolina high school graduation requirement for NC Math 3. The final exam is the North Carolina End-of-Course Test based on the NC Math 3 Standards.

NC MATH 3 HONORS 23095X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Honors NC Math 2

This course is designed so that students have the opportunity to pull together and apply the accumulation of mathematics concepts learned previously. They apply methods from probability and statistics to draw inferences and conclusions from data. Students expand their repertoire of functions to include logarithmic, polynomial, rational, absolute value, piecewise, and trigonometric functions, including an intense study of families of functions and the relationships therein. They expand their study of right triangle trigonometry to include the study of trigonometric functions to model simple periodic phenomena. Finally, students bring together all their experience with functions and geometry to create models and solve contextual problems. Honors NC Math 3 explores content at a rigorous level to prepare students for advanced math courses. Appropriate technology and tools, including manipulatives and calculators, will be used regularly for instruction and assessment. The Standard for Mathematical Practice applies throughout each course and, together with the content standards, require that students experience mathematics as a coherent, useful, and logical subject that means use of their ability to make sense of problems and situations. This course fulfills the North Carolina high school graduation requirement for NC Math 3. The final exam is the North Carolina End-of-Course Test based on the NC Math 3 Standards.

MATH COURSES BEYOND NC MATH 3

The following mathematics courses are accepted as the 4th level mathematics course required for graduation under the Future Ready Core. With the exception of AP Computer Science, all the courses listed below are accepted as the fourth math for admission to UNC System Institutions. If interested, see your counselor to discuss Community College mathematics course options that also meet graduation requirements and minimum admission requirements for UNC System institutions. Students wishing to attend non-UNC System colleges, a community college, or a technical school should check with the postsecondary institution for minimum admission requirements. If interested, see your counselor to discuss CTE course options that can also count as the 4th math credit needed for graduation.

NC MATH 4 24092X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): NC Math 3

The primary focus of this course is on functions and statistical thinking, continuing the study of algebra, functions, trigonometry and statistical concepts previously experienced in NC Math 1-3. The course is designed to be a capstone to introductory statistical concepts. Additionally, the course intentionally integrates concepts from algebra and functions to demonstrate the close relationship between algebraic reasoning as applied to the characteristics and behaviors of more complex functions. In many cases, undergraduate students majoring in non-STEM fields will take an entry-level Algebra or Introductory Statistics course. Students will be prepared for college level algebra and statistics or as a bridge to prepare students for Precalculus or other advanced math courses. This course is accepted as the fourth math for admission to UNC System institutions.

NC MATH 4 HONORS 24095X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Honors NC Math 3

The primary focus of this course is on functions and statistical thinking, continuing the study of algebra, functions, trigonometry and statistical concepts previously experienced in NC Math 1-3. The course is designed to be a capstone to introductory statistical concepts. Additionally, the course intentionally integrates concepts from algebra and functions to demonstrate the close relationship between algebraic reasoning as applied to the characteristics and behaviors of more complex functions. In many cases, undergraduate students majoring in non-STEM fields will take an entry-level Algebra or Introductory Statistics course. Students will be prepared for college level algebra and statistics or as a bridge to prepare students for Precalculus or other advanced math courses. This course is accepted as the fourth math for admission to UNC System institutions.

AP PRECALCULUS 2A047X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Honors NC Math 3

In AP Precalculus, students will explore everyday situations using mathematical tools and lenses. They will learn how to observe, explore, and build mathematical meaning from dynamic systems, an important practice for thriving in an ever-changing world. Students will study each function type through their graphical, numerical, verbal, and analytical representations and their applications in a variety of contexts. Additionally, students apply their understanding of functions by constructing and validating appropriate function models for scenarios, sets of conditions, and data sets, thereby gaining a deeper understanding of the nature and behavior of each function type. This course is designed for students pursuing careers in STEM-related fields and will prepare students for higher level mathematics

and science courses. It is expected that students enrolled in this course will take the College Board AP Exam. This course is accepted as the fourth math for admission to UNC System institutions.

DISCRETE MATHEMATICS FOR COMPUTER SCIENCE HONORS

24015X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Honors NC Math 4 or Precalculus

The purpose of this course is to introduce discrete structures that are the backbone of computer science. Discrete mathematics is the study of mathematical structures that are countable or otherwise distinct and separable. The mathematics of modern computer science is built almost entirely on discrete mathematics, such as logic, combinatorics, proof, and graph theory. At most universities, an undergraduate-level course in discrete mathematics is required for students who plan to pursue careers as computer programmers, software engineers, data scientists, security analysts and financial analysts. Students will be prepared for college level algebra, statistics, and discrete mathematics courses.

AP STATISTICS 2A037X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Honors NC Math 3, NC Math 4, NC Math 4 Honors or Precalculus

The AP Statistics curriculum is divided into four major themes: exploratory analysis, planning a study, probability, and statistical inference. This is a college-level course. Use of computers and graphing calculators play an important role in this course. For each session of classroom instruction, the student is expected to spend, as a minimum, an equal amount of time outside the classroom for review, written assignments, and preparation. It is expected that students enrolled in this course will take the College Board AP Exam. This course is accepted as the fourth math for admission to UNC System institutions.

AP CALCULUS: AB 2A007X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Mastery of the Precalculus curriculum

The AP Calculus curriculum includes limits, continuity, derivatives with applications, and elementary integration with applications. This is a college-level course. Use of computers and graphing calculators play an important role in this course. For each session of classroom instruction the student is expected to spend, as a minimum, an equal amount of time outside the classroom for review, written assignments, and preparation. It is expected that students enrolled in this course will take the College Board AP Exam. This course is accepted as the fourth math for admission to UNC System institutions.

AP CALCULUS: BC 2A017X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): AP Calculus AB

The BC level of AP Calculus revisits some topics introduced in the AB course. Topics include differentials, integrals, infinite series, and differential equations. In addition, the curriculum for this course includes convergence and divergence of sequences and series, parametric representation of curves, polar curves, and additional integration techniques. This is a college-level course. Use of computers and graphing calculators play an important role in this course. For each session of classroom instruction, the student is expected to spend, as a minimum, an equal amount of time outside the classroom for review, written assignments, and preparation. It is expected that students enrolled in this course will take the College Board AP Exam. This course is accepted as the fourth math for admission to UNC System institutions.

MATHEMATICS ELECTIVE COURSE BEYOND MATH 3

The following mathematics elective course does not count as the 4th math required for graduation.

AP COMPUTER SCIENCE A 2A027X0 1 CREDIT

This is a college-level introductory course in computer science. Because the design and implementation of computer programs to solve problems involves skills that are fundamental to the study of computer science, a large part of the course is built around the development of computer programs that correctly solve a given problem. These programs should be understandable, adaptable, and when appropriate, reusable. At the same time, the design and implementation of computer programs is used as a context for introducing other important aspects of computer science, including the development and analysis of algorithms, the development and use of *Apex Friendship HS Course Descriptions 2024 - 2025*

fundamental data structures, the study of standard algorithms and typical applications, and the use of logic and formal methods. In addition, the responsible use of these systems is an integral part of the course. The course is designed to be the equivalent of a first-semester college course in computer science. Mathematics is reinforced throughout the course. Work-based learning strategies appropriate for this course include apprenticeship, cooperative education, entrepreneurship, internship, mentorship, school-based enterprise, service learning, and job shadowing. Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) competitive events, community service, and leadership activities provide the opportunity to apply essential standards and workplace readiness skills through authentic experiences. Further information about the course and the AP Computer Science Exam can be found at https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/courses/ap-computerscience-a Note: AP Computer Science is not accepted as the fourth math for admission to UNC System institutions.

Science Courses

Previous performance in science courses and teacher recommendation should be considered in course selection.

BIOLOGY

INTRODUCTION TO THE PRINCIPLES OF BIOLOGY

30202X0A 1 CREDIT

This course introduces students to the major guiding principles of Biology – structures & processes of organisms, ecosystems, heredity, and biological evolution. Content material will be presented with an emphasis on project-based learning, literacy, and the 4 C's (communication, critical thinking, creativity, and collaboration). Students will develop analytical skills through the interpretation of scientific data and the incorporation of other research to support their arguments. This course is designed to precede the standard Biology course.

 BIOLOGY
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 BIOLOGY HONORS
 33205X0
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This course is designed to develop student understanding of biological concepts and principles and promote an understanding of plant and animal processes from the cellular to the multi-cellular level. Laboratory work is an important part of each phase of the course. The honors course is taught in greater depth and magnitude. The final exam is the North Carolina Biology End- of-Course Test.

AP BIOLOGY 3A007X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Biology/Honors Biology and Chemistry/Honors Chemistry

(Important Note: Students without a valid Biology EOC score or code will be expected to participate in the State EOC administration when enrolling in AP or IB Biology.)

Students study the basic principles and concepts covered in an introductory "General Biology" college-level course. Topics include the structure and function of cells and organisms, the organization, requirements and development of living systems, and heredity and evolution. Students are provided in-depth laboratory experiences. It is expected that students enrolled in this course will take the College Board AP Exam.

MARINE ECOLOGY 35352X0A 1 CREDIT MARINE ECOLOGY HONORS 35355X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Biology

The interrelationships among marine organisms and the physical, chemical, geological, and biological factors in their environment are the focus of this course. The importance of the marine environment to life on earth is stressed. North Carolina's coastal processes are studied in detail. Laboratory and field experiences are major components of the course. The honors course is taught in greater depth and magnitude.

ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY

33302X0 1 CREDIT ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY HONORS

33305X0 1 CREDIT

34205X0

1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Biology

This course provides the student with a general study of the structure of the human body and a detailed study of the functions of the body systems. Laboratory work includes anatomical studies of mammals such as fetal pigs and cats.

CHEMISTRY

CHEMISTRY 34202X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): NC Math 3 or concurrent enrollment in NC Math 3

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Chemistry is the study of the composition and properties of matter. It introduces the theories concerning the structure of matter and includes mathematical problems that illustrate these theories. Concepts and principles of chemistry are presented in great depth and at a rapid pace. Theoretical and mathematical relationships in chemistry are studied. Students perform extensive research, independent study, and laboratory work. Laboratory experiences and demonstrations are integral parts of this course.

AP CHEMISTRY 3A017X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): NC Math 3 and Chemistry/Honors Chemistry

The AP Chemistry course provides students with a college-level foundation to support future advanced coursework in chemistry. Students cultivate their understanding of chemistry through inquiry-based investigations, as they explore content such as: atomic structure, intermolecular forces and bonding, chemical reactions, kinetics, thermodynamics, and equilibrium. The AP Chemistry course is designed to be the equivalent of the general chemistry course usually taken during the first college year. It is expected that students enrolled in this course will take the College Board AP Exam.

EARTH SCIENCE

EARTH SCIENCE/ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

EARTH SCIENCE/ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE HONORS

35012X0 1 CREDIT

35015X0 1 CREDIT

Students are provided an in-depth study of the earth processes including plate tectonics, rock and mineral formation, and landforms. The course focuses on inquiry into the functions of the earth's systems. Emphasis is placed on matter, energy, coastal dynamics, environmental awareness, materials availability, and the cycles that circulate energy and material through the earth systems. Laboratory work is a major component of the course.

ASTRONOMY HONORS 35405X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended Prerequisite(s): Earth Science /Environmental Science

The underlying principles of life, earth, and physical science are integrated in this study of the universe. Historical astronomy, the solar system, comets, constellations, extraterrestrial life, and the evolution of stars are the major topics of study. Observational astronomy skills and critical thinking are fostered using laboratory and field activities.

INTRODUCTION TO METEOROLOGY 30202X0L 1 CREDIT INTRODUCTION TO METEOROLOGY HONORS

30205X0L 1 CREDIT

Recommended Prerequisite(s): Earth Science /Environmental Science

This course focuses on inquiry into atmospheric conditions. Emphasis is placed on weather patterns, cycles of energy, interpreting and analyzing weather models, surface conditions, pollution, upper-air conditions, weather mapping, and climatological patterns. Laboratory work is a major component of this course.

AP ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE 3A027X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisites: Successful completion of two years of high school laboratory science

The AP Environmental Science course is designed to be the equivalent of an introductory college course in environmental science. The goal of the AP Environmental Science course is to provide students with the scientific principles, concepts, and methodologies required to understand the interrelationships of the natural world, to identify and analyze environmental problems both natural and human-made, to evaluate risks associated with these problems, and to examine alternative solutions for resolving and/or preventing them. It is expected that students enrolled in this course will take the College Board AP Exam.

PHYSICAL SCIENCE

PHYSICAL SCIENCE 34102X0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed as an entry-level course. The concepts of physics and chemistry are taught using both laboratory approaches and inquiry teaching. Students use their mathematical skills in the applications of science. Science projects and other independent student research provide students with a better understanding of the processes of science.

