Courses available to West Seattle High School Students for the 2024-25 school year.
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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Students pre-register in February (incoming 9th graders register in April) for the following year. Carefully read the course descriptions noting the important information about course prerequisites. Talk with your teachers, parents, and counselor about which classes you should consider taking next year. Choose classes that support your career goals, enhance your interests, or teach you a new skill.

Classes will be offered based on staff availability and the number of students who request courses. Signing up for a course is not a guarantee of enrollment.

IMPORTANT POLICIES

Yearlong Scheduling: West Seattle High School students register for the following year’s classes in the spring. Both semesters’ courses are selected at this time. **Students will remain with the same teacher for the full year in yearlong courses. Students should choose courses carefully as schedule changes are extremely limited.**

Honors and AP classes: Honors and AP courses are a full-year commitment. If students choose one or more of these courses, they are committing to the enrollment for the whole school year.

AP Classes: Taking the AP exam is an expectation when a student signs up for AP course. Currently, the AP exam costs $102 per test- students on free/reduced lunch are not required to pay this fee.

Schedule Changes (five-day rule): Schedule changes must be completed before the end of the 5th school day of the first semester and before the end of the 5th school day of the second semester. Classes dropped after the 10th day of the semester but before the 5th week of the semester will result in a **W** on the student’s transcript. Students who are withdrawn from a class after the 5th week of the semester will earn an **E** on their transcript for that course unless the withdrawal is due to a move to another school. Parent/guardian signature is required to process a request for withdrawal.

Incompletes are rarely given and must be completed within six school weeks of the end of the grading period, or the Incomplete will become an E grade.

Course Fees: We believe students should be able to take courses of their choice regardless of their ability to pay required course fees. Students should see their counselor if they need fee assistance.

TA (Teacher or Office Assistant): Only available to Juniors and Seniors (NO exceptions). Students may take only one TA position per semester. Such credits may not exceed a total of 2.0 credits. Teacher Assistant positions earn .25 credit Office Assistant positions earn .50 credit.

Athletic Eligibility: To participate on a school sports team, students must have earned a grade point of 2.0 or higher in five subjects during the previous semester of school. Continuing eligibility will require a student athlete to earn no less than a 2.0 grade point average in five subject areas (2.5 credits) as reported on their current report card.

NCAA Athletic Eligibility: Students interested in participating in college athletics after high school need to be aware that specific academic courses are required for eligibility. Please see the athletic director, your counselor or go to the following websites for more detailed information: www.ncaa.org or www.ncaaelegibilitycenter.org
Graduation Requirements

West Seattle High School Graduation Requirements

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*Any Seattle school student can earn Competency Based Credit in any given language by completing a Proficiency Exam in Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking. See your counselor for more information.

**Two years of middle school language study counts as one high school credit; however, it is advisable to take another 2-3 years of language study at the high school level (these should be two consecutive years of the same language).

***1.0 credits may be a part of the personalized pathway requirement. The PP may change overtime based on the students educational or career goals in the High School and Beyond.

****World Languages are recommended for students planning on attending a 2 or 4-year college or university for admissions purposes. These may be taken as a part of the personal pathway or elective credits.

Additional Requirements
- 60 hours of community service learning
- Washington State History (usually completed in 7th or 8th grade)
- High School and Beyond Plan
- Pass state assessments in core content areas (ELA, Math, Science)

*Students must continue to attempt the exams until they have passed in order to graduate and receive a diploma.*
**LANGUAGE ARTS**

**Graduation Requirements:**
4.0 credits (8 semesters) of English Language Arts
LA 9, 10, 11, 12 required by WSHS

**LA9: INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION**
9th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Introduction to Literature and Composition 9A/B is a year-long course that concentrates on guided and critical reading of texts from different genres that reflect themes of identity and self-discovery and where the focus of composition is developing clear and purposeful writing. The course prepares students to grapple with the fundamental notions of the self as reflected in a range of texts and genres. Readings, both classical and contemporary, lend themselves to literary analysis, represent a variety of reading levels and showcase an assortment of themes and cultures. Close attention is paid to recognizing connections amongst texts, between texts and the world and between texts and the self. While building and honing reading skills, students also develop writing proficiency by crafting clear and purposeful essays while adhering to conventions of composition. At the conclusion of the course students understand the complexities surrounding identity and self-discovery and how meaning is conveyed through literature, allowing them critical perspective with which to examine texts in World Literature and Composition in 10th grade.

**LA10: WORLD LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION**
10th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester
World Literature and Composition 10A/B is a year-long course where students read international texts, including four selections from the Seattle Public Schools 10th grade reading list and additional supplemental works including poetry, short stories and nonfiction. The course concentrates on critically reading how the human experience is expressed in literature from around the world. The course prepares students to understand fundamental notions of world or non-western literature reflected in a range of texts and genres. Readings lend themselves to literary analysis, represent a variety of cultures, and showcase an assortment of themes. The texts allow students to build on understandings of identity, which they acquire in Introduction to Literature and Composition and World Literature and Composition) this time developing an understanding of Americanness and its multiple meanings. Close attention is paid to recognizing connections amongst texts, between texts and the world and between texts and the self. While honing reading skills, students also develop writing proficiency by crafting increasingly clear and purposeful essays with an emphasis on refinement and style. At the conclusion of the course students recognize recurring themes and patterns in American literature and how historical and cultural influences are represented in the works, allowing them a critical perspective with which to examine American Literature and Composition in 11th grade.

**LA11: AMERICAN LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION**
11th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester
American Literature and Composition 11/B is a year-long course that concentrates on critically reading different interpretations of the American experience and the American dream, with an emphasis on increased sophistication through reading, writing and speaking. The course prepares students to grapple with the fundamental notions of American identity as it is expressed in a range of texts and genres. Readings, both classical and contemporary, lend themselves to literary analysis, represent a variety of reading levels and cultures, and showcase an assortment of themes. The texts allow students to build on understandings of identity, which they acquire in Introduction to Literature and Composition and World Literature and Composition) this time developing an understanding of Americanness and its multiple meanings. Close attention is paid to recognizing connections amongst texts, between texts and the world and between texts and the self. While honing reading skills, students also develop writing proficiency by crafting increasingly clear and purposeful essays with an emphasis on refinement and style. At the conclusion of the course students recognize recurring themes and patterns in American literature and how historical and cultural influences are represented in the works, allowing them a critical perspective with which to examine Comparative Literature and Composition in 12th grade.

**LA11AP: ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION**
11th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: Students are prepared to complete a summer reading assignment as well as take the AP test in the spring.
AP English Language and Composition 1 begins to provide students with opportunities to write about a variety of subjects from a variety of disciplines and to demonstrate an awareness of audience and purpose. The overarching objective is to enable students to write effectively and confidently in their college courses across the curriculum. Therefore, this composition course emphasizes the expository, analytical, and argumentative writing that forms the basis of academic and professional communication, as well as the personal and reflective writing that fosters the development of writing facility in any context. In
addition, this course will focus on skills necessary to read primary and secondary sources carefully, to synthesize material from these texts in their own compositions, and to cite sources using conventions recommended by professional organizations. The purpose of the AP English Language and Composition course is to enable students to read complex texts with understanding and to write prose of sufficient richness and complexity. AP English Language and Composition is designed to emphasize the student writers’ content, purpose, and audience and to allow this focus to guide the organization of their writing. In addition, the informed use of research materials and the ability to synthesize varied sources (to evaluate, use, and cite sources) are integral parts of the AP English Language and Composition course. Students will also learn to evaluate the legitimacy and purpose of sources used through researched argument papers designed to require students to consider each source as a text that was itself written for a particular audience and purpose. The intense concentration on language use in the course enhances students’ ability to use grammatical conventions appropriately and to develop stylistic maturity in their prose. Students will learn to discern how stylistic effects are achieved by writers’ linguistic choices. Because this AP course depends on the development of interpretive skills as students learn to write and read with increasing complexity and sophistication, it is intended to be a full-year course.

**LANGUAGE ARTS 9M/10M/11M**  
9th, 10th, 11th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester  
Prerequisite: Individualized Education Plan  
This course is designed to activate student thinking and learning about the interactive process of reading and writing. Using the Hampton-Brown Edge text and supplemental materials, students will engage with Essential Questions throughout the school year to expand their critical thinking skills. Specific strategies will enhance reading strategies, vocabulary, literary analysis, fluency and phonics, oral and written expression and grammar.

**LA12: ENGLISH 101 ENGLISH COMPOSITION 101**  
12th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester  
College in the High School Freshman English course is designed to develop student’s college readiness skills by providing students with more in-depth opportunities to acquire and strengthen the reading, writing, and critical thinking skills needed be successful by college-readiness standards. Students will demonstrate their ability to apply pre-reading, during-reading and post-reading strategies to complex college texts. They will also employ a variety of writing strategies to demonstrate their ability to use the process of writing to develop a coherent, clear, well-supported composition that has been drafted several times before submission.

**LA12AP: ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENGLISH LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION**  
12th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester  
Prerequisites: Students are prepared to complete a summer reading assignment as well as take the AP test in the spring.

begins the intensive study of representative works from various genres and periods, concentrating on works of recognized literary merit. The pieces chosen to invite and reward rereading. Reading in an AP course is both wide and deep. This reading necessarily builds upon the reading done in previous Language Arts College Pathway courses. In this AP course, students read works from several genres and periods from the sixteenth to the twenty-first century but, more importantly, they get to know a few works well. They read deliberately and thoroughly, taking time to understand a work’s complexity, to absorb its richness of meaning, and to analyze how that meaning is embodied in literary form. In addition to considering a work’s literary artistry, students reflect on the social and historical values it reflects and embodies. Careful attention to both textual detail and historical context provides a foundation for interpretation, whatever critical perspectives are brought to bear on the literary works studied. A generic method for the approach to such close reading involves the following elements: the experience of literature, the interpretation of literature, and the evaluation of literature. By experience, we mean the subjective dimension of reading and responding to literary works, including precritical impressions and emotional responses. By interpretation, we mean the analysis of literary works through close reading to arrive at an understanding of their multiple meanings. By evaluation, we mean both an assessment of the quality and artistic achievement of literary works and a consideration of their social and cultural values. All three of these aspects of reading are important for an AP English Literature and Composition course. Moreover, each corresponds to an approach to writing about literary works.
Students will enter a math pathway at various levels

A flowchart is shown outlining the math pathways students can choose. All students must take Algebra 1, followed by Geometry, then Algebra 2 in order to meet minimum graduation requirements. After Algebra 2, students have the option to follow a Precalculus/Calculus pathway, take AP Statistics, or take a variety of College in the High School math courses offered. Please see course descriptions for more information on courses beyond Algebra 2.
In this course, students model real-life situations with quadratics functions using multiple representations and fluently translate between representations. Students manipulate quadratic functions by using algebraic properties to highlight key features, determine contextual information, and solve problems. Students graph quadratic functions to highlight key features. Students write and solve quadratic equations by factoring, completing the square, and using the quadratic formula. Students solve linear-linear, linear-exponential, and linear-quadratic systems of equations algebraically and graphically which model real-world situations. Students interpret their solution to a system in the context of the problem (which may include no solutions, one solution, two solutions, or infinite solutions). Students solve and graph one variable inequalities and graph two variable and systems of inequalities. Students write constraints and identify viable solutions for real-world problems using systems of linear inequalities. Students create a line of best fit given a scatter plot or data points. Students will be able to create an estimated line of best fit by hand and compute the least-squares line of best fit using technology. Students use technology to fit non-linear curves to data. Students will create and interpret appropriate data displays and summary statistics of one-variable quantitative data.
complements of events to make informed decisions. Students establish the geometric relationships among chords, arcs, angles, and lines that are within or intersecting with circles. Students construct the inscribed and circumscribed circle of a triangle. Students apply the definition of similarity and congruence based on transformations to prove all circles are similar. Students develop methods for computing areas and arc lengths of circles and establish the definition of radian measure. Students solve mathematical and modeling problems involving area and volume of two- and three-dimensional shapes.

**ALGEBRA 2A:**
*Yearlong: .5 credit per semester*
*Prerequisites: Algebra 1 and Geometry*
In this course, students interpret key features of quadratic functions by analyzing equations, graphs, and tables, and use quadratic functions to model situations and solve problems. Students connect prior work with quadratics to understand the parabola as a conic section. Students compare similarities and differences between quadratic and absolute value functions. Students extend their understanding of number to the complex numbers and find complex solutions to quadratic equations. Students determine the behavior of polynomial functions and identify the key features of higher order polynomial functions by investigating structure/behavior of their graphs and equations. Students apply the Remainder Theorem and utilize factoring, long division, or synthetic division to identify the zeros of a polynomial. Students extend their understanding of complex numbers to determine the complex roots of a higher order polynomials. Students solve systems of functions, including polynomial functions, graphically. Students solve equations with rational exponents or radical expressions and identify the properties of radical functions. Students create equivalent expressions using the properties of exponents to solve rational, exponential, or radical equations. Students identify solutions as rational, irrational, and/or extraneous. Students model real-world situations with exponential functions. Students understand the definition of a logarithm as the inverse of an exponential function. Students incorporate the definition of logarithms and properties of exponents to solve equations and interpret solutions within a context.

**ALGEBRA 2B:**
*Yearlong: .5 credit per semester*
*Prerequisites: Algebra 1, Geometry and Algebra 2A*
In this course, students interpret categorical and quantitative data to make inferences and justify conclusions based on statistical simulations, studies, surveys, and experiments. Students estimate population percentiles by analyzing the normal curve. Students gather, summarize, evaluate, and interpret data to answer statistical questions. Students assess linear models of bivariate data using residual plots and the correlation coefficient. Students learn to manipulate rational expressions, write rational equations, graph rational functions, and identify key features of rational functions, such as end-behavior, intercepts, increasing, etc. Students revisit the concept of an extraneous solution. Students use factoring and the long division algorithm to rewrite rational expressions, equations, and functions into equivalent forms. Students use the unit circle to define a radian and use symmetry to extend the values of trigonometric functions into all four quadrants. Students determine properties of trigonometric graphs by “unfolding” the unit circle. Students explore sine and cosine functions and their graphs to model periodic situations and explore the effects of transformations on the amplitude, period, and midline of the function.

