



This handbook is intended to provide students and parents with a guide to the academic and program requirements at Options for Youth - Duarte Public Charter School (“OFY-Duarte” or the “Charter School”). Every student, parent and guardian should read all of the information carefully and discuss it before enrollment. It should be reviewed throughout the student’s enrollment in the school. Planning a school program is very important, and careful thought should be given to future goals and dreams, aptitudes, and willingness to work. If you have any questions, please contact your local center or supervising teacher.

I have received and reviewed the OFY-Duarte Student Handbook. As stated in the Master Agreement Form and as a condition of enrollment, my student and I agree to the terms for voluntary enrollment noted in the Student Handbook, which may include but are not limited to:

Attending additional classes or programs assigned by the student’s teacher, such as:

- Direct Instruction (DI): Math and Reading/Writing, Social Science, Science, or other subjects as assigned
- Sessions with post-secondary counselors and resource specialists.
- RenStar Testing

State Mandatory Assessments such as:

- CAASPP (SBAC)(ELA/Literacy and Math) and CAST (CA Science Test) April-May*
- State-Mandated Physical Fitness Testing February-May*
- English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC)

Turning in all necessary paperwork and forms each school year a student wishes to remain enrolled, such as:

- Student Agreement Form
- Student Emergency Release Cards

Attending the orientation does not constitute enrollment at OFY-Duarte. To ensure that each student is enrolled as soon as possible, all enrollment forms must be signed and received prior to student enrollment.

Signature of Student	Age	Date
Signature of Parent/Guardian <i>(Required for students under 18 years of age)</i>		Date

*Testing months are subject to change on a yearly basis. Please check with your student’s teacher for current testing dates.



Options for Youth - Duarte Student Handbook

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2024-2025 School Year

Dear Student,

Welcome to Options for Youth - Duarte Public Charter School (OFY-Duarte). The faculty, staff, and administration are looking forward to working with you and your family during the time you spend in our program. You will be given the responsibility for actively participating in your educational process. With the help of your teachers, you will be guided through what we hope will be a productive and rewarding educational experience.

We are here to help facilitate your goals, as long as they are positive. It will be your responsibility to complete your course assignments and keep all scheduled appointment times. If you are having difficulty, our teachers are happy to meet with you one-on-one or in small groups to help facilitate your learning process.

OFY-Duarte has also developed a school counseling and guidance program that focuses on career, academic, personal, and social development for the student. Students interested in obtaining counseling services can schedule an appointment through their teacher or post-secondary counselor.

Please share this information with your parent(s) or guardian(s) who will be involved in your overall learning experience.

Sincerely,

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Section 1 — Introduction

About the Student Handbook

This handbook is intended to provide students and parents with a guide to academic and program requirements. It is hoped that every student and parent will read all of the information carefully and discuss it before enrolling in OFY-Duarte. Planning a school program is very important and careful thought should be given to future educational and vocational goals, aptitudes, past academic achievement, and willingness to work. If you have any questions, please contact your local center or supervising teacher or log on to the school website. On the website you will find information about OFY-Duarte programs and schedules, as well as links to a wide array of educational resources.

History of the Program

OFY-Duarte specializes in developing and implementing programs that expand educational opportunities for public school children. The network of Options for Youth Public Charter Schools has provided such programs since 1997, is one of the nation's oldest providers of independent charter educational programs, has worked with numerous school districts, including the nation's largest, and has served more than 50,000 students. OFY-Duarte programs are patterned after the success of the OFY-Victor Valley charter school, the first start-up charter school in California to receive accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). OFY-Duarte still has WASC accreditation today.

The Charter School completed an extensive process and earned system accreditation by Cognia, a nonprofit organization that recognizes districts and schools, nationally and internationally. This accreditation confirms the school meets rigorous standards focused on productive learning environments, equitable resource allocation, that meets the needs of all learners. Earning accreditation from the Cognia Global Accreditation Commission means that the charter school is recognized across the nation and the world as a school that meets Cognia Standards of Quality and maintains a commitment to continuous improvement.

Mission Statement

OFY-Duarte creates an **educational choice** for all students. Our staff connects with students to **empower** and **inspire** them to achieve their **goals** and make their **dreams** a reality.

Program Description

OFY-Duarte Schools are exemplary models of a successful blended learning program, offering a hybrid independent study/small group instruction/online format as an alternative to a classroom program. Students who have not been successful or satisfied with their experience in

traditional schools can achieve in the program. OFY-Duarte combines individualized learning plans with self-esteem and leadership development, as well as a rigorous college-preparatory curriculum and Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) partnerships, to ensure that all students, regardless of their school experiences in the past, increase their options upon graduation for either post-secondary learning or entering the job market. Students are enrolled in courses leading toward a high school diploma or re-entry at grade level in a comprehensive or alternative school program. Enrollment in the program is voluntary. OFY-Duarte provides students with the opportunity to: (a) learn at home and in the learning center in small groups and one-on-one with qualified tutors and instructors, (b) complete courses in core and elective subjects, and (c) receive career and academic counseling.

OFY-Duarte is dedicated to providing quality educational services to students and their families. The unique features of the program include:

- **Open Entry** – A student can enroll virtually any weekday of the year. No need to wait for a class or semester to start.
- **Continuous Learning** – OFY-Duarte operates year-round.
- **Individualized Programs to Accommodate Student Needs** – Scheduled appointments afford students increased flexibility to meet work and family commitments while still satisfying program requirements.
- **Criterion-Based Learning** – In core subjects, only material that has not been mastered is required. Learning is focused on the specific skills needed to achieve maximum advancement in minimum time.
- **Subject Matter Concentration** – Taking fewer classes at a time allows for greater focus on core subjects and better retention of content knowledge.
- **Launchpad Environment** – OFY-Duarte is committed to offering students a “Launchpad” rather than destination environment. Instead of focusing on high school graduation as the final destination for students, post-secondary counselors, WIOA partners, and teachers collaboratively work together to help guide students to create individualized learning plans with a comprehensive post-secondary plan (whether attending a 2- or 4- year college, vocational training or career planning).

OFY-Duarte does not discriminate against any person on the basis of gender, gender identity, gender expression, race, color, religion, disability, and/or any other status protected by law, including immigration status, in any of its policies, procedures, or practices in compliance with applicable federal and state laws.

Workforce Education

The School operates exclusively as a WIOA (Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act) Educational Partner. This means that every aspect of the School's instructional design is aligned with WIOA ideals, elements, and federal requirements. The School maintains an ongoing and balanced collaboration with WIOA partners in the community that strive for all students to be adequately prepared for post-secondary education and the workforce.

The School and its WIOA partners work collaboratively to ensure all students participate in programs and support outlined in the fourteen (14) elements that must be offered to participants, in accordance with WIOA federal regulatory requirements. Due to these partnerships, students may be required to meet certain requirements or participate in certain activities, including but not limited to: meet additional graduation requirements, participate in career exploration activities, complete work experience hours, and attend workshops. The 14 Elements guide the various activities, supports and resources that students will be offered and/or required to participate in while enrolled with OFY-Duarte.

14 Elements

1. Tutoring, study skills training, instruction and evidence-based dropout prevention and recovery strategies that lead to completion of the requirements for a secondary school.
2. Alternative secondary school services, or dropout recovery services, as appropriate;
3. Paid and unpaid work experience/internship
4. Occupational skill training
5. Education offered concurrently with and in the same context as workforce preparation
6. Leadership development opportunities, including community service and peer-centered activities
7. Supportive services
8. Adult mentoring for a duration of at least 12 months.
9. Follow-up services for not less than 12 months after the completion of participation
10. Comprehensive guidance and counseling, which may include drug and alcohol abuse counseling, as well as referrals to counseling, as appropriate to the needs of the individual youth.
11. Financial literacy education;
12. Entrepreneurial skills training;
13. Services that provide labor market and employment information about in-demand industry sectors or occupations available in the local area,
14. Activities that help youth prepare for and transition to postsecondary education and training.

Student Learning Outcomes

It is the belief of the Options for Youth Public Charter Schools that all students are unique individuals who:

- can learn.

- are capable of self-improvement.
- are capable of quality work.
- are worthy of a positive dream for their future and can develop positive life plans.
- will flourish in a positive school environment with instruction personalized to their needs.

Upon graduation, OFY-Duarte students are expected to be goal-oriented individuals who have a plan to attain their dreams. To that end, the program seeks to teach students how to:

1. *Take responsibility for own life.*

Students will show they have taken responsibility for their lives by:

- identifying their dreams and post-secondary goals.
- setting deadlines and keeping them.
- completing schoolwork to the best of their ability, in a timely manner.
- advocating for themselves.
- taking risks to achieve goals.
- using obstacles or setbacks as springboards for success.
- understanding the impact of personal choices.
- working with staff to create a plan for post-secondary goals.
- carrying out the plan to achieve post-secondary goals.

Staff will measure progress by:

- analyzing student progress data which measures student's ability to keep academic deadlines, tracking the completion of character education and/or Pathways Program courses, tracking completion of college/career prep courses, use of dream sheets.

2. *Think Critically.*

Students will exhibit thinking critically by:

- effectively accessing digital resources.
- collecting , organizing , and drawing meaning from data.
- critically analyzing written material.
- making meaningful arguments to support a position.
- explaining reasoning in problem solving.
- using the scientific method to validate or disprove a hypothesis.

Staff will measure progress by:

- A-G Completion rate, internal benchmark assessments, mandated state test, core course completion rates, college entrance exams, course assessment data

3. *Make Meaningful Interpersonal Connections.*

Students will show they have made meaningful interpersonal connections by:

- regularly communicating with teachers about academic progress and/or personal goals.

- regularly communicating with parents/guardians about academic progress and/or personal goals.
- participating in extra-curricular and/or co-curricular activities.
- volunteering in the community.
- showing awareness of benefits of serving in the community.

Staff will measure progress by:

- examining survey results, obtaining anecdotal information from students/parents/teachers, tracking completion of character education and/or Pathways Program courses, and maintaining the graduation requirement of community service.
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Section 2 — General Information

General Enrollment Information

To enroll at OFY-Duarte, the student or family should contact their local center or visit the school website to start the application process. OFY-Duarte admits students entering the seventh through twelfth grades. It is the goal of OFY-Duarte to set students up for success.

Parents will need to schedule an orientation, typically held at the center. Students 18 and over can schedule an orientation without a parent. During this orientation, the teacher will meet with the student and their families to introduce them to the program, explain expectations, complete enrollment paperwork, set up a schedule for the student, and assign the first class.

OFY-Duarte does not request student records (e.g., transcripts) before enrolling a student. Please note: OFY-Duarte will request other records as required by law during the enrollment process, including immunization records because the school cannot unconditionally admit a student who does not meet California's immunization requirements.

Lottery Policy

OFY-Duarte does not discriminate in admitting pupils who wish to attend the school. OFY-Duarte will admit all pupils who wish to attend the school, however, if the number of pupils who wish to attend exceeds the school's capacity, attendance, except for existing pupils, will be determined by a public random lottery in accordance with the school's charter.

OFY-Duarte establishes due dates for enrollment applications prior to the beginning of the school year in order to determine if a lottery is necessary. However, applications are also accepted at any time on a rolling basis after the due dates.

Details about the lottery procedure can be found in OFY-Duarte's charter petition. In the event a lottery is necessary, names who were not enrolled from the lottery are placed on a waitlist. Wait lists last the duration of each academic school year.

During the year, if a student seeks to enroll at a center that is at enrollment capacity, the Center Coordinator will:

1. Notify parent/guardian
2. Add student to the waitlist
3. When space becomes available, offer enrollment to students on the waitlist.

Who is responsible for compliance?

1. These requirements are in effect unless changed or modified

- Assistant Principal
- Principals (or designee)

Age of Enrollment¹

OFY-Duarte can enroll students between the ages of 14 and 20. When a student turns 25 years of age, the student's enrollment will be terminated with no option to return.

Students with Disabilities

As part of the enrollment process, after a student is admitted, OFY-Duarte will request a copy of a current IEP from the district of residence or the parent may choose to provide a copy. The school will review the IEP and ensure student is provided an interim placement while moving forward with the general enrollment process.

During the first 30 days, in consultation with the student's parents/guardian, OFY-Duarte will offer comparable services to those listed in the most recent IEP. Families will receive copies of all interim placement forms outlining these services. A 30 Day Interim Placement IEP meeting will be held on or before the 30th calendar day of enrollment to review placement, services, accommodations and progress towards goals. The IEP team will either adopt the previously held IEP or develop, adopt, and implement a new IEP. The determination regarding the appropriateness of independent study for a particular student receiving special education services will be made by the student's IEP Team.

Out-of-date IEP documents will be reviewed by the school and updated as necessary.

Special Student Populations

OFY-Duarte is open to enrollment for homeless, foster, and juvenile justice system students. In accordance with The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. § 11431-11435), OFY-Duarte provides homeless students with equal access to free and appropriate education and support services necessary to meet the same academic standards as all other students.

In accordance with Education Code Sections 48850(a) (3) (A) and 47605(e), OFY-Duarte will immediately enroll a homeless student regardless of the availability of school or immunization records. Education Code Section 48853.5 provides foster youth with immediate enrollment in school regardless of the availability of school or immunization records. In addition, immediate enrollment rights apply to these student populations: former juvenile justice system students under Education Code Section 48645.5(c), military youth under Education Code Section 48204.6(c)(3), and

migratory youth under Education Code Section 48204.7(c) (3). Foster, homeless, former juvenile justice system students, military youth, migratory youth, and newly arrived immigrant youth may qualify for exemption from OFY-Duarte's local graduation requirements as explained in Education Code Section 51225.1.

Students experiencing homelessness are advised to contact the Homeless & Foster Education Liaison at their school to access referrals to local available services. Contact information for the Homeless & Foster Education Liaison is available on the Charter School's website.

Notice to Students Interested in Enlistment

If you are interested or think you may be interested in enlisting in any branch of the United States military, such as the Navy, Air Force, Marines or Army, we recommend that you consult with your local recruiting office to determine educational requirements for enlistment. OFY-Duarte is an alternative educational program in which academic progress is determined by the student's work rather than the student's physical attendance in class. We urge anyone interested in military service to consult with their local recruiting office to obtain information about requirements for enlistment.

Attendance and Academic Progress

Academic and social successes are significantly related to regular instruction and goal setting. OFY-Duarte provides a successful alternative to traditional classroom-based school programs to empower students to achieve academic and personal goals through the independent study program. The OFY-Duarte independent study program allows students flexibility in scheduling their academic program. Teachers work with the students to determine their courses and appointments. To be successful and remain in the program, students must meet the minimum requirements:

- Be responsible for attending two appointments each week
- Be responsible for working 4 to 6 hours every school day on the class assignments
- Be responsible for completing a minimum of one unit each week (one unit equals the assignments and assessments)
- Be responsible for attending all Direct Instruction (DI) class meetings and completing all required assignments

Teachers verify attendance based on student attendance sheets and completed assigned activities. It is necessary to verify students' progress. If students fail to sign in on their attendance sheet and/or turn in the required assignments by the appropriate due date, students will be counted as absent for that period.

Illness and family emergencies are considered excused absences as in a traditional school or on a job. Parents are required to call their student's teacher prior to the absence. Students 18 and over must inform their teacher themselves. Lack of transportation is not an excused absence.

OFY-Duarte has 24-hour voice mail for messages.

Additional excused absences include, but are not limited to:

- If the student engages in a civic or political event, provided the student notifies the school in advance
- mental health absences
- medical appointments
- appearance in court
- religious holidays, etc.

OFY-Duarte policy is to define truancy as failure to report to regular appointments and/or failure to complete the minimum assignments. Per OFY-Duarte's Truancy Policy, a student may be removed from OFY-Duarte for truancy which is defined as when the student fails to complete 100% of the minimum work assignments required for one school month, fails to verify 75% of attendance for one school month, or misses four instructor appointments without a valid reason. For further information, please ask your teacher for a copy of the Truancy Policy.

The State of California mandates that students attend school and participate in all state standardized testing. It is the parents'/guardians' responsibility to see that their children attend school and participate in testing. OFY-Duarte teachers welcome the opportunity to speak with parents/guardians at any time regarding attendance and academic progress. OFY-Duarte offers a year-round program where there are no traditional semesters. Student progress reports or grades are available upon request.

Credit Policies

Credit Acceptance Policy

OFY-Duarte will only accept credits from outside schools and districts that are on the student's transcript. We are not authorized to honor credits that outside schools and districts have not awarded. The charter school may accept transfer credits for grades "A" to "D" in applicable courses from schools that have current Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) accreditations, Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) accreditations, or other nationally recognized accreditation agencies. Credits from unaccredited schools will be evaluated on an individual basis.

The OFY-Duarte Curriculum Department may conduct a review process by request for schools that are not accredited by either WASC or ASCI. OFY-Duarte will review the school's program, its course content and instruction. Please consult your teacher for further information.

Withdrawal Credits

OFY-Duarte is unable to award withdrawal credits for courses that are not offered at the charter school. However, the student may complete withdrawal credits from their previous school in courses that are also offered at the charter school. Checkout grades for withdrawal courses must be provided to the charter school upon enrollment in

order to allow the student to complete them at OFY-Duarte. The student has until the end of the semester FOLLOWING the semester of their enrollment with OFY-Duarte to complete all withdrawal credits (e.g. if the student enrolls with OFY-Duarte in the fall semester, they have until the end of the spring semester to complete the credits).

Only withdrawal courses whose final remaining semester credit(s) are completed by the students will be recognized. No partial withdrawal credit will be awarded unless the student is a homeless or foster youth.

Repeating Courses

Generally, a course cannot be repeated if the student has earned a D- grade or higher. If a student has failed a course or has not demonstrated sufficient competency, the student may retake the course for credit. Consult with your instructor regarding individual situations.

Grade Replacement Policy

Students who re-take courses for grade replacement at OFY-Duarte will earn credits at our school. Please note, there are some outside schools and districts (example LAUSD) that do NOT award credits for grade replacement and might not accept the credits that were earned at OFY-Duarte. We do not have any control over whether or not they choose to accept the grade replacement credits from OFY-Duarte.

Earning Credits at OFY-Duarte

Students earn credit by completing the coursework based on the material covered and learned in relation to the Carnegie Standard. Credits may be earned for grades "A" to "C-" in all courses (grades 7-12). The charter school may accept transfer credits for grades "A" to "D" in applicable courses from schools that have current Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) or Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) accreditations. (Credits from unaccredited schools will be evaluated on an individual basis.) However, actual mastery of skills represented by a "C-" grade or higher is required for advancement in all courses offered by the charter school. Standard credit is 5 units for each semester course passed. Physical Education and most elective courses are standard credit (5 unit maximum per semester). Since students have the flexibility to work at their own pace, they may require more or less time than the average 60 hours to complete 5 credits. Some courses are offered on a variable credit basis. In the courses that are variable credit, a student may earn more or fewer units than the standard. The amount of work completed and the content standards covered determine the course credit. Consult your instructor for prior approval.

Course Minimum Time Frame

OFY-Duarte has a minimum time frame for a student to complete a 5-credit course. Students must take 4 weeks or more to complete a 5-credit course to ensure they have adequate instructional time per course. Students may complete multiple 5-credit courses at a time; however one

5-credit course cannot be completed in under 4 weeks.

