

Course Descriptions

ACADEMY SOCIOLOGY

This course will introduce students to the study of social groups and human interaction. In this course, we will examine and practice the various skills and techniques that sociologists employ when studying a group's behavior. We will examine a wide variety of groups and social processes that enable us to function as a society. Some of these topics include in depth analysis of culture, social structure, social deviance and control, inequalities in race, ethnicity, gender and age, as well as, researching/presenting major agents of socialization.

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

This course is designed for the student who may pursue a career in the Justice System. Study will include all aspects of crime, and the ways that society reacts to crime, as well as the individual and social conditions that may lead to criminal behavior. Analysis of the relationship between agencies of the justice system and other segments of society will explore the difficult balance between the rights of the individual and the needs of the community. Administration of Justice may be offered as a dual credit course with CCC.

Potential Careers

New Jersey State Police

Crime Scene Investigator

Sheriff

Paralegal

Lawyer

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Drug Enforcement Agency

Border Patrol

Judge

Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms Officer

Forensics

Criminal Psychology



Cumberland Regional High School
Justice Studies Academy

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Overview

The Justice Studies Academy will provide students with an interest in law enforcement, corrections and the legal system the opportunity to develop an understanding of the history and functions of the legal system, the role of law in society, the impact of societal changes on the law and their role as citizens. Courses have been selected and designed to provide students with real life experiences, opportunities to explore career options, and to develop critical thinking and problem solving skills. Students must complete the Cumberland Regional Academy Application in order to be enrolled.



**2016 Cumberland
County Mock Trial
Champions**

Cumberland Regional High School students competing in the Cumberland County Mock Trial Competition at the Cumberland County Court House



Core Academy Courses

Introduction to Justice Studies (Grades 9-10)

Academy Street Law (Grades 10-11)

Academy Sociology (Grades 11-12)

Administration of Justice (Grades 11-12)



Course Progression

Freshman Year	Sophomore Year
1 - Language Arts*	1 - Language Arts*
2 - Math*	2 - Math*
3 - Science*	3 - Science*
4 - Phys. Ed./Health	4 - Phys. Ed./Health
5 - World History*	5 - U.S. History I*
6 - World Language	6 - <i>Academy Street Law</i>
7 - <i>Introduction to Justice Studies</i>	7 - additional academic or elective course
8 - additional academic or elective course	8 - additional academic or elective course
Junior Year	Senior Year
1 - Language Arts*	1 - Language Arts*
2 - Math*	2 - Math*
3 - Science*	3 - Science*
4 - Phys. Ed./Health	4 - Phys. Ed./Health
5 - U.S. History II*	5 - Financial Literacy*
6 - <i>Academy Sociology</i>	6 - <i>Administration of Justice</i>
7 - additional academic or elective course	7 - additional academic or elective course
8 - additional academic or elective course	8 - additional academic or elective course

*Students can take courses at the CP, Honors, or AP academic levels (where applicable)

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INTRODUCTION TO JUSTICE STUDIES
The course will provide students with a foundation in the history of western law, historical legal documents, and the legal system. Students will explore careers in law enforcement, corrections, and multiple careers in the legal system. An emphasis will be placed on the development of critical thinking skills, evidenced based writing and debate, as well as problem solving. Multimedia resources and guest speakers will be an integral part of the course.

ACADEMY STREET LAW

This course will provide students with a foundation in criminal law, civil law, juvenile justice, court procedures and the jury system. An emphasis will be placed on critical thinking skills, evidence based writing and debate. Activities will be designed to provide students with the ability to analyze, evaluate and resolve legal disputes. The curriculum includes case studies, mock trials, role-plays, small group exercises and visual analysis activities. Prerequisite: Introduction to Justice Studies.