**AP PRE-CALCULUS A**
*Yearlong: .5 credit per semester*
*Prerequisites: Algebra 2*
AP Precalculus A is designed to be equivalent to the first half of a one-semester college precalculus course and prepares students to take the AP Precalculus Exam in May. AP Precalculus A has an Advanced Placement designation and qualifies for an extra 1.0 GPA quality point. This course centers on functions modeling dynamic phenomena. This research-based exploration of functions is designed to better prepare students for college-level calculus and provide grounding for other mathematics and science courses. In this course, students study a broad spectrum of function types that are foundational for careers in mathematics, physics, biology, health science, social science, and data science. Furthermore, as AP Precalculus may be the last mathematics course of a student’s secondary education, the course is structured to provide a coherent capstone experience and is not exclusively focused on preparation for future courses. This first semester focuses on polynomial, rational, exponential, and logarithmic functions.

**AP PRE-CALCULUS B**
*Yearlong: .5 credit per semester*
*Prerequisites: Algebra 2*
AP Precalculus B is designed to be equivalent to the second half of a one-semester college precalculus course and prepares students to take the AP Precalculus Exam in May. AP Precalculus B has an Advanced Placement designation and qualifies for an extra 1.0 GPA quality point. This course centers on functions modeling dynamic phenomena. This research-based exploration of functions is designed to better prepare students for college-level calculus and
provide grounding for other mathematics and science courses. In this course, students study a broad spectrum of function types that are foundational for careers in mathematics, physics, biology, health science, social science, and data science. Furthermore, as AP Precalculus may be the last mathematics course of a student’s secondary education, the course is structured to provide a coherent capstone experience and is not exclusively focused on preparation for future courses. This second semester focuses on trigonometric and polar functions as well as functions involving parameters, vectors, and matrices.

AP CALCULUS A/B A
Yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: Successful completion of Pre-Calculus
AP Calculus AB A is designed to be the equivalent of the first half of a one-semester college calculus course and prepares students to take the AP Calculus AB Exam in May. AP Calculus AB A has an Advanced Placement designation and qualifies for an extra 1.0 GPA quality point. In this course, students build on prior knowledge to understand the concept of a limit. Students learn techniques for determining limits, and how to evaluate limits for functions that are not continuous. Students consider what an instantaneous rate of change at a point means, and from this develop the definition of a derivative. Students find derivatives of the many function types they have studied in previous courses. They develop a toolbox of methods for determining the derivative of different function types. Students apply derivatives to understand the relationships between position, velocity, and acceleration, and to related rates. Students analyze key features of functions through analyzing their derivatives.

AP CALCULUS A/B B
Yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: Successful completion of Pre-Calculus
AP Calculus AB B is designed to be the equivalent of the second half of a one-semester college calculus course and prepares students to take the AP Calculus AB Exam in May. AP Calculus AB B has an Advanced Placement designation and qualifies for an extra 1.0 GPA quality point. In this course, students develop the understanding of an integral through approximation of area and accumulation of change. Students apply the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus to integrate functions. Students study and learn to solve differential equations. Students consider the applications of integration to find area under a curve and volumes of 3-dimensional solids.

AP STATISTICS A
Yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: Successful completion of Pre-Calculus or Algebra 2 (with teacher recommendation).
Students who complete both semesters of AP statistics will have had the equivalent of a one-semester college statistics class. AP Statistics A has an Advanced Placement designation and qualifies for an extra 1.0 GPA quality point. Throughout the course, three big ideas are considered – variation and distribution, patterns and uncertainty, and data-based predictions, decisions, and conclusions. Students learn how to display, summarize, and interpret data on single- and two variable quantitative and categorical variables. They learn how to fit models to data (a normal model to quantitative data, a linear model to bivariate data), evaluate the appropriateness of those models, and use the models to make predictions. They learn about the types of statistical studies including observational studies, experiments, and surveys. They learn how randomness and randomization are key parts of gathering unbiased data in any statistical study. Students study randomness through the lens of probability, focusing on conditional probability, binomial probabilities, normal probabilities, and random variables. Students apply their understanding of randomness and probability to develop the concept of a sampling distribution and its uses.

AP STATISTICS B
Yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: Successful completion of Pre-Calculus or Algebra 2 (with teacher recommendation).
Students who complete both semesters of AP statistics will have had the equivalent of a one-semester college statistics class. AP Statistics B has an Advanced Placement designation and qualifies for an extra 1.0 GPA quality point. Throughout the course, three big ideas are considered – variation and distribution, patterns and uncertainty, and data-based predictions, decisions, and conclusions. Students build on their understanding of sampling distributions to make inferences about populations based on the results of a single sample. Students use the sampling distribution of a sample proportion to create an estimate of a population value from a sample using a confidence interval based on the normal distribution. They also learn how to use conditional probability to determine the likelihood of a particular sample occurring given it came from a specific population, leading to the process of a hypothesis test. Students extend these two skills (creating confidence intervals and conducting hypothesis tests) to make inferences about the mean of a population using the t-distribution. They also learn how to compare samples from two different populations using normal and t-distributions. Students make inferences about categorical data in multiple categories using the chi-square distribution. Finally, students extend their work with linear regression to
determine confidence intervals and conduct hypothesis tests on the slope of a regression line.

**BUSINESS 130 MATH**  
*Semester long: .5 credit per semester*  
*Prerequisite: Algebra 1 and Geometry.*

The course includes instruction and review of basic math functions to prepare students for business classes. Topics may include using ratio-proportion, percents, estimating, basic algebra, trade/cash discounts, promissory notes, credit terms, and other consumer related activities. Although this course does not fulfill the math requirement for four-year degrees, it does fulfill the math requirement for many two-year Associate in Technical Arts (ATA) degrees. Including Accounting, Business Information Technology, Business Management, Construction Management, Culinary Arts, Horticulture, Hospitality and Tourism, Medical Information Technology, and others. Completion of this course with a D or higher fulfills the high school math graduation pathway requirement.
West Seattle High School Science Pathway

A flowchart is shown outlining the science pathways students can choose. All students must take Chem A/Phys A followed by Biology. After Biology, for their second year of physical science students can opt into either Phys B/Chem B, Chem C (yearlong Chemistry for students with a STEM focus), or AP Physics (yearlong Physics for students with a STEM focus). Once students have completed this three-year sequence all science options are available to them as seniors.
PHYSICS A
9th grade – yearlong .5 credit per semester
Prerequisite: None
PEER (Physics through Evidence, Empowerment through Reasoning) is an innovative, student-centered physics curriculum designed to engage students in scientific reasoning and follows a guided scientific model-building approach. It includes units on Charge, Magnetism, and Waves and helps students explain things aren’t directly observable. During each chapter, students are expected to share their previous knowledge, collect and analyze evidence, and develop a conceptual model of each idea. In Chapter C, students build and revise a model for static electricity including the process of charging insulators and the differences between insulators and conductors. Students then establish a model for current electricity, make observations involving series and parallel circuits, and analyze the relationship between voltage, current, and resistance. In Chapter M, students develop and revise a model for magnetism in order to explain observations such as attraction and repulsion between two magnets, the interaction between a magnet and the Earth, and magnetization of a ferromagnetic material. This chapter provides an example of how models are proposed, tested, and modified based on evidence. In Chapter W, students build and apply evidence-based models of sound and light waves. Students compare the characteristics of different kinds of waves and develop models for light and sound before deepening their models to include wave interference and the particle model of light.

CHEMISTRY A
9th grade – yearlong .5 credit per semester
Prerequisite: None
Chemistry A has been developed through a collaboration of science teachers across the district. The curriculum has been designed for students to develop their scientific skills and understanding through collaboration. Chemistry A includes 4 units: The Atom introduces students to the simple atomic model and the periodic table. Students will construct models of atoms, ions, and isotopes of various elements then apply their understandings to explore light as it relates to electron energy and emission spectra. Conductivity and Ionic Bonding introduces students to the types of bonds within substances. They will use ionic bonding as a context for exploring the octet rule and the behavior of valence electrons when atoms are bonding. Intermolecular Forces and Covalent Bonding expands on the students’ understanding of bonding and introduces new models. This builds on the octet rule as well as electronegativity. They will explore polarity and molecular geometry to help explain the interactions between molecules. These interactions are used to explain the bulk properties of polar and nonpolar substances. The Nuclear Sciences unit has students explore the various ways in which the nucleus of the atom can change in terms of energy and matter. Primarily, students will focus on modeling fission, fusion, alpha decay, beta decay, and gamma radiation. The nuclear unit will have students use their content understanding to analyze various uses of nuclear sciences within the medical and energy fields.

BIOLGY A
10th grade – yearlong .5 credit per semester
Prerequisite: None
Seattle Public Schools’ Biology curriculum for the BIO A course is called Carbon TIME (Transformations in Matter and Energy), developed by Michigan State University. The BIO A course includes a focus on processes that transform matter and energy at multiple scales: Cellular and atomic molecular: combustion, photosynthesis, cellular respiration, digestion, and biosynthesis Organismal: growth and metabolism in plants, animals, and decomposers Ecosystem: matter cycling and energy flow Earth systems: carbon cycling and climate change Biology A contains 6 units, each built around a real-world phenomenon or problem: System and Scale, Animals, Plants, Decomposers, Ecosystems and Human Energy Systems. Throughout each unit, students share their prior knowledge and ask questions about the unit phenomena. Students carry out investigations and obtain and evaluate information to gather evidence, they analyze and interpret that evidence to make sense of what they are learning and engage in argumentation through discourse to come to consensus about the ideas explored in each lesson. Students create an initial model and then use the evidence they’ve gathered, and ideas discussed as a class to revise that model and eventually construct an explanation of the phenomenon of the unit using their final model. Throughout the storyline of each unit students apply these practices to explore the Crosscutting Concepts (CCC) of Patterns, Energy and Matter, and Cause and Effect.

BIOLGY B
10th grade – yearlong .5 credit per semester
Prerequisite: None
Bio B was developed with teachers and university partners to create a program that incorporates the Next Generation Science Standards and the pedagogical tools called out in the standards. The course includes a focus on processes that transfer information through systems at multiple scales: Cellular and atomic molecular: mitosis, gene regulation, protein synthesis
and meiosis Organismal: growth, response to environment, expression of traits and frequency of traits in family trees Large scale: variation in populations, change in populations over time and factors that affect the biodiversity of an ecosystem Biology B contains 6 units, each built around a real-world phenomenon or problem: Development, Gene Regulation, Inheritance, Evolution and Population Ecology. Throughout each unit, students share their prior knowledge and ask questions about the unit phenomena. Students carry out investigations and obtain and evaluate information to gather evidence, they analyze and interpret that evidence to make sense of what they are learning and engage in argumentation through discourse to come to consensus about the ideas explored in each lesson. Students create and revise models using the evidence they’ve gathered, and ideas discussed as a class and eventually construct an explanation of the phenomenon of the unit using their final model. Throughout the storyline of each unit students apply these practices to explore the Crosscutting Concepts (CCC) of Patterns, Energy and Matter, and Cause and Effect.

**PHYSICS B**

*11th, grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester*

PEER (Physics through Evidence, Empowerment through Reasoning) is an innovative, student-centered physics curriculum designed to engage students in scientific reasoning and follows a guided scientific model-building approach. It includes units on Energy, Force, and Gravitation and addresses how energy, force, and gravitation can be used to explain the motion of objects. During each chapter, students are expected to share their previous knowledge, collect, and analyze evidence, and develop a conceptual model of each idea. In Chapter E, students use velocity-time graphs as evidence to support claims about energy transfers and conversions. Students are asked to consider differences between observations and inferences and consider how energy changes within a system. In Chapter F, students build force explanations for motion, establishing and formalizing Newton’s Laws of motion. The supplementary math activities involve calculating acceleration using velocity-time data, applying Newton’s Second Law, and calculating the effect of multiple forces acting on an object In Chapter G, students develop force and energy explanations for gravitation and apply these explanations to different situations. This chapter provides an example of how Newton’s Laws and ideas about energy transfer and conversion can be applied in various situations. Mathematical extensions include calculating the value of gravitational acceleration on Earth, exploring the difference between mass and weight, evaluating data related to gravitational potential energy, and applying the Universal Law of Gravitation.

**CHEMISTRY B**

*11th, grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester*

Chemistry B was developed through a district wide collaboration of science teachers. The curriculum was designed for students to collaboratively develop their scientific practices as well as learn Chemistry content. This second semester of Chemistry focuses on developing scientific models and mathematical explanations for chemistry principles. This course is divided into 5 units, each built around a real-world phenomenon or problem: determining spiciness in peppers, why a bridge fails early, engineering an effective airbag, engineering an effective hot or cold pack, and explaining why soda goes flat. Throughout each unit, students are expected to share their previous knowledge and ask questions about the unit phenomena. Students carry out investigations and obtain and evaluate information to gather evidence and analyze and interpret evidence to make sense of their learning. They engage in argument and discourse as lab groups and as a whole class to come to consensus about ideas explored in each lesson. Students will use the evidence gathered, and ideas discussed to develop and use a conceptual model of each topic and to help them gradually construct an explanation of the unit phenomenon. Throughout each unit storyline, students apply these practices to explore the Crosscutting Concepts (CCC) of scale, proportion, and quantity, cause and effect, patterns, and energy and matter, and stability and change.