Grading System and Grade Point Average

The grade given in any course represents the credentialed teacher's considered judgment of the degree to which the student has achieved the goals and objectives of the course. It represents the teacher's professional judgment of the quality of the student's work and the student's degree of mastery. No grade may be changed by an administrator unless a clerical or mechanical mistake, fraud, or incompetence can be identified.

Quality points are assigned for courses with letter grades. The quality points are divided by the sum of all quality points by the total number of grades, deriving a GPA for each student. OFY-Duarte uses the standard 4-point system (see following chart). Grades of "C-" or higher in courses that have been approved for extra honors credit by the UC system will receive an extra point (A=5, B=4, C=3). Students' overall GPAs will reflect the grading policies and point values of OFY-Duarte rather than that of their previous school(s).

Superior achievement

The student has excelled, has done work of exceptional quality, and stands apart.

Percentage	Letter Grade	Grade Point Value
97-100	A+	4.00
93-96	A	4.00
90-92	A-	3.70
87-89	B+	3.30

Above average achievement

The student has done more than is expected of a student who satisfactorily completes the class objective.

Percentage	Letter Grade	Grade Point Value
87-89	B+	3.30
83-86	B	3.00
80-82	B-	2.70

Average achievement

The student has satisfied the objectives of the course.

Percentage	Letter Grade	Grade Point Value
77-79	C+	2.30
73-76	C	2.00
70-72	C-	1.70

Not meeting the Requirements

Note: Grades of D or F are not given at OFY-Duarte. If a student does not achieve the minimum standards for a grade of C-, the teacher will work with that student, and the student can re-do the work and tests until the standards are mastered.

Percentage	Letter Grade	Grade Point Value
	D+	1.30
	D	1.00

	D-	0.70
	F	0.00

English Language Development (ELD) Program English Course Placement and Credit Guidelines

The goal of the ELD program is to support English Learners in achieving fluency in the English language, so they can successfully complete their high school academics and are prepared for college. Students participating in the ELD program have multiple options to meet high school graduation requirements, including earning A-G course credits.

Credit Assignment Guidelines:

A. College Preparatory Graduation Pathway

Integrated instruction English courses can be used to satisfy a-g subject requirements. English as a Second Language (ESL) and English Language Development (ELD) courses are acceptable if they meet the English ESL / ELD (“b”) subject area criteria. The University of California system allows no more than one year of ESL / ELD courses to satisfy the English (“b”) subject requirement. The student is then only required to complete three more years of courses from the English (“b”) subject area at their U.S. high school to fulfill the requirement.

Credit Assignment Guide:

- ELD courses equivalent to 1 year of English credit
- English courses from the (“b”) subject area comprising the remaining 3 years

B. Alternate graduation pathway (non- “a-g”)

Students who are not pursuing the College Preparatory pathway, and/or have already completed almost all graduation requirements may receive credit for English as a Second Language (ESL) and English Language Development (ELD) courses not to exceed 3 years. The student is then required to complete 1 year of core, content-area English to fulfill all 4 years of the English graduation requirement.

Credit Assignment Guide:

- ELD courses equivalent to 3 years of English credit
- English content area course comprises the remaining 1 year

Acceptance by Other Educational Institutions

Students and parents/guardians should be informed that because OFY-Duarte grants credit for ELD courses as credit toward satisfying the English course graduation requirements, it does not assure that other school districts will accept these credits as each school district develops its own policies.

ELD Level*	Course Name	Grades	Credits	Credits towards Graduation (English)	Credits towards Graduation (Elective)	UC/CSU "a-g" requirements
Level 1	ELD Newcomer	7-12	10	n/a	10	n/a
Level 2 Grades 7-10 Students may take the ELD Course for English credit in lieu of their grade level core English course	ELD 7-10	7-12	10	10	n/a	b** (9-10)
Expanding Level 3 Grades 7-10 Students at an Expanding Level 3 may take the ELD Course for English credit in lieu of their grade level core English course	ELD 7-10	7-12	10	10	n/a	b** (9-10)
Bridging Level 3: Concurrent Course Assignment Students at a Bridging Level 3 take their grade level core English course and the ELD Course for elective credit	ELD 7-10	7-12	10	n/a	10	n/a
	ELA Core 7-12	7-12	10	10	n/a	b**
Level 4: Concurrent Course Assignment Students at Level 4 take their grade level core English course and the ELD Course for elective credit	ELD 7-10	7-12	10	n/a	10	n/a
	ELA Core 7-12	7-12	10	10	n/a	b**

*ELD Placement Level will be determined by results from ELPAC. For ELD Level 3 students, local assessments, class work, local assessment results, instructional staff input, and parent feedback are also used.

**A maximum of 1 ELD course can be used to satisfy the UC/CSU English "b" requirement.

Grade Level Classification (9-12)

All students are expected to attend high school for eight semesters. However, if students work at an accelerated pace and complete the necessary course credit requirements, they may graduate early. Students are eligible to start earning credit for high school after meeting the core content requirements of the 8th grade. All eligible students must notify their instructor before they begin high school courses. Students are classified as follows:

Classification*	Credits Earned
Grade 9 – Freshman	0-59
Grade 10 – Sophomore	60-119
Grade 11 – Junior	120-169
Grade 12 – Senior	180-220

* Please note that classification is not based on age; rather, it is based on credits earned. Classification may be reviewed each semester.

Grade Level Placement of Incoming Students

Students who enroll in OFY-Duarte will be measured and placed in the appropriate grade by using their most current grades, state standardized test scores, and placement test results from receiving schools. Students with no test scores or records of achievement will be placed at the appropriate grade level indicated by their previous report cards and/or transcript records, or based on a diagnostic test administered by OFY-Duarte. The grade level placement of any incoming student shall be at the sole discretion of OFY-Duarte leadership staff.

Pupil Grade Level Promotion and Retention Plan

Student grade level promotion or retention will be solely based on demonstrated growth in learning and meeting grade level standards of expected student achievement.

Prohibited Grade Level Promotions or Retentions

OFY-Duarte will never take into consideration non-academic factors including, but not limited to, a student's sports opportunities when determining the student's grade level promotion or retention. In addition, the ability to repeat a grade level in order to achieve better grades is not a valid consideration for grade level retention. When retaining a student at a particular grade level, it is solely based on

whether or not they have successfully mastered the courses and concepts OFY-Duarte has prescribed for that grade level. The grade level promotion or retention of any OFY-Duarte student shall be at the sole discretion of OFY-Duarte leadership staff.

Standardized Testing

The state of California mandates that all OFY-Duarte students participate in yearly standardized testing. This includes testing on core subjects, as well as annual Physical Fitness testing in grades 7 and 9.

Students who enroll in OFY-Duarte are required to participate in these standardized tests.

The scheduled testing dates are below. Contact your school site for testing availability.

Smarter Balanced Test

The Smarter Balanced test assesses students in English Language Arts/Literacy and Mathematics.

- **Who Takes It:** 3rd–8th and 11th grade required
- **When:** April 21, 2025– May 9, 2025*

*Tentative. These proposed dates mirror the process used to determine the prior year's SBA/CAST testing window. Dates cannot officially be set until Fall.

California Science Test

The California Science Test (CAST) is a required online test that is based on the California Next Generation Science Standards.

- **Who Takes It:** Students will take CAST in 8th grade and will have one opportunity to test in high school. Your child will be given the opportunity to test in grade 12 if they haven't already had the opportunity to test.
- **When:** April 21, 2025 – May 9, 2025*

*Tentative. These dates mirror the process used to determine the prior year's SBAC/CAST testing window. Dates cannot officially be set until Fall.

Physical Fitness Test (PFT)

The Physical Fitness test measures the level of student physical fitness through a series of circuit exercises.

- **Who Takes It:** 5th 7th and 9th grade
- **When:** February 1, 2025 – May 31, 2025*

*Tentative

English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC)

The ELPAC is a required test given to students whose primary language is not English.

- **Who Takes It:** Any student classified as an English Language Learner
- **When:**
 - **Initial Assessment:** July–June
 - **Summative Assessment:** Feb–May

PSAT

The PSAT provides firsthand practice for the SAT.

- **Who Takes It:** 10th graders (All 10th graders or all 10th graders on the A-G track)
- **When:** October 9, 2024*

*Tentative. This is the anticipated Primary test day released on the College Board's website.

SAT (School Day)

Students have opportunity to take SAT on-site

- **Who Takes It:** 11th and/or 12th graders
- **When:** March 12, 2025*

*Tentative

SAT 2024-2025 Dates

- August 24, 2024*

- October 5, 2024*
 - November 2, 2024*
 - December 7, 2024*
 - March 8, 2025*
 - May 3, 2025*
 - June 7, 2025*
- *Please be aware these may be Saturdays; if so the exam will be delivered online.

ACT 2024-2025 Dates

- Sept 14, 2024
- Oct 26, 2024
- Dec 14, 2024
- Feb 8, 2025
- Apr 5, 2025
- June 14, 2025
- July 12, 2025

AP Exam

Taking the AP Exam in May serves as the natural culmination of their AP course experience.

- **Who Takes It:** talk with your post-secondary counselor
- **When:** Monday, May 5, 2025 - May 16, 2025. Contact your individual center for testing days and times, as well as the test preparation schedule.

Star Renaissance

- Upon enrollment in OFY-Duarte all students take a computer adaptive placement assessment in reading and math; currently STAR Renaissance. These placement tests allow teachers to diagnose the current reading and math level of each student. In addition, all students are assessed at least three times each school year to measure the growth and progression of each student in reading and math.
- **When:** The testing windows take place in
 - Window 1: 8/5/2024 - 11/1/2024
 - Window 2: 11/11/2024 - 2/21/2025
 - Window 3: 3/24/2025 - 6/27/2025
- OFY-Duarte uses these updated diagnostic assessments of student skill growth to measure the program's success and provide adjustments to students' Individualized Learning Plans.

Student Activities

OFY-Duarte strives to create a learning environment which is respectful of the rights and dignity of all members of our learning community. Students are expected to conduct themselves in a respectful and professional manner while participating in all activities associated with OFY-Duarte.

OFY-Duarte offers extracurricular activities such as, but not limited to, field trips, Prom, Senior Social and sports. It is expected that all students participating in these activities are in good standing, adhere to all student behavior expectations, and meet all academic requirements listed on the Student Agreement Form in order to participate in such activities.

Student Holidays (2024-2025)

In addition to weekends (Saturday and Sunday), student holidays are not counted as school days. Therefore, students are not required to complete assigned activities on these days.

Students are required to notify their teacher any time that they will not be attending their scheduled appointments and/or classes. Prior arrangements can be made if the student will not be attending for an extended period of time.

Please note that the school may modify the hours of operation for meetings, school events, testing administrations, etc. Be sure to consult the school calendar to be aware of non-holiday closures or changes in hours of operation.. Students are still responsible for their assignment when the school is closed.

Independence day.....	July 4, 2024
Labor Day.....	Sept. 2, 2024
Indigenous People's Day.....	Oct 14, 2024
Veteran's Day.....	Nov 11, 2024
Thanksgiving Holiday.....	Nov 28-29, 2024
Winter Recess.....	Dec 23, 2024-Jan 3, 2025
MLK Day.....	Jan 20, 2025
President's Day.....	Feb 17, 2025
Spring Recess.....	March 20-21, 2025
Memorial Day.....	May 26, 2025
Juneteeth Day.....	June 19, 2025

2024 – 2025 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

JULY						
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START-END	
MONTH 1	Jul 1 – Jul 28
MONTH 2	Jul 29 – Aug 25
MONTH 3	Aug 26 – Sep 22
MONTH 4	Sep 23 – Oct 20
MONTH 5	Oct 21 – Nov 17
MONTH 6	Nov 18 – Dec 15
MONTH 7	Dec 16 – Jan 26
MONTH 8	Jan 27 – Feb 23
MONTH 9	Feb 24 – Mar 23
MONTH 10	Mar 24 – Apr 20
MONTH 11	Apr 21 – May 18
MONTH 12	May 19 – Jun 15
MONTH 13	Jun 16 – Jun 30

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HOLIDAYS			
Independence Day	Jul 4	President’s Day	Feb 17
Labor Day	Sep 2	Spring Break	Mar 20-21
Veterans Day	Nov 11	Memorial Day	May 26
Thanksgiving	Nov 28-29	Juneteenth	Jun 19
Winter Break	Dec 23-Jan 3	FLOATING HOLIDAYS	
New Year’s Day	Jan 1	Floating Holiday 1	Jun 9-13
MLK Day	Jan 20	Floating Holiday 2	Jun 16-20
Holiday	Feb 14	Floating Holiday 3	Jun 23-27

TRACK A	TRACK B	TRACK C	TRACK D
July 1	July 29	August 26	October 1
SUPPLEMENTAL DATES			
Track D – 1A	Sep 23–30	Track A – 7	Dec 16–Jan 26
Track A – 6B	Dec 3–15	Track B – 6 Track C – 5	
Track B – 5B	Dec 4–15	Track A – 8 Track B – 7	Jan 27–Feb 23
Track C – 4B	Dec 6–15	Track A – 9	Feb 24–Mar 23

SPORTS CALENDAR				
Volleyball Basketball	eSports (Fall)	Soccer (Boys and Girls)	eSports (Spring)	Football Softball
8/5 – Starts	9/16 – Starts	1/13 – Starts	3/10 – Starts	3/24 – Starts
8/23 – Game 1	9/26 – Game 1	1/31 – Game 1	3/27 – Game 1	4/11 – Game 1
8/30 – BYE	10/3 – Game 2	2/7 – Game 2	4/3 – Game 2	4/18 – Game 2
9/6 – Game 2	10/10 – Game 3	2/14 – BYE	4/10 – Game 3	4/25 – Game 3
9/13 – Game 3	10/17 – Game 4	2/21 – Game 3	4/17 – Game 4	5/2 – Game 4
9/20 – Game 4	10/24 – Game 5	2/28 – Game 4	4/24 – Game 5	5/9 – Game 5
9/27 – Game 5	11/1 – Game 6	3/7 – Game 5	5/1 – Game 6	5/16 – Playoffs
10/4 – Playoffs	11/7 – Game 7	3/14 – Playoffs	5/8 – Game 7	
	11/14 – Game 8		5/15 – Game 8	
	11/22 – Playoffs		5/22 – Game 9	
			5/29 – Game 10	
Bowling		TopGolf		
12/6 – Tournament		3/28 – Tournament		

TRACK START	
Track A	July 1
Track B	July 29
Track C	August 26
Track D	October 1

GUIDE	
	Holiday
	Month Start/End
24	Floating
24	Supplemental
	Exempt

School IDs

For full policy, see Appendix A – School IDs on page 155.

Disclosure of Information

For full policy, see Appendix B – Disclosure of Information on page 156.

Visitor Registration Procedure

For full policy, see Appendix C – Visitor Registration Procedure on page 157.

Service Animals

For full policy, see Appendix D – Service Animal Policy on page 159.

Student Groups

For full policy, see Appendix E – Student Initiated Group Policy on page 161.



Section 3 — Student Health

Wellness Policy

For full policy, see Appendix F – Wellness Policy on page 163.

Mental Health

For full policy, see Appendix G – Mental Health on page 164.

Suicide Prevention Policy

For full policy, see Appendix H – Suicide Prevention Policy on page 165.

Immunization Policy

For full policy, see Appendix I – Immunization Policy on page 166.

Student Meal Program

OFY-Duarte is committed to serving healthy meals to all students and helping meet the nutrition needs of students within its school community. This program is offered to ALL students free of charge, regardless of household income. The school meal programs aims to improve the diet and health of students, help mitigate childhood obesity, model healthy eating to support the development of lifelong healthy eating patterns, and support healthy choices while accommodating special dietary needs.

The Charter School participates in the Universal Meal Program(AB130), USDA child nutrition programs, including the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and the School Breakfast Program (SBP). All breakfast, lunch, and after-school meals served to students as part of the meal program shall meet or exceed current federal nutritional standards set forth in applicable local and federal statutes and regulations.

The Charter School does not sell food or beverages on campus during the school day, nor does it promote or market foods or beverages on campus during the school day, that do not meet federal nutrition standards, except when permitted by law.

Pregnant and Parenting Students

Per Ed Code 221.51, 222.5 and 46015, pregnant and parenting students are entitled to 8 weeks of parental leave, and additional leave if deemed medically necessary by the student's physician. Absences due to parental leave are marked as excused absences and students are not required to complete academic work or other school requirements. Students are entitled to return to the school and the course of study in which they are enrolled before taking parental leave. Under certain circumstances, students may remain enrolled for a fifth year of instruction in order for the student to complete graduation requirements.



Section 4 — CA Healthy Youth Act

Health Course Compliance of the California Healthy Youth Act - Comprehensive Sexual Health and HIV Prevention Education)

The California Healthy Youth Act requires all charter schools to ensure that students in grades 7 to 12 receive comprehensive sexual health and HIV prevention education (“Health Education”). Parents will have an opportunity to excuse their children from Health Education before it begins (“opt out”).

Required Health Education for Grades 7-12:

OFY-Duarte shall provide Health Education at least once in Middle School Grades (7-8) and High School Grades (9-12). This instruction will address topics including:

- Nature and transmission of HIV and other sexually transmitted infections, including a discussion on how to reduce risks of transmission;
- Pregnancy, including the importance of prenatal care and California’s newborn safe surrender law and information about federal FDA-approved contraceptive methods in preventing pregnancy; and
- Sexual harassment, sexual assault, adolescent relationship abuse, intimate partner violence, and human trafficking;.

In order to comply with the California Healthy Youth Act, OFY-Duarte shall ensure this instruction:

- Is age-appropriate, medically accurate, and objective;
- Is appropriate for pupils of all races, genders, sexual orientations, faiths, ethnic and cultural backgrounds;
- Is appropriate for and equally available to English language learners;
- Is appropriate for and accessible to pupils with disabilities;
- Encourages students to communicate with their parents/guardians and other trusted adults about Health Education, and provide skills for doing so;
- Is free of religious doctrine;
- Provides knowledge and skills for making and implementing healthy decisions; and
- Is provided by instructors who are appropriately trained and knowledgeable of the most recent medically accurate research on Health Education topics.

Parent Rights, Notification, and Opt-Out:

- Written and audiovisual educational materials used in comprehensive sexual health education and HIV prevention education are available for inspection by parents/guardians. Please contact your student’s teacher, Assistant Principal or Principal to examine instructional materials.
- Comprehensive sexual health education or HIV

prevention education will be taught by OFY-Duarte personnel and/or by outside consultants. OFY-Duarte may provide comprehensive Health Education, to be taught by outside consultants, and may hold an assembly to deliver Health Education by guest speakers, but if it elects to provide Health Education in either of these manners, then parents/guardians will be notified by mail or another commonly used method of notification, no fewer than 14 days before the instruction is to be delivered, and such notice will include the date of the instruction, the name of the organization or affiliation of each guest speaker, and information stating the right of parents or guardians to request a copy of the California Healthy Youth Act. The use of outside consultants or guest speakers is within the discretion of OFY-Duarte.

