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**JONATHAN DAYTON HIGH SCHOOL**



**PROGRAM OF STUDIES**

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## **SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**Our Vision:** Cultivating compassionate and extraordinary learners.

**Our Mission:** Springfield Public Schools will challenge every student through meaningful, engaging experiences — empowering all students to flourish and contribute in an evolving world.

## **JONATHAN DAYTON HIGH SCHOOL**

### Mission Statement

We, the members of Jonathan Dayton High School's educational community, are dedicated to developing a body of knowledge and high ethical standards that will enable our students to thrive in a rapidly changing and increasingly diverse society. We will achieve our mission by offering a comprehensive, rigorous set of courses and activities while demonstrating the highest degree of mutual respect, commitment and professionalism.

### Belief Statements

We believe that...

- Students are entitled to an intellectually, emotionally, and physically safe environment.
- All students can learn and are capable of succeeding at a high level.
- Teachers attend to each student's individual learning style.
- It is important to respect the cultural heritage of every individual and the diversity of the student body.
- A commitment to life-long learning is critical to success in high school.
- Helping students develop strong character is an important responsibility of high school teachers and administrators.
- Personal development encompasses respect, resilience and self-worth.
- Academic integrity is the foundation on which any learning institution is founded.
- The development of self-reliance and independence is essential.
- Talent can be expressed through academics, the arts and athletics.
- Good citizenship in the school, community, nation and world is a necessary component in complete character development.
- Community service promotes personal growth as well as civic engagement in society.

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## PROGRAM OF STUDIES

Dear JDHS Student,

This program of studies is designed to assist you in choosing your courses for the years you will spend in high school. To a very large degree, your success, your pride of achievement, and your own personal happiness will be determined by the course of action you decide to pursue. It is important for you to realize that, although much hard work in your present grade remains ahead of you, a number of decisions regarding next year's program must be made at this time.

The Springfield Public Schools attempts to provide you with a program of subject offerings that are sufficiently diversified in breadth and depth to meet your needs and interests. How wisely you choose your courses from those available will no doubt influence your possibility of success.

Before making these important decisions, you should strongly consider your capabilities, goals, and interests. Your previous and present school records are good indicators of your capabilities. Review your achievement in the courses you have taken to date and apply this measure to your decision-making for the next year. While prior achievement is a good reference point, we encourage students to push themselves in subjects of interest and embrace new challenges.

You should carefully consider the suggestions and recommendations from your teachers, guidance counselor, and parents/guardians. Each can be of great assistance as you engage this process or shaping your high school career.

We are excited to provide students with this program of studies, and we wish you all the best on your education journey!

Regards,

Dr. Francis



**Go Bulldogs!!!**

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

All courses completed count toward graduation requirements. Regardless of post-high school objectives, all students in the district are required to complete a core curriculum of academic courses that develop the skills and knowledge essential to all citizens.

Students are required to complete a minimum of 130 credits in order to graduate. In accordance with the State of New Jersey graduation requirements (N.J.A.C.6 A:8-5.1) and Springfield District High School Graduation Policy No. 5460, the requirements to attain a Jonathan Dayton High School diploma are as follows:

<b>Courses</b>	<b>Minimum Credits</b>
English Language Arts	20 Credits
United States History	10 Credits
World History	5 Credits
Physical Education and Health	15 Credits
Mathematics	20 Credits
Laboratory Science (Biology, Chemistry, additional full year science with lab)	15 Credits
World Languages	10 Credits
Economic and Financial Literacy	2.5 Credits
Visual and Performing Arts	5 Credits
21st Century Life and Career/Practical Arts	5 Credits
Additional Electives	22.5 Credits
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>130</b>

## COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENT

Beginning in grade 9, students are required to complete a minimum of 30 hours of community service and/or volunteer work each academic year. This requirement will be reviewed on an annual basis, and the Principal may modify the requirements, with the approval of the Superintendent and Board of Education. Please note that even if a student completes in excess of 30 hours in a given year, only 30 hours will count towards graduation requirement. Service hours will be reviewed quarterly with your child's assigned school counselor.

## **NEW JERSEY STATE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

### **GRADUATION ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENT**

All high school students are required to meet specific standardized assessment requirements, determined by the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE), in order to graduate. Alternative means for meeting this requirement may be specified in a classified student's Individualized Education Plan. Please refer to the NJDOE website for the most current graduation assessment requirements: [https://www.nj.gov/education/assessment/requirements/2023\\_2025.shtml](https://www.nj.gov/education/assessment/requirements/2023_2025.shtml)

### **ATTENDANCE**

New Jersey statute requires schools to be open for educational purposes for 180 days between July 1 and June 30. A ninety percent (90%) attendance rate is also required by the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum. Therefore, a pupil must be in attendance for 162 or more school days in order to meet the requirements of the instructional program of the grade/course to which they are assigned.

Excessive absences (18 or more unexcused absences in a school year) may result in a negative effect on a student's grade and /or may impact the student's eligibility for promotion or graduation. A waiver of these attendance requirements may be granted for good cause by the school principal upon recommendation of an attendance review committee, appointed by him/her, and consisting of representative staff, including pupil service personnel and classroom teachers.

In recommending the granting of a waiver of this attendance requirement, the review committee shall consider the nature and causes of all absences rather than only those in excess of the 18 days. Documentation of the nature and causes for these absences shall be the responsibility of the pupil and parent/guardian. (Attendance Policy No. 5200.)

### **CREDITS**

Students earn credit upon satisfactory completion of a course. Course credit is determined by the number of minutes that the course meets. For example, a course that meets 200 minutes-per-week for two semesters, carries 5 credits; a course that meets at least 240 minutes-per-week, carries 6 credits.

A final grade of F indicates failure, meaning that no credit is earned. The student may be prevented from enrolling in courses for which the prerequisite is required. Credit may be earned by successfully repeating the failed course over the summer by an approved provider or during the regular school year.

A student who fails a required subject is not permitted to register to take simultaneously both the failed subject as a repeat and an additional new advanced subject in the same subject area unless he/she obtains approval of his guidance counselor, the appropriate supervisor, and the principal.

## **GENERAL COURSE SELECTION AND PROGRAM CONSIDERATIONS**

### **PREREQUISITES**

Prerequisites are courses that must be completed satisfactorily before certain other courses are taken. Courses requiring a prerequisite will be indicated as such in their descriptions.

### **SUBJECTS TAKEN BY EXAMINATION**

A student who, by previous study or experience, believes they have successfully mastered the content, concepts and skills of a particular course, may request an examination in that course through the department supervisor. Successful completion of the exam will satisfy the prerequisite for the next higher-level course. However, no graduation credit may be earned by examination. Requests must be in writing. Parents and students must sign the request and principal approval required.

### **ELECTIVES**

Electives should be requested in accordance with the student's interests and abilities, future plans, and NJ state graduation requirements. Though consideration for these requests are taken seriously, the school may place a student into an unrequested elective based on a variety of factors.

### **SUBJECTS TAKEN PRIOR TO GRADE 9**

Any courses taken prior to Grade 9 do not meet graduation credit requirements. State assessments associated with these courses may meet state testing requirements for graduation.

### **INSUFFICIENT ENROLLMENT**

Any course for which there is insufficient enrollment will be canceled for the school year. Students will be placed in an alternate course in consideration with their requests or at the discretion of the school.

### **COMBINED CLASSES**

It is possible that two courses may be combined when enrollment is insufficient to operate one or both courses as separate sections. Such combined classes are scheduled in an effort to allow students to complete a sequence of courses only when the combination is educationally sound. Parents and students will be notified when combined classes are necessary.

### **POTENTIAL COURSE REQUEST CONFLICTS**

At times, there will be scheduling conflicts, even when students and their parents choose courses wisely and appropriately. If two desired courses are scheduled for the same time period, it is possible that a choice will have to be made; i.e., both courses cannot be taken. This conflict may be experienced especially when enrolling in a course which meets only once during the school day. Therefore, students and parents should be alert to this possibility. Second or alternate choices should be selected carefully when planning a schedule of courses.



## **COURSE LOAD AND ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES FOR SCHEDULE CHANGES**

- All full-time students will pursue a minimum course load of seven classes each semester, preferably a minimum of five academic courses, one non-academic and physical education/health.
- Students are expected to complete full-year courses. Students who drop a course, full-year or semester, are to select another available course during the same period of the course dropped.
- Schedule changes in all courses must be requested within TEN (10) days of the start of the course.

### **PASS/FAIL OPTION**

The district-wide grading procedures permit a student to elect a Pass/Fail option within the following guidelines:

1. The purpose of the Pass/Fail option is to encourage students to explore aspects of the curriculum in which they might be interested, but which they usually would not select to study. Pass/Fail option cannot be used for courses required for graduation.
2. All Pass/Fail requests must be in writing to the guidance counselor no later than the end of the fourth week of the first marking period of the course. The written request must include a parent signature. Prior to electing a course for Pass/Fail, a student must discuss his/her plans with the guidance counselor and determine the impact of the Pass/Fail option on planned educational objectives and principal approval is required.
3. If a student elects Pass/Fail in a full-year subject, three of the four marking periods must be passed; one of these three must be the last marking period. If a student elects Pass/Fail in a one-semester course, both marking periods must be passed. Students receive credit for Pass/Fail courses passed. A Pass/Fail grade is not calculated into the GPA. Therefore, Honor Roll, National Honor Society, and other academic recognition program eligibility will be calculated without considering the course(s) that have been selected for Pass/Fail.

### **INDEPENDENT STUDY**

A student may earn credit by means of Independent Study by developing a plan in consultation with his or her counselor and the appropriate faculty member. Final approval must be obtained from the building principal. Independent Study courses may be scheduled as a semester or full-year course.

It must first be established that one of three circumstances makes Independent Study a viable option:

1. The student has already pursued a subject to the limits of the high school curriculum. For instance, the student has already completed all five levels of a language offered in the district, and wishes to continue language study.
2. The student is so advanced in a specific subject area that she or he already knows the content to be taught in the available courses, and can demonstrate this mastery through a rigorous assessment.
3. The student is qualified to take a particular course, but cannot schedule it as a regular class. For instance, the student has an irreconcilable conflict between AP Physics and AP Computer Science, both of which are related to his or her future career plans.

Students interested in pursuing Independent Study should speak with their school counselor in the beginning of the school year. All Independent Study students are assigned a mentor; however, students who enroll in these courses must demonstrate the ability to work with a minimum of teacher direction.

### **PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS**

For a student to be promoted to the next grade level, he/she must earn the following credits:

- Sophomore = 30 credits
- Junior = 65 credits
- Senior = 95 credits

Summer school recovery credits are included towards grade level advancement.

### **NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT**

Board of Education policy states that the assignment of students to subject areas is to follow all pertinent federal and state laws and regulations and such assignment will not be predicated on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, sex, ancestry, national origin, social or economic status or handicapping conditions.

## GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)

### Weighting Table

GRADE	AP/ADV	HONORS	CP
A+ (98 - 100)	5	4.67	4.33
A (92 - 97)	4.67	4.33	4
A- (90 - 91)	4.33	4	3.67
B+ (86 - 89)	4	3.67	3.33
B (82 - 85)	3.67	3.33	3
B- (80 - 81)	3.33	3	2.67
C+ (76 - 79)	3	2.67	2.33
C (72 - 75)	2.67	2.33	2
C- (70 - 71)	2.33	2	1.67
D (65 - 69)	1.67	1.33	1
F (50 - 64)	0	0	0

AP - Advanced Placement (CollegeBoard Approved AP Course)

ADV - Advanced (Advanced Level Course)

CP – College Prep (Standard Level)

### GPA CALCULATION

The grade point average is calculated by multiplying the credits by the numerical equivalent for each grade (see charts). The sum of the quality points is then divided by the sum of the attempted credits; the unweighted GPA is calculated only using the CP numerical equivalents. The weighted GPA is calculated using the corresponding numerical equivalent for honors and AP courses. The unweighted and weighted GPA will be identical for students not taking any honors or AP courses. Examples for unweighted and weighted GPA calculations are shown below.

Course	Grade	Quality Points		Credits		Quality Points
Hon. Chem	B	3	X	6	=	18
Hon. Eng.	B-	2.67	X	5	=	13.35
Hon. Algebra II	B-	2.67	X	5	=	13.35
Spanish 2	A-	3.67	X	5	=	18.35
Hon US History	B	3	X	5	=	15
Accounting	A-	3.67	X	2.5	=	9.175
Ceramics	A-	4	X	2.5	=	10
Health	A-	4	X	1.25	=	5
Phys. Ed.	B+	3.33	X	3.75	=	12.48
<b>Total</b>				<b>36</b>		<b>114.705</b>
<b>Unweighted GPA</b>		<b>114.705</b>	/	<b>36</b>	=	<b>3.186</b>

Course	Grade	Quality Points		Credits		Quality Points
Hon. Chem	B	3.33	X	6	=	19
Hon. Eng.	B-	3.00	X	5	=	15.00
Hon. Algebra II	B-	3.00	X	5	=	15.00
Spanish 2	A-	3.67	X	5	=	18.35
Hon US History	B	3.33	X	5	=	16.65
Accounting	A-	3.67	X	2.5	=	9.175
Ceramics	A-	4	X	2.5	=	10
Health	A-	4	X	1.25	=	5
Phys. Ed.	B+	3.33	X	3.75	=	12.48
<b>Total</b>				<b>36</b>		<b>121.635</b>
<b>Weighted GPA</b>		<b>121.635</b>	/	<b>36</b>	=	<b>3.378</b>

## **CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE**

The cumulative grade point average is calculated by dividing the sum of the quality points for each year of attendance at Jonathan Dayton High School and the sum of the credits for each year of attendance at Jonathan Dayton High School.

## **CLASS RANK**

Jonathan Dayton High School does not publish rank but provides each student with a weighted and unweighted grade point average (GPA). In the calculation of each, all courses are taken, Grade 9 through Grade 12, are factored in. GPA is considered when decisions are made for some scholarships and awards.

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## **ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS**

### **HONOR ROLL**

At the end of each marking period, students that meet the requisite course averages are recognized by being placed on the JDHS Honor Roll. Students that have a 90 or above, in all of their courses, are placed on the PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL. Students that have an average between 82 or above, in all of their courses, are placed on the HONOR ROLL.

### **NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY CONSIDERATION (JUNIOR AND SENIORS)**

All students with a weighted GPA of 3.7 or higher are invited to submit an application to the JDHS chapter of the National Honor Society. Applications are reviewed by the NHS Faculty Council. Students are notified as to whether or not they will be inducted.

### **JDHS ACADEMIC SCHOLARS OF DISTINCTION (SENIOR RECOGNITION)**

Each year, the two senior students with the highest GPAs are recognized as the JDHS Academic Scholars of Distinction. These students receive recognition from the Union County Superintendents' Association. They are also extended the opportunity to speak at commencement.

### **DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR AWARD (SENIOR RECOGNITION)**

Each Year, the top 20 senior students, per GPA's, are recognized by the Springfield Lions Club as Distinguished Scholars.

## COURSE RECOMMENDATIONS

Course levels (Advanced Placement, Honors, College Prep) is one way JDHS provides differentiated learning experiences for students. Course levels will vary in the learning tasks, instructional methods, and pace. Offerings may depend upon the number of student requests and faculty certifications.

When recommending students, teachers are expected to give consideration for the following:

- Current academic achievement in a given subject and previous performance in related subjects.
- Reading ability as measured by tests and from classroom observations.
- Writing ability as measured by writing samples.
- General scholastic ability as measured by test instruments and recorded in the student's cumulative record.
- Work-study habits as well as motivation, effort, diligence, perseverance and maturity as noted by teachers.

### Recommendation Override Requests

A student or their parents may initiate a recommendation override. If this is done, it is expected that the student will commit to staying in that course. Mid-year schedule changes may not be feasible, and may delay a student's progress towards graduation. The parent must indicate via email, or signed letter, that they understand this, in order for the override to be approved. The email or letter must be sent to the school counselor where it will be kept on file. Principal review and approval is required.

Course Levels offered:

- **Advanced Placement (AP)\*** – college level courses taught following guidelines determined by the College Board.
- **Honors (H)** - courses taught at an advanced level, for students who are prepared to undertake a greater degree of independent work, in greater depth, than the regular level.
- **College Prep (CP)** – regular level courses.

\*Note regarding **Advanced Placement (AP)** examinations: Students in Advanced Placement courses are required to take the associated Advanced Placement Examination for that course. The AP Exam is paid for by the Springfield Board of Education. Families are expected to reimburse the district for missed examinations. Fees for AP exams can be found on the CollegeBoard website. Students should contact their school counselor regarding any issues pertaining to taking an AP Exam.

