

2025-2026 Career Academy & Technical Center 9th Grade Registration Guide



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QUICK GUIDE

Title of Course	Freshman	Soph.	Jr.	Sr.
AC Electronics *@	X	X	X	X
Applied Ag Mechanics (formerly Applied Mechanics)	X	X	X	X
Building Systems	X	X	X	X
Building Systems II	X	X	X	X
Computer Hardware	X	X	X	X
DC Electronics @	X	X	X	X
Career Academy Tech Ed (formerly Foundations of Technology)	X	X	X	X
Intro to Agriculture	X	X	X	X
Intro to Computers	X	X	X	X
Medical Careers	X	X	X	X
Robotics	X	X	X	X
Small Animal Care	X	X	X	X

* = Course has a prerequisite (check course description)

@ = Articulation class

Classes meet for 90 minutes (2 high school class periods)

Bussing is provided for BPS students

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North Dakota State Scholarship Information

Coordinated Plans of Study and North Dakota State Scholarship Opportunities

Coordinated Plans of Study exist for eight career and technical education program areas through Bismarck Public Schools: Agriculture, Business Education, Family and Consumer Science, Medical Careers, Information Technology, Marketing Education, Technology Education, and Trade, Industry, and Technical Education (**Coordinated Plans of Study and the specific pathways preface each program area in this registration guide**). Students who choose to focus their coursework in a specific CTE area may be eligible upon graduation for a **North Dakota Career and Technical Education Scholarship, up to \$6,000.00**, which is awarded to students who meet specific criteria and choose to attend a post-secondary institution in North Dakota.

Specific eligibility requirements for the scholarship can be found at <https://www.nd.gov/dpi/parentscommunity/students/academic-and-cte-scholarship>.

****Coordinated Plans of Study to choose from to complete the two credit plan of study scholarship requirement preface each program area in this registration guide.**

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Agriculture Career Cluster

Coordinated Plans of Study for North Dakota Career and Technical Education Scholarship

AGRICULTURE EDUCATION

For the most current information regarding Coordinated Plans, go to cte.nd.gov/coordinated-plans-study

Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources Career Cluster

Power, Structural & Technical Systems

Course Code	Description	No. of Credits
01011	Introduction to Agriculture	1
01043	Applied Ag Mechanics-Sem. 1 (formerly Applied Mechanics)	1
01044	Applied Ag Mechanics-Sem. 2 (formerly Applied Mechanics)	1
01066	Small Animal Care	1
01995	Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE)	½ - 2
Must complete at least 2 credits		

APPLIED AG MECHANICS (formerly Applied Mechanics)

BPS Career Academy

Grade Placement: 9, 10, 11, 12.....2 credits (Block Class).....Full Year

Lab Fee: \$25

Leather boots, welding gloves, and safety glasses are required. Coveralls or old set of clothes strongly suggested.

This program includes: tool identification, the study of small engine repair, farm engine maintenance and tune up, repair using oxyacetylene, MIG and arc welding, repair of farm machinery and building of small metal projects. Further studies include: agriculture carpentry, building of small & medium wood projects & buildings, surveying, construction techniques and materials, concrete, plumbing, electricity, and utilities. The use of hand and power tools for projects is also included in the mechanics program. Leadership through FFA is an integral part of this course.

INTRODUCTION TO AGRICULTURE

BPS Career Academy

Grade Placement: 9, 10, 11, 12..... 1 credit (Block Class)..... Semester 1 or 2

Lab Fee: \$15

This applied course is designed to introduce students to agriculture, its applications, and leadership development as the core foundation of the Agriculture Education program. Individual units will familiarize the student with safety and proper use of tools and equipment; animal selection and genetic traits; soil and plant relationships; basic business management and financial skills. Other topics include: soils, horticulture, nursery, natural resources/wildlife management, and biotechnology. Emphasis is on developing problem solving skills applied to real world problems. FFA and leadership skills are an integral part of this course.

SMALL ANIMAL CARE

BPS Career Academy

Grade Placement: 9, 10, 11, 12.....1 credit (Block Class).....Semester 1 or 2

This introductory course will start to explore aspects of proper small animal care by introducing students to a wide variety of skills and knowledge used in the world of companion animals. Students will learn basic bodily systems of cats, dogs, rabbits, birds, and fish. Students can expect to learn about proper housing, animal behavior and safety, veterinary skills and diagnosing illnesses, and explore careers working with animals. Students enrolled in this course will be expanding on skills learned in the classroom by applying these skills in a lab setting, visits to veterinary offices and shelters, and working with live animals. Students interested in veterinary careers or jobs working with animals, this is the class for you!