**CHEMISTRY C**

*11th, grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester*

**Prerequisites: Chemistry A and Chemistry B**

Chemistry C offers extended topics in chemistry such as gas laws, thermodynamics, acid/base chemistry, molecular geometry, organic chemistry, biochemistry, as well as a more in-depth study of topics addressed in Chemistry A and B. Students will be engaged in lab-based chemistry that will refine their science and engineering skills within the context of an engaging storyline to explain a phenomenon.

**AP BIOLOGY 1/2**

*11th, 12th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester*

**Prerequisites: Biology and Chemistry.**

Advanced Placement Biology is a one-year course which prepares students for the College Board Advance Placement Exam in biology. The course is designed using the materials provided by College Board and is intended to be equivalent to one year of college biology for science majors. STUDENT LEARNING OBJECTIVES (SLO’S) 1. Be able to use laboratory equipment and perform laboratory procedures of the type usually found in first year college biology courses. 2. Be able to demonstrate proficiency in concepts, principles and terminology used in the first-year college biology course. 3. Be able
to discuss effectively and in depth a wide variety of biological topics as identified in the "Course Description" section of The College Board Advanced Placement Course Description. UPON COMPLETION OF THIS COURSE, STUDENTS SHOULD: 1. be able to use laboratory equipment and perform laboratory procedures of the type usually found in first year college biology courses; 2. be able to demonstrate proficiency in concepts, principles and terminology used in a first year college biology course; 3. be able to discuss effectively and in depth a wide variety of biological topics as identified in the "Course Description" section of The College Board Advanced Placement Course Description. 4. be prepared to take the college board AP Examination.

AP ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE 1/2
11th, 12th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: successful completion of biology and chemistry

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 the relative risks associated with these problems, and to examine alternative solutions for resolving or preventing them. Environmental science is interdisciplinary; it embraces a wide variety of topics from different areas of study. (Please see the College Board Website for additional information)

AP PHYSICS A/B
11th, 12th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisite: Algebra 2 (Honors Chemistry recommended) Concurrent with Pre-Calc or higher

This is a mathematics-based, college-level course intended for strong science students. This course is modeled after first-year college physics coursework. (Please see the College Board Website for additional information)

SCIENCE ELECTIVES:
ASTRONOMY
10th, 11th, 12th grade – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisite: Algebra 1

Students will investigate and learn how to describe star formation, classification, and evolution of the universe. Students will operate a telescope to find planets, nebulae, and galaxies at night; evaluate astronomical data to answer questions about space and planets; and apply modern astrophysics and particle physics principles to understand the characteristics of galaxies and the universe. Content will include Patterns in the sky Motion of celestial objects Distances Ancient astronomy Matter and energy Mass and energy Matter and atomic structure Light Properties of light Telescopes Telescope design and optics

NW ECOLOGY
11th, 12th grade – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisite: successful completion of biology, physics, and chemistry.

NW Ecology is a lab science course devoted to the study of how humans are connected to their environment with a special focus on our local Pacific Northwest ecosystem. Students analyze their lifestyle to learn how they impact the environment and what can be done to help maintain it. The course explores the hydrologic cycle and human impacts upon it. Students work in design teams to build models of a NW watershed, and they analyze the high school building and grounds and re-design it to be water friendly. As part of this course students work outside in 2 gardens. A native plant garden where they install, maintain and learn about native plants and why they are important and a climate change garden where they observe and monitor plants through several phenophases.

NW GEOLOGY
11th, 12th grade – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisite: successful completion of biology, physics, and chemistry.

NW Geology is a lab science course devoted to the study of how matter and energy is transformed on and inside the Earth. In this course students learn geologic processes have resulted in our local environment. Topics covered in this course include: The geologic composition of the earth. The Age of Earth and how Geologists use rocks to tell the story of the past. The Puget Sound basin, geology and the geologic history of the Puget Sound. How our current geologic setting was formed during the last ice age and how glaciers change the geologic landscape.
SOCIAL STUDIES
Graduation Requirements:
3 credits (6 semesters)
World History I, II, III
US History IIA and IIB
American Government 12A
(Completion of Washington State History or equivalent)

WORLD HISTORY I
9th grade: 0.5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: None
World History 1 is the first semester of three semester length sequenced courses that investigate civilizations across the globe focusing on 600 C.E. through 1440 C.E. Students will study the beginnings of trans-regional interactions. Specific guiding questions for the period of time students will study necessitate that they analyze how trade routes grew leading to the exchange of goods and ideas as well as conflict between societies and evaluate changes in social hierarchies and their impact on gender relations and family life. World History 1 begins to prepare students to engage some of the deepest questions facing historians from explaining the rise and fall of societies to the role geography and cultural diffusion has played in shaping society and individuals. Unlike traditional world history courses that only look at specific civilizations at different time intervals, the Seattle Public Schools program of study utilizes the latest research to provide a balanced, panoramic look across world cultures over time. State-mandated Since Time Immemorial curriculum will be integrated throughout this course as directed by Seattle Public Schools and the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

WORLD HISTORY II
10th grade: yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: None
World History 2 investigate the emergence of civilizations across the globe and how they grew and evolved via interaction with one another into kingdoms, empires, and eventually the nations we recognize today. Students will engage in the study of the global convergence and industrialization and global integration. Specific guiding questions to facilitate the investigation of this period and these world events include inquiry into the ways art and technology reflected the rise of individualism and articulated the role of the individual within society and what were the causes and consequences of imperial expansion. World History 2 continues to prepare students to engage some of the deepest questions facing historians and to hone their historian skills. Unlike traditional world history courses that only look at specific civilizations at different time intervals, the Seattle Public Schools program of study utilizes the latest research to provide a balanced, panoramic look across world cultures over time. By building on the foundation of World History 1, students will gain firm grounding in historical methodology and deepen their understanding of the economic, political, and social factors that have shaped the world.

WORLD HISTORY III
10th grade: yearlong: .5 credit per semester
World History 3 investigates the emergence of world cultures and nations that we recognize today. Specifically, students will be investigating global conflicts and politics and their consequences in the twentieth century and the global economy, society, and culture in the twentieth century. Specific guiding questions to shape the study of this time period include: What is the relationship between the major global conflicts in the 20th century and to what extent were their outcomes positive or negative and How does the unequal distribution of wealth throughout the world shape the global economy, society, and culture? World History 3 builds upon the historical research skills and content knowledge of the two previous courses to allow students even more entry points into thinking and writing like a historian. Unlike traditional world history courses that only look at specific civilizations at different time intervals, the Seattle Public Schools program of study utilizes the latest research to provide a balanced, panoramic look across world cultures over time. By the conclusion of World History 3, students will have a firm grounding in historical methodology as well as an understanding of the economic, political, and social factors that have shaped the world, preparing them for a focused, year-long study of American History in the 11th grade.

AP WORLD HISTORY 1/2
10th grade: yearlong: .5 credit per semester
The primary intent of the AP World History course is to teach the history of the world from a truly global stance rather than from the dominant perspective of Western civilization. This approach therefore places emphasis on worldwide historical processes and connections among the whole gamut of human societies. To achieve a comprehensive understanding of these events, students need both factual knowledge and the ability to critically assess such information. This course helps them on both fronts, teaching the historical facts in the context of how progressive changes-- environmental, social, scientific, and political--influenced the various societies they touched, as well as how these groups interacted with each other. Students are exposed to many primary sources in an effort to show them how historical analysis works and how they can proceed to make their own informed interpretations of world events, both past and present. Significantly, the course is organized by five defining time periods, not by geographical areas. This concept of “periodization” is a vehicle that facilitates seeing
both the continuities and changes over time that form the framework for understanding world history.

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT U.S. HISTORY 11A/B**

*11th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester*

**Prerequisites:** Demonstrated success in social studies and English courses.

The student will be able to apply social studies skills. 2. The student will be able to show knowledge of significant persons, groups, places, and events. 3. the student will be able to show understanding of significant vocabulary and concepts. **UPON COMPLETION OF THIS COURSE, STUDENTS SHOULD:** 1. be able to identify major themes in American history and to relate and to assess the importance of those themes to the present; 2. know why the United States constitution was created and how its unique structure permits adaptation to a changing social environment; 3. understand the gradual development of political parties, a strong national government, and the selective enlargement of democracy; 4. understand how the institution of slavery affected political, economic and social organization in the United States; 5. be able to analyze the sectional interests that led to civil war; 6. be familiar with the transformation of the American frontier; 7. be able to analyze how Native Americans and others became victims of "Manifest Destiny"; 8. be familiar with the conditions that led to the industrialization of the United States; 9. be able to describe how American society was modified by the reform movements such as populism; 10. understand how the emigration of people from other regions of the world to the United States and the internal movement of people from rural areas to urban centers affected American life; 11. understand the historical roots of conflicting American drives towards isolationism and intervention regarding world affairs and how that affected our foreign policy and involvement in wars; and 12. develop faith in the future, based on knowledge of American achievements against great odds in the past.

**ETH STUDIES US HISTORY 11A/B**

*11th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester*

**Prerequisites:** None

This course is designed to investigate self and society through the lens of Ethnic Studies. We will engage in problem-posing learning and critical inquiry to take ownership of our own narratives and to understand and respond to injustice in a variety of ways. The course explores four main areas of study: Identity, Power and Oppression, Liberation and Resistance, Action and Reflection. We will integrate the arts and center marginalized histories, voices, literature and current events including climate in/justice to explore solutions in a changing world.

**AMERICAN GOVERNMENT**

*12th grade – one semester: .5 credit*

**Prerequisites:** None

The purpose of this course in American Government, Civics and Economics is to give students an historical and current day understanding of how their government works, the importance of civic engagement in a democracy and how their economic system operates in order for them to participate meaningfully in making decisions that affect their lives. While covering the formal institutions of government, the course also places emphasis on the informal workings of the political and economic processes at the federal, tribal, state and local levels. A focus on the rights and responsibilities of citizens addressed in the Washington and United States Constitutions informs students of the fundamental values, expectations and institutions of our democracy and an acceptance of the privileges of citizenship. This course explores the dynamics and tensions involved in the operations of our local, state, tribal and federal government, in the electoral systems such as elections, ballot measures, initiatives, and referendum and in the way our economy influences and is influenced by government. Through the completion of the course, students will understand and be able to reflect upon the extent to which we live in a free society.

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT U.S. GOVERNMENT & POLITICS 1**

*12th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester*

**Prerequisite:** AP Government is intended to match the intensity of an introductory college Government class. All the readings are at the college level and the class moves very quickly.

AP U.S. Government and Politics is an introductory college-level course in U.S. government and politics. Students cultivate their understanding of U.S. government and politics through analysis of data and text-based sources as they explore topics like constitutionalism, liberty and order, civic participation in a representative democracy, competing policy-making interests, and methods of political analysis.

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT U.S. GOVERNMENT & POLITICS 2**

*12th grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester*

**Prerequisite:** AP Government is intended to match the intensity of an introductory college Government class. All the readings are at the college level and the class moves very quickly.

United States Government and Politics gives students an analytical perspective on government and politics in the United States. This course includes the study of general concepts used to interpret U.S. government and politics along with the analysis of specific examples. Students successfully completing this
course will: know important facts, concepts, and theories pertaining to U.S. government and politics; understand typical patterns of political processes and behavior and their consequences; be able to analyze and interpret basic data relevant to U.S. government and politics; be able to critically analyze relevant theories and concepts, apply them appropriately. This course requires considerable reading and homework outside of class to be successful. Summer reading prior to the course is mandatory as is taking the AP test in May.

WORLD LANGUAGES

World Language Graduation Requirements:
2.0 credits

SPANISH 1, 2, 3, 4/AP
FRENCH 1, 2, 3, 4/AP
CHINESE 1, 2, 3, 4/AP

Prerequisites: Students should have a 60% or higher grade in previous course (except level 1) or native speaker status. Students who have been most successful in any level have had an 80-85% or higher in previous world language level.

- Level 1 focuses on written and oral communication in the present tense. The first year covers greetings and simple conversations, the use of correct grammar, spelling, punctuation and syntax in basic writing assignments, and simple reading of forms, maps, advertisements and letters. Basic cultural information is also part of the course.

- Level 2 adds the past tense to the skills mastered in level one, with additional vocabulary and more details of grammar and syntax in spoken language, reading and written work. There is a continued focus on cultural information.

Past Freshmen enrolled in Spanish II, French II, or Chinese II have found that succeeding in second year High School foreign language presents a high-level challenge. Incoming Freshmen and Transfer Students who enroll in any of these courses will be expected to independently review and master first-year material before the beginning of the school year and periodically throughout the course.

- Level 3 offers a hands-on opportunity to engage in a variety of culturally relevant historical and social themes that allow students to develop their language skills in all areas. In the AP class, students will be asked to engage in a similar theme-based curriculum on a higher level. The AP course is technically a level 5 course, but students can take it after level 3 if they are feeling motivated and prepared. Students that would prefer another year of study before embarking on AP-level curriculum are encouraged to sign up for Level 4 after Level 3. All students should be prepared to be independent learners, complete homework on time, and be willing to engage with other members in the class in the target language at an advanced level.

