FOLSOM CORDOVA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



Principles of Information Technology

Board Approval Date: June 17, 2021	Course Length: 2 Semester			
Grading: A-F	Credits: 5 Credits per Semester			
Proposed Grade Level(s): 9th - 12th	Subject Area: Elective Elective Area (if applicable): Career Technical Education			
Prerequisite(s):	Corequisite(s):			
CTE Sector/Pathway: Information & Communication Technologies/Multiple Pathways				
Intent to Pursue 'A-G' College Prep Status: Yes				
A-G Course Identifier: (g) Elective				
Graduation Requirement: No				
Course Intent: District Course Program (if applicable):				

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COURSE DESCRIPTION: (Online Course)

Students gain proficiency with word processing, email, and presentation management software. Students will also be able to demonstrate digital literacy through basic study of computer hardware, operating systems, networking, the Internet, web publishing, spreadsheets, and database software. Students will create, analyze, and critique reports, letters, project plans, presentations, and other professional communications. Students will learn what to expect in the field of Information Technology and begin exploring career options in the field.

DETAILED UNITS OF INSTRUCTION:

Unit Number/Title	Unit Essential Questions	Examples of Formative Assessments	Examples of Summative Assessment	
1. Understanding Business Careers	What is the culture of Business? How can I succeed at Work? What are business careers?	*Students will analyze organizational structures and identify ways to build a positive business culture *Students will explore career options in the insurance field	*Unit Test	
2. Communicating through Letters and Email	How do I communicate effectively through letters and emails? How do I write letters and emails? How do I write business letters? How do I use email?	*Students will draft a business letter based on a scenario *Students will write email messages in response to a business scenario	*Unit Test	
3. Communicating through Formal Business Documents	What are formal business documents? How do I write formal business documents? How do I research formal business documents? How do I add art and visual support to formal business documents?	* Students will use a template to create and format a formal business document *Students will determine the effectiveness and appropriateness of visuals in business documents	*Unit Test	
4. Communicating through presentations	How do I use presentation software? How do I create a presentation? How do I deliver a professional presentation?	*Students will analyze the effectiveness of presentations *Students will create and present a slide presentation	*Unit Test	
5. Managing Projects	How do I plan and organize a business project? How do I manage and measure a business project? How do I monitor project information?	*Students will draft a project plan and analyze a business project scenario*Students will Evaluate the effectiveness of a fictional team that has completed a project	*Unit Test	
6. Information Technology	What is information technology?	* Students will compare and contrast various emerging	*Unit Test	

	What are information technology careers?	technologies, including their impact on society and how they are evaluated *Students will research a variety of information technology careers	
7. Computer Hardware and Software	What are the hardware parts and functions of a computer? What are the software parts and functions of a computer? How are computer problems troubleshoot?	*Students will identify operating system and application software components *Students will use application software in response to a business-related scenario	*Unit Test
8. Spreadsheets & Databases	What is a spreadsheet and how is it used? How is a spreadsheet created? What is a database and how is it used?	*Students will use a spreadsheet to perform business-related tasks *Students will use a spreadsheet and database to complete a business process	*Unit Test
9. Information Systems and Networking	What are information systems and how are they used in business? What is networking and how is it important in networking?	*Students will compare and contrast various emerging technologies, including their impact on society and how they are evaluated *Students will use information systems for business planning, strategies, and operations	*Unit Test
10. Exploring the Web	How is the internet used? What security, laws, and ethics apply to the internet? How are web pages designed? *Students will apply effective internet search strategies *Students will create web pages to produce an effective website		*Unit Test

ESSENTIAL STANDARDS: https://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct/sf/documents/bizfinance.pdf

RELEVANT STANDARDS AND FRAMEWORKS, CONTENT/PROGRAM SPECIFIC STANDARDS:

Link to Common Core Standards (if applicable):

Educational standards describe what students should know and be able to do in each subject in each grade. In California, the State Board of Education decides on the standards for all students, from kindergarten through high school.

https://www.cde.ca.gov/be/st/ss/documents/finalelaccssstandards.pdf

Link to Framework (if applicable):

Curriculum frameworks provide guidance for implementing the content standards adopted by the State Board of Education (SBE). Frameworks are developed by the Instructional Quality Commission, formerly known as the Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission, which also reviews and recommends textbooks and other instructional materials to be adopted by the SBE.

Link to Subject Area Content Standards (if applicable):

Content standards were designed to encourage the highest achievement of every student, by defining the knowledge, concepts, and skills that students should acquire at each grade level.

https://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct/sf/documents/ctescrpflyer.pdf

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Link to Program Content Area Standards (if applicable):

Program Content Area Standards apply to programs such as International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement, Career and Technical Education, etc.

TEXTBOOKS AND RESOURCE MATERIALS:

Textbooks

Board Approved	Pilot Completion Date (If applicable)	Textbook Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Edition	Date
Y		APEX: Principles of Information Technology & Business		Apex Online Courses		2019

Other Resource Materials

N/A

Supplemental Materials

Board Approved Supplemental Materials (Including but not limited to: Film Clips, Digital Resources, Supplemental texts, DVDs, Programs (Pebble Creek, DBQ, etc.): N/A