- Parents and guardians have the right to request a copy of the California Healthy Youth Act. Please contact your child’s teacher, Assistant Principal or Principal to receive a copy.
- Request to Opt-Out from Health Education: A parent or guardian of a student has the right to excuse their child from all or part of Health Education, and assessments related to that education. To exercise this right, a parent or guardian must state their opt-out request in writing to the student’s teacher.
- Request to Opt-Out from Research: OFY-Duarte may administer anonymous, voluntary, and confidential research and evaluation tools to measure students’ health behaviors and risks, including tests, questionnaires, and surveys containing age-appropriate questions about the students’ attitudes concerning or practices relating to sex. Parents/guardians shall be given prior notice of these assessments, the opportunity to review the assessment instrument, and their right to withdraw their child from the assessment. To exercise this right, a parent or guardian must state their opt-out request in writing to the student’s teacher.
- If the school has received a written request from a student’s parent or guardian excusing the student from participation in Health Education or the research assessments described above, then the student may not attend any class in comprehensive sexual health education or HIV prevention education, or participate in any anonymous, voluntary, and confidential test, questionnaire, or survey on student health behaviors and risks.
- A student may not be subject to disciplinary action, academic penalty, or other sanction if the parent or guardian declines to permit the student to receive Health Education or to participate in anonymous, voluntary, and confidential tests, questionnaires, or surveys on student health behaviors and risks.
- While comprehensive sexual health education, HIV prevention education, or anonymous, voluntary, and

confidential test, questionnaire, or survey on student health behaviors and risks is being administered, an alternative educational activity shall be made available to students whose parents or guardians have requested that they not receive the instruction or participate in the test, questionnaire, or survey.



Section 5 — Student Behavior

Anti-Discrimination, Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying

It is the policy of OFY-Duarte to prohibit harassment by any means, including, but not limited to, sexual, physical, verbal, written, electronic, mental, emotional and visual harassment; intimidation, bullying, and cyber bullying. Whether direct or indirect, such intentional acts substantially harm and interfere with a student's education, threaten the overall educational environment, and substantially disrupt the operation of school. Possible forums for social media bullying include but are not limited to: websites with free registration and ease of registration; websites offering peer-to-peer instant messaging; websites offering comment forums or sections; and websites offering image or video posting platforms.

OFY-Duarte prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on the actual or perceived characteristics set forth in Penal Code Section 422.55, including immigration status, and Education Code 220, including, but not limited to, and disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Students who violate this policy may face detention, loss of computer privileges, suspension, or expulsion. Any disciplinary action will be determined by the school administrators. In addition, when any kind of threat is communicated or when a hate crime is committed, the administration will report such crimes to local law enforcement officials. Harassers may be subject to civil and criminal liability for any such unlawful behavior.

This policy applies to all acts related to school activity or school attendance at OFY-Duarte, as well as all acts of the governing board. This includes any act known to OFY-Duarte that takes place on or immediately adjacent to school grounds, at any school-sponsored activity, on school-provided transportation, during use of the school's Internet system, use of a personal digital device on campus, or off-campus activities that cause or threaten to cause a substantial and material disruption at school or interference with the rights of students to be secure.

In situations in which electronic or cyber bullying originates from a non-school computer, but is brought to the attention of school officials, any disciplinary action shall be based upon whether the conduct is determined to be severely disruptive of the educational process so that it markedly interrupts or severely impedes the day-to-day operations of the school.

It is important to understand that jokes, stories, cartoons, nicknames, sending or posting inappropriate and/or

hurtful e-mail messages, instant messages, text messages, digital pictures or images, or website postings, including blogs and comments that violate school, state, and federal law may be offensive to others and will not be tolerated.

If you feel you have been a victim of harassment or are being bullied, inform your teacher or school administrator immediately. Keeping quiet or ignoring the problem will not make it go away. You may also report harassment by calling the toll-free We Want to Know Hotline® 1-800-990-8384. The teacher or school administrator will document the events, contact the appropriate parties, and appropriate steps will be taken. Complaints regarding harassment may also be filed under the school's Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) Policy, which can be found in this Student Handbook. The UCP Policy contains further information regarding the timeline to investigate and resolve complaints, and the appeal process. If school personnel witness an act of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying, they will take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so.

Anti-Cyberbullying Procedures

OFY-Duarte advises students:

- To never share passwords, personal information, or private photos online.
- To think carefully before posting anything, and remember that comments cannot be unsaid even if deleted.
- To consider how it would feel to receive such comments before making comments about others.

OFY-Duarte encourages teachers and staff:

- To promote a positive and safe school culture by establishing norms of respectful communication.
- To look out for warning signs that a student may be being cyberbullied or cyberbullying others (e.g., noticeable increases or decreases in device use, including texting; student becomes withdrawn or depressed; student avoids discussion about what they are doing on their device).

Definition of Sexual Harassment under California Law

Harassment and other discrimination on the basis of sex include, but are not limited to, the following practices:

- On the basis of sex, exclusion of a person or persons from participation in, denial of the benefits of, or subjection to harassment or other discrimination in, any academic, extracurricular, research, occupational training, or other program or activity.
- On the basis of sex, provision of different amounts or

types of student financial aid, limitation of eligibility for student financial aid, or the application of different criteria to applicants for student financial aid or for participation in the provision of student financial aid by others.

- On the basis of sex, exclusion from participation in, or denial of equivalent opportunity in, athletic programs.
- If an educational institution must cut its athletic budget, the educational institution shall do so consistently with its legal obligation to comply with both state and federal gender equity laws.
- On the basis of sex, harassment or other discrimination among persons, including, but not limited to, students and nonstudents, or academic and nonacademic personnel, in employment and the conditions thereof, except as it relates to a bona fide occupational qualification.
- On the basis of sex, the application of any rule concerning the actual or potential parental, family, or marital status of a person, or the exclusion of any person from any program or activity or employment because of pregnancy or related conditions.

Prohibited Sex-Based Harassment under Title IX

OFY-Duarte does not discriminate on the basis of sex in any of its programs or activities. Title IX (20 U.S.C. § 1681 et. seq; 34 C.F.R. § 106.1 et. seq) is a federal law that prohibits harassment on the basis of sex, and prohibits OFY-Duarte from discriminating in such a manner. This prohibition extends to admission, employment, and all programs and activities of OFY-Duarte. All persons, regardless of sex, are afforded equal rights and opportunities and freedom from unlawful discrimination in education programs or activities conducted by OFY-Duarte

The following individual has been designated as the Charter School's Title IX Coordinator:

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Assistant Principal of Instructional Operation
(626) 961-3044
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Inquiries about the application of Title IX may be referred to the OFY-Duarte in Title IX Coordinator or to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights at the U.S. Department of Education, or both. A copy of OFY-Duarte's Title IX Policy for Grievance Procedures is available on the school's website. To report information about conduct that may constitute sex discrimination under Title IX, or to file a complaint of sex discrimination under Title IX, please contact the Title IX Coordinator.

Student-Personal Belongings

OFY-Duarte is fully committed to promoting a safe

learning environment and, to the extent possible, eliminating the possession and use of weapons, illegal drugs, and other controlled substances by OFY-Duarte students at school centers and school-sponsored activities. OFY-Duarte may conduct a search on a student and the belongings in his/her possession (e.g., backpack, purses, or other personal items) if OFY-Duarte has reasonable suspicion that a student has illegal, unauthorized, or contraband materials (e.g., weapons, illegal drugs, and other controlled substances) on their person.

Dress Standard

The dress standards are not intended to take away individual styles, but to remove those clothing items that are taken to extremes or present distraction in the Charter School environment.

1. The Charter School considers the following items inappropriate for students to wear at school: Any clothing or jewelry item that depicts alcohol, drugs, discriminatory language or images, profanity, racism, and/or sexually explicit language or images.
2. Sheer or revealing garments that are sexually inappropriate.
3. Any clothing that has a disruptive influence on the learning environment. The teachers and staff of the learning center will monitor student dress. Discretion will be used by the administration and will prevail in all instances in accordance with law. If a problem arises, the teacher or administrator may take disciplinary action against the student depending on the circumstances (e.g., contact the student's family, request a parent/guardian-teacher conference to discuss the matter, etc.). Continued violations may result in further discipline.

Academic Honesty

For full policy, see Appendix K – Academic Honesty on page 173

Student Conduct & Expectations

For full policy, see Appendix L – Student Conduct & Expectations on page 175

Transportation Safety Plan

For full policy, see Appendix M – Transportation Safety Plan on page 176

Laptop Restitution Policy

For full policy, see Appendix N – Laptop Restitution Policy on page 179

Internet Access Consent and Waiver

The following must be read by you and your parent or legal guardian.

This Consent and Waiver, along with the Internet Rules and Regulations set forth the terms and conditions of the license for you to use the OFY-Duarte Computer

Network (“OFY Computer Network”). By using the OFY Computer Network, you agree to comply with all of the terms and conditions of this Access Consent and Waiver as well as the Internet Rules and Regulations. You are fully responsible for any use of the system under your assigned user name or password by any person or entity. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that Internet access, using the OFY Computer Network, will be appropriate and used only for educational purposes, consistent with the acceptable standards of the school and community. Using the OFY Computer Network is a privilege – not a right. While using the OFY Computer Network, you understand and agree that you are waiving any expectation of privacy in your activity and communications. OFY-Duarte retains the right to monitor all activity on the OFY Computer Network, including but not limited to the right to access and/or view any electronic communications.

OFY-Duarte shall have the sole and exclusive right at any time, with or without notice, to alter or amend this Consent and Waiver form and/or the Internet Rules and Regulations, or to otherwise change, modify, discontinue or amend (a) the terms and conditions applicable to your use of the OFY Computer Network; or (b) any aspect or feature of the OFY Computer Network, including, but not limited to, content, functionality, hours of availability, and hardware, telecommunication equipment, software, or services needed for access or use. Any use of the OFY Computer Network by you after any such changes, modifications, or additions shall continue to be governed by this Access Consent and Waiver form as well as the Internet Rules and Regulations.

OFY-Duarte believes that the benefits to educators and students from access to the Internet, in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration, far exceed any disadvantages of access. Ultimately, the parent(s) and guardian(s) of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their student(s) should follow. To that end, OFY-Duarte supports and respects each family’s right to decide whether or not to apply for OFY Computer Network access. Parents of minors shall be responsible for monitoring their child’s use of the OFY Computer Network.

The student and his/her parent(s) or guardian(s) must understand that student access to the OFY Computer Network exists to support the school’s educational mission and purpose. The specific conditions and services that are offered will change from time to time. In addition, OFY-Duarte makes no warranties with respect to the network service, and it specifically assumes no responsibilities for:

- The content of any advice or information received by a student from a source outside the school or any costs or charges incurred as a result of seeing or accepting such advice;
- Any costs, liability or damages caused by the way the student chooses to use his/her network access;

- Any consequences of service interruptions or changes, even if these disruptions arise from circumstances under the control of OFY Computer Network

Rules and Regulations:

1. My use of the OFY Computer Network must be consistent with OFY-Duarte primary educational goals.
2. I will not use the OFY Computer Network for illegal purposes of any kind.
3. I will not use the OFY Computer Network to transmit threatening, obscene, or harassing materials. OFY-Duarte will not be held responsible if I participate in such activities.
4. I will not use the OFY Computer Network to interfere with or disrupt network users, services, or equipment. Disruptions include, but are not limited to, distribution of unsolicited advertising, propagation of computer worms and viruses, and using the network to make unauthorized entry to any other machine accessible via the network. I will print only to my local printer or to the printer designated by my instructor or OFY-Duarte.
5. I am to assume that information or resources available via the OFY Computer Network are private to the individuals and organizations which own or hold rights to those resources and information unless specifically stated otherwise by the owners or holders of rights. Therefore, I will not use the OFY Computer Network to access information or resources unless permission to do so has been granted by the owners or holders of rights to these resources or information.
6. I am prohibited from attempting to circumvent or subvert any system security measures. This section does not prohibit use of security tools by OFY Computer Network personnel.

By using the OFY Computer Network, I agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless OFY-Duarte from and against all claims and expenses, including attorneys’ fees, arising out of the use of the OFY Computer Network by me or by anyone having access to the OFY Computer Network by means of my account.

This Consent and Waiver form and the Rules and Regulations shall, in all respects, be governed by the laws of the State of California applicable to the agreements executed and wholly performed within the State of California.

In the event any action is instituted by a party to enforce any of the terms and provisions of this Consent and Waiver form or the Rules and Regulations, the prevailing party in such action shall be entitled to such reasonable attorneys’ fees, costs, and expenses as may be fixed by the court or trier of facts, whether or not such action is prosecuted to final judgment.

As the parent or guardian of this student, I have read, understand and agree with the provisions set forth above as to my child’s internet usage privileges. I have also read, understand and agree with the OFY-Duarte Internet Rules

& Regulations. I will ensure that my child fulfills his or her obligations under this Consent and Waiver and the Rules and Regulations and acknowledge responsibility for any of my child's conduct in variance with this Consent and Waiver as well as the Rules and Regulations. I understand that this access is designed for educational purposes. I also recognize that it is impossible for OFY-Duarte to restrict access to controversial materials and I will not hold them responsible for materials acquired.



Section 6 — Discipline Policy

For full policy, see Appendix O – Discipline Policy on page 181



Section 7 — Complaint Policy/Hotline

OFY-Duarte is committed to providing students with a positive educational experience and has established two methods by which parents/guardians can express school-related concerns and file complaints. The first is the “Uniform Complaint Policy and Procedures” which complies with applicable federal and state laws and regulations. The Principal will annually provide written notification of OFY-Duarte’s uniform complaint procedures to students, employees, parents/ guardians, and other interested parties.

Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM (Pacific Time) with 24-hour voice-mail monitoring.

The We Want to Know HOTLINE ® number is: 800-990-8384.

OFY-Duarte has also established the Internal Complaint Resolution Process (ICRP) which is a formal process for students, parents, and legal guardians to submit complaints to the charter school regarding issues that fall outside the scope of any other formal complaint or grievance procedures established by the charter school. The Internal Complaint Resolution Process and submission form can be found on the charter school’s website.

In addition to these complaint procedures, OFY-Duarte understands there may be times when parents/guardians might feel uncomfortable discussing certain school-related concerns with school employees. As a result, OFY-Duarte has arranged with a highly respected consulting firm to provide a toll-free We Want to Know HOTLINE ® to give parents the opportunity to speak with an independent third party. Some of the topics the HOTLINE staff is prepared to handle are:

- School-related behavioral and communication problems
- School-related drug or alcohol problems
- Any classroom-related problems, including safety hazards, theft, vandalism, threats of violence, etc.
- Unlawful harassment or discrimination

Trained, bilingual HOTLINE staff will listen objectively, ask questions and gather information. Within two school days of the call, a confidential report will be sent to OFY-Duarte. Based on the information provided by the parents/guardians, a complete and comprehensive review of the matter will be conducted. OFY-Duarte is not precluded from using the Uniform Complaint Procedures process to resolve issues raised on the hotline.

The information will be held in confidence to the maximum extent possible. Students and parents/guardians may choose to give their names; however, if they don’t, there may be limitations to OFY-Duarte’s ability to resolve the matter. Based on the results of the review, appropriate corrective action will be taken. Parents/guardians and students will not be negatively affected by any disclosure of information to the HOTLINE staff.

With the exception of holidays, the HOTLINE is open



Section 8 — Uniform Complaint Policy

Uniform Complaint Procedures Policy

This Uniform Complaint Procedures Policy (“UCP”) contains rules and instructions about UCP complaints regarding any alleged violation of federal or state laws or regulations governing certain educational programs and activities offered by OFY-Duarte. The Charter School developed this UCP in accordance with Title 5, California Code of Regulations, § 4600 *et seq.* The Charter School has primary responsibility to ensure its compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations, and the Charter School will investigate and seek to resolve UCP complaints in accordance with this UCP policy. This UCP has been approved by the Charter School’s Board of Directors.

UCP Complaints

Not all complaints fall under the scope of the UCP. Complaints arising from the employment relationship are separately addressed by the Charter School’s employment policies. Many concerns, including classroom assignments, grades, hiring and evaluation of staff, homework policies and practices, student advancement and retention, student discipline, student records, the Brown Act, and other general education requirements, are not UCP complaints. The Charter School, however, may use these complaint procedures to address complaints not covered by the UCP in its sole discretion. Only allegations within the subject matters falling within the UCP can be appealed to the CDE.

A UCP complaint is a written and signed statement alleging a violation of federal or state laws or regulations, which may include: complaints regarding certain programs and activities (list below); complaints alleging the charging of pupil fees for participation in an educational activity; complaints regarding non-compliance with the requirements of the Charter School’s Local Control and Accountability Plans (“LCAP”); or an allegation of unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying in certain programs or activities.

Complaints Regarding Programs and Activities

According to state and federal codes and regulations, the programs and activities subject to the UCP are:

- Accommodations for Pregnant and Parenting Pupils
- Adult Education
- After School Education and Safety
- Agricultural Career Technical Education
- Education and Graduation requirements of Pupils in Foster Care, Homeless Pupils, former Juvenile Court Pupils, Pupils of Military Families, Pupils who are migratory, and Pupils participating in a newcomer program
- Regional Occupational Centers and Programs

- Reasonable Accommodation to a Lactating Pupil
- Refusing Approval of Use or Prohibiting Use of Any Curriculum for Classroom Instruction or School Library Resource Pursuant to Section 243 of the Education Code
- Schoolsite Councils
- School Plan for Student Achievement
- School Safety Plans
- Pupil Fees, which includes a purchase that a pupil is required to make to obtain materials, supplies, equipment or clothes associated with an educational activity
- Complaints Regarding the Charter School’s LCAP
- Every Student Succeeds Act
- Migrant Education
- Physical Education Instructional Minutes
- State Preschool Health and Safety Issues in LEAs Exempt from Licensing
- State Preschool
- Career Technical and Technical Education; Career Technical and Technical Training
- Childcare and Development Programs
- Compensatory Education
- Consolidated Categorical Aid Programs
- Course Periods without Educational Content (grades nine through twelve)
- Complaints of Discrimination, Harassment, Intimidation and/or Bullying any protected group as identified in Education Code §§ 200 and 220 and Government Code § 11135, including any actual or perceived characteristics set forth in Penal Code § 422.55, based on sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, race or ethnicity, ethnic group identification, ancestry, nationality, national origin, religion, color, mental or physical disability, age, immigration status, or on the basis of a person’s association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, in any program or activity conducted by the Charter School which is funded directly by, or that received or benefits from, any state financial assistance
- Any other state or federal educational program the State Superintendent of Public Instruction or the California Department of Education or designee deems appropriate

The UCP Annual Notice

The Charter School provides this UCP notice on an annual basis. This notice addresses all students, employees, parents or guardians, school advisory committee members, appropriate private school officials or representatives (if applicable), and other interested parties. This notice includes information regarding allegations about discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying. It lists all federal and state programs within the scope of the UCP. It lists the position at the Charter School who is

responsible for and knowledgeable about processing UCP complaints. The Charter School's annual UCP notice is in English. If 15% or more of students enrolled at the Charter School speak a single primary language other than English, the annual notice will be provided in that language as well pursuant to Education Code § 48985.

Designation of Responsible Employee

The Charter School's Assistant Principal of Instructional Operations is the employee responsible for receiving, investigating and responding to UCP complaints to:

Jeff Moreno:
uniformcomplaint-OFYD@propelcmg.org
(626) 961-3044

In no instance will the Responsible Employee be assigned to investigate a complaint in which they have a bias that would prohibit them from fairly investigating or responding to the complaint. Any complaint against Responsible Employee or that raises a concern about Responsible Employee's ability to investigate the complaint fairly and without bias should be referred to the Charter School's Principal or other appropriate Charter School official, who will determine how the complaint will be investigated.