SPANISH HERIT SPKR A/B

Yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: none

Performance Level: Spanish for Heritage Speakers is a year-long course that supports, reinforces, and expands student knowledge of their own tongue. Because students understand at least the rudiments and structure of the language and have a working vocabulary, (to a greater or lesser extent), this course often moves faster than other Spanish courses. It will emphasize literary development (with a study of literature and composition). This course will also include culture and history of the variety of Spanish-speaking cultures. Students will learn translation skills. Students will demonstrate a deeper understanding of the relationship between the practices, products and perspectives of Spanish-speaking people. At the conclusion of this course students will be able to: -Engage in conversation on familiar topics with spontaneity -Ask and answer a variety of questions with justification -Express opinions, feelings and attitudes using appropriate vocabulary -Understand both informal and formal authentic audio recordings, broadcasts and video -Use knowledge of Spanish language structure to derive meaning from a variety of authentic written text -Write organized, coherent pieces incorporating a variety of details and description using both simple and complex sentence structures (up to 200 words) -Acknowledge, compare, and discuss the practices, beliefs and perspectives of Spanish-speaking cultures The Spanish for Heritage Speakers curriculum is guided by a set of rigorously vetted course objectives that focus on improving communication skills already present and span the formation of simple structures to more complex sentence structure and word choice to creatively describe a variety of topics and situations. The course objectives encourage students to talk and write about identity, technology and communication, food and travel, healthy lifestyle, art and music, careers and the future. This course prepares students for the complexities they will face in college and career through a carefully constructed course of study. The course leads students in gaining a larger global
perspective while learning to communicate with a variety of people in socially appropriate ways. As a result, students are prepared to perform actions like carrying on formal and informal conversations in Spanish to get or give information, read and write paragraphs about selected topics in Spanish, and communicate their understanding of some products, practices, and perspectives of Spanish culture. Through a structured progression of topics that are current, relevant and meaningful for them, students will gain the knowledge and skills that enable them to communicate in writing and speech and to practice being a better global citizen.

SPANISH HERIT SPKR B
Yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: Spanish Heritage Spker A
Express increasingly complex concepts and ideas verbally and in writing. Demonstrate understanding of a variety of authentic literature and media. Increase ability to paraphrase. Cultural understanding is interwoven.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Graduation Requirements:
1.5 credits (3 semesters), Students must take a Competency Based Assessment

PERSONAL FITNESS
9th grade – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: None
This is the introductory Physical Education class for 9th grade students required by the Seattle School District. Students will have general PE team sport units ranging from Ultimate Frisbee to Volleyball, and fitness testing. Students will also study the following topics that reflect the Five for Life Health and Fitness Concepts: Introduction to Fitness, and Fitness Planning, the importance of muscular strength and muscular endurance, the importance of cardiorespiratory endurance to healthy living, how body composition impacts life, and the importance of flexibility in maintaining a healthy life. The course culminates with a State of Washington Classroom Based Assessment Test, based on the Five for Life Health and Fitness Concepts.

LIFETIME SPORTS
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: None
What does a student need to know to be a physically active and healthy adult? This is the essential question students will be answering through a lifetime sports lens. Students will examine how these lifetime activities can positively impact their fitness levels. Daily physical conditioning (stretching, conditioning, running) will be emphasized as an integral basic of each unit. Students will participate in measuring their fitness levels and working towards standards on the physical fitness test.

TEAM SPORTS
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: None
What does a student need to know to be a physically active and healthy adult? This is the essential question students will be answering through a team sports lens. Students will learn about and participate in over 16 different alternative, global and traditional team sports such as volleyball, bocce ball, ultimate Frisbee, badminton, flag football and more. Daily physical conditioning (stretching, conditioning, running) will be emphasized as an integral basic of each unit. Students will participate in measuring their fitness levels and working towards standards on the physical fitness test.

WEIGHT TRAINING AND CONDITIONING
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: None
Students will participate in the following activities: weight training, walks and runs, speed and agility, core training, and stretching. Students will be exposed to fitness routines/plans that will incorporate different muscle groups using a variety of training techniques and equipment. Proper safety in lifting and stretching will be taught. Students will be given an overview of anatomy and sports nutrition as well.
Fine Art Course Sequences

All Art Courses are .5 or 1.0 Fine Art credits, depending on if it's a semester or year long course

*Courses can count as CTE or Fine Art Credit

**Grade Level Key**
- Grade 9-12
- Grade 10-12

Music
- Chorale (Grade 9-12)
- Concert Band (Grade 9-12)
- Symphonic Band (Grade 10-12) By Audition
- Concert Orchestra (Grade 9-12)
- Percussion Ensemble (Grade 9-12)
- Jazz Band (Grade 9-12) Teacher Approval
- Guitar 1 (Grade 9-12)
- Guitar 2 (Grade 9-12)

Ceramics
- Ceramics Beginning (Grade 9-12)
- Ceramics Advanced (Grade 9-12)

Drawing & Painting
- Drawing & Painting Beginning (Grade 9-12)
- Drawing & Painting Advanced (Grade 9-12)
- AP Art & Design (Grade 10-12)

*Photography/Graphic Design
- Photography Beginning (Grade 9-12)
- Graphic Design Beginning (Grade 9-12)
- Photography Advanced (Grade 9-12)
FINE ARTS
Graduation Requirements:
2.0 credits (4 semesters)

Art:
CERAMICS BEGINNING
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: None
Students incorporate the Elements of Art and Principles of Design as part of their investigation into Ceramic Art. Studio time includes demonstrations, planning and development of works to reflect skill building and student vision in expressing relevant ideas. Hand building construction methods may include pinch, coil, slab, and some schools may offer introduction to the wheel as an option. Students may explore traditional and non-traditional aspects of surface decoration and firing techniques. Students explore color and glazing techniques on finished pieces as an integral part of the ceramic process. Students engage in written reflection, other presentation methods, as part of investigating artists and artistic styles. Skills learned are applicable to fields of Architecture, model making, engineering, mechanics or other fields with 3D application.

CERAMICS ADVANCED
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: Cermics Beginning
This course challenges students to develop higher level work in more complex assignments, and work expressing student voice. Students have opportunities to develop wheel throwing skills, explore a greater range of techniques which may include a range of glaze techniques, sgraffito, raku firing, or work on a larger scale. More emphasis includes attention to surface details, handles, lids, and spouts. Students should be expected to self-assess and improve through the process of researching, discussion planning, constructing and evaluating their work. Students may be expected to write proposals for independent work and complete research projects on ceramic artists or cultural art forms. Students are encouraged to visit ceramic studios and explore other artists work to broaden their understanding of the practice and application of ceramic work. As a preparatory Career and Technology (CTE) equivalent course, students demonstrate leadership and employability skills. Students have expanded opportunities to make direct connections to careers as working artists. Course content may include portfolio development, guest speakers from arts industries, and development of professional responsibility skills such as time management, reliability and punctuality, ability to multi-task and present oneself professionally.

DRAWING & PAINTING BEGINNING
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: None
In this course students practice skills and develop ideas through investigation of the Elements of Art and Principles of Design and compositional strategies. Students will practice critique of their own work and of peers as part of reflection and responding, to support improving and refining work, using Visual Art specific vocabulary. Students develop a body of work showcasing a range of media, which might include graphite, pen, colored pencils, pastels, markers, ink, watercolor, tempera, acrylic and printmaking. Students are exposed to and discuss art from other time periods and cultures to develop a deeper appreciation and understanding of how and why art is made. Students are encouraged to synthesize artists styles, concepts, and techniques as they develop finished pieces to visually communicate personal thought, emotion, or statements.

DRAWING & PAINTING ADVANCED
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: Drawing and Painting I Beginning or Teacher approval
This course may be repeated for credit. In this course students continue to develop their skills and ideas through investigation of the Elements of Art and Principles of Design and compositional strategies. Students develop a body of work expressing more independence and voice in a range of media, which might include graphite, pen, colored pencils, pastels, markers, ink, watercolor, acrylic and printmaking ink. Students discuss art from other time periods and cultures to develop a deeper appreciation and understanding of how and why art is made. Students are able to critique their own work and that of peers as part of reflection and responding, to support improving and refining work, using Visual Art specific vocabulary. As a preparatory Career and Technology (CTE) equivalent course, students demonstrate leadership and employability skills. Students have expanded opportunities to make direct connections to careers as working artists. Course content may include portfolio development, guest speakers from arts industries, and development of professional responsibility skills such as time management, reliability and punctuality, ability to multi-task and present oneself professionally.

AP ART AND DESIGN A
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: Drawing and Painting Beginning and Advance or teacher approval
This class is built around: 1) inquiry and investigation, 2) making through practice, experimentation, and revision, and 3) communication and reflection. As an introductory college course, students need to work
inside and outside the classroom and beyond scheduled periods. Homework such as a journal or sketchbook, should support the depth of learning expected of AP students. Constructive, formative, critiques are equally important in the class. The portfolio exams contain 2 required sections: Selected works (5 works), and sustained investigation (15 digital images) to be submitted as an end of course summative assessment. As a preparatory Career and Technical Education (CTE) equivalent course, students demonstrate leadership and employability skills. Students have expanded opportunities to make direct connections to careers as working artists and develop professional responsibility skills such as time management, reliability and punctuality, ability to multi-task and present oneself professionally.

**AP ART AND DESIGN B**
All grades – one semester: .5 credit  
Prerequisites: Drawing and Painting Beginning, Advance, AP Art and Design A or teacher approval  
This is the second semester of AP Art and Design and is an inquiry-based approach to learning about art and design. Students conduct in-depth and sustained investigation of materials, processes, and ideas with a self-selected media focus: Drawing, 2D and 3D art. This process supports students to become inquisitive and thoughtful artists and designers. Student work is developed for a portfolio that is submitted to the AP College Board for review and scoring. This course is recommended but not limited to students looking to apply to art colleges after high school.

**AP ART 3D DESIGN A/B**
All grades – one semester: .5 credit  
Prerequisites: Drawing and Painting Beginning, Advance, AP Art and Design A or teacher approval  
The AP Art and Design course presents an inquiry-based approach to learning about art and design. Students conduct in-depth and sustained investigation of materials, processes, and ideas with a self-selected media focus: Drawing, 2D and 3D art. This process supports students to become inquisitive and thoughtful artists and designers. The course continues for a second semester where students develop a portfolio in preparation for AP College Board submission. This course is recommended but not limited to students looking to apply to art colleges after high school. Students may receive CTE credit after fulfilling all Fine Arts credit requirements.

**GRAPHIC DESIGN BEGINNING**
All grades – one semester: .5 credit  
Prerequisites: None  
Graphic Design Beginning is an introduction to elements and principles of design, spatial relationships, typography and imagery as they apply to practical visual solutions. Students explore all aspects of graphic design produce deliverables that convey messages and persuade viewers. Students use industry-standard software to create posters, brochures, logos, and other digital and print media. Students explore current trends in graphic production and will develop their own artistic style. This is an exploratory Career and Technical Education (CTE) course. As such, students demonstrate leadership and employability skills. Students are provided with opportunities to make direct connections to careers as working artists. Course content may include portfolio development, guest speakers from arts industries, and development of professional responsibility skills such as time management, reliability and punctuality, ability to multi-task and present oneself professionally.

**GRAPHIC DESIGN ADVANCED**
All grades – one semester: .5 credit  
Prerequisites: successful completion of graphic design beginning  
Graphic Design Advanced emphasizes the development of an individual style and creative approach to design. Students are challenged to grow as an independent learner with more complex and open-ended design assignments. Students explore real-world, client-based projects such as Yearbook or promotional materials for the district, school, or class. This course may be cross-credited for Fine Arts. This course may be repeated for credit.

**Music:**
**CHORALE A:**
All grades – one semester/yearlong: .5 credit per semester  
No Prerequisites  
Students enrolled in Chorale learn appropriate technique, tone, articulation, phrasing and style through the performance of literature from multiple genres and eras. Students learn melodic, rhythmic and harmonic theory as it applies to the concert ensemble. They improve their ability to sight sing. Students utilize habits of a good musician and ensemble etiquette. Semesters 1-2: Students learn beginning vocal technique. Students refine their ability to match pitch and correctly perform rhythms in a piece of music. Students learn solfege syllables and apply it to repertoire. Students learn basic music notation terminology and apply it to music reading. Students practice correct performance etiquette, including timely arrival, supportive audience behavior, and facial and body engagement in performance. Students analyze and evaluate group choral performances from recordings. They are introduced to the concepts to perform in various styles and repertoire appropriate for the ensemble. Semesters 3-4: Students sing with breath energy, support, and good vocal tone. They maintain established tempo of a given piece. Students distinguish and sing stepwise and skipping passages from the written notation. Students visually and aurally
Students identify and perform examples of staccato and legato articulation and accents. Students analyze and evaluate the performances of other choirs and solo artists, using that knowledge to set goals for the ensemble. Semesters 5-6: Students obtain experiences necessary to become musicians in the industry through increased leadership responsibilities, understanding of the roles of all members of the ensemble, and the responsibilities required of all musicians to properly prepare for a variety of performance situations. Students develop skills to select repertoire and suggest appropriate music for various performance situations. Students continue to build skills, including advanced sight-singing and self-assessment. Students expand their grasp and demonstration of correct vocal technique. They demonstrate growth in their ensemble skills by beginning to sing with attention to blend among individual sections and balance between parts. In music literacy, students read/perform/notate/create syncopated rhythm patterns and dotted eight-sixteenth patterns. Semesters 7-8: Students gain experiences observing and apprenticing with professionals in performing ensembles and deepen their understanding of the expectations of performers/composers/educators in the music industry. Students perform a wide variety of musical styles with high levels of complexity. Students expand their mastery of the voice as an instrument. They gain the skills to identify their own musical strengths and areas of growth. Students demonstrate an appreciation of the various historical aspects of choral music and articulate their appreciation to audiences. As a preparatory Career and Technical Education (CTE) equivalent course, students demonstrate leadership and employability skills. Students have expanded opportunities to make direct connections to careers as working artists. Course content may include portfolio development, guest speakers from arts industries, and development of professional responsibility skills such as time management, reliability and punctuality, ability to multi-task and present oneself professionally.

