

V. COURSE DESCRIPTIONS - SPECIAL PROGRAMS

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AVID I (Advancement Via Individual Determination I)

Course Number: 1010

Placement: 9

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Identified as an AVID student through application and interview process

The AVID elective class prepares students in the academic middle for college readiness and success. Students receive instruction in writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization and reading strategies. Student empowerment, leadership, college preparedness, and career knowledge are developed to support post-secondary readiness. This 9th grade class includes tutor-facilitated study groups to support student success in all courses and emphasizes analytical writing and personal goals. AVID students must enroll in at least one Pre-AP course in addition to the AVID elective class. Students visit a college/university during the school year.

AVID II (Advancement Via Individual Determination II)

Course Number: 1015

Placement: 10

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: AVID I or identification as an AVID student through application and interview process

The AVID elective class prepares students in the academic middle for college readiness and success. Students receive instruction in writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization and reading strategies. Student empowerment, leadership, college preparedness, and career knowledge are developed to support post-secondary readiness. This 10th grade class includes tutor-facilitated study groups to support student success in all courses and emphasizes text analysis and preparation for college entrance exams. AVID students must enroll in a Pre-AP or AP course in addition to the AVID elective class. Students visit a college/university during the school year.

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AVID III (Advancement Via Individual Determination III)

Course Number: 1020

Placement: 11

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: AVID II

The AVID elective class prepares students in the academic middle for college readiness and success. Students receive instruction in writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization and reading strategies. Student empowerment, leadership, college preparedness, and career knowledge are developed to support post-secondary readiness. This 11th grade course includes tutor-facilitated study groups to support student success in all classes and is the first part in a junior/senior seminar course focused on writing, critical thinking, college application processes, and post-secondary plans. AVID students must enroll in a Pre-AP, AP, or dual enrollment course in addition to the AVID elective class.

AVID IV (Advancement Via Individual Determination IV)

Course Number: 1025

Placement: 12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: AVID III

The AVID elective class prepares students in the academic middle for college readiness and success. Students receive instruction in writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization and reading strategies. Student empowerment, leadership, college preparedness, and career knowledge are developed to support post-secondary military-readiness. This 12th grade course includes tutor-facilitated study groups to support student success in all classes and is the second part in a junior/senior seminar course that includes research and assists students with the college entrance process. AVID students must enroll in a Pre-AP, AP, or dual enrollment course in addition to the AVID elective class.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Course Number: 9710

Placement: 11-12

Credits: ½

Prerequisite: Student Application

The Community Service Program is designed to help students increase their awareness of how communities operate by participating in the activities of a community under the guidance of mentors who are actively involved in some area of the community. Students will learn the importance of becoming more responsible citizens while some facet of the community becomes the classroom for one class block where the student learns how to help meet community needs. The course is full of opportunities for critical thinking, development of speaking skills and written analysis about the student's area of the community. The student must have a valid Texas driver's license and transportation to and from the community service assignment.

JUNIOR ROTC I, II, III, IV

Course Number: 9601, 9603, 9605, 9607

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1 credit per course

Prerequisite: Student Application

JROTC is a class sponsored by the military services that does not recruit students for the military; rather it emphasizes leadership training, selfless service, citizenship, responsibility, and respect. Students may enter this class at any grade level. Students will have opportunities to compete in activities such as Color Guard, Drill Team, Academics, Orienteering, Physical Fitness, and many others. Uniforms are issued at no cost to the student and are worn one day per week. JROTC is a PE_substitution. Benefits include:

- Up to 12 college credit hours through regionally accredited partner colleges
- College scholarship opportunities
- The ability to earn nationally recognized awards and decorations
- Increased responsibility based upon performance
- No service obligation, but offers accelerated rank for those who successfully complete two years and choose to enter military service

JUNIOR AIR FORCE ROTC I, II, III, IV

Course Number: 9601, 9603, 9605, 9607

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1 credit per course

Prerequisite: None

This course is comprised of Aerospace Science, Leadership Education and Wellness. Students will focus on aviation history, the science of flight, the exploration of space, and different world cultures. Leadership education begins with the Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC) program for first-year students. All cadets receive communication and leadership skills, self-awareness, discipline training, community involvement and service throughout the program. Selected senior level cadets will study and participate in the management of the cadet corps. Drill and Ceremonies fundamentals and in-depth instruction in Air Force drill and ceremonies are included along with lessons on the Air Force's organizational structure. The wellness portion is based on the Presidential Fitness program and is focused upon individual base-line improvements with the goal of achieving a national standard as calculated with age and gender. **This course is available to Timberview High School students, only.** Subject matter (approved through the Air Force), such as survival training, and "Unlocking Your Potential," may be added, substituted or augment the lessons above. Benefits include:

- Up to 12 college credit hours through regionally accredited partner colleges
- College scholarship opportunities
- The ability to earn nationally recognized awards and decorations
- Increased responsibility based upon performance
- No service obligation, but offers accelerated rank for those who successfully complete two years and choose to enter military service

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OFFICE ASSISTANT

Course Number: 9740

Placement: 12

Credits: ½ -1 (Local)

Prerequisite: Student Application

Students in this course will be assigned to an office or a library as an aide. Students receive experience in general office administration.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT AND LEADERSHIP

Course Number: 9730

Placement: 9 -12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Student Application

Students will develop leadership skills to function effectively as team members, responsible citizens, entrepreneurs, and productive workers in a global society. Topics will include: meeting skills, self-esteem, communication, goal setting, time task management, action planning, and conflict resolution. Active participation in Student Council is required. Students will be required to attend and participate in off-campus, after school/weekend events. This course is designed for those who are currently student leaders who are planning to be in a leadership position after high school.

TEEN LEADERSHIP I

Course Number: 9700

Placement: 9-12

Credits: ½

Prerequisite: None

Students will learn leadership skills, personal responsibility, emotional intelligence, conflict resolution/peer mediation, public speaking, principle-based decision making, social skills, choices have consequences, preparation for school-to-work transition, and goal setting.

TEEN LEADERSHIP II

Course Number: 9705

Placement: 11-12

Credit: 1 (Local)

Prerequisite: Teen Leadership I

Teen Leadership II is a program offered to upper level students who have successfully completed Teen Leadership I. Students will apply the lessons while mentoring at-risk elementary students, participating in community service, and opportunities to meet and discuss with civic and community leaders about future prospects for leadership.

INDEPENDENT STUDY MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Course Number: 9800

Placement: 11-12

Credits: 1 (Local)

Prerequisite: Student Application & Interview

This course provides students an opportunity to gain an academic experience outside of the classroom through field work and research with a professional mentor in the student's field of study. Students will be able to pursue individual areas of interest, gain valuable real world communication skills, and create an innovative product that is of professional quality.