## ACCELERATED AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

### DAYTON COLLEGIATE ACADEMY

Eighth graders interested in participation in a unique, challenging, and accelerated learning environment will apply to Dayton Collegiate Academy (DCA). To add rigor to their schedules, the selected cohort of students will be enrolled in advanced placement courses starting their freshmen year. Additional opportunities include selection of advanced placement courses, academic contests and competitions, interest groups and clubs, as well as leadership activities. **Students in DCA must maintain a GPA of 2.67 or higher.**

Required courses:

#### Freshmen

STEM Focus	Humanities Focus
AP Seminar (ELA)	AP Seminar (ELA)
Math (Algebra 1, Geometry Honors, or Algebra II Honors)	Math (Algebra 1, Geometry Honors, or Algebra II Honors)
Biology Honors	Biology Honors
World History Honors	World History Honors
World Language - Level 2	World Language - Level 2
Introduction to Economics / Intro to Java	Introduction to Economics / Intro to Java
PE/Health	PE/Health
Elective	Elective

#### Sophomores

STEM Focus	Humanities Focus
AP Computer Science Principles	AP Art History
AP English Language & Composition	AP English Language & Composition
Math (Geometry Honors, or Algebra II Honors, Precalculus Honors)	Math (Geometry Honors, or Algebra II Honors, Precalculus Honors)
Chemistry Honors	Chemistry Honors
US History to 1900 Honors or AP Government & Politics	US History to 1900 Honors or AP Government & Politics
World Language - Level 3	World Language - Level 3
PE/Health	PE/Health
Elective	Elective

### Junior Year

STEM Focus	Humanities Focus
AP Computer Science - Java Advanced Computer Science (Data Structures)	AP level Humanities elective
AP English Literature & Composition	AP English Literature & Composition
Math (Algebra II Honors, Precalculus Honors, or AP Calculus)	Math (Algebra II Honors, Precalculus Honors, or AP Calculus)
AP Physics, AP Chemistry, or AP Biology	AP Physics, AP Chemistry, or AP Biology
AP US History	AP US History
World Language - Level 4	World Language - Level 4
PE/Health	PE/Health
Elective	Elective

### Senior Year

STEM Focus	Humanities Focus
DCA Seminar (ELA)	DCA Seminar (ELA)
Math (Precalculus Honors, AP Calculus, or Multivariable Calculus)	Math (Precalculus Honors, AP Calculus, or Multivariable Calculus)
AP Elective	AP Elective
AP Elective	AP Elective
AP Elective or Academic Elective	AP Elective or Academic Elective
AP Elective or Academic Elective	AP Elective or Academic Elective
PE/Health	PE/Health

During the DCA student's four high school years, they will select a minimum of (8) AP Courses in total. The availability and nature of offerings are determined by student requests and faculty certifications.

<b>AP SEMINAR (ELA) 0013</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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AP Seminar is a foundational course that engages students in cross-curricular conversations that explore the complexities of academic and real-world topics and issues by analyzing divergent perspectives. Using an inquiry framework, students practice reading and analyzing articles, research studies, and foundational, literary, and philosophical texts; listening to and viewing speeches, broadcasts, and personal accounts; and experiencing artistic works and performances. Students learn to synthesize information from multiple sources, develop their own perspectives in written essays, and design and deliver oral and visual presentations, both individually and as part of a team. Ultimately, the course aims to equip students with the power to analyze and evaluate information with accuracy and precision in order to craft and communicate evidence-based arguments. This course is offered exclusively for DCA freshmen starting with the 2025-2026 school year.



<b>DCA SENIOR SEMINAR (ELA) 0012</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The Senior Seminar is designed for Dayton Collegiate Academy students who have completed two AP English courses prior to their senior year. Through the lens of Joseph Campbell's, *The Hero with a Thousand Faces*, students will explore the concept of the monomyth, or hero's journey, through four thematic units: The Undergraduate Experience, Authority and Rebellion, Societal Dialectics/Alterity and Creating Reality/Image Politics. Students will cohere their prior work for the Collegiate Academy into a formal portfolio for use in college applications, and build through the thematic units a command of critical theory both in literature and in film. Throughout the course, students will face rigorous writing tasks implementing multiple styles and structures, with emphasis on precision, rhetorical design and establishing voice. A consistent focus throughout the course is the consideration of context by situating all work within the tensions of societal forces of culture and history. Students will ultimately use this course to establish their own monomyth, entering college as champions of their own intellectual development. This course carries Honor's weighting.

**Prerequisite:** Successful completion of AP English 3 and AP English 4, as well as participation in the Dayton Collegiate Academy.

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## DUAL CREDIT COURSES

Dual credit programs provide students the opportunity to obtain high school credit, and college credit, simultaneously. Partner institutions charge a fee, per credit. Financial assistance may be provided by Springfield Public Schools for students with demonstrated financial need. Families seeking financial assistance must submit the following to a student's assigned school counselor:

- Statement of need
- Name of course
- Name of university program
- Free/Reduced Lunch Application

### Middle College Program at Fairleigh Dickinson University

College credit is available to all high school students through the Middle College Program at Fairleigh Dickinson University. Currently, students enrolled in the courses listed below may receive three college credits, from Fairleigh Dickinson University, for each course. More information can be found at this link:

<https://www.fdu.edu/lifelong-learning-at-fdu/high-school-programs/dual-enrollment/>. Interested students must inform their teacher and school counselor.

- 0325 Calculus
- 0346 Advanced Placement Computer Science A: Java
- 0345 Advanced Computer Science
- 0095 Tomorrow's Teachers

Note: Fees and applications are sent directly to the university. All courses are taught by JDHS

teachers, at JDHS.

### **Project Acceleration at Seton Hall University**

College credit is available to all high school students through Project Acceleration at Seton Hall University. Currently, students enrolled in the courses listed below may receive three college credits from Seton Hall University, for each course, for a fee. More information about this program can be found at the following link: <https://www.shu.edu/project-acceleration/index.cfm>. Interested students must inform their teacher and guidance counselor.

- 0238 Advanced Placement French 5
- 0214 Advanced Placement Spanish 5
- 0054 Advanced Placement English Language
- 0459 AP Biology
- 0343 Statistical Methods and Concepts

Note: Fees and applications are sent directly to the university. All courses are taught by JDHS teachers, at JDHS.

### **The Holocaust & Genocide Course (0148)**

This course focuses attention upon the impact of people's inhumanity to other people throughout history and especially the examples of inhumane behavior displayed in Nazi Germany before and during World War II. The course provided in-depth examination of six major topics: 1. The nature of human behavior, 2. Views of prejudice and genocide. 3. The rise of Nazism in Germany up to 1933, 4. The growth of persecution to the use of mass murder. 5. Resistance to Nazism and intervention, 6. The related issues of conscience and moral responsibility

This course will include a wide variety of activities and experiences for students of all ability levels. It is offered as a one semester elective for juniors and seniors. Students must apply to Kean University, and pay a per-credit fee in order to receive college credit. The course is taught by a JDHS teacher, at JDHS. See the following link for Kean University contacts and information: <https://www.kean.edu/offices/holocaust-resource-center/high-school-dual-credit-course>.

### **Project Lead the Way (PLTW)**

PLTW offers an End-of-Course Assessment, which are nationally recognized as standards-based measures for students in project-based learning environments. Colleges and universities across the U.S. recognize and reward PLTW students for their great work. These postsecondary institutions recognize PLTW students with scholarships, admissions preference, course credit, and more. For more information, please visit <https://www.pltw.org/experience-pltw/student-opportunities>.

Current PLTW courses offered at JDHS:

- Principles of Engineering
- Introduction to Engineering and Design

## SHARED-TIME PROGRAMS

### UNION COUNTY VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS

Union County Vocational Technical High Schools admit students on a shared-time basis. Additional information and a list of available programs are available from your counselor. **Interested students and families should communicate with their school counselor in the Fall of freshman year.** Participation in shared-time programs should be planned thoughtfully, with the assistance of the school counselor, to ensure that a feasible program is developed that allows the student to meet the requirements of the vo-tech program and JDHS graduation requirements.

## COURSE LISTING

An overall view of subjects offered is listed. Check the specific subject description for more detailed information. The weighting of each course is College Preparatory, Honors or Advanced Placement. See the “Calculation of GPA” on page 14 to review how weighting is applied to calculation and grade point average.

Department	Prerequisite	Offered Grade				Credits	Weighting
		9	10	11	12		
<b>English</b>	<b>Prerequisite</b>						
AP English Language and Composition	English 2/English 1/English 1 Honors			X		5	AP
AP English Literature and Composition	English 3/AP English Language & Composition				X	5	AP
AP Seminar - ELA	DCA Enrollment	X				5	AP
Creative Writing & Poetry		X	X	X	X	2.5	CP
Drama 1		X	X	X	X	2.5	CP
English 1 Literature		X				5	CP
English 1 Literature Honors		X				5	H
English 2	English 1		X			5	CP
English 2 Honors	English 1/English 1 Honors		X			5	H
English 3	English 2/English 2 Honors			X		5	CP
English 4	See Course Description				X	5	CP
Film as Literature		X	X	X	X	2.5	CP
Journalism			X	X	X	2.5	CP
DCA Senior Seminar - ELA					X	5	H
Yearbook			X	X	X	5	CP
Multimedia Storytelling		X	X	X	X	2.5	CP
History of Pop Culture and Communication		X	X	X	X	2.5	CP
<b>Social Studies</b>	<b>Prerequisite</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>		
20th Century and Beyond	See Course Description			X		5	CP
African American Studies			X	X	X	2.5	CP
AP African American Studies				X	X	5	AP
AP Amer. Government & Politics				X	X	5	AP
AP Art History			X	X	X	5	AP
AP European History				X	X	5	AP
AP Macroeconomics				X	X	5	AP
AP Psychology				X	X	5	AP
AP US History	See Course Description			X	X	5	AP

Contemporary Global Studies				X	X		2.5	CP
Diversity Studies				X	X		5	CP
Holocaust/Genocide			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Intro to Criminal Justice			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Intro to Economics		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Music and Modern History			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Psychology			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Sociology			X	X	X		2.5	CP
US History to 1900	See Course Description		X				5	CP
US History to 1900 Honors	See Course Description		X				5	H
World History		X					5	CP
World History Honors		X					5	H
<b>World Languages</b>	<b>Prerequisite</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>			
AP French Language and Culture	French 4			X	X		5	AP
AP French Literature and Culture	AP French Language and Culture			X	X		5	AP
AP Italian Literature & Culture	Italian 4			X	X		5	AP
AP Spanish Language and Culture	Spanish 4			X	X		5	AP
AP Spanish Literature and Culture	AP Spanish Language and Culture			X	X		5	AP
English as a Second Language	For Non-English speaking Students	X	X	X	X		5	CP
English for Native Language Speakers			X	X	X		5	CP
French 1		X	X	X	X		5	CP
French 2	French 1	X	X	X	X		5	CP
French 3	French 2		X	X	X		5	CP
French 4 Honors	French 3			X	X		5	H
Italian 1		X	X	X	X		5	CP
Italian 2	Italian 1	X	X	X	X		5	CP
Italian 3	Italian 2		X	X	X		5	CP
Italian 4 Honors	Italian 3			X	X		5	H
Spanish 1		X	X	X	X		5	CP
Spanish 2	Spanish 1	X	X	X	X		5	CP
Spanish 3	Spanish 2		X	X	X		5	CP
Spanish 4 Honors	Spanish 3			X	X		5	H
Spanish for Native Speakers 1	See course description	X	X	X	X		5	CP
<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>Prerequisite</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>			
Algebra 1		X	X	X	X		5	CP
Algebra 2	Geometry	X	X	X	X		5	CP

Algebra 2 Honors	Geometry or Geometry Honors	X	X	X	X		5	H
AP Calculus (BC)	AP Pre-Calculus			X	X		5	AP
AP Precalculus	Algebra 2 Honors		X	X	X		5	AP
AP Statistics	Algebra 2 Honors/Pre-Calculus			X	X		5	AP
Calculus	Pre-Calculus			X	X		5	H
Essentials of Trigonometry and Statistics	Algebra 2			X	X		5	CP
Financial Algebra	Algebra 2			X	X		5	CP
Geometry	Algebra 1	X	X	X	X		5	CP
Geometry Honors	Algebra 1	X	X	X	X		5	H
Multivariable Calculus	AP Calculus (BC)				X		5	ADV
Pre-Calculus	Algebra 2		X	X	X		5	CP
Statistical Methods and Concepts	Algebra 2			X	X		5	CP
<b>STEM Education</b>	<b>Prerequisite</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>			
Advanced Comp Sci JAVA	AP Comp Science (A) JAVA			X	X		5	ADV
AP Comp Sci (A) JAVA	Intro. To JAVA		X	X	X		5	AP
AP Comp Sci Principles			X	X	X		5	AP
Introduction to Cybersecurity			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Introduction to Engineering	See Course Description	X	X	X	X		5	H
Introduction to JAVA	Algebra 1		X	X	X		2.5	CP
Principles of Engineering	See Course Description		X	X	X		5	H
<b>Science</b>	<b>Prerequisite</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>			
AP Biology	Biology and Chemistry			X	X		6	AP
AP Chemistry	2 years of lab science and Algebra 2		X	X	X		6	AP
AP Environmental Science	2 years of lab science			X	X		6	AP
AP Physics	2 years of lab science and Algebra 2			X	X		6	AP
Biology		X	X	X	X		5	CP
Biology Honors		X	X	X	X		5	H
Chemistry	Biology and Algebra 2 completed or taken concurrently		X	X	X		5	CP
Chemistry Honors	Biology Honors and Algebra 2 completed or taken concurrently		X	X	X		5	H
Conceptual Physics	Biology		X	X	X		5	CP
Environmental Science	2 years of lab Science			X	X		5	CP
Forensics	2 years of lab Science			X	X		2.5	CP
Human Anatomy and Physiology	3 years of lab science			X	X		5	CP
Oceanography	2 years of lab Science	X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Physics	Chemistry			X	X		5	CP

		9	10	11	12			
<b>Business Education</b>	<b>Prerequisite</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>			
Accounting 1		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Accounting 2	Accounting 1	X	x	x	x		2.5	CP
Business Law			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Business Management			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Entrepreneurship		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Personal Finance		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Sports & Entertainment Marketing		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Springfield Leadership Program				X	X		5	CP
<b>Visual and Performing Arts</b>	<b>Prerequisite</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>			
Advanced Dance	Dance 2 or 3		X	X	X		5	CP
Advanced Strings Ensemble			X	X	X		5	CP
Advanced Television	Introduction to TV		X	X	X		2.5	CP
AP Art & Design	See Course Description			X	X		5	AP
AP Music Theory	See Course Description			X	X		5	AP
Animation			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Beginning Strings Ensemble		X	X	X	X		5	CP
Black and White Photography			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Ceramics & 3-D Forms			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Chorale		X	X	X	X		5	CP
Concert Band		X	X	X	X		5	H
Creative Writing & Poetry		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Dance 1		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Dance 2	Dance 1	X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Dance Fitness:Yoga		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Digital Photography		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Drama 1		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Drawing/Painting	Foundations/Studio Art	X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Foundations/Crafts		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Foundations/Studio Art		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Intro Lighting & Sound Design		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Introduction to Graphic Design		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Introduction to Technical Theater			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Introduction to TV		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Music Production Lab 1		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Music Production Lab 2	Music Production Lab 1		X	X	X		2.5	CP

Open Studio/Expanded Media	Two Art Classes		X	X	X		2.5,5.0	H
Portfolio Studio Art	See Course Description		X	X			5	H
Radio Programming and Production		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Stagecraft & Set Design	Intro to Technical Theater		X	X	X		2.5	CP
TV Production Practicum			X	X	X		2.5	CP
<b>Health/Physical Education</b>	<b>Prerequisite</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>			
Health (required)		X	X	X	X		1.0,1.25	CP
Physical Education (required)		X	X	X	X		3.0,3.75	CP
<b>21st Century Life and Career</b>	<b>Prerequisite</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>			
Accounting 1		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Accounting 2			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Advanced Comp Sci JAVA	AP Comp Science (A)			X	X		5	H
Advanced TV	Introduction to TV		X	X	X		2.5	CP
American Regional Cuisine		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
AP Comp Sci (A) JAVA	Intro. To JAVA		X	X	X		5	AP
AP Comp Sci Principles			X	X	X		5	AP
AP Macroeconomics				X	X		5	AP
Bakeshop 1		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Bakeshop 2	Bakeshop 1	X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Business Law			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Business Management			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Classic French and Italian Cuisine		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Entrepreneurship		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Forensics	Two years of Science			X	X		2.5	CP
Foundations of Restaurant Management & Culinary Arts 1		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Foundations of Restaurant Management & Culinary Arts 2	Foundations of Restaurant Management & Culinary Arts 1		X	X	X		2.5	CP
Foundations of Restaurant Management & Culinary Arts 3	Foundations of Restaurant Management & Foundations of Restaurant Culinary Arts 1,2			X	X		2.5	CP
Foundations of Restaurant Management & Culinary Arts 4	Foundations of Restaurant Management & Culinary Arts 1,2,3			X	X		2.5	CP
Foundations of Restaurant...								
Human Anatomy and Physiology	Biology and Chemistry			X	X		5	CP
International Cuisine		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Intro Lighting & Sound Design	Intro to Technical Theater	X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Intro to Criminal Justice		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Intro to Economics		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP



Introduction to Engineering		X	X	X	X		5	CP
Introduction to Graphic Design		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Introduction to JAVA	Algebra 1	X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Introduction to Technical Theater			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Introduction to TV		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Introduction to Woodworking			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Journalism			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Oceanography	Two years of Science			X	X		2.5	CP
Personal Finance		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Principles of Engineering			X	X	X		5	CP
Radio Programming and Production		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Sports & Entertainment Marketing		X	X	X	X		2.5	CP
Springfield Leadership Program				X	X		5	CP
Stagecraft & Set Design	Intro to Technical Theater		X	X	X		2.5	CP
Tomorrow's Teachers				X	X		5	H
TV Production Practicum			X	X	X		2.5	CP
Yearbook			X	X	X		5	CP

## PROGRAM SELECTION

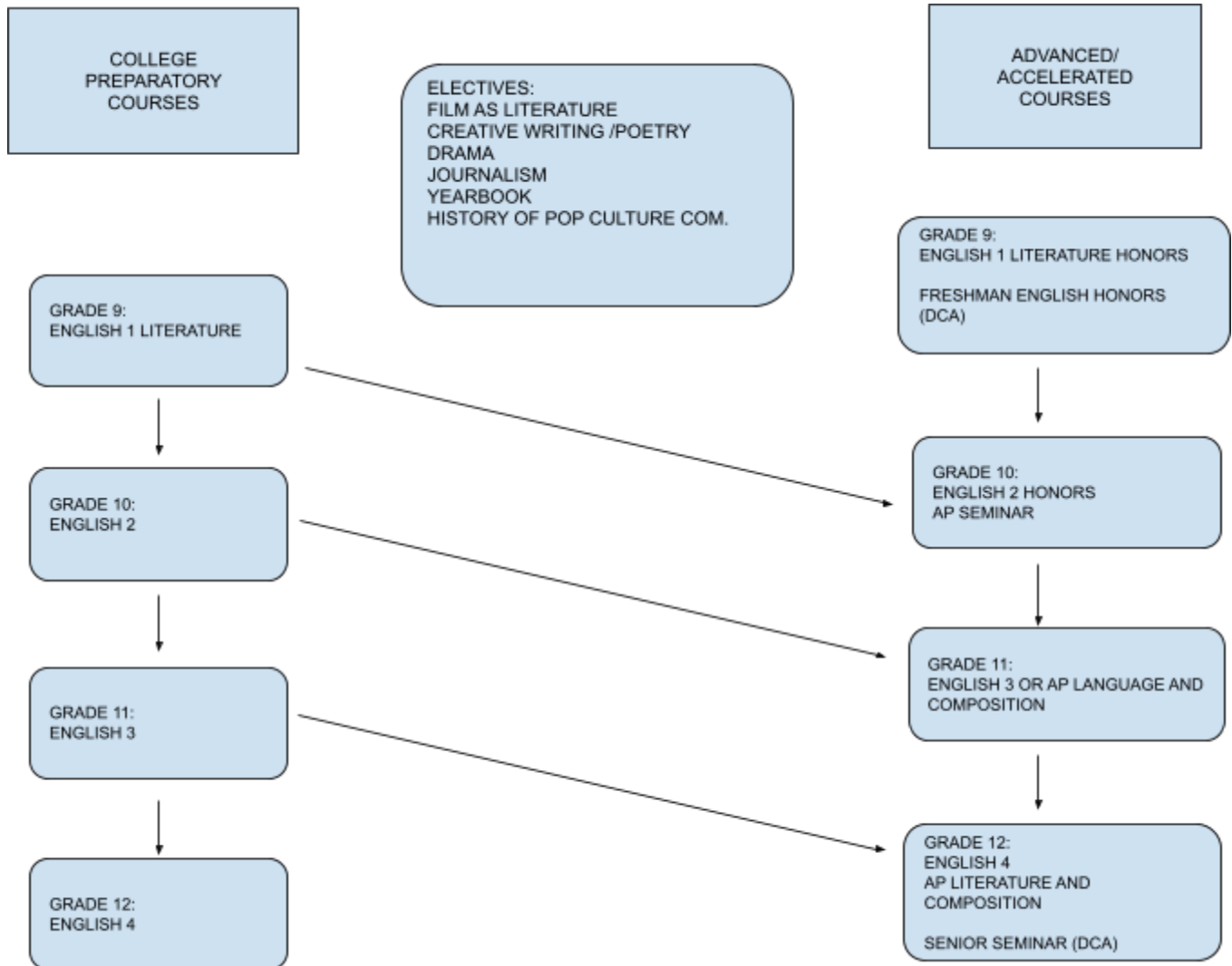
A typical program includes five academic subjects, physical education, and one non-academic subject each semester. Students who are scheduled for a 6-credit lab science will be scheduled in an accompanying 4 day study hall, to accommodate the lab period.

### SAMPLE PROGRAM PATTERN

GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
PE/Health	PE/Health	PE/Health	PE/Health
English 1 Literature	English 2	English 3	English 4
World History	U.S. History to 1900	Twentieth Century & Beyond or A.P. U.S. History	Math
Math	Math	Math	Science
Biology	Chemistry	Physics or Conceptual Physics	Social Studies
World Language	World Language	World Language or Electives*	World Language or Electives*
Electives*	Electives*	Electives*	Electives*
Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
*Electives must be chosen carefully to ensure that graduation requirements are met.			

All students will take at least four academic subjects each semester, and non-academic electives. All students will be assigned a study hall period. Student programs should be designed with the assistance of the guidance department. School counselors can advise students regarding course recommendations and selections.

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS COURSE SEQUENCE



## ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Each student is required to take four years of English. Each of the courses is one year in length. Ninth grade students will take English 1 or English 1 Honors. Students will earn a total of 10 credits for their English classes freshman year. Ordinarily English 2, 3, and 4 are taken in consecutive years, with students required to pass one year before proceeding to the next course. The principal's permission is required to take two years of required English concurrently. All English courses place heavy emphasis on a variety of writing styles. In addition to the required courses, a student may select English elective courses. Students are required to read at least one assigned book over the summer, with titles selected by the teacher(s) of each specific course. In September, every student will be required to complete an assignment or activity based upon the summer reading.

<b>ENGLISH 1 LITERATURE (0036)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course builds on the students' previous experiences with the basic literary genres: mythology, drama, poetry, short story, novel, and various nonfiction modes. This required class is designed to give students in their first year of high school the opportunity to refine and develop their communication skills under the close supervision of the English teacher. There is an increased emphasis in this course on analytical examination of challenging literary and visual texts. Significant demands for independent study will be placed on the students. Students will also receive preparation for the ACT, PSAT, SAT, and NJSLA.

<b>ENGLISH 1 LITERATURE HONORS (0038)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course is a required course for freshmen. There is an increased emphasis in this course on analytical examination of challenging literary and visual texts. Significant demands for independent study will be placed on the students. Formal and informal public speaking skills will also be emphasized throughout the year. Students in Honors sections will need to demonstrate their initiative in the study of mythology, Shakespeare, and a variety of fiction and non-fiction modes of writing. They will also be expected to contribute to the classroom dialogue on a daily basis. Students will also receive preparation for the ACT, PSAT, SAT, and NJSLA.

<b>ENGLISH 2 (0044)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course completes the cycle of skill preparation before the student begins studies of American, English, and World Literature during the junior and senior years. Much of the curriculum will be devoted to reinforcing those skills measured on all New Jersey Standardized Examinations. Genre studies will be continued in greater depth. Students will refine their knowledge of literary terms and techniques, will work on critical thinking and analytical skills, and will practice speaking and listening skills. All students will be asked to demonstrate an ability to articulate their written and verbal thoughts in a logical and coherent fashion. ACT, NJSLA, PSAT and SAT preparation will continue.

**Prerequisite:** English 1 or English 1 Honors

<b>ENGLISH 2 HONORS (0043)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course is for sophomores who have exceptional proficiency in the skills areas measured during the freshmen year. Students in this course have already demonstrated a facility for the language and are able to articulate their thoughts in a logical and well-supported manner. There is a greater emphasis in English 2 Honors on analytical examination of challenging literary and visual texts. Significant demands for independent study will be placed on these students, and they will be expected to contribute to their own learning to a greater degree than previously expected. All students will be asked to demonstrate an ability to articulate their written and verbal skills in a logical and coherent fashion. During this year, students will be asked to focus on one particular genre under study and explore it in depth through a project or extended research assignment. They will also continue preparation for the ACT, PSAT, SAT, and NJSLA.

**Prerequisite:** English 1 or English 1 Honors

<b>ENGLISH 3 (0053)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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English 3 is a writing-based junior English course that introduces students to the American literary heritage. A variety of poems, plays, short stories, essays and novels by American authors will be included. Students will examine the vast influences on and contributions of American culture. Students will be expected to complete lengthier reading assignments and to embellish their learning with supplementary readings and literary criticism.

**Prerequisite:** English 2 or English 2 Honors

<b>ENGLISH 4 (0051)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The senior English program, English 4, is an ethics-based analysis of English and World Literature, with a strong emphasis on the relationship between writing and thinking. Because it represents the conclusion of four years of study, this course is intended to permit the student greater latitude to explore areas of interest, to direct his/her own learning, and to work closely with the teacher and other fellow students.

**Prerequisite:** English 3

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION (0054)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The course is designed to be a college level course; it is intentionally rigorous and should prepare students for the levels of intense, close readings and writing they will encounter in college. This course examines prose writing and looks at many different examples, through many different time periods; in order to prepare students to analyze the structure of writing for rhetorical strategies, author's purpose and desired audience, and overall effectiveness. Students should develop a greater understanding of the deliberateness of diction, syntax, rhetorical strategies, and the interrelatedness between these conventions and the overall intent of a written piece. **This is a dual credit course in conjunction with Project Acceleration at Seton Hall University. See the Dual Credit sections of the Program of Studies for more information.**

**Prerequisite:** English 2 or English 2 Honors

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENGLISH LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION (0031)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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Students enrolled in this course will be expected, on a daily basis, to do college-level work. This class examines many of the most profound and demanding texts in American and World Literature. Some of the works studied intensively in this course include Othello, Pride and Prejudice, 1984, As I Lay Dying, plays by Sophocles or Euripides, and selected short stories and poems from college-level texts. An important component of the curriculum is preparation for the Advanced Placement Examination in English Literature and Composition, which is given in the spring for the purpose of earning college credit or exemption from certain required college courses. Students will be asked to read and to write extensively and to exhibit a level of scholarship consistent with those who have dedicated their energies to academic pursuits. Small classes require consistent participation by all involved. Students should feel comfortable challenging the views of others in the classroom and having their own views challenged. Advanced Placement students must be motivated enough to explore topical issues with additional self-initiated readings and research, and they must be eager and willing to share their discoveries with others in the class. The focus is on individual growth and development with the teacher acting as the facilitator of learning.

**Prerequisite:** English 3 or Advanced Placement English Language and Composition

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT SEMINAR (0013)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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AP Seminar is a foundational course that engages students in cross-curricular conversations that explore the complexities of academic and real-world topics and issues by analyzing divergent perspectives. Using an inquiry framework, students practice reading and analyzing articles, research studies, and foundational, literary, and philosophical texts; listening to and viewing speeches, broadcasts, and personal accounts; and experiencing artistic works and performances. Students learn to synthesize information from multiple sources, develop their own perspectives in written essays, and design and deliver oral and visual presentations, both individually and as part of a team. Ultimately, the course aims to equip students with the power to analyze and evaluate information with accuracy and precision in order to craft and communicate evidence-based arguments. This course is currently offered to DCA freshmen students.

### **ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS ELECTIVE COURSES**

These courses do not count toward the four-year English requirement for graduation, they do carry credit as electives and can be used to meet the overall graduation requirements. Unless otherwise noted, each course meets for one semester.

<b>JOURNALISM (0067)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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The emphasis in Journalism is on writing clearly and concisely for newspapers and radio. News writing, layout, advertising, feature and sports writing, and headline preparation are some of the areas covered. This is a one-semester course.

**YEARBOOK (0076)****5.0**

By the conclusion of this course, students will be familiar with publication law and develop an understanding of the fundamentals of layout, design, and journalistic writing in conjunction with the production of the yearbook. Students will also brainstorm and develop a theme for the yearbook and then plot out a ladder diagram indicating which topics will be covered on what pages. Students will use technology to develop and edit subject specific articles, design pages, upload photos and articles, develop captions for photos, create headlines and incorporate theme or topic specific graphics to correspond to the theme and to each topic page.

**FILM AS LITERATURE (0064)****2.5**

Literature has been around for hundreds of years taking form in prose, poetry, and plays. In the past seventy-five years, the motion picture has emerged as another art form to enrich and to expand the understanding of people and history. This semester course gives the student the opportunity to become skilled at both literature and film studies. It also allows for comparing these two subject areas through the study of adaptations. The film part of the class covers theory and criticism of cinema from its formative years to the present. The literature part of the course covers a wide range of literary styles, genres, and forms. The content is largely historical and illustrates how film has commented on different aspects of literature and society. Students will read and view a wide spectrum of expressions from the 1930s through present day. Writing assignments, discussing novels, and viewing films in class are requirements of the course.

**CREATIVE WRITING & POETRY (0056)****2.5**

This course is offered to all those who would like to explore their creative impulse. Although the course is designed as two nine-week workshops, the instructor and the students will be given the latitude to structure the class in other ways in order to promote personal growth and skill development. Students may work on poems, plays, essays, short stories, novellas, teleplays, screen-plays, librettos, etc. Quality efforts may be contributed to the school literary magazine for publication, or perhaps the class may create its own desktop publication. Students will also be asked to analyze the works of a variety of writers in order to appreciate more fully the subtle interplay between inspiration and hard work that is the foundation for great literature. Students will be expected to support others in their literary efforts and to share their own work with the class.

**HISTORY OF POP CULTURE & COMMUNICATION (XXXX)****2.5**

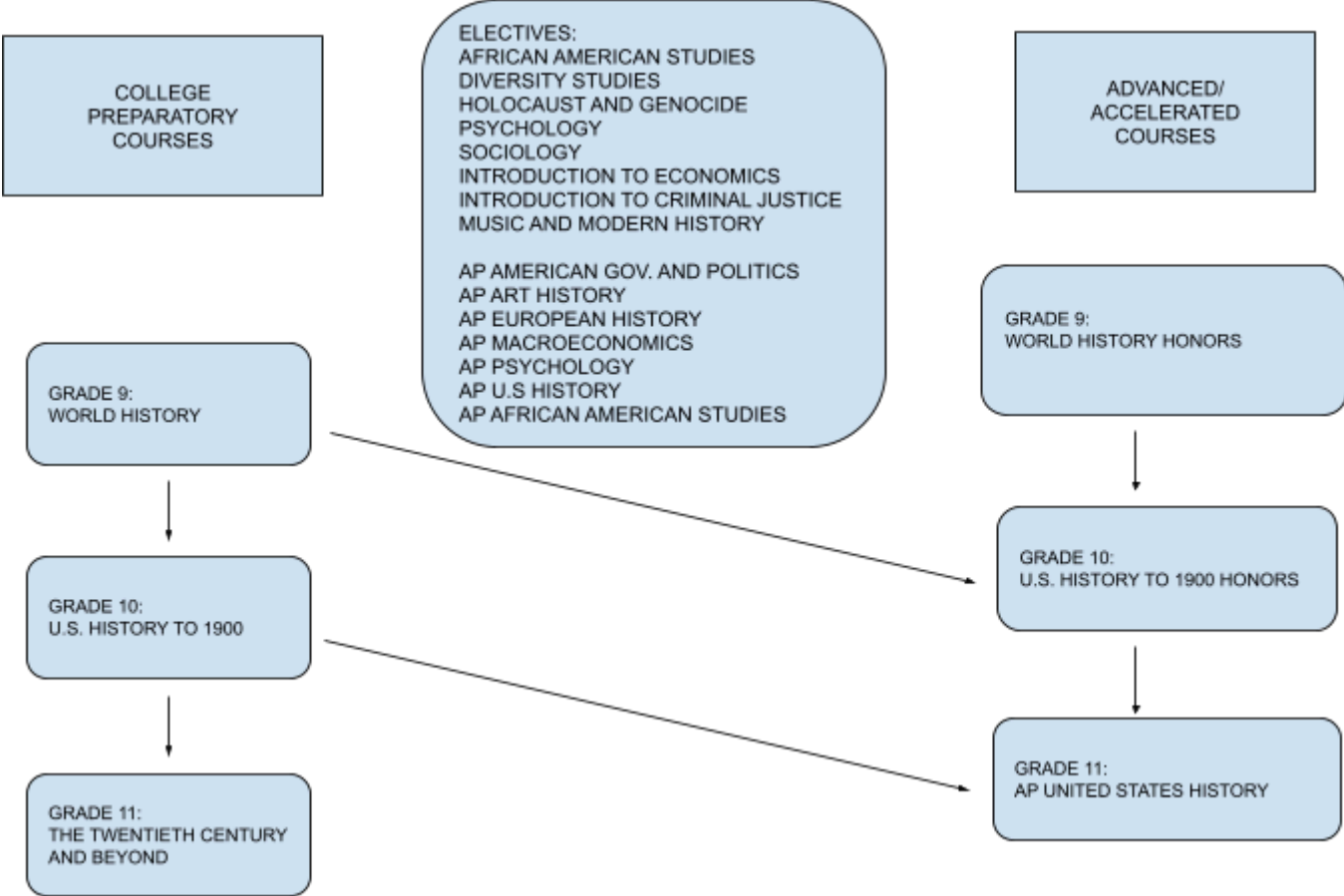
This course examines the history of pop culture through media like music, film, television, sports, fashion, art, advertisements, video games, and social media. Students will define pop culture, explore its role in shaping identities and society, and analyze its power to educate, inspire, and spark conversation. Through studying landmark cultural works and their historical context, students will evaluate pop culture's lasting impact on American society. The course includes blog writing, project creation, and skill development in reporting, digital analysis, and critical thinking.