PHYSICS

PHYSICS 34302X0 1 CREDIT PHYSICS HONORS 34305X0 1 CREDIT 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): NC Math 3 or concurrent enrollment in NC Math 3

Students develop a general understanding of the mathematical and motion-oriented study of matter and energy. Mechanics, heat, light, electricity, magnetism, gravity, and nuclear energy are the major topics of study. Students who wish to study these topics in detail should take Honors Physics. Honors Physics is the in-depth mathematical and motion-oriented study of matter and energy. It provides an understanding of the physical principles and laws dealing with mechanics, heat, light, electromagnetism, and nuclear energy. Students are provided various laboratory experiences that are designed to enhance and reinforce concepts and principles in physics.

AP PHYSICS I-ALGEBRA BASED 3A057X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended Prerequisite(s): Completed Math 3 and be comfortable with algebraic manipulation and right triangle trigonometry

AP Physics I is equivalent to a first-semester college course in algebra-based physics. The course covers Newtonian mechanics (including rotational dynamics and angular momentum): work, energy, and power; and mechanical waves and sound. It also introduces electric circuits.

Physics I: unlike AP Physics B, which recommends a prior high school physics course, no prior course work in physics is necessary for students to enroll in AP Physics I.

AP PHYSICS II – ALGEBRA BASED 3A067X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended Prerequisite(s): AP Physics I, completed or concurrent enrollment in Precalculus or equivalent

AP Physics II is equivalent to a second-semester college course in algebra-based physics. The course covers fluid mechanics; thermodynamics; electricity and magnetism; optics; and atomic and nuclear physics.

AP PHYSICS C: MECHANICS 3A047X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Calculus AB and honors or AP Physics 1

This course should provide instruction in each of the following six content areas: kinematics; Newton's law of motion; work, energy and power; systems of particles and linear momentum; circular motion and rotation; and oscillation and gravitation.

ADDITIONAL SCIENCE COURSES

FORENSIC SCIENCE 30202X0D 1 CREDIT

FORENSIC SCIENCE HONORS

30205X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Successful completion of Biology and Chemistry

In this course students will be examining the role of the forensic scientist. Students will experience the application of the pure sciences as they examine the evidence of various forensic situations. The concepts and principles are presented in great depth and at a rapid pace. The classroom activities will include traditional and modern biotechnological techniques.

FORENSIC SCIENCE 2 HONORS 30205X0A2 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Successful completion of Biology and Chemistry

This course is intended as a continuation of the current Forensic Science course offering. The units of study will have a natural flow, the scope and depth of the course will be differentiated from Forensic Science 1 in the topics covered, complexity and expectation of student work products. In this course, students will be examining the role of the forensic scientist. Students will experience the application of the pure sciences as they examine the evidence of various forensic situations including crimes, negligence, and accidents. The concepts and principles are presented in great depth and at a rapid pace. The classroom activities will include traditional and modern biotechnological techniques, and evaluation of novel academic research.

Social Studies Courses

Previous performance in Social Studies courses and teacher recommendation should be considered in course selection.

REQUIRED SOCIAL STUDIES COURSES

WORLD HISTORY 43032X0 1 CREDIT WORLD HISTORY HONORS 43035X0 1 CREDIT

World History is designed to be a historical study of societies, nations, economies, events, and cultures of the many regions of the world, providing historical background for each area and details inclusive of change over time, historical impact, religion, diplomacy, culture practices and beliefs, and economic, political, and social institutions. The course is intended to examine the historical development of the world and global issues and patterns since 1200. The course also explores underlying themes of power and authority; change and continuity; human-environment interaction; globalization; cultural diffusion; and individual and group identity.

FOUNDING PRINCIPLES OF THE USA AND NC: CIVIC LITERACY

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FOUNDING PRINCIPLES OF THE USA AND NC: CIVIC LITERACY HONORS 43185X0

This course provides students the opportunity for a deeper study of the governmental and political systems of the N.C. and the U.S. and will build upon the application of the Founding Principles. This course will allow students to examine the ways in which power and responsibility are both shared and limited by the U.S. Constitution and how the judicial, legal, and political systems of North Carolina and the United States embody the founding principles of government. Students in this course will analyze and evaluate the extent to which the American system of government guarantees, protects, and upholds the rights of citizens as well as how it has evolved over time.

AMERICAN HISTORY 43112X0 1 CREDIT

AMERICAN HISTORY HONORS 43115X0 1 CREDIT

This course will explore the overarching themes, trends, and concepts of our nation's history, including the development and evolution of the American system of government, the patterns and impact of migration and immigration, cultural development through the arts and technological innovations, relationships with foreign nations, and the role of both the individual and diverse groups in building the American story. The American History course will begin with the end of the French and Indian War (1763) and end through the latest Presidential Election (i.e. 2020, 2024, etc.).

ECONOMICS & PERSONAL FINANCE

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1 CREDIT

ECONOMICS & PERSONAL FINANCE HONORS

43195X0 1 CREDIT

The Economics and Personal Finance (EPF) course is intended to be a study of economics, personal finance, income and education, money management, critical consumerism, and financial planning. Mastery of the standards and objectives of this course will inform and nurture responsible, participatory citizens who are competent and committed to responsible money management and financial literacy.

SOCIAL STUDIES ELECTIVES

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES

46012X0 1 CREDIT

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES HONORS

46015X0 1 CREDIT

This conceptually driven course introduces students to the exploration of the rich and diverse history and culture of African Americans. The goal of this course is to broaden the knowledge and understanding of students interested in learning about the histories, cultures, and economic, geographic, and political realities of African Americans. This course will provide students with an opportunity to engage with the social, economic, and political activities of African Americans in a way that allows them to make deep connections across the content.

HOLOCAUST AND GENOCIDE STUDIES HONORS

48035X0 1 CREDIT

History of various genocides and holocausts is explored in this course reviewing attempts at wiping out groups based upon religious, racial and national origins. Participants will learn the impact of severe prejudice and persecution to understand the nature of civilization itself and focus on prevention strategies for future genocide and dehumanization. The World War II Holocaust as well as recent 20th century genocides such as Armenia, Rwanda, Cambodia, Sudan, and Darfur will be explored. Students will complete substantial reading, writing and research. Taking this course after successful completion of World History is recommended.

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CONTEMPORARY LAW AND JUSTICE HONORS

48005X0J 1 CREDIT

This course focuses on the legal, judicial, law enforcement and corrections systems of the United States. Examined are relevant examples of civil and criminal laws, law enforcement methods, court procedures, and efforts toward corrective justice. Students also examine problems within the legal and justice systems.

PSYCHOLOGY HONORS 44035X0 1 CREDIT

This full-credit honors course is designed to give students an understanding of psychology as a science. Students are introduced to psychology, with a focus on the scientific study of human development, learning, motivation, and personality. This course emphasizes the empirical examination of behavior and mental processes, and it infuses perspectives fostering students' growth, development, and understanding of cultural diversity. Students of psychology acquire information from a variety of sources, use information as they make decisions and evaluations, and solve problems. The study of psychology enables students to recognize and cope with uncertainty and ambiguity in human behavior.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

AP COMPARATIVE GOVERNMENT & POLITICS

4A007X0 1 CREDIT

This course provides students with facts, concepts, and generalizations pertaining to world governments including those of Great Britain, France, Russia and China. Students study the sources of public authority and political power, society and politics, the citizen and the state, political frameworks and change, classifying governments and politics, problems in cross-cultural analyses, and other themes. Students will complete written analysis and interpretation of subject matter and demonstrate abilities to compare political institutions and processes. Students enrolled in this course are expected to take the College Board AP Exam.

AP MACROECONOMICS 4A037X0 1 CREDIT

This course provides students with a thorough understanding of the principles of economics that apply to an economic system. Students enrolled in this course area expected to take the College Board AP Exam.

AP EUROPEAN HISTORY 4A017X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended Prerequisite (s): World History

The focus of this course is from the Renaissance and the Reformation to the post-World War II era. Emphasis is on three main themes: (1) political and diplomatic developments, (2) intellectual and cultural continuity and change, and (3) economic and social developments. Substantial out-of-class reading, writing, and research are expected. Students enrolled in this course are expected to take the College Board AP Exam.

AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY 4A027X0 1 CREDIT

AP Human Geography provides students with insight into contemporary developments of world cultures, politics, and economies, including an analysis of the impact of the environment on the progress of world nations and regions. Students evaluate world events and data, write critically about world situations, and debate controversial aspects of an interdependent world. Major units focus on the spatial nature of geography and perspectives, population patterns and processes, cultural patterns and processes, political organization of space, agricultural and rural land use, consequences of industrialization and economic development, cities and urban land use. Students enrolled in this course are expected to take the College Board AP Exam.

AP PSYCHOLOGY 4A057X0 1 CREDIT

Students study the systematic and scientific study of the behavior and mental processes of human beings and other animals. Students are exposed to the psychological facts, principles, and phenomena associated with each of the major subfields within psychology. The study of psychology enables students to recognize and cope with uncertainty and ambiguity in human behavior. Substantial out-of-class reading, writing, and research are expected. Students enrolled in this course are expected to take the College Board AP Exam.

AP US GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS 4A067X0 1 CREDIT

This course is a survey of the United States national political system. Students will examine the U.S. constitutional system, its historical development, and current trends of the system with the goal to further skill development through a rigorous course of study. Assignments involve student reading, analysis, synthesis, writing, and speaking. Lectures, current problems, and practices are frequently used. Students enrolled in this course are expected to take the College Board AP Exam.

AP UNITED STATES HISTORY 4A077X0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed to encourage students to become apprentice historians who can use historical facts and evidence in the service of creating deeper conceptual understandings of critical developments in US history. The curriculum of the course centers around four types of historical thinking skills: chronological reasoning, comparison and contextualization, crafting historical arguments from historical evidence, and historical interpretation and synthesis. Students will explore seven themes throughout this course: identity; work, exchange, and technology; people; politics and power; America in the world; environment and geography – physical and human; and ideas, beliefs, and culture. Students enrolled in this course are expected to take the College Board AP Exam.

Healthful Living Courses

REQUIRED COURSE

HEALTHFUL LIVING I 60492X0 1 CREDIT

The completion of Healthful Living I is a North Carolina high school graduation requirement. The course consists of the required high school healthful living essential standards and clarifying objectives approved by the North Carolina State Board of Education and required by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. After completing Healthful Living I students are encouraged to pursue other Healthful Living electives.

Physical education components include the progressive development of motor skills and movement concepts along with learning opportunities that promote health related fitness and personal/social responsibility. Health components include analyzing the relation between nutrition and physical activity, understanding the importance and consumer health, learning solid decision-making to prevent use of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. Opportunities to practice solid decision making

and conflict resolution strategies are provided to assist students in the development of healthy mental and emotional health through productive interpersonal communication and development of relationships.

HEALTHFUL LIVING I HONORS 60495X0 1 CREDIT

The completion of Healthful Living I meets the North Carolina high school graduation requirement for Healthful Living. The Honors Healthful Living I course presents high rigor learning opportunities to meet the required high school healthful living essential standards and clarifying objectives approved by the North Carolina State Board of Education and required by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. After completing Healthful Living I students are encouraged to pursue other Healthful Living electives.

Physical education components go beyond the standard Healthful Living I offering using student-led project coursework which demands higher-level knowledge of Physical Education principles. Health components go beyond the standard Health Education offering by blending neuroscientific principles with behavioral health concepts.

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY-BASED ELECTIVE COURSES

WEIGHT TRAINING AND CONDITIONING I

60292X0A 1 CREDIT

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Recommended prerequisite(s): Healthful Living I

This course is designed for the novice weight-training student. It involves introductory techniques of weight training and cardiovascular conditioning, safety precautions, and injury prevention, and other methods of weight management. The major focuses are general muscle toning and achieving total fitness. The development of a personal fitness program is a part of this course.

WEIGHT TRAINING AND CONDITIONING II

60292X0B 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Weight Training and Conditioning I

This course is designed to improve muscular strength and power through progressive weight training techniques. More advanced coursework on the principles of cardiovascular fitness and strength development are parts of this course. The course includes techniques and skills as well as alternative strategies for developing overall strength and conditioning. The refinement of the student's personal fitness plan is included in this course.

WEIGHT TRAINING AND CONDITIONING III

60292X0L 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Weight Training and Conditioning I & II

This course is for students interested in trying some advanced lifting and exercise techniques which may include Olympic lifts, plyometric training, and agility and speed workouts. Coursework may include the basic principles of exercise prescription, sports nutrition, exercise testing and evaluation, cardiovascular fitness, and strength development. The course includes techniques and skills as well as alternative strategies for developing overall strength and conditioning. The design and implementation of the student's personal fitness plan is included in this course.

TEAM SPORTS I 60292X0J 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Healthful Living I

This course is designed to include the development of general personal fitness, and active participation in team sports such as basketball, soccer, flag football, lacrosse, volleyball, and softball. Activities are equally divided within the total weeks of instruction. This course includes the history, rules, and terminology with an emphasis on skill development, officiating, game strategies, and leadership.