The Charter School will ensure that the Responsible Employee (or designee) investigating the complaint is knowledgeable about the laws and programs at issue in the complaints. The Charter School may consult with legal counsel as appropriate.

Confidentiality and Non-Retaliation

The Charter School will ensure that complainants are protected from retaliation and that the identity of a complainant alleging discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying remains confidential as appropriate.

Complaint Procedures

Step 1: Filing a Complaint

A UCP complaint must be filed according to the procedures set forth herein.

Any individual, including a person's duly authorized representative or an interested third party, public agency, or organization, may file a UCP complaint. However, a complaint filed on behalf of a student may only be filed by that student or that student's duly authorized representative.

A complaint alleging unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying may be filed by a person who alleges that they personally suffered unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying, or by a person who believes that an individual or any specific class of individuals has been subjected to the same.

A UCP complaint is written and signed. If a complainant is unable to put his/her complaint in writing due to a disability or illiteracy, the Charter School will assist the complainant in the filing of the complaint. A signature on a UCP complaint may be handwritten, typed (including in an email), or electronically-generated. Complaints related to pupil fees and/or LCAPs may be filed anonymously if the complaint provides evidence or information leading to evidence to support an allegation of noncompliance.

Complainants are encouraged, but not required, to use the appropriate complaint form(s), attached.

Complaints shall be filed with the Responsible Employee at the address provided herein. A pupil fees complaint may also be filed with the Charter School's Principal. The Responsible Employee will maintain a log of complaints and subsequent related actions to the extent required by oversight agencies

Upon receipt of a complaint, the Responsible Employee (or designee) will evaluate the complaint to determine whether it is subject to this UCP and will notify the complainant within five (5) workdays if the complaint is outside the jurisdiction of this UCP.

The Responsible Employee (or designee) may also determine if interim measures are necessary pending the result of an investigation. If interim measures are determined to be necessary, Responsible Employee (or designee) will consult with the Principal or designee, prior to implementing any such measures. The interim measures shall remain in place until the Responsible Employee (or designee) determines that they are no longer necessary or until the Charter School issues its final written Investigation Report, whichever occurs first.

Timing of Complaints and Investigation

A complaint alleging unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying shall be filed no later than six (6) months from the date when the alleged unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying occurred or the complainant first obtained knowledge of it. The time for filing may be extended by the Responsible Employee (or designee) for good cause upon written request from the complainant. Such extension shall be in writing and may not exceed ninety (90) days following the expiration of the six-month period.

All other complaints shall be filed no later than one (1) year from the date the alleged violation occurred, except this one-year timeline shall not apply to complaints regarding the educational rights of foster youth. For complaints regarding LCAP, the date of the alleged violation is the date when the Charter School's governing board approves the LCAP or annual update.

Unless a UCP complaint is resolved through mediation

as set forth below, the Charter School will investigate the UCP complaint and issue a written Investigation Report to the complainant within 60 calendar days from the date of receipt of the complaint, unless the complainant agrees in writing to an extension of time.

Step 2: Mediation (Optional)

The Responsible Employee (or designee) and complainant may mutually agree to mediation. Any Charter School employee or member of the Charter School's governing board who has not been involved with the allegations in the complaint may be assigned by the Responsible Employee (or designee) to serve as mediator. The mediator will arrange for both the complainant and Charter School to present relevant evidence. The Responsible Employee (or designee) will inform the complainant that the mediation process may be terminated at any time by either the Charter School or complainant, in which case the complaint will proceed directly to an investigation. If mediation resolves the complaint to the satisfaction of both parties, the Charter School will implement any remedial measures and the complainant may choose to withdraw the complaint. If mediation does not resolve the complaint to the satisfaction of both parties or within the parameters of law, the Responsible Employee (or designee) shall proceed with his/her investigation of the complaint. The use of mediation does not extend the Charter School's timelines for investigating and resolving the complaint unless the complainant agrees in writing to such an extension of time.

Step 3: Investigation of Complaint

In order to investigate the complaint, the Responsible Employee (or designee) shall have access to applicable Charter School records and/or information related to the complaint allegations. As part of his/her investigation, the Responsible Employee (or designee) will do all of the following, in any order:

- Provide an opportunity for the complainant or complainant's representative and the Charter School's representative to present information relevant to the complaint or investigative process.
- Obtain statements from individuals/witnesses who can provide relevant information concerning the alleged violation.
- Review documents that may provide information relevant to the allegation.
- When necessary, seek clarification on specific complaint issues.

Refusal by the complainant or his/her representatives to provide the Responsible Employee (or designee) with documents or other evidence related to the allegations in the complaint, or failure or refusal to cooperate or obstruction of the investigation, may result in dismissal of complaint because of a lack of evidence to support the allegation.

Refusal by the Charter School to provide the Responsible Employee (or designee) with documents or other evidence related to the allegations in the complaint, or failure or refusal to cooperate or obstruction of the investigation,

may result in a finding, based on evidence collected, that a violation has occurred and may result in the imposition of a remedy in favor of the complainant.

Step 4: Principal Review

The Principal has discretion to evaluate the complaint and/or the Responsible Employee's (or designee's) proposed decision before a final written decision is issued. If the Principal elects to do so, then based on all the evidence obtained during the investigation, the Principal may approve, modify or reject the Responsible Employee's (or designee's) proposed decision and issue a final decision that meets the requirements set forth herein. The Principal may also decide not to review the complaint, in which case the Responsible Employee's (or designee's) decision shall be final.

Step 5: Final Written Decision

The Responsible Employee (or designee) shall prepare and send to the complainant a written report of the investigation and final decision (the "Investigation Report") within sixty (60) calendar days of receipt of the complaint, unless complainant agrees to extend this date. The Charter School's Investigation Report shall be written in English and, when required by law, in the complainant's primary language.

The decision shall include:

1. The finding(s) of fact based on the evidence gathered;
2. Conclusion providing a clear determination as to each allegation as to whether the Charter School is in compliance with the relevant law;
3. If the Charter School finds merit in the complaint, the corrective actions required by law;
4. Notice of the complainant's right to appeal the Charter School's Investigation Report to the CDE, except when the Charter School has used its UCP to address a non-UCP complaint; and
5. Procedures to be followed for initiating an appeal to the CDE.

In addition, any Investigation Report on a complaint of discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying based on state law shall include a notice that the complainant must wait until sixty (60) calendar days have elapsed from the filing of an appeal with the CDE before pursuing civil law remedies.

An Investigation Report shall not include student information protected under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) or any private employee personnel information, including but not limited to the nature of the disciplinary action taken against a student or employee. If a student or employee is disciplined as a result of the complaint, the Investigation Report shall

simply state that effective action was taken and that the student or employee was informed of the Charter School's expectations.

If the Charter School finds merit in a complaint regarding pupil fees, physical education instructional minutes, course periods without education content, or LCAP, the remedy will go to all affected pupils and parents/guardians. For all other complaints within the scope of the UCP, the remedy shall go to the affected pupil. The Charter School, in good faith will engage in reasonable efforts to identify and fully reimburse all pupils, parents and guardians who paid any unlawful pupil fee within one year prior to the filing of the complaint.

Appeal Process

A complainant may appeal the Charter School's Investigation Report of complaints regarding programs within the UCP's scope by filing a written appeal within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of the Investigation Report to the California Department of Education ("CDE"). This appeal to the CDE must specify and explain the basis for the appeal, including at least one of the following:

- 1.The Charter School failed to follow its complaint procedures;
- 2.Relative to the allegations of the complaint, the Investigation Report lacks material findings of fact necessary to reach a conclusion of law;
- 3.The material findings of fact in the Investigation Report are not supported by substantial evidence;
- 4.The legal conclusion in the Investigation Report is inconsistent with the law; and/or
- 5.In a case in which the Charter School found noncompliance, the corrective actions fail to provide a proper remedy.

The appeal must be sent to CDE with: (1) a copy of the locally filed complaint; and (2) a copy of the Charter School's Investigation Report.

Appeals of decisions regarding discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and/or bullying, and regarding provision of accommodations to lactating students should be sent to:

California Department of Education
Education Equity UCP Appeals Office
1430 N Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
916-319-8239

Appeals of decisions regarding LCAP should be sent to:

California Department of Education
Local Agency Systems Support Office
1430 N Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
916-319-0809

Appeals of decisions regarding pupil fees or all other educational program complaints should be sent to:

California Department of Education
Categorical Programs Complaints Management Office
1430 N Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
916-319-0929

The CDE may directly intervene in the complaint without waiting for action by the Charter School when one of the conditions listed in Title 5, California Code of Regulations, § 4650 exists, including cases in which the Charter School has not taken action within sixty (60) days of the date the complaint was filed with the Charter School. A direct complaint to CDE must identify the basis for direct filing of the complaint, which must include evidence that supports such a basis.

Civil Law Remedies

A complainant may pursue available civil law remedies under state or federal discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying laws. Complainants may seek assistance from mediation centers or public/private interest attorneys. Civil law remedies that may be imposed by a court include, but are not limited to, injunctions and restraining orders.

Uniform Complaint Procedures Complaint Form
OFY-Duarte

This Complaint Form may be used to file a complaint subject to the Charter School’s Uniform Complaint Procedures. Complaints concerning pupil fees and/or LCAPs may be filed anonymously if the complaint provides evidence or information leading to evidence to support an allegation of noncompliance. However, if you wish to receive a response, you must provide the following contact information. Complaints shall be handled in a confidential manner to respect the privacy of all parties to the fullest extent possible. Retaliation in any form for filing of a complaint is prohibited.

Response requested: Yes No

Name (Optional for Pupil Fee & LCAP Complaints):	Mailing Address (Optional):
Phone Number (Optional):	Email Address (Optional):

- Issue of complaint (please check all that apply):
- Pupil Fees
 - Local Control and Accountability Plans (“LCAP”)
 - Discrimination, Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying in Programs or Activities
 - Other Complaint Re: Programs and Activities

Date(s) of Problem: _____


Location of Problem (e.g., center name, address, and room number or location):

Describe specific nature of the complaint in detail. You may include as much text as necessary (please use other side):

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please file this complaint with the following Responsible Employee or at your local learning center:

Jeff Moreno, Assistant Principal of Instructional Operations
 16030 Amar Rd., City of Industry, CA 91744
 email: uniformcomplaint-OFYD@propelcmg.org



Section 9 — FERPA

Annual Notification of Rights and Notice Regarding Disclosure of Student Directory Information Under Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (“FERPA”), a federal law, affords parents and student who are 18 years of age or older (“eligible students”) certain rights with respect to the student’s education records. These rights are:

1. The right to inspect and review the student’s education records within forty-five (45) days after the day OFY-Duarte receives a request for access. Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal a written request that identifies the records they wish to inspect. The school official will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.
2. The right to request the amendment of the student’s education records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student’s privacy rights under FERPA. Parents or eligible students who wish to ask OFY-Duarte to amend a record should write the school principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it should be changed. If the school decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the school will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.
3. The right to provide written consent before the school discloses personally identifiable information (“PII”) from the student’s education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the school as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel) or a person serving on the school board. A school official also may include a volunteer or contractor outside of the school who performs an institutional service of function for which the school would otherwise use its own employees and who is under the direct control of the school with respect to the use and maintenance of PII from education records, such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist; a parent or student volunteering to serve on

an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee; or a parent, student, or other volunteer assisting another school official in performing their tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill their professional responsibility. Upon request, the school discloses education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll, or is already enrolled if the disclosure is for purposes of the student’s enrollment or transfer.

4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by OFY-Duarte to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA are:

Student Privacy Policy Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202

FERPA permits the disclosure of PII from students’ education records, without consent of the parent or eligible student, if the disclosure meets certain conditions found in §99.31 of the FERPA regulations. Except for disclosures to school officials, disclosures related to some judicial orders or lawfully issued subpoenas, disclosures of directory information, and disclosures to the parent or eligible student, §99.32 of the FERPA regulations requires the school to record the disclosure. Parents and eligible students have a right to inspect and review the record of disclosures. A school may disclose PII from the education records of a student without obtaining prior written consent of the parents or the eligible student—

- To other school officials, including teachers, within the educational agency or institution whom the school has determined to have legitimate educational interests. This includes contractors, consultants, volunteers, or other parties to whom the school has outsourced institutional services or functions, provided that the conditions listed in §99.31(a)(1)(i)(B)(3) - are met. (§99.31(a)(1))
- To officials of another school, school system, or institution of postsecondary education where the student seeks or intends to enroll, or where the student is already enrolled if the disclosure is for purposes related to the student’s enrollment or transfer, subject to the requirements of §99.34. (§99.31(a)(2))
- To authorized representatives of the U.S. Comptroller General, the U.S. Attorney General, the U.S. Secretary of Education, or State and local educational authorities, such as the State educational agency in the parent or

eligible student's State (SEA). Disclosures under this provision may be made, subject to the requirements of §99.35, in connection with an audit or evaluation of Federal- or State-supported education programs, or for the enforcement of or compliance with Federal legal requirements that relate to those programs. These entities may make further disclosures of PII to outside entities that are designated by them as their authorized representatives to conduct any audit, evaluation, or enforcement or compliance activity on their behalf. (§99.31(a)(3) and 99.35)

- In connection with financial aid for which the student has applied or which the student has received, if the information is necessary to determine eligibility for the aid, determine the amount of the aid, determine the conditions of the aid, or enforce the terms and conditions of the aid. (§99.31(a)(4))
- To State and local officials or authorities to whom information is specifically allowed to be reported or disclosed by a State statute that concerns the juvenile justice system and the system's ability to effectively serve, prior to adjudication, the student whose records were released, subject to §99.38. (§99.31(a)(5))
- To organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, the school, in order to: (a) develop, validate, or administer predictive tests; (b) administer student aid programs; or (c) improve instruction. (§99.31(a)(6))
- To accrediting organizations to carry out their accrediting functions. (§99.31(a)(7))
- To parents of an eligible student if the student is a dependent for IRS tax purposes. (§99.31(a)(8))
- To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena. (§99.31(a)(9))
- To appropriate officials in connection with a health or safety emergency, subject to §99.36. (§99.31(a)(10))
- Information the school has designated as "directory information" under §99.37. (§99.31(a)(11))

OFY-Duarte will not release information to third parties for immigration-enforcement purposes, except as required by law or court order.

Unless OFY-Duarte is providing information for a legitimate educational purpose under FERPA and the California Education Code or directory information, OFY-Duarte shall notify parents or guardians and eligible students—and receive their written consent—before it releases a student's personally identifiable information.

Although FERPA requires that OFY-Duarte, with certain exceptions, obtain your written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from your child's education records, OFY-Duarte may disclose appropriately designated "directory information" without written consent, unless you have advised OFY-Duarte to the contrary in accordance with OFY-Duarte procedures. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow OFY-Duarte to include information from your child's education records in certain school publications.

Directory information, which is information that is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released, can also be disclosed to outside organizations without a parent's prior written consent. Outside organizations include, but are not limited to, companies that manufacture class rings or publish yearbooks. In addition, two federal laws require local educational agencies ("LEAs") receiving assistance under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended ("ESEA") to provide military recruiters, upon request, with the following information – names, addresses and telephone listings – unless parents have advised the LEA that they do not want their student's information disclosed without their prior written consent.

As part of OFY-Duarte's annual notification under FERPA, OFY-Duarte has designated the following categories of information as directory information for the 2024-2025 school year:

- Student's name
- Student's age
- Grade level
- Date of Attendance
- Participation in officially recognized activities and sports
- Degrees, honors, and awards received

Examples of how and where OFY-Duarte may disclose directory information include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Newsletters
- A playbill, showing student's role in a drama production
- Yearbook
- Honor Roll or other recognition lists
- Graduation programs
- Sports activity sheets, such as for wrestling, showing weight and height of team members
- Companies or outside organizations that manufacture class rings or yearbooks
- Newspapers or other news sources
- Class Lists
- Staff and/or Student Directories and/or listings
- School Website
- School Bulletin Boards
- Organizations conducting studies
- Military recruiters requesting directory information
- Institutions of Higher Learning requesting directory information
- Workforce organizations and WIOA Exclusive Partners

These examples are for illustration only and are not an exclusive list of the manner in which directory information may be disclosed. This notice provides you with an opportunity to object in writing to any or all of those types of information that OFY-Duarte has designated as directory information. You have the right to refuse to permit the release by notifying OFY-Duarte in writing that you do not want any or all of those types of information to be designated as directory information for your child or

yourself.

If you do not want OFY-Duarte to disclose any or all of the types of information designated below as directory information from your child's education records without your prior written consent, you must complete the attached "Request for Non-Disclosure of School Directory Information" and return to OFY-Duarte within sixty (60) days of receipt of this notice. Failure to notify OFY-Duarte in writing within sixty (60) days will be interpreted by OFY-Duarte as your permission to release any and all school directory information regarding the student without limitation.

Options for Youth FERPA Request for Non-Disclosure of Directory Information Form

OFY-Duarte Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) Request for Non-Disclosure of School Directory Information Form

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (“FERPA”) defines “Directory Information” as the information from a student’s education record that would not generally be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed publicly. By completing this form, you will be requesting that a privacy hold be placed on the directory information from your student’s record, and is not to be released by OFY-Duarte

Use a separate form for each child you are requesting nondisclosure of school directory information. Please return this form to your child’s school site.

A) Parent/Guardian: Please complete the section below and return this entire form to your child’s school

Name of Student: _____ Student’s DOB: _____

B) Please select either 1, 2, or 3 from the list below

I am requesting that Options for Youth take **one** of the following actions regarding the release of school directory information:

1. _____ Do not release ANY information defined as “directory information” in the Annual FERPA Notice about my child.

OR

2. _____ Do not release the following information defined as “directory information” in the Annual FERPA Notice about my child:

OR

3. _____ Notify me to request my prior written consent before any directory information is disclosed or released about my child.

C) Please complete the section below and return the entire form to your child’s school.

Signature of Parent/Guardian (or Student if over 18): _____ Date: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Preferred method of communication: _____ Telephone _____ Email

For Office Use Only: Charter Options for Youth - _____



Section 10 — PPRA Annual Notice

Policy and Notification of Rights Under the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA)

PPRA affords parents of elementary and secondary students certain rights regarding the conduct of surveys, collection and use of information for marketing purposes, and certain physical exams. These include, but are not limited to, the right to:

- *Consent* before students are required to submit to a survey that concerns one or more of the following protected areas (“protected information survey”) if the survey is funded in whole or in part by a program of the U.S. Department of Education (ED) –

1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student’s parent;
2. Mental or psychological problems of the student or student’s family;
3. Sex behavior or attitudes;
4. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
5. Critical appraisals of others with whom respondents have close family relationships;
6. Legally recognized privileged relationships, such as with lawyers, doctors, or ministers;
7. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or student’s parent; or
8. Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility.

- *Receive notice and an opportunity to opt a student out of –*

1. Any other protected information survey, regardless of funding;
2. Any non-emergency, invasive physical exam or screening required as a condition of attendance, administered by the school or its agent, and not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of a student, except for hearing, vision, or scoliosis screenings, or any physical exam or screening permitted or required under State law; and
3. Activities involving collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for marketing or to sell or otherwise distribute the information to others. (This does not apply to the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the exclusive purpose of developing, evaluating, or providing educational products or services for, or to, students or educational institutions.)

- *Inspect, upon request and before administration or use –*

1. Protected information surveys of students and surveys created by a third party;
2. Instruments used to collect personal information from

students for any of the above marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes; and

3. Instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum.

These rights transfer from the parents to a student who is 18 years old or an emancipated minor under State law.