**CHORALE B:**

*All grades – one semester/yearlong: .5 credit per semester*

*No Prerequisites*

Students enrolled in Chorale learn appropriate technique, tone, articulation, phrasing, and style through the performance of literature from multiple genres and eras. Students learn melodic, rhythmic, and harmonic theory as it applies to the concert ensemble. They improve their ability to sight sing. Students utilize habits of a good musician and ensemble etiquette. Semesters 1-2: Students learn beginning vocal technique. Students refine their ability to match pitch and correctly perform rhythms in a piece of music. Students learn solfege syllables and apply it to repertoire. Students learn basic music notation terminology and apply it to music reading. Students practice correct performance etiquette, including timely arrival, supportive audience behavior, and facial and body engagement in performance. Students analyze and evaluate group choral performances from recordings. They are introduced to the concepts to perform in various styles and repertoire appropriate for the ensemble. Semesters 3-4: Students sing with breath energy, support, and good vocal tone. They maintain established tempo of a given piece. Students distinguish and sing stepwise and skipping passages from the written notation. Students visually and aurally distinguish between whole and half steps, understand duple vs. triple meter, and apply this knowledge in their singing. Students identify and perform examples of staccato and legato articulation and accents. Students analyze and evaluate the performances of other choirs and solo artists, using that knowledge to set goals for the ensemble. Semesters 5-6: Students obtain experiences necessary to become musicians in the industry through increased leadership responsibilities, understanding of the roles of all members of the ensemble, and the responsibilities required of all musicians to properly prepare for a variety of performance situations. Students develop skills to select repertoire and suggest appropriate music for various performance situations. Students continue to build skills, including advanced sight-singing and self-assessment. Students expand their grasp and demonstration of correct vocal technique. They demonstrate growth in their ensemble skills by beginning to sing with attention to blend among individual sections and balance between parts. In music literacy, students read/perform/notate/create syncopated rhythm patterns and dotted eight-sixteenth patterns. Semesters 7-8: Students gain experiences observing and apprenticing with professionals in performing ensembles and deepen their understanding of the expectations of performers/composers/educators in the music industry. Students perform a wide variety of musical styles with high levels of complexity. Students expand their mastery of the voice as an instrument. They gain the skills to identify their own musical strengths and areas of growth. Students demonstrate an appreciation of the various historical aspects of choral music and articulate their appreciation to audiences. As a preparatory Career and Technical Education (CTE) equivalent course, students demonstrate leadership and employability skills. Students have expanded opportunities to make direct connections to careers as working artists. Course content may include portfolio development, guest speakers from arts industries, and development of professional responsibility skills such as time management, reliability and punctuality, ability to multi-task and present oneself professionally.
the ensemble. Students begin to make personal musical decisions that are in alignment with goals of the ensemble.

**CONCERT BAND B:**
*All grades - yearlong: .5 credit per semester*
*No Prerequisites.*

Concert Band is a year-long course for students who play traditional woodwind, brass, and percussion instruments. Students gain intermediate and advanced knowledge in ensemble skills, practice habits, personal musicality, and technique. Students are introduced to music from a variety of cultures and time periods, work with a conductor, and can perform in a large ensemble setting to develop ensemble technique and musical leadership. Students practice appropriate rehearsal skills, ensemble, and performance etiquette, cultivate life-long leadership skills, and executive musical skills, including music theory concepts and knowledge of musical composition, arranging, and improvisation. Students learn major/minor scales, chord progressions, intervals, and tuning from a concert A. Students perform in school concerts, regional festivals and athletic events. Concert Band may be repeated for credit. Semesters 1-2: Students learn proper rehearsal skills, performance etiquette and proper playing technique on their chosen instrument. Students explore concepts necessary to raise their individual level of musicianship and learn their role as a productive and contributing member of the ensemble. This includes learning to play with appropriate technique, tone, articulation, phrasing, and style for a high school ensemble. In addition, students increase their adeptness in sight-reading and are introduced to concepts necessary to perform in various styles and repertoire appropriate for the ensemble. Semesters 3-8: Building on skills and knowledge acquired in previous semesters, students increase their level of skill on their chosen instrument, gain a greater knowledge of the musical concepts and deepen their understanding of their role within the ensemble particularly in the development of leadership skills. Students broaden their understanding of styles, genres, and time periods and hone the skills necessary to self-assess their individual musical and technical progress as well as how they are performing in their role within the ensemble. Students begin to make personal musical decisions that are in alignment with goals of the ensemble.

**CONCERT ORCHESTRA A**
*All grade -- yearlong: .5 credit per semester*
*No Prerequisites*

Students may take this course for Occ Ed credit after completing enough semesters of string courses to fulfill the Fine Arts Credit Requirement. Concert Orchestra is a performing ensemble that may include woodwind, brass and percussion instrumentation in addition to a core of string students. Students gain
intermediate to advanced knowledge in ensemble skills, practice habits, personal musicality, and technique. As a vehicle for skill acquisition, students are introduced to music from a variety of cultures and time periods, work with a conductor, and can perform in chamber settings to develop ensemble technique and musical leadership. Students practice appropriate rehearsal skills and performance etiquette, cultivate life-long leadership skills, and executive musical skills. Skills include music theory concepts and knowledge of musical composition, arranging, and improvisation. Students learn major/minor scales, chord progressions, intervals, and ensemble etiquette. Students perform in school concerts and regional festivals. Attention to fine detail and awareness of their instrument’s role within the ensemble will be taught. Concert Orchestra may be repeated for credit. Semesters 1-2: Students learn rehearsal skills, performance etiquette, and technique on their instrument necessary to perform repertoire appropriate for the ensemble. Semesters 3-8: Building upon skills and knowledge acquired in previous years, students increase their level of musical and technical development on their chosen instrument. Students gain a greater knowledge of musical concepts. They deepen their understanding of their role within the ensemble, particularly in the development of leadership skills. Students broaden their understanding of styles, genres, and time periods. Students hone the skills necessary to self-assess their individual musical and technical progress as well as how they are performing in their role within the ensemble. Students begin to make personal musical decisions that are in alignment with goals of the ensemble.

**CONCERT ORCHESTRA B**

*All grade – yearlong: .5 credit per semester*

*No Prerequisites*

Students may take this course for Occ Ed credit after completing enough semesters of string courses to fulfill the Fine Arts Credit Requirement. Concert Orchestra is a performing ensemble that may include woodwind, brass, and percussion instrumentation in addition to a core of string students. Students gain intermediate to advanced knowledge in ensemble skills, practice habits, personal musicality, and technique. As a vehicle for skill acquisition, students are introduced to music from a variety of cultures and time periods, work with a conductor, and can perform in chamber settings to develop ensemble technique and musical leadership. Students practice appropriate rehearsal skills and performance etiquette, cultivate life-long leadership skills, and executive musical skills. Skills include music theory concepts and knowledge of musical composition, arranging, and improvisation. Students learn major/minor scales, chord progressions, intervals, and ensemble etiquette. Students perform in school concerts and regional festivals. Attention to fine detail and awareness of their instrument’s role within the ensemble will be taught. Concert Orchestra may be repeated for credit. Semesters 1-2: Students learn rehearsal skills, performance etiquette, and technique on their instrument necessary to perform repertoire appropriate for the ensemble. Semesters 3-8: Building upon skills and knowledge acquired in previous years, students increase their level of musical and technical development on their chosen instrument. Students gain a greater knowledge of musical concepts. They deepen their understanding of their role within the ensemble, particularly in the development of leadership skills. Students broaden their understanding of styles, genres, and time periods. Students hone the skills necessary to self-assess their individual musical and technical progress as well as how they are performing in their role within the ensemble. Students begin to make personal musical decisions that are in alignment with goals of the ensemble.

**GUITAR LAB 1**

*All grades – one semester: .5 credit per semester*

*Prerequisites: None*

Students in this class learn the basic skills and concepts to gain a rudimentary proficiency performing on a guitar. Students learn correct body posture, how to tune the instrument, and the physical aspect of the instrument. Students learn technical skills including left hand finger exercises, left hand chord formation, strum patterns, and melodic finger picking technique. Students learn to recognize and notate music in tablature, chordal, and traditional note head notation. Students listen to, analyze, and describe music from a variety of genres, which may include Classical, Rock, Folk, and Jazz. Audio and visual examples of guitarists and music from various historical periods and world cultures will be included. This is a one semester course.

**GUITAR LAB 2**

*All grades – one semester: .5 credit per semester*

*Prerequisites: Guitar Lab 1 or teacher approval*

Guitar Lab 2 is an advanced guitar class for students who have a basic understanding of the guitar and are interested in building their music theory and playing skills. Building on skills and knowledge acquired in Guitar Lab 1, students continue to develop their individual musicianship and playing technique for the guitar. In this class, advanced finger ability exercises, note reading, chord construction, sight-singing, improvisation, and music theory will be introduced. Students help choose the style/genre of guitar music they wish to study with the instructor. Students listen to, analyze, and describe audio and visual examples of guitarists and music from various historical periods and world cultures to broaden their understanding of music in its relation to history and culture. Students gain experience in improvisation and in composing...
music within specified guidelines. Students perform alone and with others a varied repertoire of music.

**JAZZ BAND A:**
All grades - yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: Teacher Approval
0 Period Only!
Jazz Band is a year-long performing ensemble with traditional wind and rhythm section instrumentation. Students enrolled in Jazz Band are expected to participate in all Jazz Band activities during or outside the normal school day, including participation in festivals and trips. Students take the skills and concepts learned in band ensembles and apply them to beginning to intermediate jazz music literature. Students learn to perform an improvised jazz solo. Semesters 3-8: Students continue their learning of individual playing technique on their chosen instrument. Students are introduced to the basic concepts of swing and become fluent in performing appropriate articulation and nuance of swing 8th-notes and quarter notes. The ensemble is introduced to the concepts necessary to perform in various styles including Medium Swing, Latin, Ballad, and Up-tempo Swing. Students develop their individual musicianship and technical skills and their understanding of their role within the jazz ensemble. Students learn the basic concepts necessary to perform an improvised jazz solo. Semesters 3-8: Students continue their learning of individual playing technique on their chosen instrument and build on their knowledge of concepts needed to play in all styles of jazz. Students learn more advanced improvisation soloing techniques and begin to learn the basics of jazz theory like chord progressions and arranging. As a preparatory Career and Technical Education (CTE) equivalent course, students demonstrate leadership and employability skills. Students have expanded opportunities to make direct connections to careers as working artists. Course content may include portfolio development, guest speakers from arts industries, and development of professional responsibility skills such as time management, reliability and punctuality, ability to multi-task and present oneself professionally.

**JAZZ BAND B:**
All grades - yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: Teacher approval
0 Period Only!
Jazz Band is a year-long performing ensemble with traditional wind and rhythm section instrumentation. Students enrolled in Jazz Band are expected to participate in all Jazz Band activities during or outside the normal school day, including participation in festivals and trips. Students take the skills and concepts learned in band ensembles and apply them to beginning to intermediate jazz music literature. Students learn and grow as musicians as they increase their individual musicianship and skills as a member of a jazz performing ensemble. Students gain experiences performing jazz in its various styles with its foundation in the concepts of swing. If students cannot acquire their own equipment, equipment will be provided for them. Jazz Band may be repeated for credit. Semesters 1-2: Students learn proper rehearsal skills, performance etiquette and demonstrate proper playing technique on their chosen instrument. Students are introduced to the basic concepts of swing and become fluent in performing appropriate articulation and nuance of swing 8th-notes and quarter notes. The ensemble is introduced to the concepts necessary to perform in various styles including Medium Swing, Latin, Ballad, and Up-tempo Swing. Students develop their individual musicianship and technical skills and their understanding of their role within the jazz ensemble. Students learn the basic concepts necessary to perform an improvised jazz solo. Semesters 3-8: Students continue their learning of individual playing technique on their chosen instrument and build on their knowledge of concepts needed to play in all styles of jazz. Students learn more advanced improvisation soloing techniques and begin to learn the basics of jazz theory like chord progressions and arranging. As a preparatory Career and Technical Education (CTE) equivalent course, students demonstrate leadership and employability skills. Students have expanded opportunities to make direct connections to careers as working artists. Course content may include portfolio development, guest speakers from arts industries, and development of professional responsibility skills such as time management, reliability and punctuality, ability to multi-task and present oneself professionally.

**PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE A:**
All grades - yearlong: .5 credit per semester
No Prerequisites.
This course may take one of several forms that includes, but is not limited to: a drumline, a marimba ensemble, an African Drum ensemble, a Steel Pan ensemble, or any configuration of pitched and unpitched percussion equipment. Students learn literature from a variety of time periods and cultures with the appropriate technique, instrument specific articulation, phrasing and style. Students perform in school concerts and regional festivals. Semesters 1-2: Students learn proper rehearsal skills, performance and audience etiquette and demonstrate proper playing technique on their instrument. Students are introduced to concepts necessary to raise their level of individual musicianship and learn their role as a productive and
Percussion Ensemble B:
All grades - yearlong: .5 credit per semester
No Prerequisites.
This course may take one of several forms that includes, but is not limited to: a drumline, a marimba ensemble, an African Drum ensemble, a Steel Pan ensemble, or any configuration of pitched and unpitched percussion equipment. Students learn literature from a variety of time periods and cultures with the appropriate technique, instrument specific articulation, phrasing and style. Students perform in school concerts and regional festivals. Semesters 1-2: Students learn proper rehearsal skills, performance and audience etiquette and demonstrate proper playing technique on their instrument. Students are introduced to concepts necessary to raise their level of individual musicianship and learn their role as a productive and contributing member of the ensemble. This includes rudiments on pitched and non-pitched percussion, scales on pitched percussion, and music notation for various types of percussion. Students increase their adeptness in sight-reading and their ability in fundamental concepts with other ensemble members. The ensemble is introduced to the concepts necessary to perform in various styles and repertoire appropriate for the ensemble. Semesters 3-8: Building on skills and knowledge acquired in semesters 1-2, students continue to develop their understanding of the basic concepts of individual musicianship, learning more about music theory, history, and notation. Students develop their technical skills through a focus on drum rudiments and technique exercises and their understanding of their role within the percussion ensemble.

