

MCA Electives 2022-2023

FINE ARTS

Art I: This course consists of a broad view of several different art mediums along with some Art history. Some of the mediums covered will be both Acrylic and watercolor painting, pointillism, oil, pastel, chalk, scratch art, clay, collage, sharpie, colored pencil, and charcoal. Year-long elective. One class for 10th grade, one class for 11 & 12.

Art - Master Crafts: This course includes a variety of projects from the master craft class. Students experience woodworking which includes work on the wood lathe and wood burning. A slab constructed jar out of clay, stained glass window along with a fused glass project. Bead making and basic jewelry is taught. Semester course for grades 11 & 12 only.

Art – Intro: This course covers an overview of art mediums and is a condensed version of Art 1. Cannot take this course if you have already taken Art 1. Semester course for grades 11 & 12 only.

Advanced Art: Course for students who are passionate about art and is self-directed in nature. This course requires a signature from the Art instructor and must have had at least one full year of Art as a prerequisite. Year-long course for grades 11 & 12 only.

Band: The daily objective of the course is to foster and promote musical growth through playing musical instruments. Year-long course.

Choir: This course is designed for students to apply musical skills as they continue to create and experience music as a musical ensemble. Seated semester course.

Digital Photography: This course will help the students become informed in the fundamentals of digital photography. Four areas of instruction will be emphasized: Cameras, composition, lighting and photo editing software will be the course focus. Semester course.

Film & Literature: This course examines the interaction of film and literary texts, and the qualities of each. We will consider what happens when a variety of short stories, novels, and plays are made into film and how we view and read these texts. This course will be useful to anyone who has an interest in learning more about films, screenwriting, how the written word is translated to the screen, and cultural and historical aspects of adaptation. (Students will not be making films in this class). Semester course.

Intro to Videography: This course will explore the art of videography in order to create video projects through the year course. Students will learn various types of shots, cuts, and editing styles as well as how to give effective interviews, create dramatic shorts, montages, and use a green screen. No prior knowledge is needed. Students are required to have their own SD card in this class. Year-long course.

Theater Arts (Drama): An introductory course covering the basic foundations of theater, improvisation, comedy, tragedy, theater history, scene work and more. Basic script writing and directing is also included. Theater Arts is available in more advanced courses as well (II, III and Advanced). Semester course.

Yearbook: This course assists the Yearbook Advisor in creating the memory book for the school year. Students will take photos, design yearbook pages, make edits and accommodate printing deadlines. Year-long course.

TECHNOLOGY

Computer: Programming/Coding: This course is intended for anyone who is new to software development and wants, or needs, to gain an understanding of programming fundamentals and object-oriented programming concepts. This course is designed so you learn the coding basics of HTML and CSS and how to structure and style a webpage. Semester course delivered online.

Computer: Microsoft Office Suite (MOS) Certification: Students work throughout the semester to gain a globally recognized certification as a Microsoft Office Specialist in Word. In this course students will follow a curriculum created by Microsoft and Certiport to help them successfully pass the certification test. Semester course delivered online. Must have a non-Apple computer to take this course.

ACT/SAT Prep class: Students will learn test-taking strategies, review content, take practice tests and discover ways to reduce test anxiety. In addition, those interested will have the opportunity to prepare for selected CLEP test of interest. The course is self-paced class using ePrep software and online test prep tools. Semester course for grades 11 & 12 only delivered online.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Physical Conditioning: This course helps the student understand the importance of taking care of the physical body that God has given us. Students are required to participate in cardiovascular activity and weight-lifting activity every day that they are in class. Guys only. Semester or year-long course.

Ladies Physical Fitness/Conditioning: This course promotes and encourages high levels of health and wellness in the students. This course emphasizes increased levels of fitness through the 5 components of fitness - Cardiovascular Endurance, Muscular Strength, Muscular endurance, Flexibility, and Body Composition. Skills and knowledge of life-long fitness activities to improve student proficiency in many areas of physical fitness. Ladies only. Semester or year-long course.

GENERAL INTEREST

Criminal Justice: A survey course designed to familiarize students with the functions, structure, and organization of the agencies that are responsible for the administration of justice. Specifically, the course introduces students to the institutions and processes of law making and enforcement, the judicial system, corrections and the juvenile justice system. Semester course.

Current Events: This course focuses on world and local issues that affect students' everyday lives, such as economics, government and conflict. This course uses newspapers, online media, cartoons, and newscasts to support class discussion. Semester course.

Debate/Public Speaking: Public Speaking and Debate is a communication course that will provide students with speaking skills for various daily and public interactive experiences. Students learn the history of public speaking, essential parts of speech and application of speaking techniques. Semester course.

Organizational Leadership: designed to teach and encourage a Biblically based view and understanding of leadership. Students learn more about how God designed them along with qualities of a good Christian leader and how to apply them. Semester course.

Spanish 4: Honors-level elective to increase proficiency in reading, writing, speaking, listening, and deepen intercultural competence of the Spanish language. The course will be conducted 90% in the target language. All students are expected to communicate in Spanish with their peers and the teacher. Must have completed Spanish 3H with an A. Year-long course for grades 11 & 12.

Sports Management: This introductory course emphasizes basic management principles as they relate to the business of sports. Students are introduced to sports marketing, sports law, sports supervision, sports media, sports ethics, recreational sports management and other related areas. There is an emphasis on developing and improving communication skills. Semester course.

Peer Tutoring: Peer tutoring is a service learning and leadership opportunity designed to share one's academic strengths. This class will consist of tutoring time and training in skills such as creating positive relationships, communication, study skills, strategies for improving reading and writing, multiple intelligence and learning differences. Semester course for grades 11 and 12, can be both semesters.

Internship: MCA offers an internship program for students interested in learning more about a particular area of study. Examples include: Technology, Athletics, Business Administration, Education, Chapel, Drama and Management. Internships are considered by application only and spots are limited. MCA has implemented this course in place of Teacher Assistant. The requirements for completion and expectations will be commensurate with the level of responsibility of a professional intern. 12th grade only.

COLLEGE ELECTIVES (TAUGHT AT MCA)

College Business Management BUS 137: This course is designed to be an overview of the major functions of management. Emphasis is placed on planning, organizing, controlling, directing, and communicating. Upon completion, students should be able to work as contributing members of a team utilizing these functions of management. Must have GPA of 3.0 or higher and have standardized test scores in the college ready range to be successful. Semester course through SPCC for grades 11 and 12.

College Macroeconomics ECO 252: This course introduces economic analysis of aggregate employment, income, and prices. Topics include major schools of economic thought; aggregate supply and demand; economic measures, fluctuations, and growth; money and banking; stabilization techniques; and international trade. Upon completion, students should be able to evaluate national economic components, conditions, and alternatives for achieving socioeconomic goals. Must have GPA of 3.0 or higher and have standardized test scores in the college ready range to be successful. Semester course through SPCC for grades 11 and 12.

College Music Appreciation MUS 110: This course is a basic survey of the music of the Western world. Emphasis is placed on the elements of music, terminology, composers, form, and style within a historical perspective. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate skills in basic listening and understanding of the art of music. Must have GPA of 3.0 or higher and have standardized test scores in the college ready range to be successful. Semester course through SPCC for grades 11 and 12.