TEAM SPORTS II 60292X0K 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Team Sports I

This course is designed to include the development of a greater in-depth knowledge, the application of personal fitness skills, and the demonstration of more advanced team sport skills. Please see Team Sports I for a general listing of activities for this elective.

LIFETIME SPORTS I 60292X0D 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Healthful Living I

Standard Version - This course is designed to include the development of general personal fitness, and active participation in lifetime sports such as golf, tennis, badminton, table tennis, bowling, archery, racquetball, and pickleball. Activities are equally divided within the total weeks of the semester. This course includes the history, rules, and terminology with an emphasis on skill development, game strategies, and safety.

Unified Sports Version - This course is designed to promote the Special Olympics Unified Sports model. Unified Sports joins people with and without intellectual disabilities on the same team. It was inspired by a simple principle: training together and playing together is a quick path to friendship and understanding. Students will team together to participate in Lifetime Sports Activities and tournaments with the goal of attaining skills and cultivating relationships.

LIFETIME SPORTS II 60292X0E 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Lifetime Sports I

This course is designed to include the development of a greater knowledge and application of personal fitness development, demonstration of more advanced skills in lifetime sports. Activities are equally divided within the total weeks of the semester.

HEALTH & SCIENCE-BASED ELECTIVE COURSES

SPORTS MEDICINE I 60632X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Healthful Living I, Community First Aid & Safety/Emergency Response, or Personal Health & Fitness

This course is designed for students interested in the career of athletic training. The primary focus includes, but is not limited to, the following topics: The Athletic Training/Sports Medicine (ATSM) Team, organization and administration, injury prevention, physical training and conditioning techniques, nutritional considerations, protective sports equipment, psychology of sport injury/illness, mechanisms and characteristics of sports trauma, tissue response to injury, human anatomy, exercise

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physiology, biomechanics, kinesiology, CPR/blood borne pathogens, injury assessment and evaluation, environmental concerns, basic taping and bandaging, explanations of therapeutic modalities, basic exercise rehabilitation, drug use/abuse in sports, and skin disorders. Students may be required to engage in practical experience outside of class for the purpose of applying knowledge and techniques learned in class.

SPORTS MEDICINE II 60642X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Sports Medicine I

This course is designed for students wanting to further their knowledge in the field of athletic training through the integration of information presented in Sports Medicine I. The primary focus includes but is not limited to the following topics: human anatomy, exercise physiology, biomechanics, kinesiology, specific sports injuries or conditions related to the foot/ankle/lower leg, knee, shoulder, elbow, forearm, wrist/hand, hip, thigh, groin, pelvis, abdomen, thorax, lumbar/thoracic/cervical spine, head, face, in addition to other health considerations and advanced taping techniques. Students may be required to engage in practical experience outside of class for the purpose of applying knowledge and techniques learned in class.

SPORTS MEDICINE III HONORS 60655X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Successful completion of Sports Medicine I and II

Sport Medicine III Honors provides a global exploration of fundamental injury rehabilitation topics. This course can only be taught by a nationally certified athletic trainer. The course deeply explores the injury rehabilitation process including full understanding of tissue healing and modalities. In addition, the student will demonstrate how both these and the required components of a complete rehabilitation plan are taken into account while addressing specific injuries and conditions. Small student learning groups will learn economic management skills in creating an athletic training room supply list that will require adherence to a budget and being creative in money-saving strategies. Another mandate of the course requires the American Red Cross (ARC) certified instructor to maintain the student's certification in Adult CPR and AED. This process is delineated by the requirements set forth by the American Red Cross to achieve such certification. This course expands on the state standards for Healthful Living and Biology and infuses clinical application of medical skills and health literacy.

SPORTS MEDICINE IV HONORS 60665X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Successful completion of Sports Medicine I, II, and III

Sports Medicine IV Honors provides global exploration of important health topics through a societal lens. This course can only be taught by a nationally certified athletic trainer. This is a two-part course. The first portion is a student driven research project of a predetermined instructor assigned health topic that is encountered in the field of athletic training. Small student learning groups will independently research their topic to an extensive level in order to create a product that is used to educate their peers. The product must include hands-on learning activities, delivery of content that utilizes technology, and a summative assessment tool. The second portion of the course requires the American Red Cross (ARC) certified instructor to lead students through the process of Emergency Response certification. This process is delineated by the requirements set forth by the American Red Cross to achieve such certification. This course expands on the state standards for Healthy Living and Biology and infuses clinical application of medical skills and health literacy.

LEADERSHIP-BASED ELECTIVE COURSES

students interested in careers related to teaching or recreation leadership.

PEPI I (PHYSICAL EDUCATION PUPIL INSTRUCTORS)

Recommended prerequisite(s): Healthful Living I

The course is designed for students interested in serving as physical education aides to elementary classroom teachers. Special training in the area of elementary physical education is given to each student prior to working in the schools. Students are trained in classroom management; development of physical activity lessons, conflict resolution skills, and providing lessons aligned to the Physical Education goals in the North Carolina Standard Course of Study. This course is designed for

PEPI II 60292X0U 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): PEPI I

The course is an extension of PEPI I. Students in this course will take a more active role as a pupil instructor at the assigned elementary school. They are provided with additional opportunities to work with students at different grade levels and are expected to demonstrate a greater level of leadership within the PEPI program. This course is designed for students interested in careers related to teaching or recreation leadership.

World Language Courses

Previous performance in World Languages courses and teacher recommendation should be considered in course selection.

MODERN LANGUAGE LEVEL 1 French I 11012X0 1 CREDIT
Spanish I 11412X0 1 CREDIT

The Level 1 Modern Languages course is the first in a multi-course sequence of communicative, proficiency-based courses. In Level 1, students learn the foundations of the language's vocabulary and structures in order to communicate in simple sentences on simple topics related to basic, necessary skills in the target language. Classes are conducted primarily in the target language with a strong focus on comprehensible input at a level appropriate for novice learners. Activities focus on students' abilities to perform in the interpersonal, interpretive, and presentational modes with a strong focus on target culture literacy. As in all courses in modern languages sequence, the goal is that students will be able to use what they have learned now and in the future. Students who successfully complete the course will demonstrate Novice Mid proficiency or above. Typical topics in level one courses include personal identity, family, and activities in the community.

 MODERN LANGUAGE LEVEL 2
 French 2
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 Spanish 2
 11412X0
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The Level 2 Modern Languages course is the second in a multi-course sequence of communicative, proficiency-based courses. In Level 2, students build on the linguistic foundations which they studied in Level 1. Students continue building on the foundation from Level 1, communicating in increasingly more complex situations and with greater depth. Classes are conducted primarily in the target language with a strong focus on comprehensible input at an appropriate level for novice learners, with added complexity compared to Level 1. Activities focus on students' abilities to perform in the interpersonal, interpretive, and presentational modes with a strong focus

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on target culture literacy. Students who successfully complete the course will demonstrate Novice High proficiency or above. Typical topics in level two courses include travel survival skills, entertainment, childhood, and daily life around the world.

MODERN LANGUAGE LEVEL 3 French 3I 11012X0 1 CREDIT
Spanish 3 11412X0 1 CREDIT

The Level 3 Modern Languages course is the third in a multi-course sequence of communicative, proficiency-based courses. The Level 3 course builds upon the many ideas, themes, and structures learned in Levels 1 and 2 for students to communicate in complex, higher-level sentences on a variety of topics, both familiar and new. Classes are conducted primarily in the target language with a strong focus on comprehensible input at an appropriate level for intermediate learners, with added complexity and elaboration compared to Levels 1 and 2. Activities focus on students' abilities to perform in the interpersonal, interpretive, and presentational modes with a strong focus on target culture literacy. Students who successfully complete the course will demonstrate Intermediate Low proficiency or above. Topics in Level 3 will vary, but leverage increasing language skills to examine the world on a global scale with themes that lay the foundation for courses such as AP/IB.

FRENCH IV HONORS 11045X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): French III

Students enrolled in this course have successfully completed Level III in high school or they have placed out of Levels I-III due to previous language study and /or established proficiency. A major focus of this course is to enable students to communicate in writing and in extended conversations on a variety of familiar and some unfamiliar topics. Students begin to narrate, discuss, and support complex ideas and concepts using concrete facts and topics with details in a variety of times. They satisfy routine social demands and meet most social requirements. The emphasis of this course can vary, as described above. Many different types of text (short stories, poetry, and excerpts from various periods of literature, current events, technical manuals, and other authentic materials) are included, depending on the emphasis and providing for independent reading. Finer points of grammar are studied to aid oral and written communication. There is more in-depth study of the target culture(s) and their influence throughout the world. Students can connect the target language to other disciplines and can compare it to their own. Finally, they can use the language inside and outside of the classroom setting.

FRENCH V HONORS 11055X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): French IV

This course emphasizes the use of language for active communication. Students develop language skills (reading, writing, listening, and speaking that can be used in various activities and disciplines, and in formal and informal settings, rather than focusing on any specific subject matter. Emphasis is placed on the comprehension of the spoken and written target language in various contexts, coherent, and resourceful communication, and the organization and sharing of oral presentations and written presentations

AP FRENCH LANGUAGE & CULTURE 1A037X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): French IV or French V

This course emphasizes the use of language for active communication. Students develop language skills (reading, writing, listening, and speaking that can be used in various activities and disciplines, and in formal and informal settings, rather than focusing on any specific subject matter. Emphasis is placed on the comprehension of the spoken and written target language in various contexts, coherent, and resourceful communication, and the organization and sharing of oral presentations and written presentations. This course follows the prescribed curriculum of the AP program. Instruction focuses on the mastery of language skills through increased reading, conversation, and composition at the college level. It is expected that students enrolled in this course will take the College Board AP Exam.

SPANISH HERITAGE I 11492X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Ability to speak and comprehend conversational Spanish

This course is designed specifically for native or heritage speakers of a language other than English who already have some oral language proficiency. The purpose of this course is to enable students to develop, maintain, and enhance their proficiency in the heritage language by providing them the opportunity to listen, speak, and write in a variety of contexts and for a variety of audiences, including the family, school, and the immediate community. The course will allow students to explore the cultures that use the heritage language, including their own, and it will enable students to gain a better understanding of the nature of their own language as well as other languages to be acquired.

SPANISH HERITAGE II HONORS 11505X0 1 CREDIT

Students enrolled in this course have either successfully completed a Heritage Language Level I course at the middle of high school or have placed out of Level I due to previous language study and/or established proficiency. This course is designed specifically for a native or heritage speakers of a language other than English who already have some oral language proficiency. The purpose of this course is to enable students to further develop, maintain, and enhance their proficiency in the heritage language by providing them the opportunity to listen, speak, read, and write in a variety of contexts and for a variety of audiences, including the family, school, and broader community. The course will allow students to explore the cultures that use the heritage language, including their own, and will enable students to gain a better understanding of the nature of their own language as well as other languages to be acquired.

SPANISH IV HONORS 11445X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Spanish III

Students enrolled in this course have successfully completed Level III in high school or they have placed out of Levels I-III due to previous language study and /or established proficiency. A major focus of this course is to enable students to communicate in writing and in extended conversations on a variety of familiar and some unfamiliar topics. Students begin to narrate, discuss, and support complex ideas and concepts using concrete facts and topics with details in a variety of times. They satisfy routine social demands and meet most social requirements. The emphasis of this course can vary, as described above. Many different types of text (short stories, poetry, and excerpts from various periods of literature, current events, technical manuals, and other authentic materials) are included, depending on the emphasis and providing for independent reading. Finer points of grammar are studied to aid oral and written communication. There is more in-depth study of the target culture(s) and their influence throughout the world. Students can connect the target language to other disciplines and can compare it to their own. Finally, they can use the language inside and outside of the classroom setting.

SPANISH V HONORS 11455X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite: Spanish IV

This course emphasizes the use of language for active communication. Students develop language skills (reading, writing, listening, and speaking that can be used in various activities and disciplines, and in formal and informal settings, rather than focusing on any specific subject matter. Emphasis is placed on the comprehension of the spoken and written target language in various contexts, coherent, and resourceful communication, and the organization and sharing of oral presentations and written presentations

AP SPANISH LANGUAGE & CULTURE 1A087X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Spanish IV or Spanish V

This course emphasizes the use of language for active communication. Students develop language skills (reading, writing, listening, and speaking) that can be used in various activities and disciplines, and in formal and informal settings, rather than focusing on any specific subject matter. Emphasis is placed on the comprehension of the spoken and written target language in various contexts, coherent, and resourceful communication, and the organization and sharing of oral presentations and written presentations. This course follows the prescribed curriculum of the AP program. Instruction focuses on the mastery of language skills through increased reading, conversation, and composition at the college level. It is expected that students enrolled in this course will take the College Board AP Exam.