OFY-Duarte has developed these policies regarding parents’ rights under PPRA, as well as arrangements to protect student privacy in the administration of protected information surveys and the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes. OFY-Duarte will directly notify parents of these policies at least annually at the start of each school year and after any substantive changes. OFY-Duarte will also directly notify, such as through U.S. Mail or email, parents of students who are scheduled to participate in the specific activities or surveys noted below and will provide an opportunity for the parent to opt their child out of participation of the specific activity or survey. OFY-Duarte will make this notification to parents at the beginning of the school year if the school has identified the specific or approximate dates of the activities or surveys at that time. For surveys and activities scheduled after the school year starts, parents will be provided reasonable notification of the planned activities and surveys listed below and be provided an opportunity to opt their child out of such activities and surveys. Parents will also be provided an opportunity to review any pertinent surveys. Following is a list of the specific activities and surveys covered under this direct notification requirement:

- Collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for marketing,
- sales, or other distribution.
- Administration of any protected information survey not funded in whole or in part by ED.
- Any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening as described above.

Parents who believe their rights have been violated may file a complaint with:

Student Privacy Policy Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20202

Section 11 — Tips for Success

Identify Your Dream Career

Every dream begins with a plan! OFY-Duarte can help identify your dream career pathway.

OFY-Duarte offers resources in the following 6 career pathways:



CREATIVE PATH

Arts & Communications
Journalism & Communications
A/V Technology
Performing Arts



HEALTH PATH

Health Services
Research and Technology
Support Services
Medical



NATURE PATH

Natural Resources & Agriculture
Natural Energies
Food Resources
Agriculture



HELPING PATH

Human Services
Government & Public Administration
Hospitality
Education



BUILDING/FIXING PATH

Industrial & Engineering Technology
Architecture & Construction
Law & Public Safety
Engineering



BUSINESS PATH

Business Management & Technology
Information Technology
Management
Marketing
Finance



Once a career pathway is identified, Write it down. Writing it will make it seem more realistic and achievable. Write down the steps you must accomplish to achieve your dream. You might also think about writing down any obstacles that may keep you from your dream. Then, put it where you will see it daily. Seeing your dream in writing will help you stay focused on what you need to do to accomplish it.

Develop a Study Schedule

Just like the daily schedule of classes you had in traditional school, make your own work schedule for the guided independent study program. You can design your schedule

to include not only the 4 to 6 hours you need to study each day, but your job, family responsibilities, community college classes, or any other activities you want to do. By making and keeping your personal schedule, you will find it is easy to complete one (if not more) unit a week. Do not leave study time up to chance.

The 4 to 6 hours you need each school day to complete your work does not need to be consecutive. That means you may work for one hour at a time, 4 to 6 separate times during the day. Or, you can break it up in a way that will meet your unique learning style and scheduling needs. Don't forget to include time to study for tests, as well as time to complete assignments and projects!

Take Breaks

Do take breaks while you are working to maintain a high level of concentration and maximize your learning. A good guide is to break for 10-15 minutes after at least 45 minutes of working. Walk around, get a snack, or make a short phone call. It will be easy to get back into your studies after a 10-15 minute break. Taking a longer break will cause you to lose your train of thought. It will you slow down.

Set Daily/Weekly/Monthly Goals

Decide each day how many pages or activities you plan to complete. Each Monday, make a plan for the number of units or chapters you will complete that week. At the beginning of each school month (your attendance sheet will help you track the school months) plan how many credits you will earn that month. See your teacher for guidance, but make your own goals. Write them down. It will help you stay on track to achieve your goals.

Anticipate obstacles that might keep you from these goals. Be aware of other, non-school related obligations, and keep them in mind as you create your goals.

Develop Effective Study Strategies

To learn the information and concepts presented in each course and to earn good grades, the successful student does more than just read chapters and answer questions. To maximize your learning and improve your grades, follow these steps:

1) Preview the unit or chapter

Read the Student Objectives. They tell you what you are expected to learn. Look through the section. Look at pictures, charts, and maps. Read the captions. You will learn and remember more from what you read when you are familiar with the material.

2) Read the questions

Read the questions you are expected to answer, the vocabulary you are expected to know, and the activities you are expected to complete. Knowing the information you are expected to learn will help you identify that information when you see it.

3) Read the unit or chapter

Read carefully. Stop after each section to ask yourself what you learned. Make notes or write a summary. You will remember more when you break the unit into smaller sections and review while you are working. In addition, you may contact the English SGI teacher at your center to learn the strategy “Talk to the Text.”

4) Use the question to answer the question

Turn the question into a statement when answering short answer questions. For example, if the question reads, ‘in what year did World War II begin in Europe?’ your answer can be, ‘World War II in Europe began in the year 1939.’ You will remember more using this strategy.

5) Ask for help

If you find you cannot understand something while you are working at home, call your teacher at school. He/she can help you over the phone. Schedule an additional appointment time so you can get more one-on-one assistance. Or, come into your appointment with your questions ready to go over with your teacher. If you do not understand something in your work, you will not be able to answer questions on a test, which will lower your grade.

6) When you have finished working for a study session, review

Review everything you covered that session. It will be helpful to write another summary. To learn new information, you need to go over it more than once.

7) When you start your next study session, review

Look over the pages you read previously. Read your notes and answers to the previous questions. You will learn so much more.



Section 12 — Study Requirements

Planning a Course of Study

An instructor will be available to advise and assist the student with his/her course/curriculum selections. The program of study should be planned to reflect the student's interests, needs, aptitudes and career goals. All of the general course objectives should be consistent with the school's content standards and state guidelines. Levels of student achievement will differ due to the individualized nature of the learning process and the student's own capabilities.

As you plan your program, the instructor will ensure that you follow the guides listed below so that the achievement levels and requirements for graduation, college entrance, and basic skill competencies will be satisfied when applicable. OFY-Duarte Content Standards may be obtained by request.

Community Service

Students are required to complete 10 hours of community service as part of the graduation requirements.

Guidelines:

The service **MUST** be for a Non-profit organization.

- The student **CANNOT** profit monetarily or receive credit in another way for the service.
- The service **MUST** benefit others.
- The service **CANNOT** be something that is required by someone else.
- The service **MUST** be a total of 10 hours.
- The service **MUST** be completed in grades 9-12 before last unit of work is accepted.

Examples of Community Service:

Service performed could include, but is not limited to, mentoring or tutoring elementary school students; assisting the local public library; assisting in a nursing home or adult care center; assisting in a homeless shelter or a soup kitchen; organizing or assisting in fund raisers for disaster victims and other needy persons; assisting community based non-profit agencies that provide programs and services for low-income people, the disabled, and the elderly.

Church/Religious Organizations

Students may not receive community service hours for church activities that are strictly of a religious nature. For example, teaching religious classes, proselytizing or active recruitment for a religion, serving as an altar person or communion helper. The ideal volunteer situation in religious institutions is when students perform clerical work, clean up the facilities or serves meals for the less fortunate.

Workforce Skills Training

As a graduation requirement, students must:

- Complete workforce readiness content and skill development integrated into core course content. Students receive instruction designed to assist them in gaining employment and keeping it, and specifically in the workforce readiness components under WIOA, Conservation Corps, and other similar statutes, such as financial literacy and entrepreneurial skills.
- Complete at least one workforce readiness class taught in collaboration with the Workforce Partner coach/instructor on workforce focus areas under WIOA, Conservations Corps, and other similar statures (such as financial literacy, entrepreneurial skills, and workforce readiness). Students will be scheduled for this class by their teacher of record.

Standardized Testing

OFY-Duarte must administer any state-mandated tests as applicable. In the coming school year, the Charter School will administer the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress System (CAASPP). This includes the computer-adaptive Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments, which are comprehensive, end-of-year assessments of grade-level learning that measure progress toward college and career readiness in English Language Arts and Math. Scores are included in the student's file or portfolio and are utilized by the teacher when consulting with families about educational plans and curriculum options. Spanish-language tests are available for students under certain circumstances. State-mandated testing occurs with familiar faces and in smaller test settings. Every attempt is made to break down the testing periods into manageable times.

Additionally, upon enrollment in OFY-Duarte all students take a computer-adaptive placement assessment in reading and math, currently STAR Renaissance. These placement tests allow teachers to diagnose the current reading and math level of each student. In addition, all students are assessed at least three times each school year to measure their growth and progression in reading and math. The testing windows take place in (1) October, (2) February, and (3) May. OFY-Duarte uses these updated diagnostic assessments of student skill growth to measure the program's success and provide adjustments to students' Individualized Learning Plans.

California State-Mandated Physical Fitness Testing

OFY-Duarte is required by the State to test all students in grades 7 and 9 to assess fitness in the following areas:

abdominal, upper body and trunk strength, aerobic capacity, upper body flexibility, and body fat composition. The testing period will occur in February of each school year and will be administered by trained staff members.

Middle School Promotion

A middle school certificate of promotion will be granted to each middle school student who completes the basic program defined below for the 7th and 8th grades. Except in unusual circumstances warranting an adjustment of the individual's program, each middle school student will enroll in the following basic program:

Two-Year Subject Requirements Core Subjects:

English/Language Arts	4 semesters
History/Social Science	4 semesters
Mathematics	4 semesters
Science (including Health topics)	4 semesters

Other Subjects:

Physical Education	4 semesters
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1. Middle school students will earn five (5) units of credit for every semester successfully completed in each of the required subjects or courses of study.
2. Eighty (80) units of credit will be considered the minimum level of middle school student attainment in the four core academic areas of English/language arts, mathematics, history/social science and science.
3. Deficiencies must be made up by taking additional courses in the summer or by taking additional work in high school, depending on individual circumstances.

OFY-Duarte Middle School Planning Guides (7-8)

Note: Minimum age for enrollment is 14

Grade 7			
Language Arts 7A		Language Arts 7B	
Math 7A		Math 7B	
Life Science 7A		Life Science 7B	
P.E.		P.E.	
World Hist./Geog. 7B		World Hist./Geog. 7B	
Elective		Elective	

Grade 8			
Language Arts 8A		Language Arts 8B	
Math 8A		Math 8B	
Physical Science 7A		Physical Science 7B	
P.E.		P.E.	
U.S. History 8A		U.S. History 8B	
Elective		Elective	

Minimum Requirements for Participation in High School Graduation Ceremonies

Students must complete all 220 credits and the 10 hours of community service by the graduation deadline to participate in the ceremonies, unless an exemption applies. Please see your teacher or post-secondary counselor for further information.

OFY - Duarte High School Planning Guides (9-12)

Grade 9			
English 9A		English 9B	
Math Year 1		Math Year 1	
Physical Science A		Physical Science B	
Health		Elective	
P.E.		P.E.	
Visual Performing Arts/Foreign Language		Visual Performing Arts/Foreign Language	

Grade 10			
English 10A		English 10B	
Math Year 2		Math Year 2	
World History A		World History B	
Biological Science A		Biological Science B	
P.E.		P.E.	
Elective		Elective	

Grade 11			
English 11A		English 11B	
Math Year 3		Math Year 3	
U.S. History A CP		U.S. History B CP	
Elective		Elective	
Elective		Elective	

Grade 12			
English 12A		English 12B	
Government		Economics	
Elective		Elective	
Elective		Elective	
Elective		Elective	

OFY - Duarte Graduation Requirements

Subject	Credits Required
English All English courses must use core material.	40
Mathematics Must complete Algebra 1	30
Science Life Science – 10 credits Physical Science – 10 credits	20 Recommended: 30 Credits
Physical Education	20
Social Science World History – 10 credits U.S. History – 10 credits Government – 5 credits Economics – 5 credits	30
Visual Performing Arts/Foreign Language	10
Electives	70
Total: 220 Credits	

Plus

Community Service

10 Hours

This is to be completed in grades 9-12 while enrolled at the charter school and students must submit verified hours on a letterhead from an approved service agency.

Participation in Workforce Program Subject Matter

This is to be completed in grades 9-12 while enrolled at the charter school. Hours must be verified by completion of all required coursework and receipt of a passing grade.



Section 13 — College and Career Plan

Post-Secondary Counselors

Post-secondary counselors help students to identify their goals and gifts, find the right path for them to achieve their ambitions, and support them to succeed in college, career, and life. Your post-secondary counselor is a staff member who works closely with you and your teacher(s) to help develop educational plan(s) that will prepare you for your post-secondary goals. All students are encouraged to meet with their post-secondary counselors once each semester to receive resources regarding academic choices, opportunities, and programs. Eleventh and twelfth grade students should meet with their post-secondary counselors as early as possible in the school year to ensure adequate time for college admission-related activities and tasks. Meetings may be scheduled by using the sign-up sheets in each center, and students or parents/guardians may request meetings at any time by contacting the post-secondary counselors directly via email or phone.

Reasons to Meet With Your OFY-Duarte Post-Secondary Counselor

- Post-secondary plans
- 4-year university
- Community college
- Transfer planning
- Vocational/trade school
- Work/apprenticeships
- Financial aid
- FAFSA guidance
- Scholarship/grants
- California College Promise Grant (formerly BOG waiver)
- Questions/concerns with progress toward graduation
- Problem solving
- Time management
- Goal setting
- Concurrent college enrollment
- Community service resources

Post-Secondary Counselor Contact Information

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OFY-Duarte UC/CSU A-G Planning Guide**Grade 9**

English 9A CP (A-G)		English 9B CP	
Math Year 1		Math Year 1	
P.E.		P.E.	
Health		GeoTechnology Literacy	
VPA		VPA	
Foreign Lang. Year 1		Foreign Lang. Year 1	

Grade 10

English 10A CP		English 10B CP	
Math Year 2		Math Year 2	
World History A CP		World History B CP	
Biology A CP		Biology B CP	
P.E.		P.E.	
Foreign Lang. Year 2		Foreign Lang. Year 2	

Grade 11

English 11A CP		English 11B CP	
Math Year 3		Math Year 3	
U.S. History A CP		U.S. History B CP	
Lab Science A CP		Lab Science B CP	
A-G Elective		A-G Elective	
Elective		Elective	

Grade 12

English 12A CP		English 12B CP	
U.S. Government		Economics CP (A-G Elective)	
Elective		Elective	
Elective		Elective	
Elective		Elective	

A–G Subject Requirements						
(A) History/ Social Science	(B) English	(C) Math	(D) Lab Science	(E) Foreign Language	(F) Visual/ Performing Arts	(G) College Prep Electives
2 years required	4 years required	3 years required, 4 recommended	2 years required, 3 recommended	2 years required, 3 recommended	1 year required	1 year required
Includes One year of World History and one year of U.S. History or one-half year of U.S. History and one-half year of Civics or American Government.	Four years of college-preparatory English that include frequent and regular writing, and reading of classic and modern literature. No more than one year of ESL-type courses can be used to meet this requirement.	Includes the topics covered in Elementary and Advanced Algebra and two- and three-dimensional Geometry.	Two years of Laboratory Science providing fundamental knowledge in at least two of these three foundational subjects: Biology, Chemistry and Physics.	Two years of the same language other than English.	A single year-long approved arts course from a single VPA discipline: Dance, Drama/Theater, Music or Visual Art.	One year (two semesters), in addition to those required in A-F, chosen from all subject areas.

A–G Approved Course List

Course offerings will vary by charter, check with your learning center for class availability. Course list subject to change.

A History/Social Science

US Government
US History
World History

B English

American Literature CP
English 9
English 10

English 11
English 12
CSU Expository Reading and Writing

C Math

Algebra 1
Geometry
Algebra 2
Algebra IAI ; IA2

Algebra IB1 ; IB2
Integrated Math 1
Integrated Math 2
Integrated Math 3

D Lab Science

Biology
Engineer your World
Intro to Nursing

Physical Science
Physics

E Foreign Language

Spanish 1
Spanish 2

F Visual/Performing Arts

Art History
Careers in Visual Arts
Construction 1

Film Analysis (2024)
Introduction to Plays & Theaters
Visual Arts

G College Prep Electives

Construction 2
Criminal Justice
Dual Enrollment Support A

Economics
Psychology
World Geography

A–G Approved Course List: Online Courses

A	History/Social Science	World History US History United States History	AP United States History American Government United States Government
B	English	English 9/I English Language Development ELD 9 English 10/II English Language Development ELD 10 English 11/III	English Language Development ELD 11 English 12/IV English Language Development ELD 12 AP English Literature and Composition
C	Math	Algebra 1/I Geometry Algebra 2/II Precalculus AP Calculus AB AP Computer Science A	Probability & Statistics Integrated Math 1 Integrated Math 2 Integrated Math 3 Trigonometry
D	Lab Science	Earth and Space Science Biology AP Biology Chemistry AP Chemistry Physics	Anatomy and Physiology Aquatic Science Astronomy Environmental Systems Integrated Physics & Chemistry Medical Microbiology
E	Foreign Language	American Sign Language 1 American Sign Language 2 American Sign Language 3 French 1 French 2 German 1 German 2 Spanish 1 Spanish 2	Spanish 3 Japanese 1 Japanese 2 Korean 1 Korean 2 Latin 1 Latin 2 Russian 1 Russian 2
F	Visual/Performing Arts	Art History Audio/Video Production I Basic Clothing Construction Digital Photography Drawing Interior Design	Graphic Design & Illustration (EDM) Introduction to Visual Arts Music Appreciation Professional Photography Theater, Cinema, & Film Production
G	College Prep Electives	Accounting African American Studies Applied Medical Terminology Art History and Appreciation Artificial Intelligence Audio/Video Production 1 Audio/Video Production 2 Audio/Video Production 3	Basic Writing Skills Business Communications Business Information Management Business & Consumer Math Business Law Business Management

A–G Approved Course List: Online Courses

G College Prep Electives (cont.)

Career Preparation I	Journalism
Child Development	Literary Genres
Commercial Photography	Logic I
Computer Science	Logic II
Counseling & Mental Health	Marketing, Advertising, & Sales
Certified Nurse Aide	Math Models
Child Development and Parenting	Medical Terminology
CompTIA A+ Exam Prep	Mythology & Folklore
CompTIA Network + Certification	Networking Fundamentals
Computer Programming 1	Nutrition and Wellness
Computing for College and Careers	Personal Finance
Consumer Mathematics	Physical Science
Creative Writing	Principles of Agriculture
Culinary Arts	Principles of Business, Marketing, and Finance
Digital and Interactive Media	Principles of Education & Training
Drafting and Design	Principles of Engineering and Technology
Economics	Principles of Government & Public Administration
Entrepreneurship	Principles of Health Science
Environmental Science	Principles of Hospitality & Tourism
Exploring Computer Science	Principles of Human Services
Food & Nutrition	Principles of Information Technology
Financial Mathematics	Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, & Security
Food Handler and Food Manager Certifications	Principles of Manufacturing
Foundations of Green Energy	Principles of Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics
Game Development	Professional Communications
Gothic Literature	Psychology
Graphic Design & Illustration (BT)	Revolutionary Ideas in Science
Health	Robotics I
Hospitality & Tourism: Traveling the Globe	Social Issues
International Business	Sociology
Intro to Android Mobile App Development	Sports & Entertainment Marketing
Intro to Anthropology	Structure of Writing
Intro to Archaeology	Speech Communication
Intro to Astronomy	Study Skills
Intro to Criminology	Technical Writing
Intro to Cybersecurity	Video Game Design
Intro to Fashion Design	Virtual Business
Intro to Finance	Web Communications
Intro to Forensic Science	Web Technologies
Intro to iOS Mobile App Development	Women's Studies
Intro to Marine Biology	World Geography
Intro to Military Careers	World Health Research
Intro to Nursing	Writing Poetry
Intro to Philosophy	
Intro to Social Media	
Intro to Veterinary Science	
Intro to World Religions	

College Examination Requirements

SAT or ACT

- *Optional for University of California & California State Universities

Please meet with your post-secondary counselor to ensure you take all appropriate examinations to align with your post-secondary goals.