<b>MULTIMEDIA STORYTELLING (XXXX)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Multimedia Storytelling is a Journalism application course. Students will explore the history and significance of podcasting as well as produce their own episodic podcasts. Students will hone their research skills by delving into investigative journalism and producing an exposé. Finally, students will analyze the art of storytelling through photography and compose stories in the vein of photojournalism. Throughout the course, students will be taught factual reporting and writing skills, along with critical and analytical thinking. Additionally, they will be introduced to the power of digital tools in the current media landscape.



# SOCIAL STUDIES COURSE SEQUENCE



## SOCIAL STUDIES COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

All students are required to take a full year of World History, United States History to 1900, and The Twentieth Century and Beyond. However, Advanced Placement United States History may be substituted for the second-year requirement in United States History. In World History and United States History to 1900, two levels are offered; Honors and College Prep. In Honors courses, students will use materials with a more difficult reading level, complete a greater number of complex papers and projects, and work more independently. They will also move at a faster pace.

<b>WORLD HISTORY HONORS (0116)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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World History traces the development of our world from the emergence of the first global age beginning with the 1350s, analyzing the Age of Revolutions, through the ramifications of the Cold War at the end of the 20th Century. Major themes for the course include cross-cultural connections, the arts as an expression of society, and the impact of geography on development. Development of Social Studies skills is an integral part of World History with a focus on gathering analysis, organizing information, and the writing of several types of essays. World History is required for all freshmen and is a prerequisite for United States History to 1900. At the Honors level, students will read supplementary materials on a regular basis in addition to the textbook, and they will research primary sources. Students will be expected to include critical thinking processes learned in previous courses, and will examine extensive research resulting in written and oral reports. All students in the Honors level will complete one or more research papers, which seek to solve a historical problem.

<b>WORLD HISTORY (0117)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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World History is a global studies course which focuses on the emergence of the first global age to the modern era. Through this course students will study colonization and the emergence of the first global age, the Renaissance and Reformation, the intellectual movements of the Enlightenment, new political movements and the Age of Revolutions, the creation of new independent nations, Industrialization and Imperialism, the world wars, and the post-war era to modern times. Major themes for the course include cross-cultural connections, the arts as an expression of society, and the impact of geography on development. Development of social studies skills is an integral part of World History; students will engage in activities that encourage reading, writing, analysis, and critical thinking skills. This course, or World History Honors, is required for all freshmen and is a prerequisite for United States History to 1900.

<b>UNITED STATES HISTORY TO 1900 HONORS (0106)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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United States History to 1900 is the study of American history from the settlement of North America by the Native Americans to the turn of the 20th century. The course follows chronological lines and is inclusive in content. Certain themes are emphasized including the multicultural character of the United States, geography as the factor in historical development and role of the United States in the world. The social studies skills, which were learned in World History, will be reinforced in United States History. In addition, students will work on other skills such as interpretation of historical documents, problem

solving and decision-making. At the honors level students will be required to read supplementary materials on a regular basis in addition to the textbook and they will be using primary sources. In addition, this honors level course requires the use of critical thinking skills, the analysis of documents, and much independent work. A major writing focus will be completing Document Based Questions (DBQ). In order to be placed in United States History to 1900 Honors, students must possess several indicators of probable success including self-motivation and capability of doing independent work.

**Prerequisite:** World History or World History Honors

<b>UNITED STATES HISTORY TO 1900 (0107)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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United States History to 1900 is the study of American history from the settlement of North America by the Native Americans to the turn of the century. The course follows chronological lines and is inclusive in content. Certain themes are emphasized including the multicultural character of the United States, geography as a factor in historical development and the role of the United States in the world. The social studies skills, which were learned in World History will be reinforced in U.S. History. In addition, students will work on other skills such as interpretation of historical documents, problem solving and decision-making. A major writing focus will be completing Document Based Questions (DBQ). This course or U.S. History to 1900 Honors is required of all sophomores and is a prerequisite of the Twentieth Century and Beyond course.

**Prerequisite:** World History or World History Honors

<b>20th CENTURY AND BEYOND (0161)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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In the Twentieth Century America course, students study the twentieth century in a chronological frame of reference. The course emphasizes important themes and issues from the twentieth century to the present. Students maintain and extend skills previously learned, improve abilities to work cooperatively in groups and focus upon more complex thinking skills such as developing concepts and principles, generating meaning and doing independent research. They will use the textbook as a resource and read selections from several supplementary social studies books, primary and secondary sources. They will use various reference resources several times during the year in order to prepare written and oral reports. Students will also complete multiple projects that show knowledge of subject matter and use of critical thinking skills. This course fulfills the required second year of U.S. history.

**Prerequisite:** US History to 1900 or US History to 1900 Honors

## SOCIAL STUDIES ELECTIVE COURSES

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT UNITED STATES HISTORY (0120)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The AP program in United States History is designed to provide students with the analytical skills and factual knowledge necessary to deal critically with the problems and materials in United States history. The program prepares students for intermediate and advanced college courses by making demands upon them equivalent to those made by full-year introductory college courses. Students will learn to assess historical materials- their relevance to a given interpretive problem, their reliability, and their importance- and to weigh the evidence and interpretations presented in historical scholarship. AP United States History will help to develop the skills necessary to arrive at conclusions on the basis of an informed judgment and to present reasons and evidence clearly and persuasively in an essay format. This course fulfills one year of the two year United States History requirement.

**Prerequisite:** US History to 1900 or US History to 1900 Honors

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS (7125)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This full year course will offer students an analytical perspective on government and politics in the United States. Students will examine the general concepts used to interpret American policies and apply them to specific examples from the past and today. Upon completion of the course, students will gain a familiarity with the various institutions, groups, beliefs, and ideas that constitute United States politics. Topics of study include constitutional analysis, political demographics, beliefs and voting behaviors, the balance between interest groups and policy, the interaction between the branches of government and the use of media in politics. \*This course counts towards the U.S. history graduation requirement for DCA sophomores who may enroll in this course.

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES AND (0176)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This full year course follows a rigorous curriculum, set by the national College Board Advanced Placement. This course is a multidisciplinary approach to the study of African American history and culture from the emergence of slavery in the American colonies to the present. It intends to focus on forced and voluntary migrations such as the slave trade and the Great Migration, cultural movements such as the Harlem Renaissance, and political movements such as the struggle for Civil Rights. This course complies with the Amistad New Jersey State Mandate. This course will also place the experiences of ordinary African Americans in the context of these movements, as well as in the larger templates of national and international histories.

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT EUROPEAN HISTORY (0121)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The Advanced Placement Seminar is a full-year college-level course. The emphasis is upon the general narrative of European History from 1450 to the present and includes the political, diplomatic, intellectual, cultural, social and economic history of Europe. The

students develop the ability to distinguish trends, establish causes and recognize results. They discuss and analyze primary sources in studying historical events and improve their skills in reading and in oral and written expression.

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT ART HISTORY (0123)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The Advanced Placement Seminar is a full-year college-level course in Art History. A primary focus is on the study of Western art making from prehistoric through contemporary times. This AP seminar is unique in that it also covers the study and comparison of non-western art making. Students will develop the ability to identify and compare art made in different cultures at different historical times. In a millennium based on visual literacy, this understanding is not only relevant but mandatory. Students will use a series of textbooks, PowerPoint software and Internet sites as seminar resources. This course will help students improve their skills in art history and visual identification through demanding reading and writing assignments. Museum/gallery experiences are included as an integral part of the course. Many colleges are granting 3-6 course credits for a grade of 3 or higher in AP Art History. This course is open to students in grades ten, eleven and twelve

Course Requirements:

1. It is important that students wishing to take AP Art History have demonstrated strong writing skills in all previous English coursework.
2. All students who register for AP Art History must meet with the AP Visual Art teacher for a verbal review of the requirements of the course.
3. All candidates will be required to complete summer assignments, which will be evaluated at the beginning of the AP course.

**This is a dual credit course in conjunction with the Middle College Program at FDU. Students may earn three college credits by enrolling in the Fairleigh Dickinson University Middle College Program.**

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT MACROECONOMICS (0164)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The purpose of the Advanced Placement course in Macroeconomics is to give students a thorough understanding of the principles of economics that apply to an economic system as a whole. Such a course places particular emphasis on the study of national income and price level determination and also develops students' familiarity with economic performance measures, the financial sector, stabilization policies, economic growth and international economics. The aim of the AP Macroeconomics course is to provide students with a learning experience equal to that acquired in a college introductory economics course. The class will be rigorous and academically challenging and will terminate with an Advanced Placement Examination. The class meets the graduation requirement for financial literacy, as of 2020-2021.

<b>PSYCHOLOGY (0147)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Psychology provides an introduction to the field of human behavior. The development of the individual is presented with regard to six specific units: Identity and Personality, Human Development, Learning and Motivation, Mental Processes, Abnormal Psychology, and the Structure of the Brain. Each unit encourages student involvement in psychological theories. For example: personality tests, conditioning demonstrations, mazes, self-evaluation, and experiments in creativity and perception might be included. This course is a semester elective for all sophomores, juniors and seniors.

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT PSYCHOLOGY (0146)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The purpose of Advanced Placement Psychology is to introduce students to the systematic and scientific study of the behavior and mental processes of human beings and other animals. Students are exposed to the psychological facts, principals, and phenomena associated with each of the major subfields within psychology. Students also learn about the ethics and methods psychologists use in their science and practice. The aim of this course is to provide a learning experience equivalent to that obtained in most college introductory psychology courses.

<b>SOCIOLOGY (0139)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Sociology examines human behavior by emphasizing the social interactions of humans. The sociological approach is applied when examining five units: Introduction to Sociology, American Culture, Socialization, Social Mobility, and Social Change. Emphasis is placed on student involvement in field exercises in the community as well as classroom demonstrations and experiments. Evaluation of student performances is based upon class participation and involvement in course activities and exercises. This course is a semester elective for sophomores, juniors and seniors.

<b>THE HOLOCAUST AND GENOCIDE (0148)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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The Holocaust and Genocide course focuses attention upon the impact of people's inhumanity to other people throughout history and especially the examples of inhumane behavior displayed in Nazi Germany before and during World War II. The course provides in-depth examination of six major topics:

- 1) The nature of human behavior
- 2) Views of prejudice and genocide
- 3) The rise of Nazism in Germany up to 1933
- 4) The growth of persecution to the use of mass murder
- 5) Resistance to Nazism and intervention
- 6) The related issues of conscience and moral responsibility. After a thorough examination of the Holocaust, students will utilize their knowledge to examine more contemporary examples of genocide in the post-WWII era.

This course will include a wide variety of activities and experiences for students of all ability levels. It is offered as a one semester elective for juniors and seniors. This is a dual credit course in conjunction with Kean University.

**AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES (H0175)****2.5**

This one semester course is designed to engage students in acquiring a rich and active understanding of culture, historical figures and events in African American history. Students will analyze the significant complexities of historical relationships through the means of discussion, primary and secondary source analysis, research, and group projects.

**INTRODUCTION TO ECONOMICS (0165)****2.5**

This semester elective introduces the concepts and tools of economic thinking. Students will learn to understand and evaluate the complex economic problems encountered in modern society including both microeconomics and macroeconomics. The course is designed to develop an understanding of how economic principles and analysis can be used to study social problems and issues, and to study and understand consumer economics. General theory and real-world applications will illuminate the economic functions of our society. Topics covered include basic concepts of workings of markets, supply, demand, fiscal and monetary policy, and governmental roles. Class discussions will focus on current personal, business, governmental, and contemporary economic issues and problems.

**INTRODUCTION TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE (0167)****2.5**

This is a semester elective designed to introduce students to the criminal justice system. Topics covered include the state and federal courts, judges, lawyers, police, and the penal system. The juvenile justice system will also be examined. Attention will be paid to the special rules and procedures for handling cases dealing with those under the age of 18. Students will also be introduced to the system by which we classify crimes into the categories of petty offenses, misdemeanors, and felonies. Finally, students will be taken step-by step through the system of investigation and arrest through trial and sentencing. This class is open to sophomores, juniors and seniors.

**MUSIC AND MODERN HISTORY (0168)****2.5**

Music and Modern History is a semester elective designed to allow students to examine musical forms and lyrics in the historical and cultural context in which they took place. Beginning with a study of American Roots music , students will examine how specific styles such as minstrel music, blues, jazz, swing, rock and roll, punk, heavy metal and hip hop all evolved from these cultural origins. Students will investigate both the cultural conditions that brought about each style, and the changes that were stimulated by such music. In addition, particular topics will be explored for the role music played in various time periods such as the civil rights, women's rights, and the anti-war movements as well as themes of patriotism, justice and protest. The focus of this course will be on the United States, but will include some international topics such as Apartheid. This course is open to sophomores, juniors and seniors.

**DIVERSITY STUDIES (0159)****5.0**

Students enrolled in this full year elective will analyze the history, culture and literature of some of the major ethnic groups and minorities who have contributed to American life. The groups will include, but not be limited to, African-Americans, Hispanic/Latino

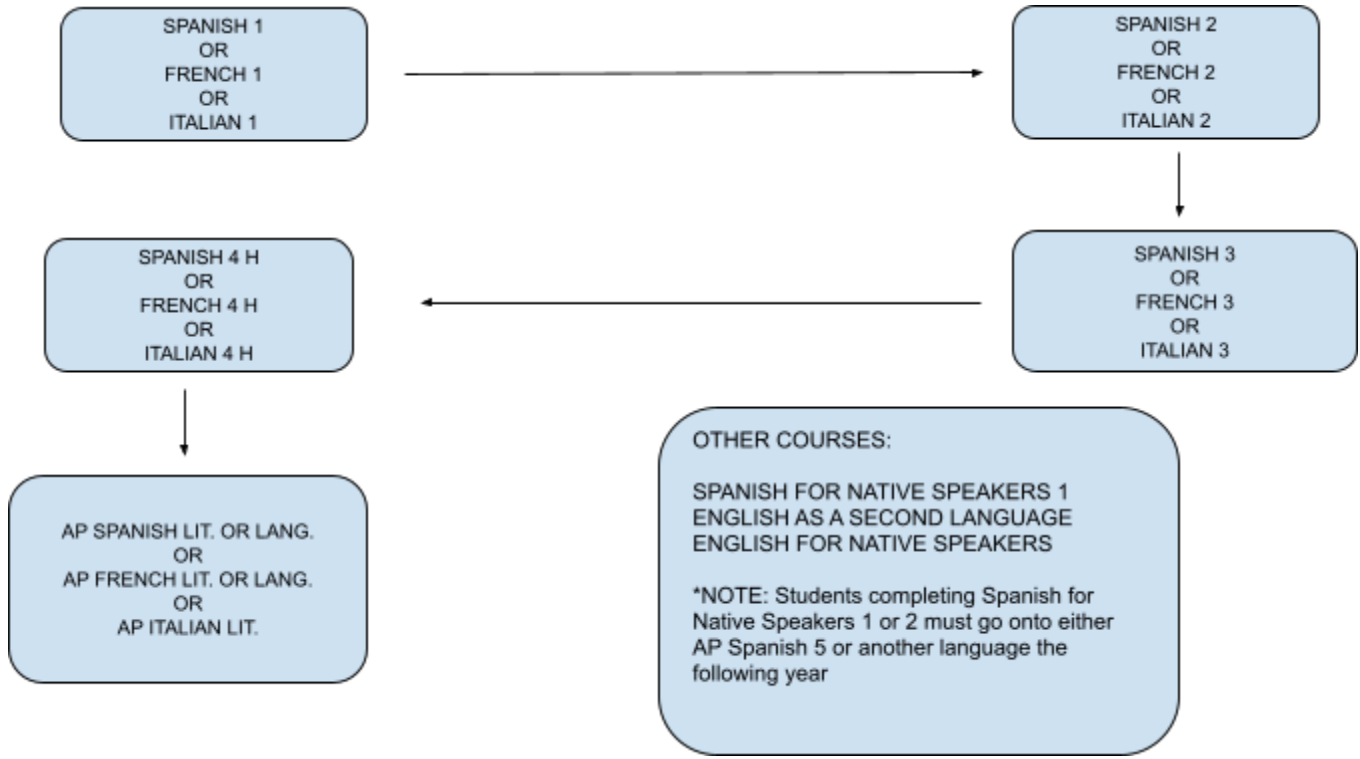
Americans, Native Americans, and Asian Americans. An examination of what constitutes a minority and some of the problems encountered by various minority groups will be studied. During the second semester, students will have the opportunity to research a group of their choice. This is an interdisciplinary course that may be taken by grades eleven and twelve.