AP SPANISH LITERATURE & CULTURE 1A097X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Spanish IV or Spanish V

The AP Spanish Literature course is designed to provide students with a learning experience equivalent to that of a third-year college course in Peninsular and Latin American literature. The expansive reading list introduces students to the diverse literature written in Spanish and thus helps them reflect on many voices and cultures included in this very rich literature. Students will be exposed to a wide variety of genres and types of disclosure and will enable students to trace the history of the Spanish prose from Don Juan Manuel to modern times through some of its most brilliant practitioners.

Arts Education Courses

Previous performance in Arts Education courses and teacher recommendation should be considered in course selection. Arts courses may be repeated for credit including Honors level courses.

Visual Art

SCULPTURE/CERAMICS - VISUAL ART SPECIALIZATION (INTERMEDIATE)

54622X0B 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Visual Arts – Beginning or portfolio

Students begin to develop their knowledge and technical abilities in three-dimensional design through the medium of clay and other sculptural materials. Various types of clay construction and glazing techniques are explored. Emphasis will be placed on technique, originality, planning and organizing three-dimensional compositions.

SCULPTURE/CERAMICS - VISUAL ART SPECIALIZATION (PROFICIENT) HONORS

54635X0B 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Visual Arts – Beginning Sculpture/Ceramics or portfolio

Students expand their knowledge and technical abilities in three-dimensional design through the medium of clay (hand building and/or wheel) and other sculptural materials (plaster, wood, wire, papier-mache, etc.). All types of construction, glaze formulation, and firing techniques are explored. Form and shape are stressed using materials appropriate to sculpting. Success at the honors level requires rigorous study, excellence in design and production, and extensive knowledge of a variety of art forms.

SCULPTURE/CERAMICS - VISUAL ART SPECIALIZATION (ADVANCED) HONORS

54645X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Sculpture/Ceramics Proficient or portfolio

Students who have demonstrated advanced skill levels in previous Sculpture & Ceramics courses are eligible to take honors level Sculpture & Ceramics III. Success at the honors level requires rigorous study, excellence in design and production, and extensive knowledge of a variety of art forms. Students initiate, define, and solve challenging sculpture problems independently using intellectual skills such as analysis, synthesis, and evaluation. Students have in-depth experiences in reflecting upon and assessing the characteristics and merits of their work and the work of others.

This course offers a concentrated study in sculptural areas selected cooperatively between the art teacher and the student. Students are challenged by the teacher to evaluate their art products to solve problems in terms of the chosen art media and learn concepts and skills as these relate to personal art expressions. Students will be working towards specific portfolio goals in wheel and/or hand-building with clay, other non- clay sculptural media, (plaster, wood, wire, papier-mache, etc.) artist research, and a concentrated area of study where the work will focus on a specific theme of the student's choosing.

VISUAL ARTS - BEGINNING 54152X0A 1 CREDIT

This course introduces the elements and principles of design through an exploration of a broad range of media. Activities emphasize skills and techniques in the following areas: drawing, painting, graphics, fibers, ceramics, art history, and three-dimensional design (fibers, ceramics, etc.).

VISUAL ARTS - INTERMEDIATE 54162X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Visual Arts – Beginning or portfolio

This course offers an in-depth study of design through repeated use of art elements and principles, while expanding technical abilities. Design is taught through experiences in the following areas: drawing and painting, art history printmaking (silk screening, lino cuts and/or woodcuts), and three- dimensional design (wood, clay, fibers).

VISUAL ARTS - PROFICIENT HONORS 54175X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Visual Arts – Intermediate or portfolio

This level of advanced art involves more in-depth knowledge of processes, media, history, and the development of art. Students understand and apply all skills through a variety of media. Success at the honors level requires rigorous study, excellence in design and production, and extensive knowledge of a variety of art forms. Students are encouraged to explore a variety of media, to produce experimental culturally significant works of art, and to gain an extensive knowledge of art history.

VISUAL ARTS - ADVANCED HONORS 54185X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Visual Arts – Proficient or portfolio

This course offers a concentrated study in areas selected cooperatively between the art teacher and the student. Students are challenged by the teacher to evaluate their art products to solve problems in terms of the chosen art media and learn concepts and skills as they relate to personal art expressions. Students will be working towards specific portfolio goals in Drawing/Painting, Color & Design, artist research, and a concentrated area of study where the work will focus on a specific theme or the student's choosing. Success at the honors level requires rigorous study, excellence in design and production, and extensive knowledge of a variety of art forms. Students initiate, define, and solve challenging visual arts problems independently using intellectual skills such as analysis, synthesis, and evaluation. Students have in depth experiences in reflecting upon and assessing the characteristics and merits of their work and the work of others.

AP STUDIO ART 2D DESIGN 5A027X0 1 CREDIT
AP STUDIO ART 3D DESIGN 5A037X0 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Two (2) credits in visual arts at the high school level.

Emphasis is placed on studio art. It is expected that students enrolled in these courses will take the College Board AP Exam. The student must prepare and submit a portfolio to the AP Visual Arts Committee of The College Board for college credit approval. Success at the AP level requires rigorous study, excellence in design and production, and extensive knowledge of a variety of art forms. Students initiate, define, and solve challenging visual arts problems independently using intellectual skills such as analysis, synthesis, and evaluation. Students have in-depth experiences in reflecting upon and assessing the characteristics and merits of their work and the work of others.

Dance

DANCE - BEGINNING 51152X0A 1 CREDIT

This course introduces students to movement and choreography through the elements of dance. Students will use whole body movements, strength, flexibility, endurance, and proper alignment to develop dance technique. Students will use dance to explore concepts in world history and relate them to significant events, ideas, and movements from a global context. Students will use appropriate behaviors and etiquette while observing, creating and performing dance. Dance attire is required and will be determined by the teacher. Participation in class, after-school rehearsals, and performances is expected.

DANCE - INTERMEDIATE 51162X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Audition or portfolio review using the WCPSS Placement Assessment Tool

This course continues the development of intermediate movement skills and choreography through an enhanced application of dance techniques. Students apply technical skills from a variety of dance forms to enhance performance at an intermediate level. Students will use dance to explore concepts in world history and relate them to significant events, ideas, and movements from a global context. Students will use appropriate behaviors and etiquette whole observing, creating and performing dance. Dance attire is required and will be determined by the teacher. Participation in class, after-school rehearsals, and performances is expected.

DANCE - PROFICIENT HONORS 51175X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Dance – Intermediate or audition

Technical skills and aesthetic awareness are developed through more challenging dance technique and choreography classes. Success at the proficient level requires rigorous study in technique, performance, dance history, anatomy and deep aesthetic awareness. In addition, students demonstrate dance literacy through research based projects and dance criticism. Dance attire is required and will be determined by the teacher. Participation in class, after-school rehearsals, and performances is expected.

DANCE - ADVANCED HONORS 51185X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Audition or Portfolio review using the WCPSS Placement Assessment Tool

Success at the advanced level requires rigorous study, excellence in technical performance, and deep aesthetic awareness. Advanced dance is a challenging technique class where students present and produce their own choreography. Students will demonstrate dance literacy through research-based projects and dance criticism. Dance attire is required and will be determined by the teacher. Participation in class, after-school rehearsals, and performances is expected.

Theatre Arts

THEATRE ARTS - BEGINNING 53152X0A 1 CREDIT

This course introduces students to the basic aspects of movement, vocal expression, and ensemble work. Class activities include pantomime, improvisation, vocal development, playwriting, and solo/collaborative presentations in acting and theatre production (costumes, lighting, makeup, scenery, and sound). The course offers opportunities to present before an audience.

THEATRE ARTS – INTERMEDIATE 53162X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Theatre Arts – Beginning or audition

Students continue to develop vocal and physical acting skills (including in-depth character analysis and development) and playwriting. Various acting styles are introduced along with opportunities to explore directing. Students focus on the history and development of theatre in Western Civilization. Class activities include more challenging improvisation, vocal development, solo/collaborative presentations in acting, directing, and theatre production (costumes, lighting, makeup, scenery, and sound). Participation in after-school rehearsals and performances is expected.

THEATRE ARTS - PROFICIENT HONORS 53175X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Theatre Arts – Intermediate or audition

Students apply acting, directing, playwriting, and production skills developed in previous theatre training. Students produce polished and complex works for an audience. Additional acting styles are introduced and developed. Participating in after-school rehearsals and performances is expected.

THEATRE ARTS - ADVANCED HONORS 53185X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Theatre Arts – Proficient or audition

Students advance acting, directing, playwriting, and production skills developed in previous theatre training. Students assume leadership roles in the production of polished and complex works for an audience. Various acting and directing styles are practiced. Success at the honors level requires rigorous study, excellence in performance, and extensive knowledge of all areas of theatre including production and directing, and an in-depth study of a variety of dramatic literature. Students are encouraged to explore a variety of theatrical styles and work with others to produce experimental, culturally significant works of art. Participation in after-school rehearsals and performances is expected.

TECHNICAL THEATRE - THEATRE ARTS SPECIALIZATION (BEGINNING)

53612X0A 1 CREDIT

Students explore the various aspects of design and production for theatre. Areas of study may include scenery, lighting, sound, makeup, properties, costumes, and stage management.

TECHNICAL THEATRE - THEATRE ARTS SPECIALIZATION (INTERMEDIATE)

53622X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Technical Theatre - Beginning

Students develop technical skills through design and production. Technical support for school productions requires participation in after-school rehearsals and performances.

TECHNICAL THEATRE - THEATRE ARTS SPECIALIZATION (PROFICIENT) HONORS

53635X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Technical Theatre - Intermediate

Students who have demonstrated a high skill level in technical theatre can continue to study various areas of technical theatre by focusing on more advanced design and production skills. Students are expected to participate in after-school rehearsals and performances as well as provide technical support for school- based events.

Choral Music

CHORAL MUSIC 1 BEGINNING 52302X0D 1 CREDIT

This introductory course is open to all students who have an interest in singing. In this class, choral literature is studied in both classical and contemporary fields. Some study is given to a review of the mechanics of music, composers, and music appreciation. Emphasis is placed on correct vocal production, proficiency in music reading, and performance skills. Participation in after-school rehearsals and performances is expected.

CHORAL MUSIC 2 INTERMEDIATE 52312X0D 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Choral Music - Beginning with audition/teacher placement. Students will demonstrate proficient skills relating to vocal production, music theory knowledge, and performance techniques. This group studies and performs choral literature that include diverse genres and historical periods. Emphasis is on refined tone quality, balance, intonation, interpretation, and ear training. A practice of sight-reading and musical literacy skills are prerequisites to participate at this level of study. Students continue developing vocal skills through extensive study of classical and contemporary works. A higher level of knowledge in sight-reading and a basic understanding of the fundamentals of music are necessary because of the vast amount of choral literature taught and memorized during the year. Participation in after-school rehearsals and performances is expected.

CHORAL MUSIC 3 PROFICIENT HONORS 52325X0D 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Choral Music - Intermediate with audition/teacher placement. Success at the honors level requires rigorous study, excellence in performance, extensive knowledge of all areas of music including music theory, and an in-depth study of a variety of advanced music literature. Participation in afterschool rehearsals and performances is expected.

CHORAL MUSIC 4 ADVANCED HONORS

52335X0D 1 CREDIT Recommended prerequisite(s): Choral Music – Proficient with audition/teacher placement. Students will demonstrate proficient skills relating to vocal production, music theory knowledge, and performance techniques. This group studies and performs more advanced levels of choral literature, including diverse genres and historical periods. Emphasis is on refined tone quality, balance, intonation, interpretation, and ear training. Strong sight-reading and musical literacy skills are prerequisite to participate at this level of study. Success at the honors level requires rigorous study, excellence in performance, extensive knowledge of all areas of music including music theory, and an in-depth study of a variety of advanced music literature.

Instrumental Music

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC: BAND - BEGINNING

52552X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Middle School band or audition

Participation in after-school rehearsals and performances is expected.

This course introduces basic instrumental music skills. Students focus on the fundamentals of music, correct tone production, balance, intonation, and ensemble playing through the study of simple band literature. Participation in after-school rehearsals and performances is expected.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC: BAND - INTERMEDIATE

52562X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Band – Beginning or audition

Students continue to study the fundamentals of music while performing more advanced literature. Aesthetic awareness and technical ability are developed through a variety of performance opportunities. Participation in after-school rehearsals and performances is expected.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC: BAND - PROFICIENT HONORS

52575X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Band – Intermediate or audition

Students develop their ability to play with increased technical accuracy and expression. Students play more advanced literature representing diverse genres, styles, and cultures. Success at the honors level requires rigorous study, excellence in performance, extensive knowledge of all areas of music including music theory, and an indepth study of a variety of advanced music literature. Participation in after-school rehearsals and performances is expected.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC: BAND - ADVANCED HONORS

52585X0A 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Band – Proficient **HONORS** or audition

Students demonstrate a high level of technical proficiency through a variety of advanced instrumental literature. An understanding of the broad aspects of music (theory, history, tone production, interpretation), are necessary for success in this advanced level course.

