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The Accounting program prepares students with the knowledge and skills to manage financial records, understand business transactions, and analyze financial data. It's designed to give students a foundation in business and finance that can lead directly into careers or further study in college.

Location: John F. Kennedy High School

Courses

Banking and Finance (Grade 10)

Banking and Finance is the first course in the Accounting Pathway. Students will explore an overview of the banking and finance industry, including various career options. The course covers personal and business finance concepts, decision-making strategies, and introductory accounting principles to prepare students for subsequent pathway courses.

Accounting I (Grade 11)

Introduces students to the essential steps of maintaining accurate financial records for businesses of all sizes. The course develops foundational business and math skills to understand assets, liabilities, and equity, with a focus on sole proprietorships. Students gain hands-on experience using computer simulations and electronic spreadsheets to manage accounting tasks. This course serves as a prerequisite for Accounting II and lays the groundwork for future careers in finance, accounting, and related fields.

Accounting II (Grade 12)

This course builds on the foundational knowledge from Accounting I, providing an advanced study of financial analysis and reporting. Students will deepen their understanding of departmentalized and corporate accounting, automated accounting systems, and general ledger adjustments. The course offers extensive hands-on experience with computer-assisted simulations to reinforce practical skills. Designed as

a vocational and career-oriented course, Accounting II prepares students for entry-level positions in accounting or further study in advanced accounting fields.

Skills Gained

- Financial Literacy
- Attention to detail and accuracy
- Spreadsheet and accounting software proficiency
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Business communication

CTSO

- FBLA - Future Business Leaders of America (www.fbla.org)

Certification

- Quickbooks

Careers

Bookkeeping - Accounting Clerk - Payroll specialist - Accounts payable/receivable clerk - Tax preparer - Audit assistant - Junior Accountant - Financial analyst - Budget analyst - Accounting assistant

*With additional college study students can work toward becoming a **Certified Public Accountant (CPA)** or **Certified Management Accountant (CMA)***