<b>CONTEMPORARY GLOBAL STUDIES (H0141)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This one-semester academic course offers an in-depth look at world history since 1989. This course is aimed at preparing students for 21st century society and leadership. This course will incorporate ideas that were touched on in Western Civilization, and ideas that are interconnected with other core and elective classes. Since 1989 the world has drastically changed with shifts in leadership, revolution in communication, as well as changes in world governments. Students will explore a wide range of important events from various regions throughout the world. Over the course of the class students will also examine and evaluate overarching themes including, but not limited to, United States foreign policy, international economics, social, political and religious conflict, as well as contemporary globalization.



## WORLD LANGUAGE COURSE SEQUENCE



## WORLD LANGUAGES COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Several levels of World Language study are offered at JDHS. Students entering JDHS will be placed in the level commensurate with their language proficiency, as determined by academic record, or demonstrated language proficiency via assessment. Level 1 World Language courses are available only to those students who intend to begin the study of a new language. For district students entering the high school as freshman, the Marking Period 3 average of their World Language course, their performance on the end of year 8<sup>th</sup> grade World Language assessment, and teacher recommendation are considered when determining placement.

<b>SPANISH 1 (0202)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course focuses on the essentials of conversation and grammar. The concentration is on elementary current vocabulary and on the formation of simple sentences. The aim is to provide a foundation for pronunciation and develop the ability to understand, speak, read and write the language. Meaningful communication in the language will be stressed together with personal involvement and understanding. Culture will be taught as an integral part of the course. A variety of audiovisual aids will be used.

<b>SPANISH 2 (0204)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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In this second year course, vocabulary and grammar learned in Spanish 1 will be reviewed and new constructions will be presented. The aim is to develop fluency in the spoken language, to continue to stimulate the student's interest in the civilization and culture of the countries studied, and to increase his/her ability to communicate with native speakers. A variety of audiovisual aids will be used.

**Prerequisite:** Spanish 1

<b>SPANISH 3 (0207)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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Emphasis will continue on mastering the speaking skills through reading and discussing short selections on Hispanic life, customs, literature and career opportunities. Various videos, tapes, CDs and ancillary materials will be used. Short compositions, oral presentations and grammar will be included.

**Prerequisite:** Spanish 2

<b>SPANISH 4 HONORS (0212)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The teaching of all skills is emphasized. Various videos, tapes, CDs and ancillary materials will supplement grammar review; and active conversation will be based on individual oral presentations and class discussions. A wide variety of cultural readings are part of the course. This course carries Honors weighting.

**Prerequisite:** Spanish 3

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT SPANISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE (0214)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The Advanced Placement Course in Spanish language is designed to provide the well motivated student with an intellectual challenge through advanced study of the language. It is intended for those who have chosen to develop their proficiency in Spanish without

special emphasis on literature. The course is comparable in both content and difficulty to a full year college Spanish language course at a third year college level, such as Spanish Composition and Conversation. Specifically, the course seeks to develop language skills that can be applied to various activities and disciplines rather than to the mastery of any specific subject matter. In addition, training in the organization and writing of compositions is provided and constitutes an integral part of the course. A variety of materials that include tapes, CDs, videos, internet, newspapers and magazines are used to enliven the presentations. The content of the course may also reflect intellectual interests shared by teachers and students alike. **Students taking AP Spanish Language and Culture are eligible to gain college credit at Seton Hall University through the college's "Project Acceleration". If the student does not attend Seton Hall University, the credits earned through this program may be transferred to other colleges.**

**Prerequisite:** Spanish 4 Honors

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT SPANISH LITERATURE AND CULTURE (0215)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course prepares students for the Advanced Placement Examination in Spanish Literature. It follows the curriculum outline developed by the College Board.

The goals of this course are:

- To prepare students to understand a lecture in Spanish and to participate actively in discussion on literary topics in Spanish
- To perform a close reading of literary texts of all genres in Spanish
- To analyze critically the form and content of literary works (including poetry) orally and in writing using appropriate terminology. [source: College Board Course Description] In addition to the required authors, students will read other major Spanish writers.

**Prerequisite:** Advanced Placement Spanish Language and Culture

<b>SPANISH FOR NATIVE SPEAKERS 1 (0216)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This is a college preparatory introductory Spanish course for Spanish speaking students who are bilingual in English and have received little or no formal instruction in Spanish. In this first year course, emphasis is placed on the formal development of the four basic language skills of speaking, listening, reading, and writing. It includes reading development, basic grammatical concepts, written composition and vocabulary development. An appreciation of the culture, customs and history of Spanish speaking countries is provided. Upon successful completion of this course, students may go on to either Advanced Placement Spanish Language and Culture the next year or another language.

<b>ITALIAN 1 (0249)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course focuses on the essentials of conversation and grammar. The aim is to provide a foundation for pronunciation and to develop the ability to understand, speak, read, and write the language. Meaningful communication in the language will be stressed together with personal involvement and understanding. Culture will be taught as an integral part of the course. A variety of audiovisual aids will be used.

<b>ITALIAN 2 (0250)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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Grammar learned in Italian 1 will be reviewed and new constructions will be presented. The aim is to develop fluency in the spoken language, to continue to stimulate the student's interest in the civilization and culture of Italy, and to increase his/her ability to communicate with native speakers. A variety of audiovisual aids will be used.

**Prerequisite:** Italian 1

<b>ITALIAN 3 (0251)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The purpose of this course is to continue to master speaking while developing the other skills. Short reading selections, newspaper and magazine articles will be used to study and to analyze Italian life, customs, and career opportunities. Multimedia resources will be used. Brief compositions, oral presentations, and a review of grammar will be included.

**Prerequisite:** Italian 2

<b>ITALIAN 4 HONORS (0253)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The teaching of all skills will be emphasized through a study of literary works of Italian authors from the Renaissance to the 19th century. Current economic and political life in Italy will also be discussed through various sources. During the second semester, novels written by 20th century authors will be read and discussed, and their influence on the social, political, and economic life of the country will be analyzed. This course carries Honors weighting.

**Prerequisite:** Italian 3

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT ITALIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE (0255)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The Advanced Placement Italian Language and Cultures course is designed to provide the highly motivated student with an intellectual challenge through advanced study of the language. The course is comparable to a full year Italian Language course at a third-year college level. The curriculum is designed to prepare students for the AP Italian Language Examination. Students are required to take the AP exam.

**Prerequisite:** Italian 4 Honors

<b>FRENCH 1 (0229)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course focuses on the essentials of conversation and grammar. The aim is to provide a foundation for pronunciation and to develop the ability to understand, speak, read, and write the language. Meaningful communication in the language will be stressed together with personal involvement and understanding. Culture will be taught as an integral part of the course. A variety of audiovisual aids will be used.

<b>FRENCH 2 (0231)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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Grammar learned in French 1 will be reviewed and new construction will be presented. The aim is to develop fluency in the spoken language and to continue to stimulate the student's interest in the civilization and culture of the countries studied, and to increase his/her ability to communicate with native speakers. A variety of audiovisual aids will be used.

**Prerequisite:** French 1

<b>FRENCH 3 (0233)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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Emphasis will continue to be on the speaking skill through reading and discussion of short selections on French life, customs, literature, and career opportunities. Extensive use of films and online activities will be made. Short compositions, oral presentations and a review of grammar will also be included.

**Prerequisite:** French 2

<b>FRENCH 4 HONORS (0236)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course is designed to continue developing and mastering understanding, listening, speaking, reading, and writing of the French language. Organized around high-interest contemporary topics, the course enables students to expand all of their language skills into a world of more complex ideas and relationships. Essential grammar points will be reviewed in reference to the readings. A variety of activities such as literary and expository texts, cartoons, advertisements, films, short stories, and poems will be read, discussed, and evaluated, both orally and in writing. This course carries Honors weighting.

**Prerequisite:** French 3

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT FRENCH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE (0238)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course offers preparation for students who wish to take the Advanced Placement Examination in French Language. This course seeks to continue to develop the four language skills (listening, speaking, reading, and writing) and to use them in a highly functional way so that they can relate to real-life situations in the social cultural context of the French speaking world. All media will be provided to make the presentations challenging and stimulating. This course may be combined with French 4 if only a few students register for it. (See “Combined Classes.”) **Students taking AP French Language and Culture are eligible to gain college credit at Seton Hall University through the college’s “Project Acceleration.” If the student does not attend Seton Hall University, the credits earned through this program may be transferred to other colleges.**

**Prerequisite:** French 4 Honors

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT FRENCH LITERATURE AND CULTURE (0239)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This college level course offers preparation for students who wish to take the Advanced Placement Examination in French Literature. The course requires that students read and analyze French Literature orally and in writing in French. It is an in-depth study of works chosen in each genre: drama, prose and poetry. The course covers selected works from the literature of France and Francophone countries, from the sixteenth through the twentieth centuries. This is a dual credit course in conjunction with Project Acceleration at Seton Hall University.

**Prerequisite:** Advanced Placement French Language and Culture

<b>ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) (Basic-0024, 0023-Advanced A, 0025-Advanced B)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This program is required for students who are Limited in English proficiency (LEP), as determined by test criteria established by the state. Primary emphasis will be on listening

comprehension and oral communication. Reading and writing skills will also be developed. The department supervisor and guidance counselor can provide more detailed information.

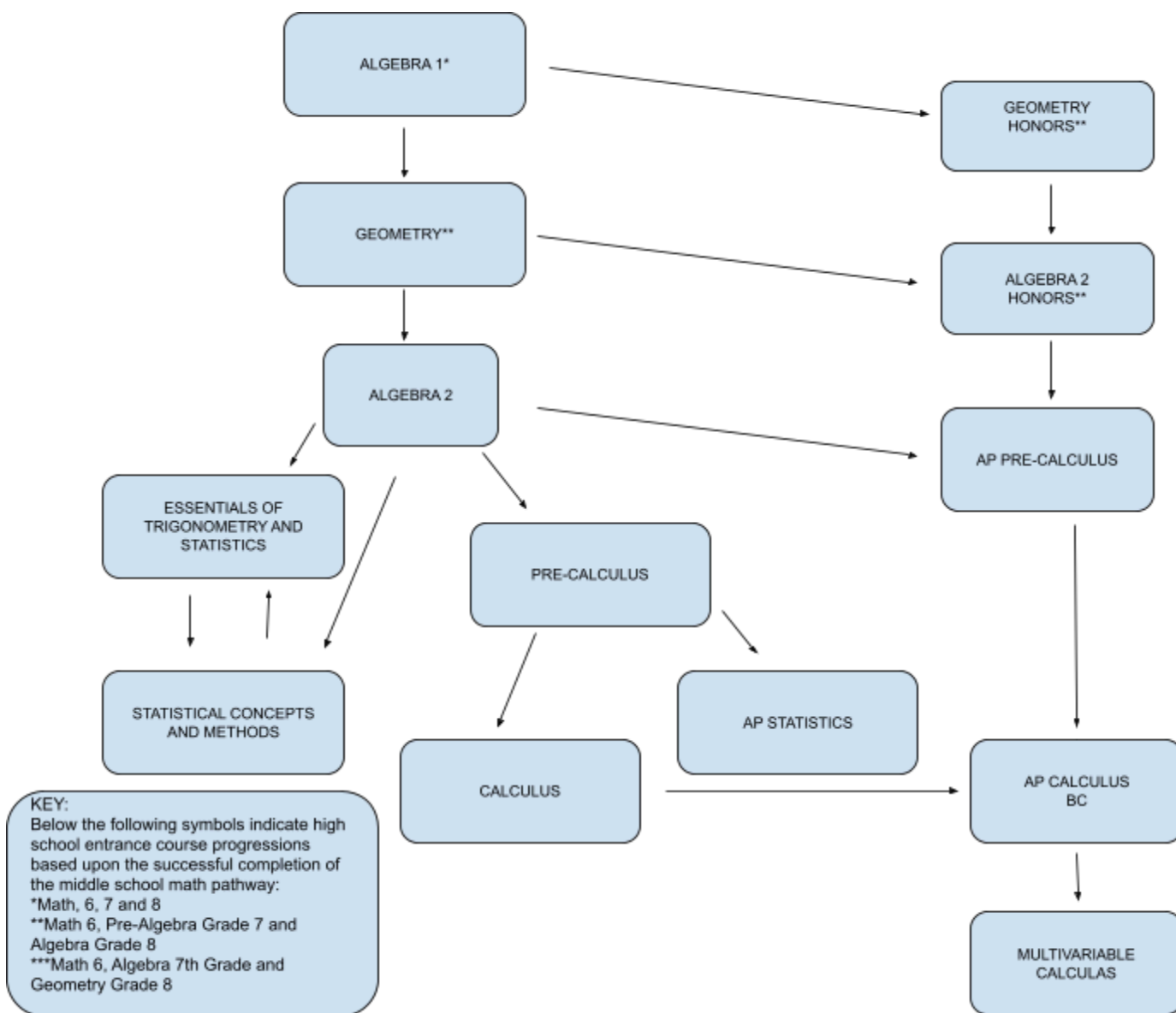
<b>ENGLISH FOR NATIVE LANGUAGE SPEAKERS (0263)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The English for Native Language Speakers course focuses on building conversational proficiency in English for ELL students with limited exposure to the language. This course will focus on key language skills: listening, reading, writing, and speaking and will be modified to support individual learning styles. Students will utilize online resources as part of their learning tools while daily classroom instruction will be integrated throughout the course.

### **SEAL OF BILITERACY**

The Seal of Biliteracy is an initiative that was started to acknowledge and award hardworking bilingual and multilingual students. By achieving the Seal of Biliteracy, students demonstrate that they are able to speak, read, listen and write in two or more languages at a high level of proficiency. Students, in level 4 or higher of World Languages, will have the opportunity to try to achieve this recognition upon graduation. In order for students to be eligible to receive the Seal of Biliteracy, they must meet certain criteria. Students must demonstrate a proficiency level in a World Language by taking a World Language assessment exam and students must demonstrate proficiency in English by meeting state high school graduation requirements in English or its alternatives, including the state ELA assessment. For those students that are enrolled in level 4 or higher of World Language courses, the district will provide the students with the STAMP assessment exam in the middle of the school year. Students that meet the criteria will receive a certificate from the Department of Education and have an appropriate insignia affixed to their transcript.

# MATHEMATICS COURSE SEQUENCE



## MATHEMATICS COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

<b>ALGEBRA 1 (0308)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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Algebra 1 begins with a review of major topics that are covered prior to high school, including properties of real numbers, arithmetic involving fractions and positive and negative numbers and the concept of variables. Beyond these fundamental building blocks, Algebra 1 is an organized study of various families of functions and relations, with special emphasis on linear and quadratic functions. As students study each family of functions and relations, they will learn to represent them in multiple ways— as verbal descriptions, equations, inequalities, tables and graphs. An emphasis is placed on modeling real- world situations using functions in order to solve problems that arise from those situations.

<b>GEOMETRY (0311)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course is structured around undefined terms, basic definitions, postulates and theorems. Topics include properties of angles and their measures, parallel and perpendicular lines, congruent triangles, similar polygons, right triangles, segments and angles associated with circles, areas of polygons and circles, surface areas and volumes of solids, the distance and midpoint formulas, parallel and perpendicular lines in the coordinate plane, the equations of a line, properties of quadrilaterals and mathematical modeling. Transformations, which include reflections, translations, and rotations, will be covered. Throughout the course, students are asked to apply geometric facts and reasoning to problem solving in real world situations.

**Prerequisite:** Algebra 1

<b>GEOMETRY HONORS (0312)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course includes the undefined terms, basic definitions, postulates and theorems of geometry. Topics include angles, parallel and perpendicular lines, congruent triangles, applications of congruent triangles, quadrilaterals, similar polygons, right triangles, circles, areas of polygons and circles, areas of volumes and solids, the coordinate plane, the distance and midpoint formulas, the slope of a line, lines in the coordinate plane, and the equation of a line. Algebra is integrated with the geometry concepts. Students will learn to use relationships, properties, and theorems to write proofs. They will use geometry computer programs to assist with understanding various topics such as reflections, translations, rotations and symmetry. They will be expected to work independently and in cooperative groups. All students enrolling in Geometry Honors must satisfactorily complete a summer assignment prior to the beginning of the school year.

**Prerequisite:** Algebra 1



<b>ALGEBRA 2 (0314)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The Algebra 2 course topics include field properties and theorems; set theory; operations with rational and irrational expressions; factoring of rational expressions; in-depth study of linear equations and inequalities; quadratic equations; solving systems of linear and quadratic equations; graphing of constant, linear, and quadratic equations; properties of higher degree equations; and operations with rational and irrational exponents.

**Prerequisite:** Geometry

<b>ALGEBRA 2 HONORS (0339)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course emphasizes four dimensions of understanding: skill in carrying out various algorithms, developing and using mathematical properties and relationships, applying mathematics in realistic situations, and representing or picturing mathematical concepts. A variety of topics are studied, including equations, linear and quadratic functions, systems of equations, exponential functions, conics, polynomials, logarithms, complex numbers, probability, sequences and series. Reading and problem solving are emphasized throughout. The graphing calculator is used to enhance instruction. Students are expected to work independently as well as in cooperative groups. All students enrolling in Algebra 2 Honors must satisfactorily complete a summer assignment prior to the beginning of the school year.