Manufacturing Cluster

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TRADE, INDUSTRY & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

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Manufacturing Career Cluster

Production			Manufacturing Production Process Development		
Course Code	Description	No. of Credits	Course Code	Description	No. of Credits
17236	Welding I	1	17150	DC Electronics	1
17237	Welding II	2	17150	AC Electronics	1
			17151	Analog Electronics	2
			17152	Digital Electronics	2
17950	Trade & Industry Capstone	1 or 2	17950	Trade & Industry Capstone	1 or 2
Must complete at least 2 credits			Must complete at least 2 credits		

DC ELECTRONICS

BPS Career Academy

Grade Placement: 9, 10, 11, 12.....1 credit (Block Class).....Semester 1

Students will have the opportunity to earn college credits through the articulation process

Step into the world of cutting-edge technology! This hands-on course is your gateway to becoming a tech innovator. You'll build and test real electronic circuits in a cool lab environment, learning how electrical engineers shape the world. By solving real-world problems and analyzing schematics, you'll master concepts like current, voltage, and resistance. Plus, earn college credits as you explore the fascinating world of DC circuit analysis. Want to start building the future? This is your first step! But that's just the beginning! To keep advancing, it's highly recommended to take **AC Electronics** the next semester, as it builds on what you learn in DC, preparing you for more complex circuits and a solid foundation in future tech.

AC Electronics

BPS Career Academy

Grade Placement: 9, 10, 11, 12.....1 credit (Block Class).....Semester 2

Prerequisite: DC Electronics

Students will have the opportunity to earn college credits through the articulation process

Take your electronics skills to the next level! In this second-semester course, you'll dive deeper into advanced topics like resonance, filters, and even complex circuits. With a mix of lab work and theory, you'll get to experiment with real-life electronics, learning how to troubleshoot and refine circuits like a pro. Plus, you can earn even more college credits while preparing for careers in tech, engineering, or electronics. Ready to level up and make your mark in the world of electronics? This course is for you! Don't miss your chance to join the revolution in technology!

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Information Technology Cluster

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

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Information Technology Career Cluster

Network Systems			Information Support & Services			Programming & Software Development		
Course Code	Description	No. of Credits	Course Code	Description	No. of Credits	Course Code	Description	No. of Credits
27101	Intro to Computers	1	27101	Intro to Computers	1	27101	Intro to Computers	1
27219	Computer Hardware	1	27219	Computer Hardware	1	27510	AP Computer Science Principles	1
27280	Cybersecurity	1	27280	Cybersecurity	1	27520	AP Computer Science A	1
						27122	Computer Programming I	½
						27280	Cybersecurity	1
Must complete at least 2 credits			Must complete at least 2 credits			Must complete at least 2 credits		

INTRO to COMPUTERS/ Intro to I. T. (Information Technology) BPS Career Academy

Grade Placement: 9, 10, 11, 12.....1 credit (Block Class)..... Semester 1 or 2

This exploratory level course provides an exposure to careers and issues in Information Technology. Units prepare students for the industry recognized "Internet and Computing Core Certification" (IC3). This globally recognized certification provides students with the foundation of knowledge needed to excel in fields that involve computers and the internet. The IC3 Global Standard 3 reflects the most relevant skills for school and business today including: Computing Fundamentals, Key Applications, and Living Online. Students will also have introductory units on Cybersecurity and the Internet of Things (IoT).

COMPUTER HARDWARE/I. T. Essentials BPS Career Academy

Grade Placement: 9, 10, 11, 12.....1 credit (Block Class).....Semester 1 or 2

Recommended: Intro to Computers

This course introduces students to computer hardware and operating systems. Students learn the functionality of hardware and software components as well as suggested best practices in maintenance and safety issues. Through hands-on activities and labs, students learn how to assemble and configure a computer, install operating systems and software, and troubleshoot hardware and software problems. In addition, an introduction to networking is included. This course helps the students prepare for CompTIA A+ certification.