UC and CSU A–G Eligibility Requirements

Candidates must have earned a grade of C or better in all college preparatory classes. The grades earned in these courses are taken in grades 10 through 12 to evaluate the Grade average for minimum eligibility. Candidates generally must perform well above Minimums in order to gain admission.

Community College Admission Requirements

Community colleges provide transfer programs which enable students to transfer to four-year institutions such as the University of California, the state university system, and independent colleges. They provide courses in occupational education programs, which lead to vocational proficiency, and in some cases, the Associate of Arts degree. They also provide general education courses. Contact your post-secondary counselor for the enrollment process.

1. Open admission – 18 years of age or older
2. High School diploma

Concurrent Enrollment

Students may take courses that are not offered by the charter school at a local community college for high school credit. Completed college courses worth 3 or more semester units may transfer to high school as a year-long course. **However, these courses may not also count for college credit; each college determines whether or not to assign degree credit to courses that also receive high school credit.**

A student's OFY-Duarte teacher and/or post-secondary counselor must approve any college courses and sign a "Concurrent Enrollment Form" before the student may register for a course. High school credit will not be granted for college courses that were not specifically approved by a teacher or post-secondary counselor on a concurrent enrollment form. Students who are not in good academic standing will not receive concurrent enrollment approval. The teacher and/or post-secondary counselor have final determination regarding the appropriateness of concurrent enrollment for a given student and approval will be granted at their discretion.

NCAA Eligibility Requirements

Division I Academic Eligibility

To be eligible to compete in NCAA sports during your first year at a Division I school, you must graduate high school and meet ALL the following requirements:

- Complete 16 core courses:
 - Four years of English
 - Three years of math (Algebra 1 or higher)
 - Two years of natural/physical science (including one year of lab science if your high school offers it)
 - One additional year of English, math or natural/physical science
 - Two years of social science
 - Four years of additional courses from the subjects listed above, foreign language, comparative religion or philosophy
- Complete 10 of those core courses, including seven in English, math or natural/physical science, before your seventh semester. Once you begin your seventh semester, you may not repeat or replace any of those 10 courses to improve your core-course GPA.
- Earn at least a 2.3 GPA in your core courses.

Division II Academic Eligibility

To be eligible to compete in NCAA sports during your first year at a Division II school, you must meet academic requirements for your core courses, grade-point average (GPA) and test scores.

You must graduate high school and meet ALL the following requirements:

- Complete 16 core courses:
 - Three years of English.
 - Two years of math (Algebra 1 or higher).
 - Two years of natural or physical science (including one year of lab science if your high school offers it).
 - Three additional years of English, math or natural or physical science
 - Two years of social science
 - Four years of additional courses from the subjects listed above, foreign language, comparative religion or philosophy
- Earn at least a 2.2 GPA in your core courses.

If you are an NCAA college-bound student-athlete, please make an appointment to meet with your post-secondary counselor as soon as possible after enrollment.

High School Check List for College Admissions

Freshman Year Calendar

It's never too early to plan for the future!

- Build strong academic, language, mathematics and critical thinking skills by taking challenging courses.
- Study hard to get excellent grades.
- Strengthen your vocabulary by increasing your reading.
- Become involved in co-curricular activities.
- Meet with your post-secondary counselor and discuss your plans for the next four years.
- Browse through the college literature or surf the web to get an idea of what kind of schools may be of interest to you.

- Check out what high school courses colleges require.
- Know NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association) requirements if you want to play sports in college.
- Keep an academic portfolio and co-curricular record.
- Research career possibilities.
- Begin saving money for college.

Sophomore Year Calendar

Concentrate on academic preparation and continue to develop basic skills and co-curricular activities.

- Consult your teacher and post-secondary counselor about taking the PSAT in October. The PSAT is a preliminary test that will prepare you for the SAT Reasoning Test. All Sophomore students are required to take the PSAT.
- If you plan on taking the ACT, talk to your teacher and post-secondary counselor about taking the PLAN this fall. The PLAN is a preliminary standardized test that will give you some preparation for the ACT. PLAN does not have national testing dates, so ask your post-secondary counselor about test dates offered by your school.
- You need to register several weeks in advance for the PLAN and PSAT, so consult your post-secondary counselor early in September.
- Take NCAA approved courses if you want to play sports in college.

October

- Take the PSAT for practice. The results will not be used for college admission.
- Sign up, if you have not done so already, for co-curricular activities that interest you. The level of involvement and accomplishment is most important, not the number of activities.
- Keep a record of your co-curricular involvement, volunteer work, and employment (all year). Examples of co-curricular involvement include student government, band, choir, and sports.

November

- Make sure you are “on top” of your academic work. If necessary, meet with your teacher for additional help.
- Save your best work in academic courses and the arts for your academic portfolio (all year).

December

- Receive results of PLAN and/or the PSAT. Read materials sent with your score report. Consult with your post-secondary counselor to explore ways to improve on future standardized tests and courses to discuss which may be required or beneficial for your post-high school plans.

January

- Keep studying!
- Volunteer: a great way to identify your interests and to develop skills.

February

- It is never too early to start researching colleges and universities. Visit your post-secondary counselor to browse through the literature and guidebooks or surf

the web to check out college and university home pages.

March

- NACAC has developed a list of online resources to help you in the college admission process called Web Resources for the College Bound.
- <http://www.nacacnet.org/studentinfo/articles/Pages/College-Bound.aspx>

April

- Register for the June SAT Subject Test. These are one hour exams testing you on academic subjects that you have already completed. Among the many to choose from are biology, chemistry, foreign languages and physics. Many colleges require or recommend one or more of the SAT Subject Tests for admission or placement. You can take the SAT Subject Tests when you have successfully completed the corresponding course in high school study (B+ average or better). Talk to your teachers or post-secondary counselor about which tests to take.
- See your post-secondary counselor for advice.
- Continue to research career options and consider possible college majors that will help you achieve your career goals.

May

- Plan now for wise use of your summer. Consider taking a summer course or participating in a special program (e.g. for prospective engineers or journalists or for those interested in theatre or music) at a local college or community college. Consider working or volunteering.

June

- Take the SAT Subject Tests that you registered for in April.
- If you work, save some of your earnings for college.

July

- During the summer, you may want to sign up for a PSAT/SAT prep course, use computer software, or do the practice tests in books designed to familiarize you with standardized tests.

August

- Make your summer productive. Continue reading to increase your vocabulary.

Junior Year Calendar

- Begin college selection process. Attend college fairs, financial aid seminars, general information sessions, etc., to learn as much as you can about the college application process. Make sure you are meeting the NCAA requirements if you want to play Division I or Division II athletics in college.

September

- Register for the October PSAT. Meet with your post-secondary counselor to review your courses for this year and plan your schedule for senior year.
- Save samples of your best work for your academic portfolio (all year).
- Maintain your co-curricular record (all year).

October

- Junior year PSAT scores may qualify a student for

a National Merit Scholarship Competition and the National Achievement and the National Hispanic Scholars Programs. So, even though these test scores will not be used for college admission, it is still a good idea to take the PSAT. The more times you take standardized test to the more familiar you will become with the format and the types of questions asked. If you wish to receive free information from colleges, indicate on the PSAT test answer form that you want to participate in the Student Search.

November

- Junior year grades are extremely important in the college admission process because they are a measure of how well you do in advanced, upper level courses. Grades also are used to determine scholarships and grants for which you may be eligible. So put in extra effort and keep those grades up!
- If you will require financial aid, start researching your options for grants, scholarships, and work study programs. Make an appointment with your post-secondary counselor or start visiting NACAC's Web Resources for the College Bound to do research on your own using the Internet.
- <http://www.nacacnet.org/studentinfo/Pages/Default.aspx>

December

- During December you should receive your results of your PSAT. Read your score report and consult your post-secondary counselor to determine how you might improve on future standardized tests. The PSAT is excellent preparation for the SAT Reasoning Test, which you will take in the spring.

January

- If you plan to take the ACT, register now for the February ACT. Many colleges accept the ACT (American College Test) or the SAT Reasoning Test. Some colleges require the ACT or both SAT Reasoning Test and the SAT Subject Tests. When you begin to explore different colleges and universities, double check to see if they prefer or require the ACT, the SAT Reasoning Test and/or the SAT Subject Tests.
- Begin to make a preliminary list of colleges you would like to investigate further. Surf the Internet and use the college resources in the guidance office or library.
- Ask your parents for your Social Security number (required on many college applications). If you were never issued a Social Security number, contact the closest Social Security office as soon as possible to obtain a new number. If you are not eligible for a Social Security number, please talk with your post-secondary counselor about procedures to follow when filling out your college application.

February

- Meet with your post-secondary counselor to discuss your preliminary list of colleges. Discuss whether your initial list of colleges meets your needs and interests (academic programs, size, location, cost, etc.) and whether you are considering colleges where you are likely to be admitted. You should be optimistic and

realistic when applying to colleges and apply to a range of colleges.

- If interested, register for the March SAT Reasoning Test if you have completed the math courses covered on the SAT Reasoning Test. If not, plan to take the SAT Reasoning Test in May or June. Prepare for the SAT Reasoning Test or ACT by signing up for a prep course, using computer software, or doing the SAT/ACT practice tests available at your center or at bookstores. But don't spend so much time trying to improve your standardized test scores that grades and co-curricular involvement suffer.
- Your post-secondary counselor can help to determine if taking these tests is right for you and if you are eligible to receive an SAT or ACT fee waiver.

March

- Write, telephone, or use the Internet to request admission literature and financial aid information from the colleges on your list. There is no charge and no obligation to obtain general information about admission and financial aid.

April

- When selecting your senior courses, be sure to continue to challenge yourself academically.
- If interested, register for the May/June SAT Reasoning Test and/or the May/June SAT Subject Tests. Not all SAT Subject Tests are given on every test date. Check the calendar carefully to determine when the Subject Tests you want are offered. Register for the June ACT if you want to take that test.
- Continue to evaluate your list of colleges and universities. Eliminate colleges from the original list that no longer interest you and add others as appropriate.
- Look into summer jobs or apply for special summer academic or enrichment programs. Colleges love to see students using their knowledge and developing their skills and interests.

May

- Attend a college fair to get more information about colleges on your list. NACAC sponsors college fairs in cities across the country during the fall and the spring. Visit NACAC's National College Fairs web page to check out the schedule for the National College Fairs and the Performing and Visual Arts College Fairs.
- Get a jump start on summer activities. Consider enrolling in an academic course at local college, pursuing a summer school program, applying for an internship, working, or volunteering. If you work, save part of your earnings for college.
- Begin visiting colleges. Phone to set up appointments. Interviews are always a good idea. Many colleges will tell you they are optional, but an interview will show interest, enthusiasm and initiative on your part and provide an excellent opportunity to have your questions answered. Do a practice interview with your post-secondary counselor, teacher, employer, or a senior who has had college interviews. Set up interviews as early as possible – interview times become booked quickly!
- If you decide to take the SAT Reasoning Test or the SAT Subject Tests and /or the ACT, now would be the time.

June

- After school ends, get on the road to visit colleges. Seeing the college firsthand, taking a tour, and talking to students can be the greatest help in deciding whether or not a school is right for you. Although it is ideal to visit colleges during the academic year, going in the summer will be valuable. Admissions offices usually employ their students to give tours and answer questions from prospective students and their parents.
- If you decide to take the SAT Reasoning Test, the SAT Subject Tests and/or the ACT, now would be the time.

July

- Visit colleges, take tours, have interviews and ask questions. Make college visiting a family event. Involve your parents / guardians and siblings in every step of your application process. Choosing the right college is a tough decision; the opinions of those who know you the best can provide helpful insight into which college is best for you.

August

- Continue to refine your list of potential colleges and universities.
- Begin preparing for the actual application process: draft application essays, collect writing samples, and assemble portfolios or audition tapes. If you are an athlete and plan on playing sports in college, contact the coaches at the schools to which you are applying and ask about the intercollegiate and intramural sports programs and athletic scholarships.
- Complete the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse form if you hope to play Division I or II sports. (This form cannot be mailed until you finish your sixth semester of high school.)
- Begin scholarship applications; many deadlines are as early as October. Continue applying for scholarships throughout the year.

Senior Year Calendar

- Apply to colleges. Make decisions. Finish high school with pride in yourself and your accomplishments.

September

- Make sure you have all applications required for college admission and financial aid. Write, phone, or use the Internet to request missing information.
- Check on application and financial aid deadlines for the schools to which you plan to apply. They may vary and it is essential to meet all deadlines!
- Meet with your post-secondary counselor to be sure your list includes colleges appropriate to your academic and personal record. Review your transcript and co-curricular records with your post-secondary counselors to ensure their accuracy.
- If interested, register for the October/November SAT Reasoning Test and/or SAT Subject Tests, or September/October ACT.
- If colleges require recommendations, ask the appropriate people to write on your behalf. At least three weeks before the due date, ask your post-secondary counselor, teachers, employers, or coaches to

write letters of recommendation.

- Provide recommendation forms, any special instructions and a stamped, addressed business envelope to the people writing your recommendation. Be thoughtful! Write thank-you notes to those who write recommendations and keep them informed of your decisions.
- Plan visits to colleges and set up interviews (if you didn't get them during summer or if you want to return to a campus for a second time). Read bulletin boards and the college newspaper. Talk with current students and professors.

October

- FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) opens this month via studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa. Be sure to apply during the October 1st through March 2nd window to see if you are eligible for financial aid. If you don't intend to apply, you must submit an opt-out form to OFY-Duarte.
- Attend a regional college fair to investigate further those colleges to which you will probably apply. Visit the College Fairs section on NACAC's Web site to view the schedule for NACAC's National College Fairs and Performing and Visual Arts College Fairs. <http://www.nacacnet.org/Pages/default.aspx>
- Start online applications in time to reach the colleges by the deadlines. Check with your post-secondary counselor to make sure your transcript and test scores have been/will be sent to the colleges to which you are applying.
- If applying for early decision or early actions, send in your application now. Also prepare applications for back up schools. Remember, if you are accepted under the early decision option, you are expected to enroll at that college and to withdraw all other applications. Submit financial aid information if requested from early decision/action candidates.
- Register for the December/January SAT Reasoning Test and /or SAT Subject Tests, or December ACT if you have not completed the required tests or if you are not happy with your previous test scores and think you can do better.
- Have official test scores sent by the testing agency to colleges on your list.
- Begin CSU & UC applications.
- If you need financial aid, obtain a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) form from your post-secondary counselor. Check to see if the colleges to which you are applying require any other financial aid form. Register for the CSS Profile if required and obtain the college's own financial aid forms, if available.

November

- Take the SAT Reasoning Test or SAT Subject Tests if appropriate. Don't forget to have test scores sent to your colleges on your list.
- Continue completing applications to colleges. Print copies of all applications before mailing the applications.
- Consult your post-secondary counselor again to review your final list of colleges. Be sure you have all the bases

covered. It is a good idea to make copies of everything before you drop those envelopes in the mail. If for some reason your application gets lost, you will have a backup copy. File your last college application.

- All applications to CSU & UCs are due Nov. 30.
- Keep all records, test score reports and copies of applications for admission and financial aid. Do not throw anything away until at least the end of your first year in college. Having detailed records will save you time and effort should anything be lost or should you decide to apply in the future to other colleges or scholarship programs.

December

- Have official test scores sent to colleges on your list if you have not done so.
- If you applied for early decision, you should have an answer by now. If you are accepted, follow the instructions for admitted students. If the decision is deferred until spring or you are denied, submit applications now to other colleges.
- Do not take rolling admission applications for granted. (Some colleges do not have application deadlines; they admit students on a continuous basis.) These schools may reach their maximum class size quickly – the earlier you apply, the more availability there may be.

January

- Keep working in your classes! Grades and courses continue to count throughout the senior year.
- Request that your post-secondary counselor send the transcript of your first semester grades to the colleges to which you applied.
- Parents/guardians and students, complete your income tax forms as soon as possible. You will need those figures to fill out the FAFSA. Complete and return your FAFSA as quickly as possible after January 1. Check to make sure your colleges or state does not require any other financial aid forms. If they do, consult your post-secondary counselor or contact the college's financial aid office.
- Return your signed Cal Grant GPA Verification Form to your post-secondary counselor.

February

- Remember to monitor your applications to be sure that all materials are received on time and that they are complete. Stay on top of things and don't procrastinate; you can ruin your chances for admission by missing a deadline.
- You should receive your Student Aid Report (SAR) within four weeks after submitting the FAFSA. Review the SAR carefully and check for any inaccuracies. If necessary, correct any items on the SAR and return it to the FAFSA processor (if a college transmitted your data directly, notify the college of any change).
- If more than four weeks have passed after sending in your FAFSA and you have not received an acknowledgment, contact the Federal Student Aid Information Center (319) 337-5665. To identify you, they will need your name, social security number, address, and date of birth exactly as it was written on your

FAFSA.

- Continue to complete scholarship applications. You may be eligible for more scholarships than you think, so apply for as many as you can.
- Enjoy your final your final year in high school, but don't catch senioritis!

March

- File your FAFSA by March 2 – do not wait until the last minute!
- Stay focused and keep studying – only a couple more months to go!

April

- Review your college acceptances and financial aid rewards. Be sure to compare financial aid packages in your decision-making process. If you are positive you will not enroll at one or more of the colleges which accepted you please notify those colleges that you have selected another college. Keeping colleges abreast of your plans might enable those colleges to admit someone else. If you know which college you will attend, send your tuition deposit and follow all other instructions for admitted students. You must decide which offer of admission to accept by May 1 (postmark date).

May

- By May 1, decide on the one college that you will attend and send in your tuition deposit to the college you will attend. Notify the other colleges that accepted you that you have selected another college.
- Be PROUD – you have completed a difficult task.
- If your first choice college places you on their waiting list, do not lose all hope. Some students are admitted off the waiting list. Talk with your post-secondary counselor, and contact the college to let them know you are still very interested. Keep the college updated on your activities.
- Take Advanced Placement examinations, if appropriate, and request that your AP scores be sent to the college you will attend.

June

- Request that your post-secondary counselor send your final transcript to the college you will attend. Notify the college of any private scholarships or grants you will be receiving.
- Know when the payments for tuition, room and board, meal plans, etc., are due. If necessary, ask the financial aid office about a possible payment plan that will allow you to pay in installments.
- Congratulations! You've made it through high school! Enjoy your graduation and look forward to college.

July

- Look for information in the mail from the college about housing, roommates, orientation, course selection, etc.
- Respond promptly to all requests from the college.

August-September

- Ease the transition into college. Accept the fact that you'll be in charge of your academic and personal life. What you do, when you do it, and how things get done will be up to you. You'll have new responsibilities

and challenges. Think about budgeting your time and establishing priorities. Take charge of the changes that lie ahead and eliminate or minimize pressures. Go forth with confidence, enthusiasm, willingness, adaptability, and determination to succeed.