**Prerequisite:** Geometry or Geometry Honors

<b>PRECALCULUS (0359)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course combines the study of Trigonometry, Elementary Functions, Analytic Geometry, and Math Analysis topics as preparation for calculus. Topics include the study of complex numbers; polynomial, logarithmic, exponential, rational, right trigonometric, and circular functions, and their relations, inverses and graphs; trigonometric identities and equations; solutions of right and oblique triangles; vectors; the polar coordinate system; conic sections; Boolean algebra and symbolic logic; mathematical induction; matrix algebra; sequences and series; and limits and continuity.

**Prerequisite:** Algebra 2

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT PRECALCULUS (H0350)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course centers on functions modeling dynamic phenomena. Students will study a broad spectrum of function types that are foundational for careers in mathematics, physics, biology, health science, social science, and data science. Students will acquire and apply mathematical tools in real-world modeling situations in preparation for using these tools in college-level calculus. Topics include an analysis of the following types of functions: polynomial, rational, exponential, logarithmic, trigonometric, polar, and those involving parameters. For each topic, students will complete exploration, analysis, and application of new function types; experience a deep development of a key function concept applicable across function types such as transformations, compositions, and inverses; complete an examination of how variables change relative to each other for each of the function types, use of each function type to model contexts and data sets; and explore rigorous application of the algebraic skills needed to engage with each function type. The graphing calculator is used to enhance instruction. Students are provided with practice for the Advanced Placement Test of the College Entrance Examination Board. All

students enrolling in AP Precalculus will be required to satisfactorily complete a summer work packet that will be evaluated at the beginning of the AP course. This course is equivalent to one semester of college-level Precalculus.

**Prerequisite:** Algebra 2 Honors

<b>STATISTICAL METHODS AND CONCEPTS (9343)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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Statistical Concepts and Methods will introduce the study of likely events and the analysis, interpretation, and presentation of quantitative data. Course topics include the nature of probability and statistics: discrete probability theory, odds and probabilities, correlation and regression, sampling distributions probability trees, populations and samples, frequency tables, measures of central tendency and variation, descriptive statistics, graphical methods, inferential statistics, estimation and hypothesis testing, tests of independence and nonparametric statistics, and presentation of data (including graphs). Seton Hall Project Acceleration Course.

**Prerequisite:** Algebra 2

<b>ESSENTIALS OF TRIGONOMETRY AND STATISTICS (9344)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course will further develop trigonometry, algebra, probability, and statistics problem-solving techniques. Students will also develop and analyze mathematical models of real-world problems. Topics include trigonometric functions and formulas, and their applications; right triangles and their application; the unit circle and its application; trigonometric identities; graphing and modeling using trigonometric functions; analysis, interpretation, and presentation of quantitative data; populations and samples; frequency tables; measures of central tendency and variation; and presentation of data.

**Prerequisite:** Algebra 2

<b>FINANCIAL ALGEBRA (0370)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course affords students the tools and skills necessary to understand concepts used in daily living. Topics will include; consumer credit, employment basics, modeling a business, the stock market, independent living, income taxes, planning for retirement, and banking services. The mathematics concepts will include algebra, functions, exponential functions, limits, linear regression, graphing, probability and statistics, and spreadsheets. Emphasis will be placed on real life problem solving skills.

**Prerequisite:** Algebra 2

<b>CALCULUS (0325)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course is equivalent to a first semester college course examining differential and integral calculus. Included is a study of limits, continuity, derivatives, differentials and their applications, integration, areas, the Fundamental Theorem of the Integral Calculus, methods of integration and applications, and the Calculus of transcendental functions (exponential, logarithmic, and trigonometric). The importance of Calculus as a tool for problem solving is emphasized. The computer and/or graphing calculator are used to enhance instruction. **Students may take this course for college credit through the Fairleigh Dickinson University Middle College Program. There is an associated cost to enroll students in the program.**

**Prerequisite:** Pre-Calculus

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT CALCULUS (BC) (0321)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The course examines differential and integral calculus. A broad range of topics is covered with great depth and rigor. Included is a study of functions, limits, continuity, derivatives, separable differential equations, integration, rate of change, area and volume, the Fundamental Theorem of the Calculus, methods of integration, and the Calculus of transcendental functions (exponential, logarithmic, and trigonometric). Additional topics include: parametric, polar and vector functions, applications of derivatives and integrals, and polynomial approximations and series. The importance of Calculus as a tool for problem solving is emphasized. The graphing calculator is used to enhance instruction. All students enrolling in AP Calculus BC will be required to satisfactorily complete a summer work packet that will be evaluated at the beginning of the AP course. This course is equivalent to two semesters of college-level Calculus.

**Prerequisite:** Calculus or AP Pre-Calculus

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT STATISTICS (0341)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The purpose of this course is to introduce students to the major concepts and tools for collecting, analyzing, and drawing conclusions from data. Students are exposed to four broad conceptual themes:

- Exploring Data: Describing patterns and departures from patterns
  - Sampling and Experimentation: Planning and conducting a study
  - Anticipating Patterns: Exploring random phenomena using probability and simulation
  - Statistical Inference: Estimating population parameters and testing hypotheses
- The importance of Statistics as a tool for problem solving and analysis is emphasized

A graphing calculator and statistical software are essential components of the course and instructional methods. Students are provided with practice for the Advanced Placement Test of the College Entrance Examination Board. This course is equivalent to one semester of college-level Statistics.

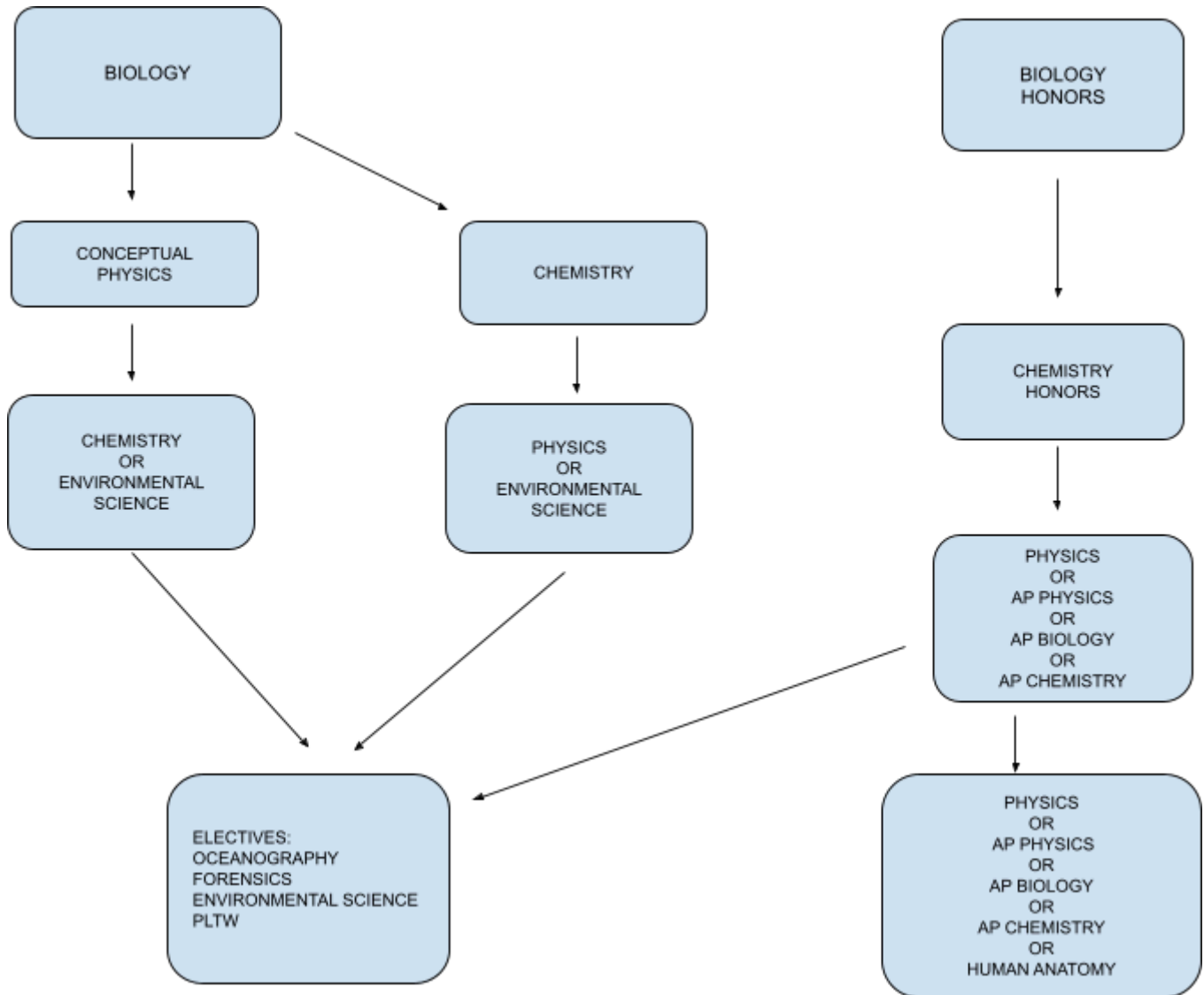
**Prerequisite:** Algebra 2 Honors or Pre-calculus

<b>MULTIVARIABLE CALCULUS (0380)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course studies scalar valued functions of several variables. It begins with the study of vector geometry, equations of lines and planes, and space curves (velocity, acceleration, arc length). The rest of the course is devoted to studying differential calculus of functions of several variables. Topics include limits and continuity, partial derivatives, tangent planes and differentials, the Chain Rule, directional derivatives and applications, and optimization problems including the use of Lagrange multipliers. It continues with multiple integration, vector fields, line integrals, and finishes with a study of Green's and Stokes' theorems. This course carries Advanced weighting.

**Prerequisite:** AP Calculus BC

## SCIENCE COURSE SEQUENCE



## SCIENCE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

<b>BIOLOGY HONORS (0442)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This is a more rigorous approach to the study of living things than Biology (described below). Emphasis will be on biochemistry, molecular biology, genetics, ecology, and the unifying concepts applicable to all life forms. In addition, the study of the diversity and function of organisms will be undertaken. Laboratory work will involve living and preserved materials as well as chemical materials and scientific instruments. Comprehensive lab reports will be required.

<b>BIOLOGY (0460)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This is a full-year course about living things, their diversity, and how they function. It is for the student who wants a general knowledge of the living world. It includes discussion of many of the important concepts of modern biology, including biochemistry, cell structure and function, genetics, molecular biology, and ecology. Hands-on laboratory work is an important part of this course offering.

<b>CHEMISTRY HONORS (0445)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This is a full-year course in chemistry for the science-oriented college-bound student. It includes a study of the composition of matter, its properties, and how matter undergoes change and interacts with other kinds of matter. The unifying principles of the subject are developed in a logical way with extensive laboratory work, during which the student will handle various chemical materials and scientific instruments, providing a basis for this development. This offering involves a rigorous mathematical approach. Therefore, successful completion of Algebra 1 and Geometry is required. This course also emphasizes higher-order thinking skills and advanced reading comprehension. Comprehensive lab reports will be required for laboratory activities.

**Prerequisite:** Biology Honors and Algebra 2 - completed or taken concurrently.

<b>CHEMISTRY (0462)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This is a comprehensive full-year course in chemistry. It includes a study of matter, its composition, properties, and interactions as described by modern chemical theories, and a discussion of how these principles apply to contemporary issues. While primarily intended for the non-science college-bound student, the treatment is sufficiently theoretical and mathematical to meet the needs of students who later choose to enter a science career. Laboratory work, in which the student handles chemical materials and scientific instruments, supplemented by teacher lectures and demonstrations, constitutes an important part of this course.

**Prerequisite:** Biology and Algebra 2 - completed or taken concurrently

<b>CONCEPTUAL PHYSICS (0467)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This is a comprehensive full year course that covers the central concepts of physics. Using basic computational skills, students are introduced to important fundamental topics such as kinematics, the laws of motion, work and energy, momentum, universal

gravitation, thermodynamics, light and sound waves, and electricity and magnetism. By treating physics conceptually, these topics are presented in everyday language, with equations used to guide thinking. Experimentation and student observation are used to introduce and demonstrate concepts; whenever possible the connections between physics concepts and everyday life will be emphasized. Using information from their textbook, hands-on laboratory activities, demonstration, and experiences in their own lives, students will gain a better understanding of the world around them.

**Prerequisite:** Biology

<b>PHYSICS (0465)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This is a full-year course designed to offer students an introduction to the basis upon which scientists make mathematical descriptions of systems as they appear in nature. Laboratory work and problem-solving techniques are stressed. Students should have had thorough preparation in mathematics prior to entry into this course. The methods and theorems of algebra and geometry are used in problem solving. An understanding of simple trigonometric principles is required, either from a Geometry or Pre-Calculus course.

**Prerequisite:** Chemistry

<b>ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE (0424)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This is a full-year course in environmental science that studies the interaction between living things and the environment, especially the impact that humans have on these components. Students will study the concepts and methods used to determine the complicated interactions present in nature and identify several important environmental problems and how they impact humans and other organisms. The course focuses on several main topics, including an examination of different ecosystems, the scientific principles behind natural phenomena and resource cycles, how we utilize these systems and our impact, potential solutions for the resulting consequences of resource mismanagement and exploitation, water quality and air pollution, finite mineral and energy resources, conservation, the effects of Climate Change, and how humans directly affect the environment. The course includes elements of life science, physical science, and social science and focuses on breadth and interrelatedness of relevant current events. Concepts can be explored through inquiry-based laboratory exercises, environmental health assessment techniques, student presentations and projects.

**Prerequisite:** 2 Years of lab science

## SCIENCE ELECTIVE COURSES

<b>HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY (0401)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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Human Anatomy and Physiology is a full year course available to grades eleven and twelve and is recommended for students that may be considering a career in a health-related field. The course will be a rigorous study of human body systems with emphasis on anatomical identification, physiological functions and diseases. Each system will be studied in detail and laboratory experiences will be designed to enhance understanding of the system. Labs will involve the detailed microscope study of cells and tissues, including pathology. Physiological function will be related to anatomical structures throughout the course. Some dissection of animal systems will be included to enhance students' knowledge. Technology in the form of software, Internet resources and mobile laptops will be an integral part of the course. Career opportunities will be explored through field trips, speakers, and visits to local university lectures.

**Prerequisite:** 2 years of lab science

<b>FORENSICS (0444)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Forensic science is the application of science to issues of law. The course will be primarily laboratory based, with students expected to use knowledge from biology, mathematics, and the physical sciences to analyze evidence from crime scenes. The course should offer students the opportunity to utilize critical thinking skills developed in their previous science and mathematics courses, and apply those skills to interesting real-world situations. Students will use a variety of materials that show them how the analysis of various materials (hair, paint, drugs, etc.), insect analysis, blood analysis, DNA evidence, and toxicology studies all help to solve crimes. Students will be expected to work together to analyze, solve, and communicate their findings to the rest of the class. This will be a semester elective course, meeting for 5 periods a week for one semester, 2.5 credits.

**Prerequisite:** 2 years of lab science

<b>OCEANOGRAPHY (0419)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Oceanography is a semester course that studies the phenomena of the oceans. It is intended to be an introduction to the physical, geological, chemical, and biological aspects of the greater portion of our earth's surface. Course requirements include a field trip to a local shore area, as well as some laboratory work.

**Prerequisite:** 2 years of lab science

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT PHYSICS (0450)</b>	<b>6.0</b>
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This full-year course is an algebra-based, introductory college-level physics course that explores topics such as Newtonian mechanics; work, energy, and power; mechanical waves and sound; and introductory simple circuits. Through inquiry-based learning, students will develop critical thinking and reasoning skills. The course will meet for 6 periods per week, with one double-lab period. All students enrolling in AP Physics must satisfactorily complete a summer assignment prior to the beginning of the school year.

**Prerequisite:** Two years of lab science and Algebra 2. It is strongly recommended to have completed Pre-Calculus or Physics.

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT CHEMISTRY (0461)</b>	<b>6.0</b>
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This full-year, laboratory course provides students with a foundation to support future advanced coursework in chemistry. Through inquiry-based learning, students develop critical thinking and reasoning skills. Students acquire an understanding of chemistry and science practices as they explore topics such as: atomic structure, intermolecular forces and bonding, chemical reactions, kinetics, thermodynamics, and equilibrium. The course will meet 6 periods per week, with one double- lab period. The program is designed to prepare students to take the AP Chemistry Examination. All students enrolling in AP Chemistry must satisfactorily complete a summer assignment prior to the beginning of the school year.