Students who have demonstrated advanced skill level and serious commitment are eligible to take honors level Band IV. Success at the honors level requires rigorous study, excellence in performance, extensive knowledge of all areas of music including music theory, and an in-depth study of a variety of advanced music literature. Participation in after-school rehearsals and performances is expected.

Career & Technical Education

Business and Marketing Courses

BUSINESS ESSENTIALS BF102X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 30

This course will introduce students to realistic business and finance principles by examining fundamental economic concepts, the business environment, and primary business activities. Through workplace scenarios and problem-based learning, students will explore business ethics, customer relations, economics, financial analysis, human resources management, information management, marketing, operations, and business technology.

Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: No Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: No Entrepreneurial: No Internship: No Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes ● Aligned Industry Credential: None

MARKETING I MM512X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 30

This course is designed to introduce students to the dynamic processes and activities in marketing. The experience includes students developing an understanding and skills in the areas of distribution, marketing-information management, market planning, pricing, product/service management, promotion, and selling. Students also develop an understanding of marketing functions applications and impact on business operations. English language arts, mathematics, and social studies are reinforced. • Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: No Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes • Aligned Industry Credential: None

MARKETING II MM522X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: MM51 Marketing or MI21 Fashion Merchandising

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

In this course, students will apply an understanding of marketing functions and impact of the functions on business decisions. Through problem solving and critical thinking, students will apply knowledge and skills in the areas of customer relations, economics, financial analysis, channel management, marketing-information management, marketing planning, products and services management, and selling. Relative opportunities are available for students to use technology to acquire and use marketing information. English, language arts, and social studies are reinforced.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- Aligned Industry Credential: Customer Service and Sales Certification

SPORT AND EVENT MARKETING I MH312X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

In this course, students are introduced to sport and event industries. Students will develop an understanding of marketing, branding, promotion, media, and marketing data as they relate to the sport and event industries.

• Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes ◆ Aligned Industry Credential: None

SPORT AND EVENT MARKETING II HONORS

MH325X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: MH31 Sport and Event Marketing I

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

In this course, students will apply their knowledge of promotion and marketing for the sport and event industries. The topics to be covered are the marketing environment, promotional activities, communications, product-mix strategies, and financial and economic impacts.

• Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes ◆ Aligned Industry Credential: None

FASHION MERCHANDISING MI212X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 30

This course is designed to simulate a comprehensive experience of the business of fashion. The experience should bring alive the economics, distribution, promotion, and retail of fashion, and essential strategies of promoting and selling fashion. Upon completion of the course, students should be ready for entry-level fashion retail work or post-secondary education. English, mathematics, social studies, and technology are reinforced.

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Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: No Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: No Internship: No Job Shadowing: No Mentorships: No School Based Enterprises: No Service Learning: No ◆ Aligned Industry Credential: None

ENTREPRENEURSHIP I ME112X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

In this course, students evaluate the concepts of going into business for themselves and working for or operating a small business. They become acquainted with channel management, pricing, product/service management, and promotion. Emphasis is on the exploration of feasible ideas of products/services, research procedures, business financing, marketing strategies, and access to resources for starting a small business. Students will be introduced to the Lean Canvas Business Model (LCBM) throughout the course. English language arts and social studies are reinforced.

Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes ● Aligned Industry Credential: Venture Entrepreneurial Expedition

ENTREPRENEURSHIP I HONORS ME115X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

In addition to the standard course requirements for Entrepreneurship I, this honors-level course extends the standard course of study to a more challenging level for the student who is highly motivated, able to work independently, and has a history of high academic achievement. Honors credit will be awarded to students that successfully complete an Honors portfolio for the course that consists of college/career-themed projects and assessments.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP II HONORS ME125X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: ME11 Entrepreneurship I
Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

In this course, students continue the development of a business idea and develop an understanding of pertinent decisions to be made for business positioning, financing, staffing, and profit planning. Students acquire in-depth understanding of business regulations, risks, management, and marketing and will develop a business plan. English language arts, mathematics, and social studies are reinforced.

Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes Aligned Industry Credential: Entrepreneurship and Small Business (ESB)

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT I BB402X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: BF10 Business Essentials

This course is designed to introduce students to core management concepts. The experience includes how managers plan, organize, staff, and direct the business's resources that enhance the effectiveness of the decision-making process. Also, the experience includes students working through ethical dilemmas and problem solving situations with customer service while academic and critical-thinking skills. English language arts is reinforced.

Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes ◆ Aligned Industry Credential: None

PROJECT MANAGEMENT I GS112X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Recommended for students in grades 10-12 Recommended

This course will introduce students to the principles, concepts, and software applications used in the management of projects. Through project-based learning, students will understand how to use the framework of initiating, planning, executing, monitoring and controlling, and closing a project in authentic situations. The core concepts of scope, time, cost, and integration will be examined during this course.

• Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: No Business and Industry Field Trips: No Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes • Aligned Industry Credential: None

PROJECT MANAGEMENT II HONORS GS125X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: GS11 Project Management I Recommended for students in grades 10-

This course will develop advanced project management skills. Through project-based learning, students will understand how to use the framework of initiating, planning, executing, monitoring and controlling, and closing a project in authentic situations. The facilitating concepts of quality management, human resources, communication management, risk management, procurement management, and stakeholder management will be examined during this course.

• Work-Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: No Business and Industry Field Trips: No Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes ● Aligned Industry Credential: PMI Project Management Ready Certification

Information Technology Courses

ADOBE VISUAL DESIGN I HONORS CD105X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

In addition to the standard course requirements for Adobe Visual Design, this honors-level course extends the standard course of study to a more challenging level for the student who is highly motivated, able to work independently, and has a history of high academic achievement. Honors credit will be awarded to students that successfully complete an Honors portfolio for the course that consists of college/career-themed projects and assessments. English language arts are reinforced.

Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: No Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: No Internship: No Job Shadowing: No Mentorships: No School Based Enterprises: No Service Learning: No

- Aligned Industry Credential: Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator
- Aligned CTE Student Organization: Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), SkillsUSA, Technology Student Association (TSA)

ADOBE VISUAL DESIGN II HONORS CD115X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: CD10 Adobe Visual Design I Recommended

This course builds on student design and development skills by focusing on longer print production projects as well as more in-depth content and advanced techniques for graphics and layout development. Students continue to produce rich print communications as they focus on effective graphic design, project management, design specifications, and iterative development. Students develop graphic design and print production skills that solve specific communication challenges to meet client and audience needs. This course is aligned to the Adobe Certified Associate InDesign certification, and also integrates Adobe Photoshop and Adobe Illustrator skills\(\text{English language arts are reinforced.}\)

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- · Aligned Industry Credential: Adobe Certified Professional Print and Digital Media Publication Using Adobe InDesign
- Aligned CTE Student Organization: Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), SkillsUSA, Technology Student Association (TSA)

ADOBE VIDEO DESIGN I HONORS CD145X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: Nonel

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

Discover the legal, technical, and editorial principles employed in the video industry necessary to understand ethical implications before engaging in a film project. Work collaboratively to conceive, plan, and execute production plans to create audio and video assets. Use Adobe Premiere Pro features to edit audio and video clips to create and publish a range of video products. Gain the knowledge, skills, and credentials necessary for successful discovery and navigation of exciting career possibilities in the Arts, A/V Technology, and Communications cluster.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- Aligned Industry Credential: Adobe Certified Professional Digital Video Using Adobe Premiere Pro
- Aligned CTE Student Organization: Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), SkillsUSA, Technology Student Association (TSA)

MICROSOFT WORD & POWERPOINT HONORS

CC105X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 30

In addition to the standard course requirements for Microsoft Word & PowerPoint, this honors-level course extends the standard course of study to a more challenging level for the student who is highly motivated, able to work independently, and has a history of high academic achievement. Honors credit will be awarded to students that successfully complete an Honors portfolio for the course that consists of college/career-themed projects and assessments. Students will be expected to take the Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) certification exams for Microsoft Word and Microsoft PowerPoint.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- Aligned Industry Credential: Microsoft Office Specialist PowerPoint Microsoft Office Specialist Word
- · Aligned CTE Student Organization: Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), SkillsUSA, Technology Student Association (TSA)

MICROSOFT EXCEL HONORS CC115X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Develop spreadsheets in Microsoft Excel using fundamentals, formulas, and functions. Illustrate data with tables and graphs. Manage workbooks, manipulate data, and use simple macros. Gain the knowledge and skills for careers in the Computer Science, IT, and Technology pathways.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- Aligned Industry Credential: Microsoft Office Specialist Excel Microsoft Office Specialist Excel Expert
- · Aligned CTE Student Organization: Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), SkillsUSA, Technology Student Association (TSA)

PYTHON PROGRAMMING I CP102X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Craft basic programs utilizing Python programming language. Execute functions, loops, operations, and data sets in various programs. Design programs with considerations for ethics, security, and how to implement the problem-solving process throughout the coding process. Gain the knowledge and skills for careers in the Python Programming pathway.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes Aligned Industry Credential: None
- Aligned CTE Student Organization: Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), SkillsUSA, Technology Student Association (TSA)

PYTHON PROGRAMMING II HONORS CP115X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: CP10 Python Programming I

Design, write, debug, and run programs encoded in the Python language. Formulate program using Internet of Things (IoT) programs. Develop stories utilizing data sets, visualizations, and Python programming. Gain the knowledge and skills for careers in the Python Programming pathway.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- Aligned Industry Credential: PCAP Certified Associate in Python Programming
- · Aligned CTE Student Organization: Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), SkillsUSA, Technology Student Association (TSA)

INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER SCIENCE

CS102X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 30

Explore components of computation, programming, ethics, and variables in computer science. Utilize Microsoft's MakeCode block-based coding environment and micro:bit micro controller board to develop simple apps. Build programming skills in block-based JavaScript programming. Gain the skills and knowledge for careers in the Computer Science, IT, and Technology pathways.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- · Aligned Industry Credential: None
- · Aligned CTE Student Organization: Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), SkillsUSA, Technology Student Association (TSA)

AP COMPUTER SCIENCE PRINCIPLES 0A027X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 30

AP Computer Science Principles introduces students to the foundational concepts of the field and challenges them to explore how computing and technology can impact the world.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- Aligned Industry Credential: None
- · Aligned CTE Student Organization: Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), SkillsUSA, Technology Student Association (TSA)

AP COMPUTER SCIENCE A 2A027X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 30

AP Computer Science A is an introductory college-level computer science course. Students cultivate their understanding of coding through analyzing, writing, and testing code as they explore concepts like modularity, variables, and control structures.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- Aligned Industry Credential: None
- · Aligned CTE Student Organization: Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), SkillsUSA, Technology Student Association (TSA)

Family and Consumer Science Courses

APPAREL AND TEXTILE PRODUCTION I

FA312X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

For safety reasons, enrollment is not to exceed 20 in this course.

In this course students are introduced to the apparel and textile industry in the areas of design, textiles and apparel engineering. Emphasis is placed on students applying design and engineering skills to create and produce apparel products. Art, literacy, mathematics, and science are reinforced.

• Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: No Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: No Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: No Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: No School Based Enterprises: No Service Learning: Yes • Aligned Industry Credential: None

APPAREL AND TEXTILE PRODUCTION II HONORS

FA325X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: FA31 Apparel and Textile Production I

For safety reasons, enrollment is not to exceed 20 in this course.

In addition to the standard course requirement for Apparel and Textile Production II, this honors-level course extends the standard course of study to a more challenging level for the student who is highly motivated, able to work independently and has a history of high academic achievement. Honors credit will be awarded to students that successfully complete an Honors portfolio for the course that consists of college/career-themed projects and assessments.

Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship:
 No Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes ◆ Aligned Industry Credential: None

INTERIOR DESIGN FUNDAMENTALS F1212X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: FC11 Principles of Family and Human Services recommended

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

This course engages students in exploring various interior design professions, while building the content knowledge and technical skills necessary to provide a foundational knowledge of the design industry. Emphasis is placed on the design thinking and utilization of the interior design process; human, environmental and

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behavioral factors; color theory, elements and principles of design; hand sketching/digital design techniques, space planning, selection of products and materials for residential interiors; client relationship building and design communication techniques. English language arts, mathematics, science, art, and technology are reinforced. • Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: No Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes • Aligned Industry Credential: None

INTERIOR DESIGN STUDIO F1222X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: FI21 Interior Design Fundamentals

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

This course prepares students for entry-level and technical work opportunities in the residential interior design fields. Students deepen their understanding of design fundamentals and theory by designing interior plans to meet living space needs of specific individuals or families. Topics include application of design theory to interior plans and production, selection of materials, and examination of business procedures. Art and mathematics are reinforced.

• Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes • Aligned Industry Credential: None

INTERIOR DESIGN STUDIO HONORS F1225X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: FI21 Interior Design Fundamentals

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

In addition to the standard course requirements Interior Design Studio, this honors-level course extends the standard course of study to a more challenging level for the student who is highly motivated, able to work independently and has a history of high academic achievement. Honors credit will be awarded to students that successfully complete an Honors portfolio for the course that consists of college/career projects and assessments.

• Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes • Aligned Industry Credential: None

INTERIOR DESIGN TECHNOLOGY HONORS F1235X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: FI21 Interior Design Fundamentals
Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 20

This course prepares students for entry-level and technical work opportunities in interior design. Students apply design skills through Autodesk Revit software to meet clients' needs using components found in residential and commercial spaces. Art and mathematics are reinforced.

• Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes ◆ Aligned Industry Credential: Autodesk Certified User Revit

FOOD AND NUTRITION I FN412X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: FC11 Principles of Family and Human Services recommended.

Note: For safety and sanitation reasons, enrollment should not exceed 20 in this course.

This course examines the nutritional needs of the individual. Emphasis is placed on the fundamentals of food production, kitchen and meal management, food groups and their preparation, and time and resource management. English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies are reinforced.

• Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: No Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: No Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: No School Based Enterprises: No Service Learning: Yes ◆ Aligned Industry Credential: ANSI-Accredited Food Handler Certificate

FOOD AND NUTRITION II FN422X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: FN41 Food and Nutrition I

For safety and sanitation reasons, enrollment should not exceed 20 in this course.

In this course, students experience the intersection of nutrition science and food preparation while building skills for an expanding range of career opportunities. Emphasis is placed on health and social responsibility while improving the way people eat. Students learn how to manage food safety: plan and prepare meals for a variety of consumers and clients; and explore the food system and global cuisines. English language arts, social studies, mathematics, science, and technology and interpersonal relationships are reinforced.

• Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes ● Aligned Industry Credential: ANSI-Approved Certified Food Protection Manager

FOOD AND NUTRITION II HONORS FN425X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: FN41 Food and Nutrition I

For safety and sanitation reasons, enrollment should not exceed 20 in this course.

In addition to the standard course requirements for Food and Nutrition II, this honors-level course extends the standard course of study to a more challenging level for the student who is highly motivated, able to work independently and has a history of high academic achievement. Students will be expected to take the appropriate industry certification exam associated with the course, if available.

• Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes ◆ Aligned Industry Credential: ANSI-Approved Certified Food Protection Manager

TEACHING AS A PROFESSION I HONORS FE215X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Required Maximum Enrollment: 20

This course is designed to encourage students to consider teaching as a career. Students are exposed to the many facets of education through class discussion, observation, and participation in public school classrooms. Students will examine their aptitudes for teaching, learner needs and development, including students with

exceptionalities, and the history, trends, and governance of education. English/language arts, social studies, mathematics, science, technology, and interpersonal relationships are reinforced.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: No Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: No Entrepreneurial: No Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: No Service Learning: Yes
- Aligned Industry Credential: Basic School Age Care (BASC)

TEACHING AS A PROFESSION II HONORS

FE225X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: FE21 Teaching as a Profession I

Co-requisite: FE23 Teaching as a Profession II Field Experience

Required Maximum Enrollment: 20

This course is designed to encourage students to further pursue teaching as a career. Students learn about the importance of positive learning environments, curriculum development, and utilization of a variety of instructional strategies. Students are required to complete both Teaching as a Profession II and Teaching as a Profession Field Experience in the same year. Students are eligible for articulated university credit upon successful completion of the Teaching as a Profession pathway. English/language arts, social studies, mathematics, science, technology, and interpersonal relationships are reinforced.

• Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: No Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: No Entrepreneurial: No Internship: No Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: No School Based Enterprises: No Service Learning: Yes • Aligned Industry Credential: None

Health Science Courses

HEALTH SCIENCE I HONORS HU405X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: Biology is recommended as preparation for this course. Recommended

Maximum Enrollment: 30

In addition to the standard course requirements of Health Science I, this honors-level course extends the standard course of study to a more challenging level for the student who is highly motivated, able to work independently and has a history of high academic achievement. Students will be extended to take and pass the appropriate industry certification exam associated with the course, if available.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: No Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: No Internship: No Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- Aligned Industry Credential: First Aid
- Aligned CTE Student Organization: HOSA-Future Health Professionals

HEALTH SCIENCE II HONORS HU425X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: HU40 Health Science I OR HP71 PLTW Human Body Systems

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 20

In addition to the standard course requirements Health Science II, this honors-level course extends the standard course of study to a more challenging level for the student who is highly motivated, able to work independently and has a history of high academic achievement. Students will be expected to take and pass the appropriate industry certification exam associated with the course, if available.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: No Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes Pre-Apprenticeship: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- · Aligned Industry Credential: OSHA 10-Hour Industry (Healthcare) Certification, Stop the Bleed, Basic Life Support
- Aligned CTE Student Organization: HOSA-Future Health Professionals

NURSING FUNDAMENTALS AND PRACTICUM HONORS

HN435X0 2 CREDITS

Prerequisite: HU42 Health Science II

*Enrollment is limited per North Carolina Board of Nursing (BON) Administrative Rule 21 NCAC 36.0318(i), which requires the ratio of teacher to HN43 Nurse Aide students be 1:10 or less while in the clinical area. DHSR applies this 1:10 ratio to the classroom and laboratory training area. HN43 Nursing Fundamentals is total Nurse

Aide 1 training. Maximum enrollment for one teacher for one section of students is ten in HN43 Nursing Fundamentals.

Explore the role of a Nurse Aid as defined by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, and Health Care Personnel Education and Credentialing Section. Perform nurse aide skills to care for patients and residents in a healthcare clinical setting. Build communication skills and learn to function as a healthcare team member. Gain the knowledge, skills, and industry credentials for careers in the Healthcare Professional Pathway.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: No Cooperative Education: No Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: No Mentorships: Yes Pre-Apprenticeship: Yes School Based: No Service Learning: No
- Aligned Industry Credential: North Carolina Nurse Aide I
- Aligned CTE Student Organization: HOSA-Future Health Professionals
- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- Aligned Industry Credential: Venture Entrepreneurial Expedition

STEM Courses

TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING AND DESIGN HONORS

CT105X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

In addition to the standard course requirements of Health Science I, this honors-level course extends the standard course of study to a more challenging level for the student who is highly motivated, able to work independently and has a history of high academic achievement. Students will be extended to take and pass the appropriate industry certification exam associated with the course, if available.

• Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: No Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes Pre-Apprenticeship: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes

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- Aligned Industry Credential: None
- Aligned Career Technical Student Organization: Technology Student Association (TSA)

ENGINEERING DESIGN HONORS CT125X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: CT10 Technology Engineering and Design

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

In addition to the standard course requirements for Engineering Design, this honors-level course extends the standard course of study to a more challenging level for the student who is highly motivated, able to work independently and has a history of high academic achievement. Students will be expected to take and pass the appropriate industry certification exam with the course, if available.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: No Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes Pre-Apprenticeship: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- · Aligned Industry Credential: None
- Aligned Career Technical Student Organization: Technology Student Association (TSA)

Other CTE Courses

ANIMAL SCIENCE I HONORS AA215X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: None

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

In addition to the standard course requirements, Animal Science I, this honors-level course extends the standard course of study to a more challenging level for the student who is highly motivated, able to work independently and has a history of high academic achievement. Students will be expected to take and pass the appropriate industry certification exam associated with the course, if available.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes Pre-Apprenticeship: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE)
- Aligned Industry Credential: Youth for Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Certification
- Aligned CTE Student Organization: North Carolina FFA Association and National FFA Organization

ANIMAL SCIENCE II - COMPANION ANIMAL HONORS

AA235X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: AA21 Animal Science I
Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 25

In addition to the standard course requirements, Animal Science II - Companion Animal, this honors-level course extends the standard course of study to a more challenging level for the student who is highly motivated, able to work independently and has a history of high academic achievement. Students will be expected to take and pass the appropriate industry certification exam associated with the course, if available.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes Pre-Apprenticeship: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE)
- Aligned Industry Credential: None
- Aligned CTE Student Organization: North Carolina FFA Association and National FFA Organization

VETERINARY ASSISTING HONORS AA415X0 1 CREDIT

Prerequisite: AA22 Animal Science II-Food Animal or AA23 Animal Science II-Companion Animal; Designed for11th or 12th grade students with an interest in animal medicine

Recommended Maximum Enrollment: 15

Develop the skills, techniques, and knowledge to earn a veterinary assistant credential. Perform proper veterinary practice management and client relations through hands-on skills. Formulate veterinary medical dosages using appropriate medical terminology. Establish animal handling skills in practicum settings and establish surgical and radiological procedures through sills-bases scenarios. Build leadership and employability skills through authentic experiences from Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE), classroom instruction, and FFA participation. Gain the knowledge and skills for careers in the Animal Science Pathway. Students who wish to take the Veterinary Assisting Exam developed by Texas Veterinary Medical Association to be a Certified Veterinary Assistant (CVA) Level 1 should complete an additional 500 hours of supervised agricultural experience (SAE) during their three animal science courses. Two hundred SAE hours focus on the care and management of animals; will be substantiated by records and conducted under the direct supervision of the agricultural teacher. Hours may be earned any time during the year including summer months. An additional 300 hours of supervised agricultural experience (worked based learning) will be conducted as an internship program in animal medicine under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian or certified veterinary technician who will attest that participating students have mastered a standard set of

skills used in animal medicine as identified by the cooperating teacher. Hours may be earned any time during the year including summer months.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: Yes Cooperative Education: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes Pre-Apprenticeship: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE)
- Aligned Industry Credential: Elanco Veterinary Medical Applications Certification, Certified Veterinary Assistant
- Aligned CTE Student Organization: North Carolina FFA Association and National FFA Organization

CTE ADVANCED STUDIES HONORS

REQUEST SPECIFIC CAREER PATHWAY CODE

Prerequisite: Two technical credits in one Career Cluster

This culminating course is for juniors and seniors who have earned two technical credits, one of which is a completer course, in one Career Cluster. The Advanced Studies course must augment the content of the completer course and prepare students for success in transitioning to postsecondary education and future careers. Students work under the guidance of a teacher with expertise in the content of the completer course in collaboration with community members, business representatives, and other school-based personnel. The four parts of the course include writing a research paper, producing a product, developing a portfolio, and

delivering a presentation. Students demonstrate their abilities to use 21st century skills. Competitive events, community service, and leadership activities provide the opportunity to apply essential standards and workplace readiness skills through authentic experiences.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: Yes Business and Industry Field Trips: No Cooperative Education: Yes Entrepreneurial: Yes Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: Yes Mentorships: Yes School Based Enterprises: Yes Service Learning: Yes
- Aligned Industry Credential: None
- Aligned CTE Student Organization: An association for Marketing Education students (DECA), Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), North Carolina FFA
 Association and National FFA Organization (FFA), Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA), Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA),
 SkillsUSA, and Technology Student Assoc. (TSA)

CTE INTERNSHIP REQUEST SPECIFIC CAREER PATHWAY CODE CTE INTERNSHIP HONORS REQUEST SPECIFIC CAREER PATHWAY CODE

Prerequisite: None

A CTE Internship allows for additional development of career and technical competencies within a general career field. Internships allow students to observe and participate in daily operations, develop direct contact with job personnel, ask questions about particular careers, and perform certain job tasks. This activity is exploratory and allows the student to get hands-on experience in a number of related activities. The teacher, student, and the business community jointly plan the organization, implementation, and evaluation of an internship, regardless of whether it is an unpaid or paid internship.

- Work Based Learning Opportunities: Apprenticeship: No Business and Industry Field Trips: No Cooperative Education: No Entrepreneurial: No Internship: Yes Job Shadowing: No Mentorships: No School Based Enterprises: No Service Learning: No
- Aligned Industry Credential: None
- Aligned CTE Student Organization: An association for Marketing Education students (DECA), Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), North Carolina FFA
 Association and National FFA Organization (FFA), Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA), Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA),
 SkillsUSA, and Technology Student Assoc. (TSA)

English as a Second Language Courses

Students whose home language is not English and who are identified as Multilingual Learners may enroll in English as a Second Language (ESL) courses. The focus of the ESL classroom is to help students obtain English proficiency in order to participate fully and successfully in all academic areas.

ESL courses may be offered as two semester courses with one credit awarded for each semester. Students can take both semesters of a level, but it is not a requirement. Students can repeat the same course level for original credit. Please refer to the WCPSS Language Assistance Program for English Learners Overview for additional information regarding language level support for English Learners. The ESL teacher is the best resource for making decisions regarding course changes.

ESL APPLIED 10382X0C 1 CREDIT

This course is recommended for Multilingual Learners who are Newcomers (first year in U.S. schools) and at the Comprehensive level of support (Entering Level 1) on the reading and writing subtests of the WIDA Screener. These Multilingual Learners have had very limited or no exposure to the English language and limited or interrupted formal education. Students at this level may struggle significantly to manage classroom content and require extensive scaffolding and modification to participate in learning activities. This course is designed to move students along the continuum of developing English as a new language. Recommended class size is a maximum of 10-12 students.