- Pack for college. Don't forget to include things that remind you of your friends and family. Be prepared for the new opportunities and challenges. Have a great freshman year!

College Preparatory Plan

The college preparatory plan leads to enrollment in a four-year college or university, or enrollment in community college and transfer to a four-year institution. Students following this plan should enroll in:

1. minimum graduation requirements in grades 9-12.
2. three or four years of mathematics (Algebra I or higher).
3. three or four years of college preparatory lab science.
4. two to four years of one college preparatory foreign language.
5. complete at least 11 A-G classes before beginning 12th grade.

A grade point average of 3.0 or higher is recommended. STUDENTS SHOULD TAKE THE SAT OR ACT AT THE END OF THE JUNIOR YEAR OR EARLY IN THE SENIOR YEAR TO ESTABLISH APTITUDE FOR COLLEGE WORK. Minimum requirements for admission identify those students who are eligible to be selected. Selection is based on performance over and above these minimums.

University of California

University of California admission is limited to the upper 12.5% of high school graduates. Selection by the University of California depends on performance over and above the minimums. Students who expect to be successful in the University of California must expect to complete 30 credits (6 courses) each semester for a total of eight semesters (240 credits), to include at least four academic courses each semester with special attention to advanced courses in the junior and senior years. Students must complete at least 11 A-G classes before beginning of senior year.

To be admitted to a campus of the University of California as a freshman, the student must meet the requirements of admission, including the Subject Requirement (i.e., the A-G course completion), and the Scholarship Requirement (i.e., minimum GPA in A-G courses). Students are expected to have a transcript pattern that includes academic courses, which are college preparatory in nature.

Cal State University

The CSU requires a minimum 15-unit pattern of courses for admission as a first-time freshman. Each unit is equal to a year of study in a subject area. A grade of C or higher is required for each course you use to meet any subject requirement. Effective with the class of 2003, the University

of California and California State University systems agreed to adopt the same pattern of academic courses required for freshman eligibility, enabling high school students to take the same courses to prepare for admission to both institutions.











Work Permits

For full policy, see Appendix P – Work Permits on page 192







University Websites:


















- University of California: www.universityofcalifornia.edu
- Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities: www.aiccu.edu
- CSUApply: www2.calstate.edu/apply

University of California

Northern Campuses	
UC Berkeley https://www.berkeley.edu/	
UC Merced http://www.ucmerced.edu/	
UC Davis http://www.ucdavis.edu/	
UC San Francisco http://www.ucsf.edu/	
UC Santa Cruz http://www.ucsc.edu/	
Central Campuses	
UC Santa Barbara http://www.ucsb.edu/	
Southern Campuses:	
UC Los Angeles http://www.ucla.edu/	
UC Irvine http://uci.edu/	
UC Riverside http://www.ucr.edu/	
UC San Diego http://www.ucsd.edu/	

Cal State University

Northern Campuses	
California Maritime Academy https://www.csum.edu/	
CSU Chico http://www.csuchico.edu/	
CSU East Bay http://www.csueastbay.edu/	
Humboldt State University http://www.humboldt.edu/	
CSU Sacramento http://www.csus.edu/	
San Francisco State http://www.sfsu.edu/future/	

San Jose State http://www.sjsu.edu/	
Sonoma State http://www.sonoma.edu/	
Central Campuses	
Fresno State http://www.fresnostate.edu/	
CSU Monterey Bay http://csumb.edu/	
Cal Poly San Luis Obispo http://www.calpoly.edu/	
CSU Stanislaus http://www.csustan.edu/	
Southern Campuses:	
CSU Bakersfield http://www.csub.edu/	
CSU Channel Islands http://www.csuci.edu/	
CSU Dominguez Hills http://csudh.edu/	
CSU Fullerton http://fullerton.edu/	
CSU Northridge http://w2.csun.edu/	
CSU Long Beach http://csulb.edu/	
CSU Los Angeles http://www.calstatela.edu/	
Cal Poly Pomona http://www.cpp.edu/	
CSU San Bernardino http://www.csusb.edu/	
San Diego State http://www.sdsu.edu/	
CSU San Marcos http://www.csusm.edu/	

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Additional Online Resources

These free websites provide planning for college and your career. Be sure to read each site's privacy policy to be aware of current practices regarding privacy and information sharing. This list is NOT an endorsement for any of these sites.

Financial Aid Resources

Asian American Scholarships

- www.apiascholars.org

Athletic Scholarships

- www.ncaa.org

Borrow Smart: for information on low-interest federal loans and strategies for smart borrowing

- www.studentaid.gov

Cal Grants/California State Aid

- www.csac.ca.gov
- <https://mygrantinfo.csac.ca.gov/>

California Community Colleges

- www.icanaffordcollege.com
- www.cccapply.org

College Costs and More

- nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator

College Savings Plans

- www.scholarshare529.com
- www.collegesavings.org
- www.collegewell.com

Dream Act

dream.csac.ca.gov

FAFSA on the Web

- studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa

Foster Youth Grants

- chafee.csac.ca.gov
- www.fosteryouthhelp.ca.gov
- www.calyouthconn.org
- www.fc2success.org

Gates Millennium Scholarships

- www.gmsp.org

Latino Scholarships

- www.hsf.net
- www.maldef.org

Military and Veterans

- www.todaymilitary.com
- benefits.va.gov/gibill

National Student Loan Data System

- nsldsfa.ed.gov

Native American Grants and Scholarships

- www.bia.gov
- www.collegefund.org
- www.aises.org/scholarships

Scholarship Directories

- www.fastweb.com
- www.collegeboard.com/pay
- www.scholarships.com

Scholarship Scams

- www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams
- studentaid.gov/resources/scams

Teach for America

- www.teachforamerica.org
- www.teachCalifornia.org

College Web Resources

ACT

- www.actstudent.org

Association of Independent California Colleges

- www.aiccu.edu

California Colleges

- www.californiacolleges.edu
- www.cccapply.org
- www.cccco.edu

California State University

- www.calstate.edu

College Board and SAT

- www.collegeboard.com

College Planning and Exploration

- www.going2college.org
- www.KnowHow2Go.org
- www.mappingyourfuture.org
- www.finaid.org

National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities

- www.naicu.edu

University of California

- www.universityofcalifornia.edu

Other Web Resources

Citizenship Information

- www.uscis.gov

Social Security Number

- www.ssa.gov

Tax Benefits for Education

- www.irs.gov/publications/p970

Career Web Resources

AmeriCorps

- www.americorps.gov
- www.californiavolunteers.org

California Career Colleges

- www.cappsonline.org

Health Careers

- www.HealthJobsStartHere.com
- bhw.hrsa.gov/
- www.hhs.gov
- www.explorehealthcareers.org

Job Search/Careers

- www.collegegrad.com
- www.coolworks.com
- www.careeronestop.org

Job Trends

- www.bls.gov/emp
- www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov

National Guard (California)

- www.calguard.ca.gov

Salaries

- www.bls.gov/oes

Other College Web Resources

College Data

- www.collegedata.com

Inside Higher Ed

- www.insidehighered.com

Princeton Review

- www.princetonreview.com
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Section 14 — High School Courses



English – Core Classes

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



AP English Lit & Comp A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED1015/HSED1016

Credits: 10

12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “B”

Each unit of Advanced English Literature and Composition is based on a researched scope and sequence that covers the essential concepts of literature at an AP level. Students engage in in-depth analysis of literary works in order to provide both depth and breadth of coverage of the readings. Units include Close Analysis and Interpretation of Fiction, Short Fiction, the Novel, and Poetic Form and Content. Writing activities reinforce the reading activities and include writing arguments, analysis, interpretation, evaluation, and college application essays.

Contemporary Composition

HS1023

Credits: 5

9th – 12th grade

This course will explore the realm of writing composition. The student will be exposed to a variety of essays (e.g., persuasive, expository, and descriptive), and how to write different types of letters (e.g., letters of complaint, letters to the editor). They will be given the ability to learn how to revise, edit, and proof every form of writing that is covered in this course. Students will also utilize their imagination and creativity by analyzing pieces of artwork and responding to their feelings. Students will also be exposed to different forms of literature and how to respond to each.

CSU Expository Reading/Writing A/B CP

HS1091/HS1092

Credits: 10

9th – 12th grade

CSU/UC Approved for “B”

Aligned to Common Core Standards, this course prepares students for the demands of college reading and writing. Through scaffolding, the rhetoric-based course advances students’ proficiency in comprehension, and their responses to nonfiction and literary texts. By the end of the course, students will act as motivated self-directed learners, write a variety of text-types for real audiences and purposes, determine an author’s point of view and purpose, analyze the writers’ use of rhetorical devices, and initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions with peers and more.

English 9 A/B CP

HS1120/HS1121

Credits: 10

9th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “B”

The purpose of English 9 A/B CP is to expose students to various forms of fiction and nonfiction. Students will gain an understanding of an assortment of literary concepts, including point of view, author’s purpose, and literary analysis. This course will help students increase their reading comprehension through activities such as making predictions, analyzing structure and format, and drawing inferences. It is designed to expose students to a wide array of texts and concepts, preparing them for future English courses where they will engage with increasingly challenging literary concepts and ideas, both abstract and concrete. Throughout the course, students will work on multiple academic essays to improve their writing skills while meeting a number of Common Core standards. Additionally, they will explore questions about communication and conflict, connecting their readings to the world they live in today.

English 9 A/B CP

*Credits: 10**CSU/UC Approved for "B"*

English 9A is an independent study course that serves as a structural model for subsequent English independent study courses. Through the practice and acquisition of new thinking skills, including critical analysis and oral responses, students will develop their reading and writing abilities with various fiction and nonfiction literary texts. This course exposes students to both print and digital fictional stories and nonfiction texts, enhancing their comprehension, development, and analysis of the assigned readings. It also introduces students to the author's intent and literary concepts. Each lesson aims to improve students' fluency and vocabulary, while regular grammar practice helps them apply these new skills to their writing. Additionally, a fictional novel is included in the course to stimulate imagination and creativity. Throughout the units, students are provided with numerous opportunities to incorporate what they have learned into their writing. In English 9B, students will further their understanding of various literary concepts, such as point of view, author's purpose, and literary analysis. This course focuses on increasing reading comprehension through prediction-making, structural and format analysis, and drawing inferences. Moreover, the course aims to enhance students' reading fluency, vocabulary, speaking and listening comprehension, and grammar skills. Students will also work on structuring multiple academic essays to improve their writing abilities. Specially Designed Academic Instruction in English (SDAIE) strategies will be implemented throughout the curriculum to support students in developing their English language skills. The course aligns with the State Standards of English/Language Arts, addressing areas such as reading literature, reading informational texts, writing, speaking and listening, and language.

English 9 A/B GR*HS1180/HS1181**9th Grade**Credits: 10*

This course will enhance students' ability to comprehend and develop analyze the content of the reading assignments from both fiction and non-fiction sources. It will expose students to authors' intent and literature concepts. Each lesson will develop and increase students' fluency and vocabulary as well as their literary analysis skills. An aspect of grammar will be introduced and students will implement this knowledge in their own writing. A course reader will accompany this course that will provide all the instruction and stories needed to complete the class. At the end of each unit, students will have an opportunity to incorporate what they have learned in their writing via performance tasks.

**English 9 A/B CP (Online - Edmentum)***HSED1001/HSED1002, HSES175/HSES1764**9th Grade**Credits: 10**CSU/UC Approved for "B"*

English entails the study of the creation and analysis of literature written in the English language. In English 9A, students will delve into a variety of techniques aimed at enhancing their reading comprehension and writing skills. The instruction encompasses a wide range of writing types, including creative, descriptive, expository, narrative, and persuasive. Throughout the course, students will engage in reading and analyzing literature from various genres, while also honing skills related to effective study habits. Their writing skills will be sharpened as they evaluate literary works in terms of literary technique, form, and theme.

**English I A/B (Bright Thinker)***HSBT1001/HSBT1002, HSBT1001D/HSBT1002D**9th Grade**Credits: 10**CSU/UC Approved for "B"*

English I launches a four-year journey to prepare students for college-level language arts skills. Students practice reading, writing, and editing to prepare for formal exams and tests as well as for their future careers. In this course, students analyze various classics, such as *The Odyssey* and *Romeo and Juliet*. The course requires students to obtain and read two other books to understand plot development and the structure and organization of longer texts. To help students in their activities, assignments provide specific genre models, outlines, and rubrics. For example, the step-by-step method of writing a research paper guides students to create a polished paper with MLA citations. Also, opportunities to discuss, present, and interact assist students in their listening and speaking skills.

English 10 A/B CP*HS1081A/HS1082A**10th Grade**Credits: 10**CSU/UC Approved for "B"*

In English 10, students will enhance their writing, reading, and critical thinking skills. The objective of this course is to cultivate independent thinking, enabling students to write, read, listen, and speak in a manner that aligns more closely with the expectations of college and the real world. Throughout English 10, students will explore three major styles of writing and engage with various genres in their reading. Through assigned fiction readings, students will prepare academic paragraphs that express themes supported by textual evidence. This course is specifically designed to foster the development of analytical skills, empowering students to become adept evaluators of well-crafted writing.

English 10 A/B CP*HS1081/1082**10th Grade**Credits: 10**CSU/UC Approved for "B"*

Students will be expected to use reading and thinking skills as they analyze and apply literary concepts to grasp the author's purpose and the central idea of the texts. Guided instruction and modeling will cause students to develop their own voice and point of view. In each unit, the students participate in writing workshops that blend grammar and writing concepts to help understand the writing process. The novel for this course is narrative nonfiction of a historical event that will be incorporated as additional reading material for the course to allow the students to broaden their perspectives and help them make personal connections with real - world issues.

In semester two, students will differentiate between fiction and informational texts and identify author's techniques such as rhetorical devices and text structure. Guided instruction and modeling will cause students to identify an author's perspective and point of view. In each unit, the students participate in writing workshops that blend grammar and writing concepts to help understand the writing process. The novel for this course is a drama with relatable characters and plot that will be incorporated as additional reading material for the course to allow the students to analyze an author's techniques. An additional nonfiction text was chosen for this course to compare and contrast fiction and nonfiction.



English 10 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED1003/HSED1004, HSES177/HSES178

10th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for "B"

English entails the study of the creation and analysis of literature written in the English language. In English 10, students explore different literary devices employed in short stories, including subject, theme, mood, plot, and narration. They engage in reading and analyzing a variety of literary works to gain a deeper understanding of specific literary devices. The second unit focuses on various types of informational texts, while the third unit delves into the study of drama across different eras. Throughout the course, students are assigned writing activities that require the application of analytical and persuasive skills. In English 10, students also delve into a range of techniques to enhance their reading comprehension, writing skills, as well as their grasp of grammar and mechanics.



English II A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT1003/HSBT1004, HSBT1003D/HSBT1004D

10th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for "B"

English II begins with a review of the fundamentals of grammar, reading, and essay writing that began in English I. Students then move on to more complex tasks, such as analyzing a book of their choice and writing for various genres. The course expands students' vocabulary through word study and analyzing the context in diverse literary and informative texts. Students dig into the purposes of language in persuasive media and political texts. Additionally, the formal research paper is adapted into a multimedia presentation. The last two Units of the course move from analyzing classical literature to a book study, opening a discussion of various relevant cultural issues in modern society.

English 11 A/B CP

HS1160/1161

11th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for "B"

Students taking English 11 A/B CP will be engaged in a rigorous American Literature course, aligned to Common Core standards, that is designed to create college- and career-ready thinkers and writers. Students will analyze and evaluate a wide variety of fiction and nonfiction selections in their textbook and novels. Students will practice critical thinking, comprehension, vocabulary analysis, and grammar skills through thematic units centered in the historical context of the literary period. Students will benefit from a well-rounded writing program that focuses on the writer's craft, such as supporting claims, organizing information, using narrative techniques, conducting research, evaluating points of view, and proofreading and revising skills.

English 11 A/B GR

HS1184/1185

11th Grade

Credits: 10

English 11 GR aims to cultivate critical literary thinkers and effective writers by analyzing a diverse range of fiction and nonfiction works using Essential Questions. Students will enhance their writing skills through various assignments, emphasizing grammar, proofreading, and revision. The course promotes advanced cognitive abilities to surpass mere comprehension and encourages the analysis and evaluation of information in both literary and informational texts. Focusing on the theme "The Image of America in American Literature," readings delve into the symbolism and the essence of American identity. The course follows a chronological organization, beginning with Native American origins and progressing to the early 20th century, with each unit providing introductions, key figures, events, and connections to universal themes.



English 11 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED1005/HSED1006, HSES179/HSES180

11th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for "B"

English entails the study of the creation and analysis of literature written in the English language. In English 11, students engage in studying a variety of techniques aimed at enhancing their reading comprehension and writing skills. The instruction encompasses various types of writing, including creative, descriptive, expository, narrative, and persuasive. Throughout the course, students read and analyze literature from different genres, with a particular focus on American literary movements throughout history. Additionally, students complete writing activities that involve evaluating literary works in terms of literary techniques, form, and theme.

**English III A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT1005/HSBT1006, HSBT1005D/HSBT1006D

Credits: 10

11th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for "B"

In English III, students will focus on the development of American Literature and compare it with other ideas and forms of literature from around the world. Students will review the basics of the language arts and scaffold each with practices of increasing complexity to meet the required grade-level objectives of analytical thinking. Engaging in a step-by-step process, students will learn to write complex analyses and argumentative papers. Students will also learn principles in research, teamwork, discussion, and presentation. The text that should accompany the course is the musical *Fiddler on the Roof* by Joseph Stein. Students will highlight literary devices as well as the ideas of immigration and cultural assimilation with supporting literature. Additionally, students will explore college and career planning and learn tips for discerning factual information in technology today.

English 12 A/B CP

HS1162/1163

Credits: 10

12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for "B"

Students taking English 12 A/B CP will be engaged in a rigorous course, aligned to Common Core standards, that is designed to create college- and career-ready thinkers and writers. Students will analyze and evaluate a wide variety of fiction and nonfiction selections in their textbook and novels. Students will practice critical thinking, comprehension, vocabulary analysis, and grammar skills through thematic units centered in the historical context of the literary period. Students will benefit from a well-rounded writing program that focuses on the writer's craft, such as supporting claims, organizing information, using narrative techniques, conducting research, evaluating point of view, and proofreading and revising skills. Students will be challenged to hone their craft to create a reflective essay or autobiographical narrative, persuasive essay or short story, historical investigation report, and multimedia presentation. Assessments will emphasize higher-level thinking skills, requiring students to go beyond simple comprehension of the assigned texts; they must show growth in their ability to analyze and evaluate information they encounter in literary as well as informational texts.

English 12 A/B GR

HS1186/1187

Credits: 10

12th Grade

The goal of the English 12 GR course is to equip students with important reading comprehension, analytical, critical thinking, and writing skills through studies of various fictional and non-fictional works. Each workbook aims to grow a student's understanding of a literary concept, skill, or genre. In Semester A, the student will study Medieval literature (looking at the features of an epic and epic hero, characterization, Medieval warrior culture, etc.), 14th century literature (understand Chaucer and *Canterbury Tales*, rhyme, rhythm, the role of the church, etc.), Renaissance literature (how language and arts evolved during this time, features of poetry, figurative language, sound devices, etc.), and satirical literature (understand the purpose and features of satire, irony types, diction, etc.). For the final unit, the student will dive deeper into their semester reading of *Macbeth* via deep analysis of its themes, the figure of *Macbeth* as a tragic hero, the role of fate and ambition, and so forth. In Semester B, the student will explore the Romantic Movement (the impact of Industrialism, how Romantic ideals acted as a reaction to this change, poetry features, etc.), Victorian period (intro into Gothic literature style, role of monologues, etc.), 20th Century (going over the qualities of Modernism, analyzing Modernist works, etc.), and the World Wars (historical context and impacts of both World Wars on society, literature, etc.). In the final unit, students will bring everything they learned together through a culminating project. Within the unit, the lessons provide students the foundations for growth via teaching of relevant vocabulary, grammar and punctuation rules, background context, guided practice, performance tasks, checks for understanding, and more.