**Prerequisite:** 2 years of lab science, and Algebra 2

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT BIOLOGY (0459)</b>	<b>6.0</b>
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This course is an introductory college-level biology course. Students develop an understanding of biology through inquiry-based investigations as they explore the following topics: evolution, cellular processes—energy and communication, genetics, information transfer, ecology, and interactions. After showing themselves to be qualified on the Advanced Placement Examination, some students, as college freshmen, are permitted to undertake upper-level courses in biology or register for courses for which biology is a prerequisite. Other students may have fulfilled a basic requirement of a laboratory-science course and will be able to undertake other courses to pursue their major. The AP Biology course differs significantly from the usual first high school course in biology with respect to the kind of textbook used, the range and depth of topics covered, the kind of laboratory work done by students, and the time and effort required of students. All students enrolling in AP Biology must satisfactorily complete a summer assignment prior to the beginning of the school year. **Students taking AP Biology are eligible to gain college credit at Seton Hall University through the college’s “Project Acceleration.” If the student does not attend Seton Hall University, the credits earned through this program may be transferred to other colleges. There is an associated cost to enroll students in the program.**

**Prerequisite:** Biology and Chemistry

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE (0425)</b>	<b>6.0</b>
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AP Environmental Science is a college-level course that explores the interconnections of the natural world. Students will examine both natural and human-induced environmental problems, assess associated risks, and evaluate potential solutions. Topics include ecosystems, biodiversity, earth systems, land and water use, energy, pollution, and global change. The course is inquiry-based, featuring field investigations, projects, and lab activities. Students will gather and analyze data, present findings, and develop solutions to real-world environmental issues.

**Prerequisite:** 2 years of lab science



**STEM  
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COURSE SELECTIONS**

<b>INTRODUCTION TO JAVA (0353)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This introductory course is designed for the student who has no or limited knowledge of JAVA programming. Students will be introduced to the programming process, JAVA special characters, the syntax of program comments, the format of a program, preprocessor directives, input/output, math operators and precedence, relational logic and conditional operators, increment, decrement, the use of variables, passing values, built in functions, and arrays.

**Prerequisite:** Algebra 1

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT COMPUTER SCIENCE (A): JAVA (0346)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course will follow the course outline as prescribed in the College Board Advanced Placement course description. It is a college level course whose primary focus is the study of data structures such as arrays, linked lists, stacks, queues and trees, as well as searching, sorting, and numerical algorithms. The JAVA language is used as a vehicle for examining these concepts.

**Prerequisite:** Intro to Java

<b>ADVANCED COMPUTER SCIENCE – DATA STRUCTURES: JAVA (0345)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This honors course will be a continuation of the present Advanced Placement Computer Science (A): Java course. The course will provide the understanding and mastery of advanced searching techniques using Big-O notation and dynamic data structures using Java programming language as a learning vehicle. Topics will include heapsort, the operations of traversals, inserting and deletion of linked lists, stacks, queues, and trees.

**Students may take this course for college credit through the Fairleigh Dickinson University Middle College Program. There is an associated cost to enroll students in the program.** This course carries Advanced weighting.

**Prerequisite:** Completion of AP Computer Science (A)

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT COMPUTER SCIENCE PRINCIPLES (0361)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This course offers a multidisciplinary approach to teaching the underlying principles of computation. The course will introduce students to the creative aspects of programming, abstractions, algorithms, large data sets, the Internet, cybersecurity concerns, and computing impacts. AP Computer Science Principles also gives students the opportunity to use current technologies to create computational artifacts for both self-expression and problem solving. Together, these aspects of the course make up a rigorous and rich curriculum that aims to broaden participation in computer science.

<b>INTRO. TO CYBERSECURITY (H0365)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Computer Security is an important topic in today's world, as computers (and now computer networks) are ubiquitous. Data Security is an important aspect of Computer Security. One of the hot new topics in Computer Data Security Area is related to the protection of copyrighted data for e-commerce applications over the Internet. This course covers several topics in Computer Data Security with emphasis on intellectual property protection, digital rights management and digital watermarking, etc.



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<b>PRINCIPLES OF ENGINEERING (H0485)- *PROJECT LEAD THE WAY</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This full year course offers an introduction to engineering concepts by utilizing the engineering design process to solve problems by applying static principles to bridges, using electronic component concepts like circuit board logic gates, using CAD software, applying environmental and ethical principles, and monitoring efficiencies while reducing externalities. Students who take this course should have a strong interest in one or more fields of engineering. This course will allow students to realize the links between history, ethics, science, writing, and economics.

**Prerequisite:** Physics should either be completed or taken concurrently.

<b>INTRO. TO ENGINEERING DESIGN (H0490)- *PROJECT LEAD THE WAY</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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Introduction to Engineering Design (IED) is a full year, high school level foundation course, in the PLTW Engineering Program. In IED students are introduced to the engineering profession and a common approach to the solution of engineering problems, and engineering design process. Utilizing the activity-project-problem-based (APB) teaching and learning pedagogy, students will progress from completing structured activities to solving open-ended projects and problems that require them to develop planning, documentation, communication, and other professional skills.

**Prerequisite:** Physics should either be completed or taken concurrently.

<b>INTRO. TO ENGINEERING DESIGN (H0490)- *PROJECT LEAD THE WAY</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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and learning pedagogy, students will progress from completing structured activities to solving open-ended projects and problems that require them to develop planning, documentation, communication, and other professional skills.

**Prerequisite:** Physics should either be completed or taken concurrently.

## BUSINESS EDUCATION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

<b>ACCOUNTING I (0501)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This one-semester course will introduce students to the basic principles, concepts, and procedures for accounting. Students will go through the entire accounting cycle from analyzing and recording transactions to preparing financial statements. In addition, accounting career opportunities will be explored.

<b>ACCOUNTING II (0502)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This one-semester course will reinforce the basic principles, concepts, and procedures for accounting. Students will learn to interpret and analyze financial reports. They will be introduced to payroll accounting, and special procedures for accounting in the business world. This class will be offered to students in grades ten, eleven and twelve.

Prerequisite: Accounting 1

<b>PERSONAL FINANCE (0515)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This one-semester course is aimed at developing an understanding of how to handle personal finances in today's economy. Topics covered will include financial planning and budgeting, principles of buying, suggestions for sound financial investing, suggestions for credit use, purchasing a car, and buying or renting a home. Students will also be made aware of the deceptions and frauds in the marketplace and how to avoid them.

<b>BUSINESS MANAGEMENT (0509)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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The Business Management course is a study of our American business system. This one semester course is offered to sophomores, juniors and seniors. Such topics as our American business environment, the management of financial, human, and physical resources, management control and use of information, management skills, stock market, and international involvements are studied.

<b>BUSINESS LAW (0529)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This course will enable the student to know more about his/her legal rights and duties. The student will be provided with some understanding of the complexity of the law and the legal implications of situations as they arise in day-to-day life. Course content includes the study of contracts, crimes, torts, criminal procedures, jury-trial procedures, civil procedures, and laws concerning minors and consumers. This is a one-semester course open to sophomores, juniors and seniors.

<b>ENTREPRENEURSHIP (0536)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This course is designed for students with a desire to establish and maintain a successful business in the future. Students will learn to research, plan, and finance a small business. Hands-on experience of product development, sales, inventory and finance will be done through the student run small store. Successful entrepreneurs will be studied and their businesses evaluated. Legal aspects of operating a business and their relationship to local ordinances, laws, and taxes will be covered as well as designing an in-depth

business plan including all research and planning.

<b>SPORTS &amp; ENTERTAINMENT MARKETING (0550)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Sports & Entertainment Marketing is a half-year business elective course offered to students in grades 10, 11, & 12 interested in marketing concepts as they relate to the growing sports and entertainment industries. The purpose of this course is to introduce students to marketing basics, marketing college athletics, sports marketing, using sports to market products, public images, entertainment marketing, legal issues in sports and entertainment, and advertising. This course will offer students the ability to define their own interests while exploring possible future careers.

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### **SPRINGFIELD LEADERSHIP PROGRAM**

<b>SPRINGFIELD LEADERSHIP PROGRAM (0093)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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In the Springfield Leadership Program, student-leaders in grades eleven and twelve will craft and implement lessons for freshmen and students new to Jonathan Dayton High School. Students in the class will lead activities for freshmen that are designed to promote positive relationships and a successful academic, athletic and interpersonal experience in school. Specifically, students will create and implement a series of lessons that will enable freshmen to practice academic, social, and emotional skills such as goal-setting, decision-making, conflict resolution, bullying prevention, time management, and communications in a small group setting. Students will enhance their leadership skills, public speaking skills, and problem-solving skills in order to support their freshman peers in their transition to high school. Student Leaders will become positive role models, discussion leaders and mentors for ninth graders.

**Prerequisite:** Successful completion of grades nine and ten; experiences in positions of leadership in co-curricular activities.

## VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Music courses meet for a full year unless otherwise noted. The following Visual Art Classes meet for a full year: AP Art History, AP Studio Art, Portfolio Honors and one section of Open Studio. All other classes are semester courses.

### MUSIC

Concert Band and Chorale are performance-based courses that provide students with many opportunities to exhibit their musical skills. Students electing Concert Band and Chorale who wish to perform in both ensembles should sign up for Concert Band/Chorale (0716). These courses will be scheduled for the same period, so that students can participate in both.

<b>CHORALE (0708)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The objectives of this course are to develop the vocal skills, knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of choral music. Also, to develop the highest possible standards of performance. Membership is open to any student who is interested in singing. All concerts and rehearsals are required; failure to attend may adversely affect a student's proficiency and grade in this course. Some rehearsals and performances may be on weekends or in the evening. This class will also aid in preparation for other vocal music opportunities such as the Spring Musical and the audition based ExtraCurricular Choir, as well as regional and All-State ensembles. This course may be taken concurrently with Concert Band and/or String Ensemble.

<b>CONCERT BAND (0704)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The Concert Band course meets daily within the school schedule. It is open to all students who play band instruments. This course is designed to help students become familiar with historical and technical aspects of the musical arts through instrumental musicianship and ensemble playing. Students participate in two major performances a year, a winter and spring concert, as well as other concerts, competitions and festivals. All performances and rehearsals are required. Some rehearsals may be held in the evening or after school. Failure to attend performances or rehearsals may adversely affect a student's proficiency and grade in this course. Students are also required to attend weekly small ensemble lessons to further their musical development. Marching Band and Jazz Lab are each an optional component of Concert Band. This class may be taken concurrently with Chorale as a full-year course. This course has honors weighting.

<b>BEGINNING STRINGS ENSEMBLE (0712)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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Open to any student (Grades 9-12) who plays violin, cello, viola or string bass, String Ensemble offers musicians challenging opportunities to develop many aspects of performance. This course offers students experience in studying and performing a wide variety of music such as chamber music, classical and contemporary literature as well as other repertoire appropriate to the students' degree of advancement. Elements such as intonation, articulation, rhythmic precision, dynamic variety, bowing techniques, balance and blend are studied. Students will have various performance and outreach opportunities such as Winter & Spring Strings Orchestra Concerts, art shows, senior citizen breakfast, hospitals, National Honor Society, Six Flags Great Adventure Competition, etc. This class will also aid in preparation for other music opportunities such as extra-curricular

orchestras, and the audition based Regional and All- State Orchestra.

<b>ADVANCED STRINGS ENSEMBLE (0713)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This is an audition based class open to 10th-12th grade students who play violin, cello, viola or string bass. This advanced strings class offers musicians more rigorous repertoire, increased performance opportunities to showcase their elevated, more nuanced musicianship. This class will also aid in preparation for other music opportunities such as extra-curricular orchestras, and the audition based Regional and All- State Orchestra.

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT MUSIC THEORY (0711)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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Advanced Placement Music Theory is a full-year college level course that emphasizes many aspects of music. Some of those aspects include harmony, melody, texture, rhythm, form, musical analysis, elementary composition, and to some extent, history and style. In this course, students will be expected to read, notate, compose, perform, and listen to music. The development of aural skills will be the primary objective of this class along with performance to demonstrate these skills by using keyboard, singing, and the student's primary instrument.

**Course Requirements:**

1. Students must obtain a written recommendation from the music teacher in order to take this course.
2. Students must have three (3) consecutive years in a school performance ensemble such as Concert Band or Concert Choir, or the equivalent in private studio instruction.

<b>MUSIC PRODUCTION LAB I (H0714)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This course is intended as an introductory course for students who are interested in honing their skills as a pop, rock or hip-hop songwriter, artist or producer. This course will begin by analyzing popular music and dissecting our role as consumers within the industry. Over the course of the semester, students will develop skills within the GarageBand software to compose, record and produce a series of original musical projects. We will discuss songwriting and recording techniques by exploring various artists, important albums, and current leaders of the music industry.

**Prerequisites:** Students must be able to demonstrate basic musical competency and the ability to read music. Recommended that students have successfully completed either or both Keyboard Skills and Music and Technology courses in middle school.

<b>MUSIC PRODUCTION LAB II (H0715)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This course is designed to build on the skills developed in Music Production Lab 1, focusing on technical facility in a recording environment, music theory and literacy as well as analysis and popular musicology. Students will learn recording and production techniques by using GarageBand and other available software and cultivate music theory knowledge by continued study of popular music in the modern music landscape. Students will be able to apply songwriting technique, music theory and GarageBand skill into a marketable portfolio of original music. Prerequisite: Students in this class must demonstrate

successful completion of Music Production Lab 1 or, successful audition that satisfies musical competency, basic music theory, performance and facility in a Digital Audio Workstation such as GarageBand.

**Prerequisites:** Music Production Lab

## ART

<b>FOUNDATIONS IN STUDIO ART (0720)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Foundations in Studio Art is a course for students who would like to know how to use art materials in interesting and unique ways. This course will provide step-by-step instruction in drawing and painting skills. Students will also have a chance to explore cartooning as a form of visual expression. A variety of media will be available, including clay as it applies to drawing and painting techniques. Sketchbooks will be used to reinforce class instruction. Note that in most cases, Foundations in Studio Art is a basic foundation course necessary for further advanced work in the Visual Art department.

<b>FOUNDATIONS IN CRAFTS (0721)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This is a multi-craft course involving ceramics, bookmaking and printmaking. Ceramic processes of handbuilding, wheel throwing techniques and glazing will be emphasized. Students will be introduced to the handling of tools and the uses of various materials. Emphasis is placed on design and craftsmanship.

<b>CERAMICS AND THREE-DIMENSIONAL FORMS (0722)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This course focuses on advanced ceramic skills of handbuilding, slab building, coil building, and wheel throwing techniques including an investigation into a variety of glazing techniques and applications. Sculpture and other three-dimensional forms will be explored. Prerequisite: Foundations in Crafts

<b>DRAWING AND PAINTING (0723)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This course focuses on figure drawing, painting, working from still life, and an exploration of various media such as acrylics, oil, watercolor, tempera, charcoal and pencil. Prerequisite: Foundations in Studio Art

<b>OPEN STUDIO-EXPANDED MEDIA (0727, 0729)</b>	<b>Semester: 2.5 Full Year: 5.0</b>
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Colleges are increasingly asking for student portfolios for all academic department areas. This class will help students explore an interest area in depth and learn how to prepare a simple visual portfolio. Alternating areas of digital imaging, drawing/painting, and three-dimensional forms will be explored in both group and individual projects utilizing a wide range of media. A museum/gallery experience is included as an integral part of the course. The ability to work independently is very important. This course may be taken for



one semester or for a full year.

**Prerequisite:** One art class or the recommendation of an art teacher.

<b>PORTFOLIO STUDIO ART (0726)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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This portfolio development course will focus primarily on improving the quality of student work and meeting the student's need for diverse experiences in the formal, technical, and expressive areas of art making. Students will make a digital portfolio of completed artwork which can be used in college application supplements. Students interested in completing an AP Portfolio will take the Portfolio Studio Art course to prepare skills required for the exam.. **Students may earn three college credits by enrolling in the Fairleigh Dickinson University Middle College Program.**

**Prerequisite:** One art course and teacher approval.

<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT ART &amp; DESIGN (0732)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The AP portfolio usually requires preparation in previous art classes and should be started in the junior year in either Open Studio or Portfolio Honors classes. This is a vigorous program, which will require additional work outside the classroom. A museum gallery experience is included as an integral part of the course. For those students interested in AP Studio Art, the focus will be on completing specific portfolio preparation requirements for submission and evaluation by the College Board as indicated by AP guidelines. Students may submit portfolios in the following categories:

- Drawing
- Two-Dimensional Design
- Three-Dimensional

**A typical students portfolio includes 15 original works of art over the following categories:**

- Section 1: Sustained investigation
  - Submit 15 digital images that demonstrate
    - Sustained investigation through practice, experimentation, and revision
    - Sustained investigation of materials, processes and ideas
    - Synthesis of materials processes and ideas
  - Sustents must state the following in writing:
    - Identify the inquiry that guided your sustained investigation .
    - Describe how your sustained investigation shows evidence of practice, experimentation, and revision guided by your inquiry.
- Section 2 Selected Works
  - Submit 5 digital images of five works that demonstrate
    - 2D/3D/Drawing skills
    - Synthesis of materials, processes, and ideas

**Prerequisite: Portfolio Studio Art or a full year of art with Teacher approval.**

## DANCE

<b>DANCE I (H0751)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This beginner course is an introduction to the fundamentals of dance. Styles focused on in this class are Jazz, Hip Hop and Modern. Jazz elements include the history of jazz dance, genre vocabulary and Musical Theater. Hip Hop elements include freestyle, breaking dancing, and rhythm. Modern elements include floor positions, Modern dance vocabulary, and dance history. In each dance class, students will be expected to participate in warm-ups, across the floor progressions, choreography, and review. Dance classes require the student to be dressed appropriately for dance and participation is essential to the fulfillment and completion of this course.

<b>DANCE II (H0752)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Students in Dance II will continue to build upon their foundation in the skills of technique, strength, flexibility, alignment, endurance, coordination and performance qualities (focus, confidence, artistic intent). They will have the opportunity to explore various genres of movement as well as incorporate the elements of dance (time, space, energy and meaning) to create their own choreographed routines.