Symphonic Band A:
10th, 11th, 12th grade - yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: Audition and/or teacher approval
The Symphonic Band is a year-long performing ensemble with traditional woodwind, brass, and percussion instrumentation. Students enrolled in Symphonic Band will be expected to participate in all Symphonic Band activities during or outside the normal school day, including participation in athletic band. Students will take the skills and concepts learned in Concert Band and apply them to more difficult music literature. Awareness of their instrument’s role and attention to fine detail within the ensemble will be taught. Students entering their 3rd year will be eligible for Occ Ed credit. Prerequisite: Minimum of 1-year participation in Concert band, Audition and/or teacher approval. Symphonic Band may be repeated for credit.

Symphonic Band B:
10th, 11th, 12th grade - yearlong: .5 credit per semester
Prerequisites: Audition and/or teacher approval
The Symphonic Band is a performing ensemble that may include woodwind, brass and percussion instrumentation. Instruction in Symphonic Band provides the student advanced knowledge in ensemble skills, practice habits, personal musicality, and technique. As a vehicle for skill acquisition, students are introduced to music from a variety of cultures and time periods, work with a conductor, and can develop technique and musical leadership. Students practice appropriate rehearsal skills, performance etiquette, cultivate life-long leadership skills and executive musical skills, including music theory concepts, knowledge of musical composition, arranging, and improvisation. Students learn major/minor scales, chord progressions, intervals, and ensemble etiquette. Students perform in school concerts, regional festivals and athletic events. Attention to fine detail and awareness of their instrument’s role within the ensemble will be taught. Symphonic Band may be repeated for credit. Semesters 1-2: Students learn rehearsal skills, performance etiquette and proper playing technique on their chosen instrument. Students learn their role as a productive and contributing member of the ensemble. The ensemble is introduced to the concepts necessary to perform in various styles and repertoire appropriate for the ensemble. Semesters 3-4: Building on skills and knowledge acquired in previous years, students increase their level of skill on their chosen instrument, gain a greater knowledge of the musical concepts and deepen their understanding of their role within the ensemble. Students broaden their understanding of a wider variety of styles, genres, and time periods. Students begin to demonstrate skills necessary to self-assess their individual performance and how they are performing in roles within the ensemble. Students begin to make personal musical decisions that are in alignment with goals of the ensemble. Semesters 5-8: Building on skills and knowledge acquired in previous years, students will perform a wider variety of styles and genres with higher levels of complexity and requiring a higher level of maturity. As a preparatory Career and
Technical Education (CTE) equivalent course, students demonstrate leadership and employability skills. Students have expanded opportunities to make direct connections to careers as working artists. Course content may include portfolio development, guest speakers from arts industries, and development of professional responsibility skills such as time management, reliability and punctuality, ability to multi-task and present oneself professionally.

**Digital Photography**

**Photography Beginning**
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: None
Students learn to operate cameras including use of manual settings such as focus, shutter speed, aperture, and ISO controls. Students explore the use of tripods, various lenses, and basic lighting equipment. Students apply rules of photo composition and elements of art to a variety of photo genres such as portraiture, candid, landscape, still-life, urban, architectural, and abstract. Students adjust the contrast, sharpness, and other aspects of their images through processing and editing. Depending on school facilities, this course could include film development and darkroom techniques and/or digital cameras and industry-standard photo editing software. This is an exploratory Career and Technical Education (CTE) course. As such, students demonstrate leadership and employability skills. Students have opportunities to make direct connections to careers as working artists. Course content may include portfolio development, guest speakers from arts industries, and development of professional responsibility skills such as time management, reliability and punctuality, ability to multi-task and present oneself professionally.

**Photography Advanced+ ~**
9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grade – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: Photography Beginning
Students learn more advanced photography techniques and concepts related to studio lighting, staged photo shoots, expressive color manipulation, montage, multiple exposures, photo essays, mixed media/alternative processes, etc. that draw on creative and critical thinking skills. Students explore photography careers that span a wide variety of areas such as science, criminology, journalism, marketing, and live events. Semester 2: Students improve their shooting, editing, workflow, critiquing, and gallery display skills. Semesters 3-7: Building on skills and knowledge acquired in previous semesters, students further refine their ability to use the camera as a creative tool to express a unique personal vision. Students assemble, evaluate, and prepare a portfolio which can be used for college submission. Depending on school facilities, this course could incorporate advanced darkroom techniques and/or advanced features of industry-standard photo editing software. As a preparatory Career and Technical Education (CTE) course, students demonstrate leadership and employability skills. Students have expanded opportunities to make direct connections to careers as working artists. Course content may include portfolio development, guest speakers from arts industries, and development of professional responsibility skills such as time management, reliability and punctuality, ability to multi-task and present oneself professionally.

**Theatre**

**Theatre Beginning**
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: None
During this course, students are introduced to the foundations of acting including ensemble, concentration, imagination, creative risk taking, and observation. Students develop and refine artistic techniques through the means of creating character, preparing a scene for performance, improvising, and devising original stories. Basic stage terminology, staging composition, memorization skills, movement, vocal production techniques, script analysis, audience etiquette, and storytelling forms are covered. Students evaluate works of theatre and learn peer feedback and self-reflection processes.

**Theatre Advanced**
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: Theatre Beginning
During this course, students continue to deepen their acting repertoire by selecting new monologue and scene material for performance and feedback. Opportunities for additional student and teacher-driven script selection will increase exposure to a variety of forms, styles, regions, and periods of theatre literature. Specialized acting skills might include acting methods such as Meisner or Stanislavski and movement-based acting techniques such as Laban, Rasa boxes, Viewpoints, and Suzuki. Other skills of advanced study might include pantomime, mask work, improvisation, stage combat, stage make-up, and creative drama with the goal of building out the advanced theatre student’s resume of training experiences.
CTE Course Sequences

All CTE Courses are .5 or 1.0 CTE credits, depending on if it's a semester or year long course
*Courses can count as CTE or Fine Art Credit

Woodworking
- Residential Carpentry 1A (Grade 9-12)
  - Residential Carpentry 1B (Grade 9-12)

CAD
- CAD Design 1 (Grade 9-12)
  - CAD Design 2 (Grade 9-12)

Automotive Technology
- Auto 1 (Grade 9-12)
  - Auto 2 (Grade 9-12)
  - Auto 3 (Grade 10-12)

Family and Consumer Sciences
- Nutrition & Wellness (Grade 9-12)
  - Baking & Pastry (Grade 9-12)
  - Culinary Arts (Grade 10-12)

Business Marketing
- Intro to Business (Grade 9-12)
  - Social Media Marketing (Grade 9-12)
  - Marketing 1 (Grade 9-12)
  - Marketing 2 (Grade 10-12)

Career Choices
- Career Connect 1 (Grade 9-10)
- Career Connect 2 (Grade 11-12)

Family and Consumer Sciences
- Family Health (Grade 9-12)
- Independent Living (Grade 10-12)
- Psychology (Grade 10-12)

*Theatre Tech
- Tech Theatre Beg (Grade 9-12)
  - Tech Theatre Adv (Grade 9-12)

*Photography/Graphic Design
- Photography Beginning (Grade 9-12)
- Graphic Design Beginning (Grade 9-12)
- Photography Advanced (Grade 9-12)

Grade Level Key
- Grade 9-10
- Grade 9-12
- Grade 10-12
- Grade 11-12

Marketing 1+Marketing 2=Dual credit
CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Graduation Requirements:
1.0 credits (2 semesters)

Automotive:

AUTO TECHNOLOGY I
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: None

In this course students study the history and development of the application of various power sources to do work. The emphasis is in basic theory and operation of the gasoline engine and the use of basic automotive hand tools and test equipment, e.g., compression tester, vacuum gauge, timing light, hydrometer, voltmeter, time pressure gauge, radiator pressure tester, etc. This is a consumer-oriented course. The major projects are to service and tune-up automobiles.

AUTO TECHNOLOGY II
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: Auto Technology I

This course continues to prepare individuals to apply technical knowledge and skills to repair, service, and maintain all types of automobiles. Includes instruction in brake systems, electrical systems, engine performance, engine repair, suspension and steering, automatic and manual transmissions and drive trains, and heating and air conditioning systems.

AUTO TECHNOLOGY III
10th, 11th and 12th grade – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: Auto Technology I and II

This course continues to prepare individuals to apply technical knowledge and skills to repair, service, and maintain all types of automobiles. Includes instruction in brake systems, electrical systems, engine performance, engine repair, suspension and steering, automatic and manual transmissions and drive trains, and heating and air conditioning systems.

Business Marketing

ENTREPRENEURSHIP
10th, 11th and 12th grade – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: Introduction to Business, Social Media Marketing or Marketing 1

Entrepreneurship courses acquaint students with the knowledge and skills necessary to own and operate their own businesses. Topics from several fields typically form the course content: economics, marketing principles, human relations and psychology, business and labor law, legal rights and responsibilities of ownership, business and financial planning, finance and accounting, and communication. Several topics surveyed in Business Management courses may also be included. Entrepreneurship is a specialized marketing course designed to provide students the skills needed to effectively organize, develop, create, finance, and manage their own business. This course is based upon the Marketing Education Framework which includes business, management, and entrepreneurship; communication and interpersonal skills; economics; leadership; and professional development foundations. Additional topics to be addressed are assessment of personal skills, leadership, human relations and Interpersonal skills, and the importance of business ethics. Students will also explore themes of social entrepreneurship activities will include community building, philanthropy and work in the non-profit sector. Students will develop a written business plan for a business of their choice.

INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: None

This course focuses on the general study of business, including the processes of exchanging goods and services (buying, selling, and producing), business organization, and accounting as used in profit-making and nonprofit public and private institutions and agencies. Topics of study may include world trade, stock market, housing, banks, finance, ethics, management and global business.

MARKETING 1
All grades – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: Introduction to Business

Marketing 1 is an introductory course which will expose students to the fundamental concepts of marketing. Students will evaluate interpersonal communication concepts and skills. This course will clearly define the marketing concept and lead students into a marketing education career pathway. Students may have the opportunity to participate and compete in DECA competitions and activities. Topics covered in Marketing 1 may include: what is marketing, introduction to business, marketing and economic concepts, human relations, how to get and keep a job, career development, selling and promotion.

MARKETING 2
10th, 11th and 12th grade – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: Introduction to Business and Marketing 1

Marketing 2 is the second of four courses that introduce students to the world of marketing including business and marketing functions, risk management, finance, marketing operations and specialized career development - in the area of the student’s interest. A central focus throughout the course will be the development of soft skills including teamwork, oral communication, written communication, and decision-making. Students have the opportunity to participate in DECA.
SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETING
9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grade--one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: Introduction to Business
In this hands-on project-based course students learn the most up-to-date methods of social media marketing and advertising. The skills and expertise they gain will prepare them for prized internships, jobs, and future education. They will work creatively and collaboratively to solve real world marketing problems, with measurable goals and outcomes. This course will immerse students in the social media marketplace. Students will learn how to work with the metrics and demographics that are unique to each social media platform. They will use metrics to track progress and improve outcomes. They will apply the tools and techniques of marketing and advertising to connect with targeted consumers and achieve the goals of their campaigns. Students will work collaboratively in teams to design and create ads, videos, websites, blogs, and other kinds of posts. They will hone skills in copy writing, graphic design, photography, videography, and video editing. This course has full access to the Adobe Creative Suite, and students may use Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Premiere, and other programs in their work. They may further cultivate these skills, or work with team members who may already have proficiency in some of the Adobe programs. Guest speakers will further connect students to the real world of Social Media Marketing and Advertising, helping them to see how their growing skill set is preparing them, and what more they need to succeed in this rapidly growing and exciting field. Topics include Introduction to Marketing & Advertising Introduction to Social Media Marketing social media for Business Facebook Marketing & Advertising Instagram Marketing & Advertising Twitter Marketing & Advertising YouTube Marketing & Advertising Snapchat Marketing & Advertising Paid Social Media Advertising Social Media Analytics and Audits social media Planning Personal Branding

Information Technology
CAD DESIGN AND ENGINEERING I
All grades--one semester .5 credit each semester
Prerequisites: None
Students will begin by learning how to identify and create scale drawings in plan, elevation, and isometric perspective views. We will then utilize these drawings to build an accurate 3D model. Finally, this 3D model will be constructed utilizing fabrication methods and technology common to industrial manufacturing. Software utilized will include Rhinoceros 3D, Surf Cam and Google Sketch up. Manufacturing tech will include CNC routers, Laser Cutter/#47, Engravers, and Rapid Prototyping 3D printers.

CAD DESIGN AND ENGINEERING II
All grades--one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: CAD Design and Engineering I
CAD 2 will further develop students’ 3D modeling and modern manufacturing skills. Project possibilities include, but are not limited to Product Design, Architecture, and Transportation Design. Further emphasis will be placed on professional practice, industrial standard working drawings and the expectations of modern engineers/designers. Software utilized will include Rhinoceros 3D, Surf Cam, and Google Sketchup. Manufacturing tech will include CNC routers, Laser Cutter/Engravers, and Rapid Prototyping 3D printers.

EXPLORING COMPUTER SCIENCE
All grades--one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: Successful completion of Pre-Calculus
Exploring Computer Science will develop the computer science skills of algorithm development, problem solving, and programming. Students will also be introduced to topics such as interface design, limits of computers and societal and ethical issues of software engineering. This course is designed for students interested in computing careers and is a broad introduction to computer science. There are five content areas in the Exploring Computer Science curriculum: Human Interface Interaction; Problem Solving; Web Design; Introduction to Programming; and Robotics. Students will learn what programmers and computer scientists do and how technologists think.