ESL I 10382X02 (Part I) 1 CREDIT 10382X03 (Part II) 1 CREDIT

This course is recommended for Multilingual Learners at the Comprehensive level of support (Entering Level 1) and/or Emerging (Level 2) on the Reading and Writing subtests of the WIDA Screener or ACCESS tests. Students in this course tend to be in Year 1 or Year 2 of schooling in the U.S., have very limited or no English language proficiency, struggle significantly to manage classroom content and require extensive scaffolding and modification to participate in learning activities. This course is designed to move students along the continuum of developing English as a new language. Recommended class size is a maximum of 10-12 students.

ESL II 10382X04 (Part I) 1 CREDIT 10382X05 (Part II) 1 CREDIT

This course is recommended for Multilingual Learners at the Comprehensive / Moderate level of support (Emerging Level 2 and/or Developing Level 3) on the Reading and Writing subtests of the WIDA screener or ACCESS tests. Students in the course tend to be in Year 2, Year 3, or Year 4 of schooling in the U.S., are able to converse with teachers and peers in English about familiar topics and some academic topics, may be able to manage grade-level content with language scaffolds and require moderate scaffolding and modifications to participate in learning activities. This course is designed to move students along the continuum of developing English as a new language. Recommended class size is a maximum of 12-15 students.

ESL III 10382X06 (Part I) 1 CREDIT 10382X062 (Part II) 1 CREDIT 10382X062 (Part II) 1 CREDIT

This course is recommended for Multilingual Learners at the Moderate level of support (Developing Level 3 and/or Expanding Level 4) on the Reading and Writing subtests of the WIDA Screener or ACCESS tests. Students in the course tend to be in Year 3 or Year 4 of schooling in the U.S., are able to converse with teachers and peers in English about familiar topics and many academic topics, may be able to manage grade-level content with language scaffolds and require minimal scaffolding and modifications to participate in learning activities. This course is designed to move students along the continuum of developing English as a new language. Recommended class size is a maximum of 15 students.

ESL IV 10382X07 (Part I) 1 CREDIT 10382X072 (Part II) 1 CREDIT 10382X072 (

This course is recommended for Multilingual Learners at the Moderate / Transitional level of support (Expanding Level 4 and/or Bridging Level 5) on the Reading and Writing subtests of the WIDA Screener or ACCESS tests. Students in this course tend to be in Year 3, Year 4, or Year 5 of schooling in the U.S., are able to converse with teachers and peers in English about familiar topics and most academic topics, manage grade-level content with minimal language support language scaffolds and are able to participate in classroom activities with some language scaffolding. This course is designed to move students along the continuum of developing English as a new language. Recommended class size is a maximum of 15 students.

ADVANCED LANGUAGE SUPPORT FOR MLs

10382X08 (Part I) 10382X082 (Part II) 1 CREDIT

This course is recommended for Multilingual Learners at the Transitional level of support and will focus on the finer details of the English language, specifically the academic language and skills needed for success in the regular classroom. Instruction will include support for higher levels of English language development, and guidance for organizing and completing projects and related tasks. Recommended class size is a maximum of 15 students.

Special Education Courses

Enrollment in these courses is dependent on goals and objectives written in the students' Individual Education Program (IEP).

DIPLOMA COURSES

CURRICULUM ASSISTANCE 96102X0K 1 CREDIT CURRICULUM ASSISTANCE (9) 96102X0L 1 CREDIT CURRICULUM ASSISTANCE (10) 96102X0M 1 CREDIT CURRICULUM ASSISTANCE (11) 96102X0Q 1 CREDIT CURRICULUM ASSISTANCE (12) 96102X0R 1 CREDIT CURRICULUM ASSISTANCE (12) 96102X0R 1 CREDIT CURRICULUM ASSISTANCE (12)

The Curriculum Assistance elective (CA) provides specially designed instruction for students—who access the standard course of study. The primary focus of CA is to provide specially designed instruction on students' IEP goals, progress monitor IEP goals, and support students in their general education classes. Curriculum Assistance may provide a variety of self-advocacy, organizational or study skills dependent on the needs of the students enrolled in the class. Skills taught in CA may include how to prioritize, organize, take notes, take tests, proofread, follow directions, and use reference materials. Literacy, Math and Writing skills are taught utilizing specially designed instruction to target the goals identified within the students' IEP goals.

CURRICULUM ASSISTANCE RESOURCE HI

96102X0T 1 CREDIT

This is a language-based Curriculum Assistance (CA) designed specifically for hearing impaired students.

CURRICULUM ASSISTANCE RESOURCE VI

96102X0U

1 CREDIT

This is Curriculum Assistance (CA) designed specifically for visually impaired students utilizing adaptive materials and assistive technology.

INDEPENDENT STUDY SKILLS 96102X0W 1 CREDIT

Recommended prerequisite(s): Teacher recommendation

The student works independently in a special area of concentration determined by the student's IEP goals and objectives.

INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNICATION SKILLS (READING)

96102X0P 1

OP 1 CREDIT

This program focuses on basic reading and writing skills. Assignments, materials, and lesson presentations are modified based on the student's abilities. Areas of study include phonological awareness, word recognition skills, vocabulary development, comprehension, fluency, spelling patterns, handwriting, and simple written expression.

HIGH SCHOOL READING 96102X0SP 1 CREDIT

The high school reading course is designed for students who exhibit specific deficits in phonic decoding and word recognition as evidenced by diagnostic assessment. Intensive, systematic, and explicit instruction will focus on the most basic to advanced phonics skills including spelling. Skills will be taught and practiced until automaticity is achieved at which point fluency will be taught and practiced. Multi-sensory strategies for both reading and spelling may be used to aid in the learning process. Additionally, the identification and meaning of prefixes, suffixes and roots will be addressed with more advanced learners. Pre and post tests, placement tests, reading and spelling tests will be used to determine mastery as well as inform instruction.

MATH COURSE

Specially Designed Instruction to address documented Math needs as stated in the student's IEP will be addressed through accommodations/modifications and inclusive service delivery in the general education setting. Curriculum Assistance courses may support additional math needs to address student goals.

See the general education mathematics courses for more information on course content and type of credit received (elective or math).

OCCUPATIONAL COURSE OF STUDY

The Occupational Course of Study (OCS) is available for those students with disabilities who are specifically identified for the pathway. OCS follows the standard course of study and meets the requirements for a NC HS diploma. OCS includes course work and requires the completion of 600 vocational training hours. OCS is intended to meet the needs of a small population of students with disabilities and focuses on post-secondary vocational skills, employment and independent living. The Occupational Course of study will be an appropriate alternative that is beyond the scope of services within the future ready core general education. Eligibility for participation in the Occupational Course of Study is determined by the Individual Education Program (IEP) Team, which includes school personnel, students, and parents.

EMPLOYMENT PREP I SCIENCE 9260BX0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed to introduce students to the fundamental attitudes, behaviors, and habits needed to obtain and maintain employment in their career choice and make career advancements. Students participate in school-based learning activities including work ethic development, job-seeking skills, decision- making skills, and self-management. Students are involved in on-campus vocational training activities such as school factories, work-based enterprises, hands- on vocational training

and the operation of small businesses. Formal career planning and development of knowledge regarding transition planning begins in this course and continues throughout the strand of Employment Prep courses. Students will also begin their career portfolios and explore the six categories of employability skills.

EMPLOYMENT PREP II CITIZENSHIP 1A

9261BX0 1 CREDIT EMPLOYMENT PREP II CITIZENSHIP 1B

9262BX0

1 CREDIT

This course emphasizes the development of skills generic to all careers including resource management, communication, interpersonal skills, technology, stamina, endurance, safety, mobility, motor, teamwork, sensory, problem-solving, cultural diversity, information acquisition/management, and self- management. This course focuses on providing students with a repertoire of basic skills that serve as a foundation for future career applications. Students expand their school-based learning activities to include on-campus jobs and begin some work-based learning activities. Job seeking skills also continue to be refined. Students must schedule 2 periods.

Students will continue developing their career portfolios and begin to apply developing skills from the six categories of employable skills.

EMPLOYMENT PREP III CITIZENSHIP 2A

9263BX0 1 CREDIT EMPLOYMENT PREP III CITIZENSHIP 2B

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This course is designed to allow students to continue the development and begin the application of skills learned in Employment Prep I and II. Work-based learning activities are provided including community-based training, job shadowing, job sampling, internships, situational assessment, cooperative education, and apprenticeships. These work-based activities allow students to apply employability skills to competitive employment settings and demonstrate the effectiveness of their work personality. Multiple opportunities for leadership development and self-determination are provided. Students must schedule 2 periods. Students will continue work on their career portfolios and begin to independently apply skills mastered from studying the six categories of employable skills.

EMPLOYMENT PREP IV MATH 9265BX0 1 CREDIT

This course gives students the opportunity to synthesize all the skills acquired in previous Employment Prep courses and apply them to their personal career choice. This course allows students to solve work-related problems experienced in competitive employment, practice self-advocacy skills and master the theoretical practical aspects of their career choice. Students finish completing the 225 hours of integrated competitive employment in a community setting required for successful completion of the Occupational Course of Study. Students also develop a job placement portfolio that provides an educational and vocational record of their high school experience. Students will also engage in Person Centered/Driven Planning, and explore Federal regulations associated with public health in addition to finalizing career portfolios and transferring skills mastered from experience with the six categories of employability skills.

VOCATIONAL EXPERIENCE CAREER TRAINING

9610BX0A 1 CREDIT

This course assists students in special education to develop entry-level job skills and competencies. The competencies include student assessment, career exploration, and employability skill development. After students identify job interests and develop job-seeking skills, they may be placed at a work site.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

ENGLISH I 9210BX0 1 CREDIT

This curriculum exposes students to content that is closely aligned with that of 9th grade English courses content. It focuses on the writing process to develop a product, the development of an understanding of appropriate presentation skills, the use of a variety of strategies to comprehend texts, the identification of examples of appropriate conventions in both written and spoken language, the analysis of cause-and-effect relationships, the understanding of literary elements, rhetorical techniques, and informational text, and the application of research tools and techniques to selected topics.

ENGLISH II 9211BX0 1 CREDIT

This academic world literature course is designed for the student who aspires to post-secondary community college or career experience. This class focuses on reading, writing, speaking and listening, and language. Writing instruction at this level focuses on mechanical correctness, fluency, and structure.

ENGLISH III 9212BX0 1 CREDIT

This curriculum focuses on the understanding of literary and informational texts, the use of appropriate communication skills, the creation of written products through the use of a template, the application of reading and comprehension strategies, the problem-solving process, cause and effect relationships to decision- making, and informational research for employment, post-secondary education/training, and independent living settings.

ENGLISH IV 9213BX0 1 CREDIT

This curriculum focuses on the application of literary and informational texts, the evaluation of communication between various audiences, the creation of written products without the use of a template, the application of reading comprehension strategies, the production of a plan to problem solve, the ability to attribute the impact of cause and effect, the generation of a viewpoint based on the analysis of a situation, and the creation of informational products for use in employment, postsecondary education/training, and independent living domains

MATH

INTRODUCTION TO MATHEMATICS 9220BX0 1 CREDIT

This curriculum focuses on the understanding of rational numbers, the application of mathematical operations, the application of ratios, proportions, and percents to solve problems, the use of two- and three-dimensional figures, the application of time and measurement skills, the application of algebraic properties, the understanding of patterns and relationships, and the understanding of data in terms of graphical displays, measures of center, and range.

NC MATH 1A (ELECTIVE CREDIT) 9610BX0E 1 CREDIT

NC Math 1A prepares students for the subsequent course, NC Math 1. Successful completion of both NC Math 1A and NC Math 1 will fulfill the NC Math 1 requirement. Students will receive two credits: NC Math 1A as an elective credit and NC Math 1 as the NC Math 1 CREDIT. The purpose of this course is to formalize and extend the mathematics that students learned in the middle grades. In conjunction with NC Math 1, this course deepens and extends understanding of linear relationships, in part by contrasting them with exponential and quadratic phenomena, and in part by applying linear models to data that exhibit a linear trend. In addition to studying bivariate data, students also summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable. The geometry standards that

appear in this course formalize and extend students' geometric experiences to explore more complex geometric situations and deepen their explanations of geometric relationships, moving towards formal mathematical arguments. The Standards for Mathematical Practice apply throughout each course and, together with the content standards, require that students experience mathematics as a coherent, useful, and logical subject that makes use of their ability to make sense of problem situations.