**Prerequisite:** Dance I or three consecutive years of private dance studio instruction, per teacher approval.

<b>ADVANCED DANCE (H0755)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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Students will reinforce and enhance concepts learned in previous dance courses such as, dance technique, codified dance styles and the structure of choreography. They will apply their expertise to choreograph, design and perform dance pieces in various recitals, competitions and exhibitions. Students will focus on individual as well as whole group performances in a variety of dance styles including, but not limited to: Jazz, Ballet, Modern, Hip-Hop and World Dance forms. This course will also allow students to explore dance specific career pathways and create a dance portfolio that can be used for higher education or professional purposes. Students are required to participate in up to two major evening performance recitals a year, a winter and spring dance showcase. Failure to attend performances may adversely affect a student's proficiency and grade in this course. This course will also aid in preparation for other dance opportunities such as audition based dance ensembles, state and national honors competitions, etc.

**Prerequisites:** Dance II or three consecutive years of private dance studio instruction, per teacher approval.

<b>DANCE FITNESS: YOGA (H0757)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This course provides students with an introduction to the basic postures, breathing techniques, relaxation methods and other fitness benefits of yoga. Students will learn stress management strategies through breathing and movement as well as introduce life-long wellness habits to promote vibrant health and use the body's musculature and respiratory systems to maximize optimal energy.

## PRACTICAL ARTS COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### PHOTOGRAPHY - TRADITIONAL AND DIGITAL

<b>BLACK &amp; WHITE PHOTOGRAPHY (0790)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This course is designed to introduce the student to the field of 35 mm film photography. Included are the principles of simple photographic theory, use and selection of cameras, use of special lenses and filters and use of various types of film. Basic darkroom techniques of developing and enlarging will be presented. A student portfolio and critiques of composition and technique are an integral part of the course. Safe working procedures will be stressed. This is a one-semester course.

<b>DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY (0639)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This semester course is designed to give students a working knowledge of the digital imaging process, to learn how to use a digital camera, to learn other methods of digital image capture, and to master advanced Photoshop skills. Students will study various methods of manipulation of digital images, employing the computer and associated commercial software (Adobe Photoshop) and peripheral equipment (cameras and scanners) to alter photographic images. Students will apply design principles to each application. Students will learn how to use composition to improve the layout of their photos.

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### TELEVISION AND RADIO PRODUCTION

<b>INTRODUCTION TO TV (0098)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Students will learn how television is a medium of communication. They will gain the knowledge of present day broadcasting/cable casting techniques. Since this is a hands-on class, students will learn and refine both their technical and creative processes in television production. They will learn how important it is to be part of a cooperative team and achieve a successful recorded production. This will include participating in the 'loop' and engaging as a director, technical director, character generator operator, video tape operator, teleprompter operator, audio manager, assistant audio manager, floor manager, camera operator and talent. At the end of the semester, students learn how to make storyboards and write scripts for their final project. This is a one-semester course.

<b>ADVANCED TV (0099)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Students will reinforce and enhance the concepts learned in Introduction to TV. They will apply their expertise to videotaping live shows to be cablecast on the public access channel and a daily broadcast of the morning news throughout the school. In addition, students will learn how to use portable equipment for E.N.G (Electronic News Gathering) and E.F.P. (Electronic Field Production) projects shot in and around the school. The students will also learn the concepts of digital editing and incorporate the process into their assignments in order to submit polished video productions. Students also will work in cooperative learning groups for their final project.

**Prerequisite:** Introduction to TV

<b>TV PRODUCTION PRACTICUM (7099)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This hands-on course focuses on teamwork and the skills necessary to produce a school morning newscast, emphasizing timely, accurate, and engaging content. Students will develop both technical and creative abilities in television production, including announcing, performing, and digital editing. They will introduce new segments, promote school events, and demonstrate proficiency in studio, ENG, and EFP production techniques. A final project will replace a written exam. Prerequisite: Introduction to TV.

<b>RADIO PROGRAMMING AND PRODUCTION (0737)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Students who elect this course will learn about the impact of radio on society. This course will incorporate the radio industry (terrestrial and non-terrestrial/satellite), voice and speech techniques for announcing, writing skills for news and commercial copy, digital audio editing, radio programming and media sales. This is a hands-on cooperative learning course. Students will learn how to work together and perform such activities as a disc jockey (D.J.), talk show host and news reporter. Students will also have a choice of performances for a final project.

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## GRAPHIC DESIGN

<b>INTRODUCTION TO GRAPHIC DESIGN (0638)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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In this course students will acquire practical introductory knowledge of commercial art and advertising design. They will be able to solve formal problems dealing with fundamental principles and will develop the basic skills necessary to work with specific types of media, especially computer generated graphic design. The primary objective of this course is to teach students to prepare advertisements and commercial designs from concept to visual communication. Software used in class includes Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator and InDesign.

<b>ANIMATION (TBD)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This animation course covers both creative and technical aspects, focusing on applications in cartooning, storytelling, and the medical and pharmaceutical fields. Students will learn a range of techniques, including stop-motion, claymation, flip books, and 3D animation, to effectively communicate complex medical concepts. Starting with foundational principles like timing, movement, and storytelling, students will create characters and models using hands-on methods. As the course progresses, they will explore digital 3D animation, using tools like Autodesk Maya to model and animate medical devices and processes.

**Prerequisite:** Introduction to Graphic Design

## TECHNICAL THEATER AND SET DESIGN

<b>INTRODUCTION TO TECHNICAL THEATER (0080)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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In this course, students are introduced to the basic vocabulary, equipment, personnel, and processes involved in the backstage operations of theatrical productions. Class participation leads directly to practical experience, as each student is assigned a different backstage role in actual productions (e.g., light board operation, sound board operation, assistant stage manager, backstage crew, hang and focus crew, scenic design & set building). Students gain essential information and practical experience related to the people, processes, and equipment that enable and enhance live performance. Students will be required to contribute to school productions in order to engage in authentic assessment of their knowledge and skills.

<b>STAGECRAFT AND SET DESIGN (0079)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This course covers the fundamentals of backstage technology through actual practice and through the collaborative development of planning and rendering. Students will understand the workings of a scene shop and apply the necessary skills to use tools to create flats, platforms, props, fixtures and other scenery. Students will be given the opportunity to work on actual sets for events such as the school drama and musical. Collaboration on projects for school events will be the performance assessment requirement for this course.

<b>INTRODUCTION TO LIGHTING AND SOUND DESIGN (7080)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Introduction to Lighting and Sound Design covers the fundamentals of backstage technology through authentic experience. Through collaborative development of planning and incorporating the methods and materials of stage lighting and sound, students will build sets and sound stages for performance. The course will emphasize the functions and qualities of light, instruments, control equipment and procedure, with an introduction to the tools, techniques, and processes of sound and music for the theater. Tasks will include a series of exercises and discussions on the structure of audio systems, digital audio editing and playback, play analysis, and the creative enhancement of the dramatic environment. Students will be given the opportunity to work on actual lighting and sound equipment for events such as the school drama and musical. Collaboration on projects for school events will be the performance assessment requirement for this course.

**Prerequisite:** Introduction to Technical Theater.

## 21st CENTURY CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

### CULINARY ARTS

<b>BAKE SHOP 1 (0613)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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The course will teach the students basic principles and fundamentals of the professional bakeshop. Students will learn quick breads, yeast-raised breads and pastry, desserts such as pies, cakes, cookies and pastries. Students will also be introduced to Pastry Arts and Cake Decorating. The class is an essential part of the Commercial Culinary Arts Program and will be a requirement for the curriculum.

<b>BAKE SHOP 2 (0623)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This baking and pastry arts course is designed to give students advanced knowledge, skills and understanding of advanced baking methods and techniques found in professional bake shops and food service settings. Topics include preparation and presentation of various desserts and dessert sauces, complex yeast raised doughs, quick breads, pies, cookies, tortes, pastries, cakes and cake decorating.

**Prerequisite:** Students must have successfully completed Bake Shop 1.

<b>FOUNDATIONS OF RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT &amp; CULINARY ARTS 1 (H0668)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This course is open to any student who would like a better understanding of what food service careers involve and offers an insight and opportunities of the food service industry, as well as the basic fundamentals needed to pursue a career in Culinary Arts. The class is an essential part of the National Restaurant Association ProStart Culinary Arts Program and will be a requirement for the curriculum. Students who have completed the requirements of the ProStart program are awarded an industry recognized certificate from the National Restaurant Association, the industry leading restaurant educational organization, nationally and across the globe.

<b>FOUNDATIONS OF RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT &amp; CULINARY ARTS 2 (H0669)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This class is open to all students that have successfully completed Foundations of Restaurant Management and Culinary Arts Level 1 Section 1. The course offers insight to basic food preparations as well as the purchasing, storage and inventory of fresh and prepared foods. Students will be able to identify fresh produce and dairy products and prepare them for service, i.e.: basic egg and dairy dishes, appetizers, salads, and side dishes (pasta, fresh fruit and vegetables). The class is an essential part of the National Restaurant Association ProStart Culinary Arts Program and will be a requirement for the curriculum. Students who have completed the requirements of the ProStart program are awarded an industry recognized certificate from the National Restaurant Association, the industry leading restaurant educational organization, nationally and across the globe.

**Prerequisites:** Foundations of Restaurant Management & Culinary Arts 1

<b>FOUNDATIONS IN RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT &amp; CULINARY ARTS 3 (0673)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This semester course is open to all students who have successfully completed Foundations of Restaurant Management and Culinary Arts 1 & 2. This course is offered to those students that are considering a career in culinary arts and wish to own and/or operate a restaurant in the future. Students will also learn culinary skills necessary to create a typical restaurant menu. Finally, students will be able to understand the proper atmosphere by learning different techniques in plating and presentation. Students who have completed the requirements of the ProStart program are awarded an industry recognized certificate from the National Restaurant Association, the leading restaurant educational program in the industry, both nationally and across the globe.

\*This class is an essential part of the National Restaurant Association ProStart Commercial Culinary Arts Program and will be a requirement for certification.

**Prerequisites:** Students must have successfully completed Foundations of Restaurant Management & Culinary Arts 1 and 2.

<b>FOUNDATIONS IN RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT &amp; CULINARY ARTS 4 (0674)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This semester course is open to all students who have successfully completed Foundations of Restaurant Management and Culinary Arts 1,2 & 3. This course is offered to those students that are considering a career in culinary arts and wish to own and/or operate a restaurant in the future and continues with further concepts and strategies that were presented in previous culinary arts programs. Students will explore typical situations and scenarios that happen in basic daily restaurant operations and this course offers the opportunity to learn the necessary skills to operate a successful restaurant. Students who have completed the requirements of the ProStart program are awarded an industry recognized certificate from the National Restaurant Association, the leading restaurant educational program in the industry, both nationally and across the globe.

\*Students successfully completing all four levels of this course will have the opportunity to earn their ServSafe Food Handlers Certificate, a nationally recognized food safety program sponsored by the National Restaurant Association.

**Prerequisites:** Students must have successfully completed Foundations of Restaurant Management & Culinary Arts 1, 2 & 3.

<b>AMERICAN REGIONAL CUISINE (0625)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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American Regional Cuisine is the original Fusion Cuisine. This course is based on the 7 culinary regions of America, the Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, Southern, Southwestern, Pacific, Western, Northwest. Students craft, taste and critique food preparations of each region while learning about different cultures, foods and cuisines found in the world's melting pot.

<b>CLASSIC FRENCH AND ITALIAN CUISINE (0630)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This course will focus on the methods and techniques used in developing innovative preparations for the modern restaurant. Students will gain an appreciation for the appropriate preparation & presentation methods, as well as the heritage, cultural understandings and historical context of the regions studied. Students will craft, taste and

evaluate traditional preparations of classic French and Italian Cuisine.

<b>INTERNATIONAL CUISINE (0635)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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This course will focus on the methods and techniques used in developing innovative preparations for the modern restaurant. Students will study international cuisines from Asia, The Mediterranean, Latin America, Europe and the Middle East. Students will gain an appreciation for the appropriate preparation & presentation methods, as well as the heritage, cultural understandings and historical context of the regions studied. Students will craft, taste and evaluate traditional preparations of the world's finest cuisines.

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## EDUCATION

<b>TOMORROW'S TEACHERS (0095)</b>	<b>5.0</b>
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The course is a study of the history, development, organization and practices of preschool, elementary and secondary education. Students will explore the theories of child development and learning, as well as the styles and needs of individual learners. They will experience the teaching profession through observation in a variety of educational settings, including Springfield elementary schools and the child care program. Students will learn to develop lesson plans and units of study, and gain experience in implementing these lessons. This course will provide students with insight into the art and science of teaching as well as give them an understanding of the various careers in education. This course carries Honor's rating. This is a dual credit course.

**Prerequisite:** Successful completion of grades nine and ten; experiences in positions of leadership in co-curricular activities.

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## WOODWORKING AND CARPENTRY

<b>INTRODUCTION TO WOODWORKING (7700)</b>	<b>2.5</b>
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Woodworking courses introduce students to the various kinds of woods used in industry and offer experience in using selected woodworking tools. Students design and construct one or more projects and may prepare a bill of materials. Correct and safe use of tools and equipment is emphasized. As students advance, they focus on learning the terminology necessary to use power tools successfully, developing skill to safely use these tools in the workshop and becoming familiar with various kinds of wood-finishing materials. Advanced students typically design a project, prepare bills of materials, construct, and finish proposed projects.



## HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

The Physical Education/Health department at Jonathan Dayton High Schools main goal is to provide information necessary for students to develop the ability to make healthy life choices that will last a lifetime.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Courses with science lab pull out: 3.0. Course with no science lab pull out: 3.75.

#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION GRADE 9 – 12, ACTIVITIES

Required – 2 Quarters Annually

Students will be exposed to a variety of team and individual activities. Emphasis is placed on the development of movement skills, strategy, rules/regulations, sportsmanship and safety necessary to compete in a variety of sports successfully. The following activities will be offered: kinball, handball, mat ball, speedball, tchoukball, ultimate, wiffleball, basketball, archery, golf, flag football, soccer, volleyball, and racquet sports. In addition to team and individual activities all students will participate in and be performance-tested once each year in physical fitness. Written/skills tests will be given to assess knowledge of rules and skills as they apply to each particular activity. Standards set by the Physical Education Department, State of New Jersey and Federal Government, Title IX.

#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION GRADE 9 – 12, WELLNESS

Required – 1 Quarter Annually

The Wellness course is designed to provide students an opportunity to examine attitudes and practices with regard to their own wellness and fitness goals. Students will develop and implement a program of resistance/cardio training that will meet personal fitness goals present and future. Students will be exposed to current trends, equipment, and computer software in the application of course concepts. Written tests will be administered to assess student knowledge of current fitness practices. Standards set by the Physical Education Department, State of New Jersey and Federal Government, Title IX.

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### HEALTH

Courses with science lab pull out 1.0 Courses with no science lab pull out 1.25

#### HEALTH EDUCATION - Grade 9, NUTRITION/MENTAL HEALTH

Required – 1 Quarter, Marking Period 3

Health 1 is designed for students to learn and apply skills / facts based on nutrition values necessary for healthy living. The field of mental health will be examined, including signs, symptoms, diagnosis and treatment of specific disorders; basic theories of mental health and mental illness. This course will investigate the mental health field from a historical perspective and discusses current

issues in this field. Upon completion of this course, students will know the basic areas of knowledge and practical applications of nutrition and mental health. Written exams, projects, quizzes will be administered to evaluate student mastery of material.

## **HEALTH EDUCATION – GRADE 10, DRIVER’S EDUCATION**

In the Health 2 course students will study the impact of safe and responsible driving to develop mature attitudes and proper habits. The Basics of Signs, Signals, and Pavement Markings, Rules of the Road, Getting to Know the Vehicle, Starting Steering and Stopping, Basic Driving Skills, Turning and Parking, Lights and Weather Conditions, Sharing the Road, Driving Environments and Laws. Included in the course is a continued study of drugs, tobacco and alcohol along with their relationship to the operation of a motor vehicle. This course will prepare students to take the New Jersey Department of Motor Vehicle written examination. Written exams are used to assess student’s mastery of material.

## **HEALTH EDUCATION - GRADE 11, CPR/FIRST AID/ANATOMY**

Required – 1 Quarter, Marking Period 1

This course provides students the opportunity to acquire skills necessary to obtain certification in first aid/CPR. Students complete practical and written activities, and assessments that will provide a basic foundation of knowledge for injury prevention and treatment. Students will learn the basic structure of human anatomy and body systems. Written exams, projects, quizzes will be administered to evaluate student mastery of material.

## **HEALTH EDUCATION- GRADE 12, FAMILY LIVING**

Required – 1 Quarter, Marking Period 4

The Family Living course is designed to help students better understand how to define and reach their future personal and financial goals. It provides basic understanding of adult living so informed decisions can be made. The course can also be seen as a reference for individual topics that are part of personal planning. Management of personal affairs, financial, relationships, sexual behavior, and in- dependant living are topics explored in the course. Written exams, projects, quizzes will be administered to evaluate student mastery of material.