AP COMPUTER SCI A1 &2
Yearlong: 1.0 credit per semester
Prerequisites: None
The AP Computer Science A1/A2 course is intended to service students that are planning to major in computer science or other disciplines that require significant involvement with technology. Students will be able to demonstrate their ability to design, write, analyze, debug and document programs and subprograms using JAVA. This course is designed to prepare students for the AP Computer Science A exam and can be used as a 4th year Science or Math Credit.

This course is for those that are curious about a career in technology or have a personal interest in computing and technology. There is no prerequisite to take this course. This course is designed to prepare students for the AP Computer Science Principles exam.

Career Choices
CAREER CONNECT 1
9th and 10th grade--one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: None
Teachers will provide students with instruction in the career planning process directly related to local industry data, career interest, and skill attainment. Students will be developing a professional career portfolio, which includes career assessments, resumes, cover letters, and artifacts of student’s work that illustrate their essential skills to potential employers. Students will evaluate their employability skills, identify their personal values, learning styles, and career interests. Learning will take place through authentic classroom projects, career panels, field trips, internships, and job interviews. Finally, students will have access to the Microsoft Office Specialist Program (WORD, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook, etc.).

CAREER CONNECT 2
11th and 12th grade – one semester: .5 credit
No Prerequisites
Career Connect 2 is the second course in the sequence. In this class, students will have an internship experience and demonstrate a deeper understanding of worksite learning including workplace expectations, self-awareness in the class and on the job, and career research. This course will focus on goal setting as a factor of success. This course was designed to assist students with exploring career pathways and develop skills necessary to make meaningful career decisions. This course will assist students in assessing their personal strengths and weaknesses as they relate to career decisions. Students will develop skills in this course that are transferable to all occupations, through participating in an embedded internship, class discussions and problem solving. Students will be able to recognize that career enhancements and career changes are common and that they need to be prepared with the proper tools, resources, and guidance to make informed decisions about their career pathways throughout their lifetime.

Family & Consumer Science
BAKING AND PAstry
All grades—one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: None
This course allows culinary students more in-depth study of baking and pastry arts. Areas of study include baking terminology, tool and equipment use, formula conversions, functions of ingredients, and methods used in creating yeast breads, pastries, quick breads, and other desserts. The fundamentals of dough and basic decorating skills are covered. The appropriate use of technology and industry-standard equipment is an integral part of this course. Upon successful completion of this course, students will have acquired entry-level skills for employment in this field. Units of study include safety and sanitation, knife skills, equipment use, quick breads, yeast breads, desserts/pastries and dessert plating. The course is used as a pre-requisite for advanced courses in Food Production.

CULINARY ARTS 1A
10, 11, 12—yearlong: 1.0 credit
Prerequisites: Must have successfully completed 0.5 credits of Baking and Pastry or Nutrition and Wellness
First semester, the course covers theory and practice of the principles of cooking, terminology, recipe development, ingredients, equipment, safety, and career development. Industry skills lead to culinary, hospitality, and food service careers. Desired pre-requisite courses may include any of the following: Family Health, Nutrition & Wellness, Food Science, and Foods & Culinary Foundations.

CULINARY ARTS 1B
10, 11, 12—yearlong: 1.0 credit
Prerequisites: Culinary Arts 1A. Must have successfully completed 0.5 credits of Baking and Pastry or Nutrition and Wellness.
Second semester covers a variety of food preparations, continues nutrition, food and beverage service, safety and production methods in school and outside the program. Industry skills lead to culinary, hospitality, and food service careers.

FAMILY HEALTH
Graduation Requirement:
9th grade – one semester: .5 credit
Prerequisites: none
This course integrates Washington Health essential learning with standards and competencies from the National Standards of Family and Consumer Sciences Education. The course focuses on the interrelationships of healthy choices and a productive satisfying life. Topics include personal health, wellness, and healthy living, careers, nutrition, growth and development, global, mental, community, environmental and reproductive health, health risks, communication, family living, fitness and safety, first aid; CPR, HIV/Aids and consumer health. Students explore careers in health and medical fields, apply 21st Century skills, obtain certifications and utilize National FCCLA (Family, Career Community Leaders of America student leadership activities to assess learning. The course is a cross credit with Health Education UPON COMPLETION OF THIS COURSE, STUDENTS SHOULD: 1. know some of the physical, mental, social and environmental determinants of health; 2. know examples of positive methods for dealing with stress; 3. know relationships between lifestyle and disease; 4. be able to chart progress of selected chronic diseases; 5. be able to identify causative factors in accidents, theorize possible preventions, and provide basic emergency care; 6. know the progress of human growth and development.
as well as the range of normal individual differences; 7. know what assists optimal development in the embryo, fetus and child; 8. be able to use skills for effective interpersonal relationships in work, living and recreational settings; 9. be able to identify factors that determine readiness for a successful marriage and raising a family; 10. be able to apply criteria for evaluation health products and resources; 11. value good mental and physical health; 12. know the short and long term effects of tobacco, drug and alcohol abuse as well as alternatives to misuse; 13. know the causes, preventions and legal implications of child abuse and sexual abuse; and 14. be able to make wise decisions concerning sexual behavior.

**INDEPENDENT LIVING**
The course uses a variety of learning strategies, technology and real-world applications to explore and develop essential skills, including: resource and time management; nutrition; food preparation; health, wellness and safety; relationships; having fun; preparing and balancing a career, education, and work; housing; knowledge of community resources; and coping skills. Included in the class are opportunities to explore careers, global and cultural influences, and Family, Career and Community Leadership (FCCLA) National student leadership activities.

**NUTRITION AND WELLNESS**
The course focuses on the practices and early eating and nutritional habits formed through families, paving the way to lifelong health and well-being across the lifespan. Skills gained from the course content in nutrition and wellness lead to more careful meal planning and choices, as well as a transfer of knowledge and employability skills to careers in dietetics, fitness, and all related fields such as food analysis, production, preparation, and hospitality. Students may earn academic college credit when they complete projects and assessments related to nutrition and wellness, management skills and labs, food safety, science and technology, nutrients, world hunger, life cycle nutrition, energy balance (physical activity, digestion, metabolism, eating disorders), and careers. The course may be used in a variety of ways, including a pre-requisite for advanced courses in Food Production, Careers in Education, Family and Community Services, Human Development, Child Development and courses in the Health Sciences strand. Family Health, Independent Living, Personal Choices, or Work and Family Foundations are highly desired pre-requisite courses. Per OSPI, the course may also be developed in conjunction with health and fitness components on an individual school basis.

**PSYCHOLOGY**

*10th, 11th, and 12th grade— one semester: .5 credit*

**Prerequisites:** Letter grade “C” or above in health

The field of study brings together an introduction to Psychology, statistics, cognitive perspective, and the learning perspective, in addition to the dysfunctional behavior, and research methodology. The course may count for CTE credit if taught by an FCS instructor with CTE certification. Students are assessed for embedded 21st Century Skills and National FCCLA (Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America) activities and projects and eligible cross equivalent Interpersonal Relationships or Social Studies credit.

**Tech Theatre:**

**TECH THEATRE BEGINNING**

*All grades – one semester: .5 credit*

**Prerequisites:** None

This production-oriented course provides a foundation to stagecraft skills and safety procedures preparing students for industry and college study of technical theatre. Students receive an introduction to scenic design and construction, lighting, sound, properties, costumes, make-up, special effects, theatre management, stage management, and theatre terminology. Students actively participate on a crew to mount a production. Throughout the course students engage in problem solving and collaboration. Students research costuming, properties and set pieces in support of historical accuracy or vision of the production. Instructor will guide students in the use of power and hand tools in constructing set pieces, applying special effects, and using a variety of sound and lighting equipment. Costume construction and basic makeup application may be explored. Students shadow the advanced production crews for stage management and/or theatre management including but not limited to box office, concession, publicity, ushering, and backstage coordination. Behind-the-scenes show experience will be acquired through the school's production schedule. As a preparatory Career and Technical Education (CTE) equivalent course, students demonstrate leadership and employability skills. Students have expanded opportunities to make direct connections to careers as working artists. Course content may include portfolio development, guest speakers from arts industries, and development of professional responsibility skills such as time management, reliability and punctuality, ability to multi-task and present oneself professionally.

**TECH THEATRE ADVANCED**

*All grades – one semester: .5 credit*

**Prerequisites:** Tech Theatre Beginning
Students in this course will be expected to understand, apply, analyze and assist in the creation of a unifying concept for a production in one or more of the following disciplines: lighting, sound, properties, set construction, special effects, costumes, make-up, theatre management and stage management. Students in this course take on leadership roles in the production of mainstage shows. As leaders and team members students explore aesthetic criteria to communicate artistic choices through a production. Students participate in the post-production critique for continued improvement of their design skills. While in the course, students connect with working professionals in the field of technical theatre. Students continuing in the class may have the opportunity to create a portfolio demonstrating their knowledge and abilities as a tool for further education and/or employment. As a preparatory Career and Technical Education (CTE) equivalent course, students demonstrate leadership and employability skills. Students have expanded opportunities to make direct connections to careers as working artists. Course content may include portfolio development, guest speakers from arts industries, and development of professional responsibility skills such as time management, reliability and punctuality, ability to multi-task and present oneself professionally.

**Woodworking:**

**RESIDENTIAL CARPENTRY 1A**
All grades – one semester: 0.5 credit  
**Prerequisites:** None  
Residential Carpentry is a preparatory course that prepares individuals to apply technical knowledge and skills to lay out, cut, fabricate, erect, install, and repair wooden structures and fixtures, using hand and power tools. Includes instruction in technical mathematics, framing, construction materials and selection, job estimating, blueprint reading, foundations and roughing-in, finish carpentry techniques, and applicable codes and standards.

**RESIDENTIAL CARPENTRY 1B**
All grades – one semester: 0.5 credit  
**Prerequisites:** Residential Carpentry 1A  
Residential Carpentry is a preparatory course that prepares individuals to apply technical knowledge and skills to lay out, cut, fabricate, erect, install, and repair wooden structures and fixtures, using hand and power tools. Includes instruction in technical mathematics, framing, construction materials and selection, job estimating, blueprint reading, foundations and roughing-in, finish carpentry techniques, and applicable codes and standards.

**JOURNALIC WRIT YEARBOOK**
All grades –yearlong .5 credit each semester  
**Prerequisite:** None  
This is a non-fiction writing for publication such writing emphasizes accuracy, balance, objectivity, conciseness style. The student can develop skills of prewriting, drafting, revising, editing and publishing. The student also can improve their critical reading, research, and thinking skills. This course may also result in the production and distribution of a publication.

**JOURNALISM YRBK ADVANCED**
All grades –yearlong .5 credit each semester  
**Prerequisite:** Journalic Writ Yearbook  
Yearbook production combines journalistic writing with yearbook production, photography, advertising, budgeting, design and electronic media. The ultimate goal is the production of the school yearbook.

**LEADERSHIP**
All grades –yearlong .5 credit each semester  
**Prerequisite:** None  
his class is a leadership learning laboratory that supports and challenges students to develop the habits of citizenship, service, ethical leadership, and the ability to think and act on behalf of the common good. It focused not only on developing lasting leadership capacity, but on touching the hearts of youth, encouraging them to live and act from their values, and feel empowered to make the world a better place.

**PUBLISH JOURNALISM 1**
All grades –yearlong: 0.5 credit each semester  
**Prerequisites:** None  
Students will complete all activities necessary to plan, publish and sell the school’s newspaper. Students will learn basic principles of journalism, layout and design, and desktop publishing. Utilizing desktop publishing software, students will create newspaper spreads, articles, advertisements, and information graphics. Students will demonstrate knowledge of the law and ethics of journalism as well as an understanding of design style.

**PUBLISH JOURNALISM 2**
All grades –yearlong: .5 credit each semester  
**Prerequisites:** Publishing Journalism 1  
Students will complete all activities necessary to plan, publish and sell the school’s newspaper. Students will learn basic principles of journalism, layout and design, and desktop publishing. Utilizing desktop publishing software, students will create newspaper spreads, articles, advertisements, and information graphics. Students will demonstrate knowledge of the law and ethics of journalism as well as an understanding of design style.
**SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

**English as a Second Language**

Bilingual students who qualify via the Washington English Language Proficiency Exam (WELPA) are enrolled in these courses. They exit the ESL program by obtaining a Level 4 on the WELPA.

**ESL LANGUAGE ARTS 9A/B, 10A/B**

*9th, 10th grade—yearlong 0.5 credit/semester*

Prerequisite: WELPA score

The curriculum for this course aligns with ELA common core standards. It also includes the Edge curriculum, published by Hampton-Brown. There is emphasis on increasing English reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills.

**ESL LANGUAGE ARTS 11A/B, 12A/B**

*11th, 12th grade—yearlong 0.5 credit/semester*

Prerequisite: WELPA score

The curriculum for this course aligns with the ELA common core standards. It also includes the Edge curriculum, published by Hampton-Brown. There is emphasis on increasing English reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills.

**ESL WORLD HISTORY 1-3 MULTILEVEL**

*9th, 10th grade—3 semesters 0.5 credit/semester*

Prerequisite: WELPA score

The curriculum for this course aligns with the Washington State Social Studies standards. It includes chronological and regional study of geography, history, culture, politics, and economics.

**ESL US HISTORY 11A/B**

*11th grade—yearlong—.5 credit per semester*

The curriculum for this course aligns with the Washington State Social Studies standards. There is a focus on the completion of a junior project which gives juniors the necessary skills to advance to American Government. It includes research, primary and secondary sources, conducting interviews, writing a social studies topic report, and making a presentation.

**ESL AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND ECONOMICS**

*12th grade—one semester—.5 credit*

The curriculum for this course aligns with the Washington State Social Studies standards. There is a focus on the completion of a power point project which includes research, primary sources, conducting interviews, writing a historical report, and making a presentation.

**ESL EXTENSION**

*9th-12th grade—one semester-- .5 credit per semester*

This class gives ESL students additional support for their mainstreamed classes and additional skills need to pass EOC and HSPE exams.