NC MATH 1 9225BX0 1 CREDIT

The purpose of this course is to formalize and extend the mathematics that students learned in the middle grades. This course deepens and extends understanding of linear relationships, in part by contrasting them with exponential and quadratic phenomena, and in part by applying linear models to data that exhibit a linear trend. In addition to studying bivariate data, students also summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable. The geometry standards that appear in this course formalize and extend students' geometric experiences to explore more complex geometric situations and deepen their explanations of geometric relationships, moving towards formal mathematical arguments. The Standards for Mathematical Practice apply throughout each course and, together with the content standards, require that students experience mathematics as a coherent, useful, and logical subject that makes use of their ability to make sense of problem situations. This course fulfills the North Carolina high school graduation requirement for NC Math 1. The final exam is the North Carolina End-of-Course Test based on the NC Math 1 Standards.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT 9222BX0 1 CREDIT

This curriculum focuses on personal financial management, independent living, state and local income taxes, wages and compensation, credit, types of insurance, and the application of math skills to consumer practices.

SCIENCE

APPLIED SCIENCE 9231BX0 1 CREDIT

This curriculum focuses on the understanding of force and motion, of energy and its conversation, of electricity and magnetism, of the properties of matter, the identification of uses and dangers of common chemicals, the positive and negative effects humans have on the environment, and the human body's basic needs and control systems.

BIOLOGY 9232BX0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed to develop student understanding of biological concepts and principles and promote an understanding of plant and animal processes from the cellular to the multi-cellular level. Laboratory work is an important part of each phase of the course.

SOCIAL STUDIES

AMERICAN HISTORY I 9247BX0 1 CREDIT

This course will begin with the European exploration of the new world through Reconstruction. Students will examine the historical and intellectual origins of the United States from European exploration and colonial settlement to the Revolutionary and Constitutional eras. Students will learn about the important political and economic factors that contributed to the development of colonial America and the outbreak of the American Revolutions as well as the consequences of the Revolution, including the writing and key ideas of the U.S. Constitution.

AMERICAN HISTORY II 9248BX0 1 CREDIT

This course will guide students from the late nineteenth century time period through the early 21st century. Students will examine the political, economic, social, and cultural development of the United States from the end of the Reconstruction era to present times. This course will trace the changes in the ethnic composition of American society, the movement toward equal rights for racial minorities and women, and the role of the United States as a major world power.

AMERICAN HISTORY: FOUNDING PRINCIPLES, CIVICS AND ECONOMICS

9249BX0 1 CREDIT

This course provides a framework for understanding the basic tenets of American democracy, practices of American government as established by the United States Constitution, basic concepts of American politics and citizenship and concepts in macro and microeconomics and personal finance. The essential standards of this course are organized under three strands – Civics and Government, Personal Financial Literacy and Economics. The Civics and Government strand is framed to develop students' increased understanding of the institutions of constitutional democracy and the fundamental principles and values upon which they are founded, the skills necessary to participate as effective and responsible citizens and the knowledge of how to use democratic procedures for making decisions and managing conflict. The Economic and Personal Financial Literacy strands are framed to provide students with an understanding of the role economic factors play in making economic decisions, the ability to reason logically about key economic issues and the knowledge and skills needed to manage personal financial resources effectively for lifetime financial security. Taken together, these three strands should help to prepare students to become responsible and effective citizens in an interdependent world.

FOUNDING PRINCIPLES OF THE USA AND NC: CIVIC LITERACY

9251BX0 1 CREDIT

Civic Literacy is the study and understanding of citizenship and government. Through the Inquiry-based C3 Framework, this one-semester course provides students with a sound understanding of civic life, politics, and government, including a short history of government's foundation and development in the United States of America. Students learn how power and responsibility are shared and limited by the government, the impact American politics has on world affairs, law in the American constitutional system, and the rights that the American government guarantees its citizens. Students also examine how the world is organized politically and how to be an active participant in the American and global political systems. Students will study the foundations of American democracy and the origins of American government. The roles of political parties, campaigns & elections, public opinion, and the media will be analyzed to determine their effects on the individual and all who call the United States home.

ECONOMICS & PERSONAL FINANCE

43192X0 1 CREDIT

The standards and objectives in the Economics and Personal Finance course will provide students the opportunity to engage in intensive application of the skills, concepts, processes, and knowledge gained in previous social studies courses and prepare them to be college, career, and civic ready.

OCS COURSES TAKEN ON NCVPS

These courses combine the expertise of the online teacher with the special education methods and strategies of the face-to-face teacher to ensure appropriate mastery of the curriculum standards for students participating in the OCS program.

GRADUATION CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS (ECS)

Content Area	For 9 th Graders Entering in 2022- 2023	For 9 th Graders Entering in 2021- 2022	For 9 th Graders Entering in 2019- 2020
English	4 Credits English/LA I-IV (9310AX0-9313AX0)	4 Credits English/LA I-IV (9310AX0-9313AX0)	4 Credits
Mathematics	4 Credits Financial Management I (9322AX0), Financial Management II (9323AX0), NC Math 1 A (9324AX0), and NC Math 1 B (9325AX0)	4 Credits Financial Management I (9322AX0), Financial Management II (9323AX0), NC Math 1 A (9324AX0), and NC Math 1 B (9325AX0)	4 Credits
Science	3 Credits Applied Science, Biology A and Biology B	3 Credits Applied Science, Biology A and Biology B	3 Credits
Social Studies	4 Credits Economics and Personal Finance(9344AX0), Founding Principles of the USA and NC: Civic Literacy(9346AX0), American History(9345AX0), World History(9347AX0)	4 Credits Economics and Personal Finance (9344AX0), American History I (9342AX0), American History II (9343AX0), Civics and Governance (9340AX0)	3 Credits
Health & Physical Education	1 Credit Health & Physical Education	1 Credit Health & Physical Education	1 Credit Health & Physical Education
Electives	6 Credits NC Vocational Preparation, NC Health, Safety & Independent Living, 4 additional courses from Occupational Preparation and/or CTE	6 Credits NC Vocational Preparation, NC Health, Safety & Independent Living, 4 additional courses from Occupational Preparation and/or CTE	6 Credits Minimum of two (2) and Maximum six (6) elective credits must come from Extended Content Elective Courses: Vocational Preparation and Health, Safety & Independent Living. B. Additional elective courses may come from Occupational Preparation I, II, III, IV or Career
			Technical Education elective. (Elective credits were non-specific prior to 2019)
Total	22 Credits	22 Credits	21 Credits

CERTIFICATE COURSES: NC EXTENDED CONTENT STANDARDS

SKILLS IN INDEPENDENT LIVING 9610AXOC 1 CREDIT

This course is designed to assist students in developing competencies in the following areas: money management, purchasing, cooking, laundry, cleaning, proper eating habits, appropriate manners, grooming, transportation, and mobility.

VOCATIONAL EXPERIENCE 9610AX0A 1 CREDIT

This course for students in special education is to develop entry-level job skills and competencies. The competencies include student assessment, career exploration, and employability skill development. After students identify job interests and develop job-seeking skills, they may be placed at a work site. Low Incidence Prerequisites are: (1) work related behaviors, (2) employment adjustment.

EMPLOYMENT ADJUSTMENT 9610AX0E 1 CREDIT 9610AX0E 1 CREDIT

Students participate in on-campus jobs based on IEP goals to build job related skills.

WORK RELATED BEHAVIOR 9610AXOD 1 CREDIT

This curriculum concentrates on work related behaviors. The school setting environment is organized to promote independence and skill building. Students are assisted in developing a sense of organization, dependability, speed, and quality of production as reflected in a student's IEP.

SOCIALIZATION LEISURE SKILLS 9610AX0B 1 CREDIT

The socialization curriculum concentrates on work related behavior. The curriculum includes assuming the roles associated with the development of acceptable manners, recognition and respect for authority, development of self-responsibility, and appropriate expression of emotions. Activities are related to actual experiences. Concepts lead to the student's recognition of himself as a valuable asset to society. The purpose of leisure education is to assist students in developing the skills necessary to enjoy leisure time with opportunities for learning about leisure, developing leisure skills, and practicing the skills in actual leisure environments.

NC ELECTIVE HLTH, SAFETY, IND. LIVING

9390AX0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed to make available functional life skills that students require to effectively support participation in curricula, community and recreational/leisure activities.

NC VOCATIONAL PREPARATION 9391AX0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed to allow exploration of interest and skills for postsecondary employment opportunities. Students learn necessary skills that will allow them essential components for workplace readiness and career preparation.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION 60292X0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed to help students receiving special education services develop physical and social skills. The student learns to understand and accept limitations: correct problems where possible, develop skills in sports and games suitable to limitations, and develop knowledge and appreciation of body mechanics.

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS I 9310AX0 1 CREDIT

This academic course focuses on the development of skills needed for communication and comprehension in functional reading and writing. Emphasis is on enabling the student to interact with his environment independently to the extent of his abilities.

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS II 9311AX0 1 CREDIT

This academic course focuses on further development of skills needed for communication and comprehension in functional reading and writing.

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS III 9312AX0 1 CREDIT

This academic course provides development of skills and understanding of functional reading and writing as it pertains to the student's interaction with his/her environment in a variety of prevocational/vocational settings.

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS IV 9313AX0 1 CREDIT

This academic course provides further development of the skills and understanding of functional reading and writing as it pertains to the student's independent interaction with his/her environment in a variety of vocational settings to the extent of his/her abilities.

MATH

NC MATH 1A 9324AX0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed for students to understand and demonstrate number and quantity by using unit rate to identify quantities, extending the base ten system to tenths and hundredths place, and computing with base ten system to tenths and hundredths place.

NC MATH 1B 9325AX0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed for students to understand and demonstrate seeing structures in systems, creating equations, and reasoning with equations and inequalities equivalent expressions, understanding inequalities and solving equations/inequalities.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT I 9322AX0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed for students to understand the difference between wants and needs, that money comes from working, and appropriate methods for personal financial management and independent living.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT II9323AX0 1 CREDIT This course is designed for students to apply budgeting skills, learn appropriate methods for personal financial management and independent living, and apply math skills to consumer spending.

SCIENCE

APPLIED SCIENCE 9331AX0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed for students to understand and apply safety measures and procedures in a variety of situations in the community and home, apply skills associated with providing simple first aid and obtaining medical treatment when needed and apply the skills needed to practice healthful living and good nutrition.

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BIOLOGY A 9332AX0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed for students to understand the structures and functions of living organisms and understand how living things interact with and within their environments.

BIOLOGY B 9333AX0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed for students to understand the impact of human activities on the environment and interdependence of living organisms within their environments.

SOCIAL STUDIES

CIVICS AND GOVERNANCE I 9340AX0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed for students to understand individual rights and the common good, the impact of government on society and individuals, and understand citizenship.

CIVICS AND GOVERNANCE II 9341AX0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed for students to understand the creation and development of the United States over time using chronological thinking and historical comprehension.

AMERICAN HISTORY I 9342AX0 1 CREDIT

This course is designed for students to understand the creation and development of the United States over time using historical research and historical analysis and interpretation.

ECONOMICS AND PERSONAL FINANCE

9344AX0 1 CREDIT

The Extended Economics and Personal Finance (EPF) course is intended to be a study of economics, personal finance, income and education, money management, critical consumerism, and financial planning.

AMERICAN HISTORY 9345AX0 1 CREDIT

This course will explore the overarching themes, trends, and concepts of our nation's history, including the development and evolution of the American system of government, the patterns and impact of migration and immigration, cultural development through the arts and technological innovations, relationships with foreign nations, and the role of both the individual and diverse groups in building the American story.

FOUND PRIN USA&NC: CIVIC LITERACY

9346AX0 1 CREDIT

This course will allow students to examine the ways in which power and responsibility are both shared and limited by the U.S. Constitution and how the judicial, legal, and political systems of North Carolina and the United States embody the founding principles of government.

WORLD HISTORY 9347AX0 1 CREDIT

The course is intended to examine the historical development of the world and global issues and patterns since 1200. The course also explores underlying themes of power and authority; change and continuity; human-environment interaction; globalization; cultural diffusion; and individual and group identity.

Other Credit Programs

LIBRARY MEDIA STUDIES 96102X0HH 1 CREDIT

Library Media Studies is an internship-style course based around the 4Cs of collaboration, communication, creativity, and critical thinking. Recommended as small group blended instruction, this course empowers students to lead in the library while learning how to access and organize resources for academic research, develop literacy skills and enjoyment, use technology to enhance learning, and provide support to other students. In addition to daily roles and weekly assignments, students will participate in project-based learning as evidenced on a digital portfolio.

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY COURSES

College courses, which may be delivered by a community college, a public university or private college or university, provide credit toward a high school diploma and may satisfy a graduation requirement or provide an elective course credit. Students will receive 1.0 additional quality point to the grade earned in community college courses included on the most recent Comprehensive Articulation Agreement Transfer List, and for courses taught at four-year universities and colleges. The credit for the course will be entered in PowerSchool in historical data, after the student has completed the course and upon receipt by the high school of the college transcript showing the grade in the course. Students/parents are responsible for obtaining the college transcript and having it delivered to the school. The exceptions to this process include College and Career Promise courses scheduled by a school and University or Community College courses scheduled by the Early College High Schools and the Academies.