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math Cluster (STEM)

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TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

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Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics Career Cluster			Manufacturing Career Cluster		
Engineering & Technology			Manufacturing Production Process Development		
Course Code	Description	No. of Credits	Course Code	Description	No. of Credits
10094	Career Academy Tech Ed (formerly Foundations of Technology)	1	10111	Building Systems	1
10410	Creative Engineering I (Technological Design)	1	10111	Building Systems II	1
10338	Creative Engineering II (Advanced Design Application)	1	10259	Architectural Design	1
10411	Robotics Engineering	1	10260	Tech Design/3D Modeling	1
			10331	Mechatronics (formerly Energy & Power Production)	1
			10411	Robotics Engineering	1
Must complete at least 2 credits			Must complete at least 2 credits		

BUILDING SYSTEMS

BPS Career Academy

Grade Placement: 9, 10, 11, 12.....1 credit (Block Class).....Semester 1 or 2

Lab Fee: \$25

If you enjoy any type of woodworking and construction, this class is for you. Students will explore how to use tools and machines used in construction and woodworking. You will learn how to safely use wood working tools to create various projects in the shop, including concrete, laminate countertops, and charcuterie boards. You will be taught the basics of house framing where you will demonstrate cutting, fastening, and assembling walls. You will learn how to hang dry wall, do taping & texturing and how to fix holes in the wall. Students will also learn about the different types of wood to create projects including working with the Dakota Woodturners on the wood lathe to create a pen, screwdriver, duck calls, tops, flower vases, and other small projects. This is a great hands-on class working with wood products in the shop.

BUILDING SYSTEMS II

BPS Career Academy

Grade Placement: 9, 10, 11, 12.....1 credit (Block Class).....Semester 1 or 2

Prerequisite: Building Systems

Lab Fee: \$25

If you enjoyed Building Systems I, this class should be added to the list. Building II will add to your knowledge in the construction field by introducing careers and developing skills in floor coverings and installation, tile setting, plumbing countertop construction and repair, roofing, advanced woodturning, underground sprinkler systems, and security systems (locks and cameras). In addition, students will create an electrical circuit by running electrical wiring to the various lighting and outlets within the structure. We will cover tools, materials and vocabulary in all these trade areas. Small project at the end of the semester.

CAREER ACADEMY TECH ED (formerly Foundations of Technology)**BPS Career Academy****Grade Placement: 9, 10, 11, 12.....1 credit (Block Class) Semester 1 or 2***Lab Fee: \$25*

Do you like building things? Do you like working with your hands? Learn through group and individual activities that engage in STEM activities by creating ideas, developing innovations, and engineering practical solutions. Some hands-on activities that are possible: tool safety, CADD designed Co2 car dragsters, manufacturing in the wood shop with the mini-lathe & building a small wood project, laser engraver, vinyl cutter, t-shirt design, bridge design, building robots

ROBOTICS**BPS Career Academy****Grade Placement: 9, 10, 11, 12.....1 credit (Block Class) Semester 1 or 2**

Robotics focuses heavily on the building process, mechanical parts, and physics of a functioning robot. Students will spend the majority of their time in class building and being hands-on. Some of the robot builds include the square bot, claw bot, protobot, gear plate, stair climber, crane, manipulator, and ping pong ball launcher. The robotic systems used in class are from VEX Robotics.

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HEALTH SCIENCES EDUCATION

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Health Science Career Cluster

Diagnostic Services			Therapeutic Services		
Course Code	Description	No. of Credits	Course Code	Description	No. of Credits
07033	Medical Careers	1	07032	Certified Nursing Assistant	1
07034	Prevention & Care of Athletic Injuries	1	07033	Medical Careers	1
07035	Advanced Medical Careers	1	07035	Advanced Medical Careers	1
07036	Medical Terminology	½	07036	Medical Terminology	½
			07038	Intro to Nursing	1
17950	Trade & Industry Capstone	1 or 2	17950	Trade & Industry Capstone	1 or 2
Must complete at least 2 credits			Must complete at least 2 credits		

Health Sciences Cluster

MEDICAL CAREERS**BHS, CHS, LHS****Grade Placement: 9, 10, 11, 121 credit.....Full Year**

This year-long course provides students with information relating to the educational and professional requirements for the various medical careers. Students will study the fundamentals of diseases, basic anatomy and physiology, and medical terminology. Students will become certified in the Healthcare Provider level of CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer and American Heart Saver First Aid. **Dual credit from Bismarck State College is available (HPER 210).**

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