**Individualized Education Program (IEP Services)**

A student’s special needs, as outlined in an IEP, will determine what type and number of services the student will receive. The IEP Case Manager and IEP Teamwork with the counselor, department chair, parents, and the student’s other teachers to help the student succeed. We offer a continuum of services that range from support provided in the general education classroom, to special education content area classrooms for instructional and functional academic needs, to off campus classes through Exploratory Internship Program (XIP) and City Campus programs. Emphasis is placed on educating each student in the least restrictive environment based on their individual needs. Questions can be directed to your student’s case manager or our special education department chair, Mykenna Ikehara mkikehara@seattleschools.org.

**FOCUS**

Prerequisite: Individual Education Plan

Focus provides resources and extended learning to students with IEPs. Students will receive specially designed instruction (SDI) outlined in their IEPs in reading, math, written expression, behavior, communication skills and organization skills. Needed skills will be taught using large group, small group and individualized instruction. Supplementary instruction may be provided by various computer-assisted instructional packages. Students will be expected to stay fully engaged in SDI lessons, working on current classroom assignments, make-up work, reading, academic planning, and improving study and organizational skills.

**ADVISORY EXTENDED**

Prerequisite: Individual Education Plan

A minimum of 6 lessons each on Academic, SEL and Career topics. Lessons may include High School and Beyond plan curriculum or additional career planning lessons which support and reinforce the purpose deeper learning for goal setting, decision making, resilience, college knowledge and financial literacy. Time for test retakes and tutoring required. Student-Led Conferences are encouraged. Advisor/parent conferences for students with D/Es encouraged. Incorporating lessons on financial literacy are encouraged.


COMMUNICATION SKILLS
Prerequisite: Individual Education Plan
Communication Skills classes are taught using actual student experiences and situations. Developmental and cultural differences are considered in each lesson. Communication skills teachers’ verbal and non-verbal social cues and strategies are used for emotional regulation. Additionally, student-to-student communication and conflict resolution are explored. Further, students will receive academic as well as study skills support according to IEP goals.

LANGUAGE ARTS M
Prerequisite: Individual Education Plan
Our Language Arts M classes are built upon delivery of the pragmatic skills which students will require to maximize their independence in the wider world such as common word/phrase recognition, conceptual organization, and written communication. Students successfully completing this course will be able to use written, verbal and/or visual language to communicate their needs, wants and desires.

MATH FOR DAILY USE
Prerequisite: Individual Education Plan
The focus in this course is to enable students to successfully negotiate common mathematical tasks such as grocery shopping, transportation and basic money management. Students are challenged according to their ability which is reflective of student placement within a continuum or service delivery.

SCIENCE SURVEY
Prerequisite: Individual Education Plan
A mixed ability class focused on basic science and scientific principles, including, but not exclusive to, Newtonian physics, astronomy, geology, meteorology, medicine and electricity and invention. 
Goals and objectives: A successful student will participate in class discussions, complete assigned tasks, attempt all material regardless of difficulty, maintain positive progress with regard to aligned IEP goal(s) as ascertained by a process of continuous assessment, recorded within monthly IEP progress report. Materials: Provided. CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS: A successful student will be ready for class in time, in dress and in attitude, respect fellow students and keep their hands to themselves, listen, then think, then ask.

LIFE SKILLS
Prerequisite: Individual Education Plan
The Life Skills class provides students with essential living skills such as basic hygiene, interpersonal communication, self-management, social etiquette, basic nutrition and planning. It is the central goal of this course that upon completion students will be able to: maximize their safety in the workplace and/or community via a variety of self-management techniques, such as sight recognition of common work and community signage and/or computer keyboarding skills. Students will be encouraged to take advantage of family and community-based leisure activities as they transition from school to the wider word.

PRE-VOCATIONAL TRAINING
Prerequisite: Individual Education Plan
The Pre-Vocational Training classes are designed to establish the foundational skills which are essential for both competitive and managed employment. Skills that are focused on include demonstrating resilience, being able to stay on task; following directions; exhibiting flexibility and working to an established standard.

EXPLORATORY INTERNSHIP PROGRAM (XIP)
Prerequisite: Open to students aged 15+ who have Individual Education Plans, application required, see Counselor
Credits: 1.5 or 3 credits Occ. Ed., Elective
• XIP/Career Choices at John Stanford Center Offices, Mailroom and Community sites (half day, 1.5 credits)
• XIP/Landscaping at Ingraham High School (all day, 3 credits)

OFF CAMPUS PROGRAMS
Running Start
The Running Start program at all of the 2-year colleges provides high school juniors and seniors the opportunity to earn high school and college credits at the same time. Tuition is free at The Seattle Colleges. Students are responsible for purchasing their own books, paying lab costs and providing their own transportation to the campus. To qualify, students must have earned 10 credits prior to entering the program; students must also take the COMPASS Assessment test (offered regularly at each Community College). It is important to meet with your counselor to discuss successful test results and receive assistance in completing the Running Start Application. Enrollment for Fall courses must be completed in the Spring prior to enrollment.

Seattle Vocational Institute (SVI)
SVI, located at 21st and S. Jackson, is another option provided through Running Start This program provides the opportunity for Junior and Seniors to pursue vocational training in areas including medical assisting, cosmetology, medical administrative specialist, computer-based accounting, administrative office professional, network technical and pre-
apprenticeship in construction trades. These programs are most appropriate for students who have a good idea of the specific trade that they want to enter. All remaining high school graduation requirements are met through this program. The deadlines for application are like those of the Running Start program. If interested, juniors and seniors should discuss this option with their counselor.

**City Campus**
Prerequisite: Open to all students age 16+, application required, see Counselor
City Campus classes are open to all Seattle Public Schools students. The city Campus program includes Health Occupations, Autobody Collision Technology, Automotive Technology and Career Workplace Exploration in Skilled Trades. City Campus classes are 2-3 periods long and students can earn 1.0-1.5 high school credits per semester. Students who earn a “B” or better grade in the yearlong programs for Health Occupations, Autobody Collision Technology and Automotive Technology also earn up to 20 college credits through Tech Prep.

**Skills Center:**
Prerequisite: junior or senior, 10 high school credits completed; application required, see Counselor
All Skills Center programs are high rigor (state-approved preparatory) and keyed to industry forecasts for high wage careers. These courses are driven by market demand, so Skills Center students are motivated to enter the workforce at a high level, plus get a jumpstart on college and careers. The Seattle Public Schools Skills Center provides a chance for delivering advanced career and technical education programming, distributed throughout the city. (We do not currently provide transportation.)

**Administrative Medical Office Assistant**
Location: Lincoln High School
Year 1: AM session (8:45 - 11:15 a.m.)
Year 1: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)
Cross credit available: math and lab science available.
No prerequisites
Free TechPrep college credit
Industry certifications
**Career Pathway:** Health & Human Services
Administrative Medical Office Assistant (AMOA) is an ever-expanding allied health profession critical to patient care and smooth operations in medical offices, clinics or hospitals. These specialists assist allied health professionals by completing vital clerical information, patient intake, electronic records, using medical office equipment, and as staff supervisors. Upon completion of the allied health training, it may offer employment with long-term employment probabilities.

**Aerospace Advanced Manufacturing**
Location: Rainier Beach High School
Year 1: AM session (8:45 - 11:15 a.m.)
Year 2: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)
No prerequisites
Cross credit available: math available
Free TechPrep college credit; Up to 35 free dual college credits can be earned
Industry certifications
**Career Pathway:** Science, Engineering, and Industry
Seattle is home to the world’s greatest aircraft company and many of its supporting industries. Launch your career and college acceptance by learning how to build, service, and modify aircraft and aircraft components. Learn safety, tool identification & proper use, fastener installation, aluminum and titanium metal drilling, and gain industry experience and college credit.

**Automotive Technology**
Location: Washington Middle School, Skills Center Building & West Seattle High School

**Washington Middle School, Skills Center Building**
Year 1: AM session (12:45 – 3:15 p.m.)
Year 2: AM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)

**West Seattle High School**
Year 1: PM session (8:45 - 11:15 p.m.)
Year 2: PM session (8:45 - 11:15 p.m.)
No prerequisites
No cross credit
Free TechPrep college credit
Industry certifications
**Career Pathway:** Science, Engineering, and Industry
Are you interested in a hands-on class that requires critical thinking as well as an interest in the auto industry? Gain a solid foundation in automotive technology and the skills for gainful employment. You will learn about brake systems, maintenance, and other systems that function within a vehicle. Gain certification that meets industry needs. College credit can be earned in this program.

**Construction Trades**
Locations: Ingraham High School & Rainier Beach High School

**Ingraham High School**
Year 1: AM session (8:45 - 11:15 a.m.)
Year 2: AM session (8:45 - 11:15 a.m.)

**Rainier Beach High School**
Year 1: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)
Year 2: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)

No prerequisites
No cross credit available

CAREER PATHWAY: Science, Engineering, and Industry
- This course covers both residential and commercial construction with an emphasis on job site safety. Students will focus on employability skills, problem-solving, trainability, team building, and will work on a tiny house for the homeless. Through hands-on projects students gain experience with the tools, materials and processes of the following trades: Cement and Masonry, Wood Frame Carpentry, Roofing, Siding, Drywall and Painting, Finish Carpentry, Cabinet installation, flooring and countertops.

CULINARY ARTS
Location: Rainier Beach High School
Year 1: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)
Year 2: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)

No prerequisites
No cross credit
Up to 30 free dual college credits can be earned
Industry certifications

CAREER PATHWAY: Health & Human Services - Hospitality is one of the fastest growing areas in the Seattle area. Join an exciting, demanding, professional culinary class and prepare for careers in catering operations, restaurants, baking, and other food service industries. Advanced training includes food preparation, culinary arts and food presentation, safety, sanitation, job shadowing, career skills including catering events, and preparation for industry education.

FIREFIGHTING AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
Location: Washington Middle School, Skills Center Building
Year 1: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)
Year 2: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)

No prerequisites
No cross credit
Industry certifications

CAREER PATHWAY: Science, Engineering, and Industry - This course prepares students for careers as fire fighters and other emergency services careers. The cadet will be able to manage self, others, activities or events with responsibility for a positive outcome; apply leadership skills in real-world, family, community, and business/industry applications; and be tested on their ability to work with peers in a variety of subject areas by completing training and preparations at the highest levels.

HEALTH SCIENCES/MEDICAL ASSISTING
Location: Lincoln High School
Year 1: AM session (8:45 - 11:15 a.m.)
Year 1: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)

No prerequisites
Science or Math cross credit
Free TechPrep college credit

CAREER PATHWAY: Health & Human Services – Enter Medical Assisting, a fast-growing medical profession that is part of Allied Health and the Health Sciences career cluster. Students practice the language and skills of doctors and other health professionals, using core knowledge that leads to healthcare standards, college curriculum, and problem-based activities in school and industry settings. And medical assisting occupations. The program uses National HOSA student leadership projects, modules, computer programs, industry

MARITIME VESSEL OPERATIONS
Location: Seattle Maritime Academy in Ballard
Year 1: PM sessions (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)

No prerequisites
No cross credit
Industry certifications

CAREER PATHWAY: Science, Engineering, and Industry – Learn how to work on ships in Puget Sound! This course blends modern and traditional seamanship and deckhand skills with training in engine maintenance and repair. Learn what it takes to work on fishing vessels, ferryboats, cargo ships and more! Develop fundamental skills in navigation, tides, currents, boat handling, knots, safety, communications, radar, meteorology, tool use, and marine engine maintenance and repair. Prepare for summer jobs and further training after high school that could result in Coast Guard certification.

MEDIA ARTS
Location: Nova High School
Year 1: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)

No prerequisites
Fine Arts cross credit

CAREER PATHWAY: Technology - In this course, students will gain a wide variety of digital media production skills and begin developing their own Media Arts portfolio. Students will learn the principles of graphic design, website design, animation, audio production, and video production with an emphasis on real-world projects.

NURSING ASSISTANT
Location: West Seattle High School
Year 1: AM session (8:45 - 11:15 a.m.)
Year 1: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)

No prerequisites
Science cross credit
Free TechPrep college credit
Industry certifications

CAREER PATHWAY: Health & Human Services - Nursing Assistant training is a fast track to post-secondary Health Sciences, and related Nursing Careers and immediate employment in a rapidly growing field of nursing. Nursing is considered one of the entry points into the medical profession. Students first complete the 11 national health foundation standards, test basic knowledge and skills in their classroom and clinical site, then test for state license. National HOSA leadership, problem based learning, and clinical experiences provide opportunities.
TEACHING ACADEMY/CAREERS IN EDUCATION
Location: Franklin High School
Year 1: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)

No prerequisites
Cross credit available: ELA
College credit: Up to 12 free dual college credits can be earned
Industry certifications
CAREER PATHWAY: Health & Human Services - This comprehensive course will take you on a journey of exploration into the world and work of teaching and the field of education. Through hands-on learning, this course will provide opportunities to gain experience working in various educational settings and preparation for success in post-secondary teaching programs that may lead to a future career within this high demand career pathway. Following successful completion of this course students may take the instructional assistant test which can lead to career opportunities in Seattle Public Schools including childcare, instructional assistant, teacher, principal, and school counselor.

VIDEO GAME ANIMATION AND PROGRAMMING
Location: John Marshall Building

Year 1: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)
Year 2: PM session (12:45 - 3:15 p.m.)

No prerequisites
Fine Arts cross credit
Industry certifications
CAREER PATHWAY: Technology - Create animation and games! Learn sketching and storyboarding in 2D animation and concepts of 3D, learn skills necessary for a career in the animation and gaming industry. The Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE) is a leading educator for Computer Game Development and 3D digital media. This college is a star of 3D animation, game design, and visual FX. This course is a great preparation for college and career.