**English 12 A/B CP (Online - Edmentum)**

HSED1007/HSED1008, HSES18/HSES182

Credits: 10

12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for "B"

English entails the study of the creation and analysis of literature written in the English language. In English 12, students delve into exploring the relationship between British history and literature, specifically focusing on the Anglo-Saxon period through the neoclassical era, including the notable works of Shakespeare. Throughout the course, students engage in reading and analyzing a diverse range of literary works from this specific time period, contextualizing them with relevant cultural and political history presented in each lesson. In addition to the historical and literary analysis, students in English 12 also study a variety of techniques designed to enhance their reading comprehension, writing skills, and grammar and mechanics. The instruction covers various types of writing, including creative, descriptive, expository, narrative, and persuasive. Moreover, students will complete writing activities that require the application of analytical and persuasive skills.

**English IV A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT1007/HSBT1008, HSBT1007D/HSBT1008D

12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “B”

English IV emphasizes the interpretation of various types of literature from different time periods. The genres covered include fiction, drama, and poetry. The dramatic play *Cyrano de Bergerac* is read and studied for its use of language to convey dilemmas and themes. Poetry studies include a survey of British poetry as well as ancient and modern poetry from various cultures and periods. Students are also given a wide range of writing assignments. For example, students produce a fiction story and a script. They also write essays evaluating literary elements. The course also includes research and writing arguments with logic. These various writing assignments help prepare students for the end-of-course and SAT essay writing. Coverage is also given to analyzing and evaluating media and speeches, as well as using presentation and discussion skills.

**English Language Development ELD 9 A/B CP (Online – iLit)**

HS1130/HS1131

9th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “B”

This course, which adheres to the California Common Core English standards, intends to equip students for life outside the classroom, building college, career, and citizenship readiness. Focused on text complexity, the course covers narrative, plays, dramas, poetry, informational texts, including articles, websites, videos, and other supplemental reading. Students will gain literacy skills by challenging their critical thinking, reasoning, and evidence-collection skills. Students write essays that focus on thematic structure, sentence variety, and voice. Students can express their ideas in meaningful and relevant ways, while learning the technical aspects of language. English 9 iLit serves as the foundation for all subsequent courses in high school that involve reading, analyzing and writing, providing students with the tools and strategies needed to develop effective communication skills.

**English Language Development ELD 10 A/B CP (Online – iLit)**

HS1132/HS1133

10th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “B”

This course, which adheres to the California Common Core English standards, intends to equip students for life outside the classroom, building college, career, and citizenship readiness. Focused on text complexity, the course covers narrative, plays, dramas, poetry, informational texts, including articles, websites, videos, and other supplemental reading. Students will gain literacy skills by challenging their critical thinking, reasoning, and evidence-collection skills. Students write essays that focus on thematic structure, sentence variety, and voice. Students can express their ideas in meaningful and relevant ways, while learning the technical aspects of language. English 10 iLit serves as the foundation for all subsequent courses in high school that involve reading, analyzing and writing, providing students with the tools and strategies needed to develop effective communication skills.

**English Language Development ELD 11 A/B CP (Online – iLit)**

HS1145/HS1146

11th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “B”

This course, which adheres to the California Common Core English standards, equips students for life outside the classroom, building college, career, and citizenship readiness. Focused on text complexity, the course covers narrative, plays, dramas, poetry, informational texts, including articles, websites, videos, and other supplemental reading. Students will gain literacy skills by challenging their critical thinking, reasoning, and evidence-collection skills. Student writing assignments focus on exploring thematic structure, sentence variety, and voice. Students can express their ideas in meaningful and relevant ways, while learning the technical aspects of language. ELD 11, using iLit, serves as a foundation for all subsequent courses in high school that involve reading, analyzing and writing, providing students with the tools and strategies needed to develop effective communication skills.

**English Language Development ELD 12 A/B CP (Online – iLit)**

HS1147/HS1148

12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “B”

This course, which adheres to the California Common Core English standards, equips students for life outside the classroom, building college, career, and citizenship readiness. Focused on text complexity, the course covers explanatory and argumentative writing, poetry, informational texts, including articles, websites, videos, memoirs, and other supplemental reading. Students will gain literacy skills by challenging their critical thinking, reasoning, prediction, and evidence-collection skills. Student writing assignments focus on supporting claims, author’s purpose, descriptive details, sentence variety, and tone. Students can express their ideas in meaningful and relevant ways, while learning the technical aspects of the English language. ELD 12, using iLit, serves as a foundation for all subsequent courses in high school that involve reading, analyzing and writing, providing students with the tools and strategies needed to develop effective communication skills.

English – Electives

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



Basic Writing Skills CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9122

Credits: 5

In this course, students will study the fundamentals of grammar and sentence construction. They will be introduced to various techniques aimed at enhancing their writing skills, such as organizing ideas effectively and structuring their writing appropriately. Each unit in the course is designed to build upon the previous one, providing a solid foundation in basic grammar and writing skills. By the end of the course, students will have the ability to compose well-constructed paragraphs that adhere to the conventions of English and grammar. Additionally, they will acquire knowledge on pre-planning their writing, including techniques like brainstorming and outlining ideas.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Creative Writing CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9053/HSES477

Credits: 5

By the end of this course, students will be able to list various genres of creative writing and explain how to begin the process of writing, identify the key elements of various forms of personal narratives, identify and describe the key elements of a short story, demonstrate effective dialogue-writing skills and apply various literary techniques in writing short prose, describe various elements of long prose and identify the different types of narrative styles, describe various literary techniques used in poetry and identify poetry’s different forms, identify the different forms of theater and describe key elements in writing for theater, describe various aspects of stage direction and temporal techniques in writing for theater, and describe the key elements in writing for younger audiences.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Creative Writing A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT1009/HSBT1010

Credits: 10

Creative Writing encourages students to write, reason, and relate to the world creatively. By engaging in a wide variety of exercises, students will learn how to express themselves creatively. Students will be writing creatively and reading in a range of domains including reflection, interpretation, evaluation, synthesis, persuasion, controversial issues, and experimentation. Students will demonstrate skills in these forms: fictional writing, short stories, poetry, and drama.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Critical Literacy

HS65C

Credits: 5

Students will gain reading and writing skills through the acquisition of new thinking skills, including Metacognition, Active Reading Strategies, Mind Mapping, Think-Alouds, personal and critical oral responses, and reading. In addition, students will complete an independent reading assignment from the California Approved Book List that is at the student’s reading level. The culminating projects will be a Book Talk and Book Review, as well as a Literary Autobiography, all of which will demonstrate the students’ growth over the course of the class.

9th–12th Grade



English Language Development ELD Newcomer A/B (Online – iLit)

HS1138/HS1139

Credits: 10

This course intends to equip students for life in and out of the classroom with developing beginning English skills. Focused on building basic communication and literacy skills in English, newcomer students are initially assessed to determine what knowledge of English a student may already have, if any. The curriculum is adjusted to meet those individual linguistic needs in teaching: phonics and phonemic awareness, oral language, fluency, grammar structures, writing construction, and reading comprehension. iLit for Newcomers serves as the foundation for all subsequent courses in high school that involve reading, analyzing and writing, providing students with the tools and strategies needed to develop effective communication skills.

9th–12th Grade

English Readiness A/B

HS10RA/HS10RB

Credits: 5-10

English Readiness is a standards-based modular course designed to remediate the student on 9th and 10th grade English/Language Arts standards. These modules, based on the twenty ELA power standards as identified by the school, can be assigned as needed where the instructor is able to detect a deficiency with a student’s particular skill set. Each module focuses on one or two standards and will greatly increase the student’s ability to comprehend and master each standard. All work is done in the workbook with some use of the Internet to reinforce certain concepts. A student can complete 5 modules per semester and can complete each module only once.

9th–12th Grade

**Gothic Literature CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9167

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This one-semester course has 14 lessons, plus five Course Activities. Each lesson contains one or more Lesson Activities. It explores different conventions, themes, and elements of Gothic literature through the analysis of representative literary works, such as Emily Dickinson’s poems about mortality and spirituality, Robert Louis Stevenson’s classic Gothic novella *Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*, Edgar Allan Poe’s Gothic short stories, Bram Stoker’s *Dracula*, Robert Browning’s Gothic poems, Percy Bysshe Shelley’s Gothic drama, *The Cenci*, Mary Shelley’s classic Gothic novel, *Frankenstein*, Gothic parodies and Gothic subgenres, and modern Gothic literature.

**Journalism (Bright Thinker - Licensed Course)**

HSBT1011D

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In this course, students will learn the fundamentals of modern journalism: reporting, interviewing, writing techniques, censorship issues, page design, and broadcast journalism.

**Literary Genres A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT1012/HSBT1013, HSTB1012D/HSBT1013D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Literary Genres is a senior-level course in which students will explore and analyze a variety of literature. A grammar review precedes a study of rhetorical and literary devices, as well as a brief survey of the major literary forms. Students will read a variety of fictional selections and stories including *The Canterbury Tales*, various mythologies, *Beowulf*, *Hansel and Gretel*, *Dracula*, and Edgar Allan Poe’s “*The Masque of the Red Death*.” Students will better understand drama after reading excerpts from William Shakespeare’s plays and will contemplate timeless poems by Robert Frost, Emily Dickinson, Walt Whitman, Lord Byron, and other poets. Comparing and contrasting speeches by Barack Obama and Ronald Reagan will assist students in analyzing persuasive texts. The course concludes with a look at perspective in nonfiction texts, such as diaries and autobiographies.

Multicultural Literature

HS10ML

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

This course will expose students to a variety of authors and stories from around the world. Students will explore each story in depth by completing various activities that will challenge their thinking and open them up to new ways of learning. Through the reading selections, students will be exposed to the various cultures contained within each country. Throughout the five units, students will study various genres from all reaches of the world, which will help them to understand how literature can help them understand regionalism.

**Mythology and Folklore CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9169

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This one-semester course is designed to introduce students to a wide range of myths, legends, and folklore from different cultures around the world. The course consists of 15 lessons and includes five Course Activities. Each lesson is composed of one or more Lesson Activities. In the Mythology and Folklore course, students will explore and describe myths associated with the creation of the world, natural elements, and the destruction of the world. They will also analyze and identify the main characters in dynastic dramas, love myths, and epic legends, delving into the details of their respective journeys. Additionally, students will trace the evolution of folklore and examine and describe folktales from various regions across the globe.

Poetry

HS1032

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

Poetry offers a comprehensive study of the poetic form, elements of poetry, key literary genres, poem types as well as influential poets throughout the ages. Students will develop their ability to read and analyze poetry and decipher all varieties of poetic language. They will explore the historical origins of poetry in the English language that incorporates poets of the British Isles and North America. Students will write down a poetry log throughout the course where they can express their personal opinions about the poems they read. They will be able to write a thoughtful critical essay by the end of the semester that will demand the ability to incorporate their poetry learning into a detailed analysis of a poem or poetry subject.

Principles of English

HS10PE

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

This course was created to help students review and master the key elements of the California content standards in language arts. As

they review and master each standard, they will increase their competency in language arts and gain confidence in their abilities. The lessons are organized into reading and writing sections. The reading portions will help students review and master skills related to vocabulary, reading comprehension, and literary analysis via multiple-choice items. The writing portion of this course assesses three aspects of writing: strategies, applications, and English language conventions. For the writing portion, students will write two essays and answer multiple-choice items.



Reading Around the World (Bright Thinker - Licensed Course)

HSBT1014D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This reading course takes students on a literary journey around the world by reading the adventures of Harry Potter, Gandhi’s words of wisdom, Chilean folk tales, and much more while learning about important pre-, during-, and after-reading techniques.



Reading Comprehension (Bright Thinker - Licensed Course)

HSBT1015D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course will identify important strategies to help students understand and remember what they have read. It will help students improve their reading speed and comprehension through carefully designed exercises. Fluency and vocabulary will be included with comprehensive skills.

Reading Fiction

HS10RF

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

In this course, students will engage with five novels: “The Westing Game,” “The Catcher in the Rye,” “Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone,” “The House of the Scorpion,” and “To Kill a Mockingbird.” Each unit will focus on exploring the significant events within each novel that contribute to the development of characters, themes, and settings. Additionally, students will have the opportunity to connect the themes of the novels to their own lives, drawing parallels and finding relevance in their personal experiences.



Recreational Reading (Bright Thinker - Licensed Course)

HSBT1016D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course is all about giving students the tools to become better readers and more appreciative of good books; this will help them understand the joy that comes from recreational reading. Ralph Waldo Emerson said, “’Tis the good reader that makes the good book.” Students will learn reading strategies that will help them not only become better readers but also enjoy reading even more.

Science Fiction

HS6502

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

In the Science Fiction course, students embark on a journey through the history of Science Fiction. Utilizing the textbook, “Decades of Science Fiction,” which features a curated selection of classic stories, students trace the evolution of this genre from the pioneering works of H.G. Wells and Jules Verne to the present day. “Decades of Science Fiction” serves as a valuable resource, providing a historical timeline for each decade and introducing each chapter with a summary of the political, scientific, and literary events that were prominent during that time. As part of the course, students will also delve into the novel “The Halloween Tree” by Ray Bradbury and complete a novel assignment centered around his compelling work. This novel adds depth and perspective to their exploration of Science Fiction, offering a captivating story for analysis and interpretation.



Science Fiction Literature (Bright Thinker - Licensed Course)

HSBT1017D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course evaluates the future through science fiction; it looks at the best and worst future possibilities if present trends in society and present human traits continue.



Speed Reading (Bright Thinker - Licensed Course)

HSBT1018D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course teaches skills for effectively increasing reading speed and comprehension.



Structure of Writing CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSES379

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Structure of Writing is a course that focuses on the principles of grammar and effective writing, emphasizing their practical application.

In this course, students engage in learning about various aspects, including sentence types, punctuation marks, and essential grammar rules such as subject-verb agreement and tenses. They also explore the proper usage of different parts of speech and gain an understanding of concepts like parallel structure in sentences while identifying and correcting run-on sentences. Lastly, students are introduced to the development of paragraphs and essays, equipping them with essential skills for effective written communication.

**Technical Writing (Bright Thinker - Licensed Course)**

HSBT1019D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course teaches skills for effectively increasing reading speed and comprehension.

**Writing Poetry (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT1020D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course is designed to improve and enhance students’ own poetic skills by teaching them how poets use the language devices of sound, sensory images, figurative expressions, and musical rhythms to share their insights through word-art. Throughout the course, students will experiment with traditional formats and with many free-verse styles of poetry.

Writing Skills

HS1028

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course is intended to improve grammar and build writing skills. Students will review some basic grammar concepts and learn how to relate this to building solid paragraphs. They will then use these new skills to learn to write whole five paragraph essays that are technically and grammatically sound. Students will learn a new model for writing an essay and will then learn how to implement into writing various types of essays.



Math – Core Classes

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes

Algebra 1A1/1A2, 1B1/1B2 CP (2 year course)

HS21A1/HS21A2, HS21B1/HS21B2

Credits: 20

9th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

The extended 2-year Algebra course offers a comprehensive exploration of fundamental Algebra concepts. The course begins with a thorough review, ensuring a solid understanding of key principles such as variables, exponents, properties of real numbers, and solving linear equations and inequalities. Students then progress to mastering the graphing of linear equations and inequalities in two variables, as well as determining slopes and equations of lines. In the subsequent phase, students delve into subtracting, multiplying, and dividing polynomials, along with exploring concepts like the quotient rule and scientific notation. The focus then shifts to factoring, encompassing both the understanding of factoring techniques and their practical applications in real-world scenarios. The course further equips students with the ability to manipulate rational expressions, navigate complex fractions, solve rational equations, and comprehend direct and indirect variations. Students also engage in solving linear equations, reinforcing their problem-solving skills. As the course progresses, students undertake a comprehensive review of graphing, emphasizing key terms and line equations. The units cover a range of topics, including the application of linear systems, solving linear inequalities, equations, inequalities, and absolute value. The course culminates in the study of graphing quadratic equations and functions, providing students with a solid foundation in this essential area of Algebra.

Algebra 1 A/B CP

HS2040/HS2041

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

Aligned to Common Core Standards, this course will introduce students to and promote mastery of algebraic concepts such as using data to derive linear equations, solving systems of linear equations, examining rates of change problems with their related graphs, problems with exponents, and quadratic functions. Students will use application problems to gain a better understanding of how algebraic concepts apply in a real-world environment. In addition, students will periodically review other important mathematical topics such as formulas from geometry, measurement conversions, calculating probabilities, and hypothesis testing.

Algebra 1 A/B CP

HS2075/HS2076

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

In Algebra 1A CP, students begin their study by exploring one-variable statistics. They gather and display data, and interpret statistical results. From here, students transition to expanding their understanding of linear equations, inequalities, and systems. They write, rearrange, evaluate, and solve equations and inequalities fluently; explain or validate their reasoning; use multiple representations to model relationships and constraints; write and graph equations in different forms; and reason abstractly about real-world situations. Finally, students study two-variable statistics. They create scatter plots and their lines of best fit, use residuals and the correlation coefficient, interpret data, and differentiate between correlation and causation. In Algebra 1B CP, students begin with the study of functions. They represent, interpret, and communicate about functions—using function notation, domain and range, average rate of change, and other features of their graphs. They encounter several families of functions, including linear, exponential, quadratic, piecewise-defined, and absolute value. Students extend their ability to use equations to model relationships and solve problems. They develop their capacity to write, transform, graph, and solve equations—by reasoning, rearranging equations into useful forms, and applying the quadratic formula. Students investigate real-world and mathematical contexts, examine the structural attributes of the function, and express the function using multiple representations.

Algebra 1 A/B GR

HS2087/HS2088

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

Algebra 1 focuses on building students’ understanding of algebraic expressions and the relationships between quantities. They work with fractions, absolute value, and linear equations and inequalities in one variable. Students learn to represent and solve equations and inequalities in both mathematical and real-world contexts, explaining their reasoning throughout. The course then extends to linear equations and inequalities in two variables, where students use multiple representations and reason about real-world situations. Different types of activities, including Explore, Skills & Concepts, and Real-World Application, are used to help students understand and apply mathematical concepts, develop fluency, and demonstrate their ability to apply math to novel situations.



Algebra 1 A/B CP CP (Online – Edmentum)

*HSED2001/HSED2002, HSES185/HSES186**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 10**CSU/UC Approved for “C”*

Algebra is a branch of mathematics that employs symbols to represent numbers and describe relationships. In Algebra I, students embark on an exploration of these mathematical relationships, developing skills in reasoning with equations and inequalities, graphing, understanding functions, and applying mathematical modeling. The course builds upon students’ existing knowledge of variables, exponents, expressions, and algebraic terminology, enabling them to apply algebraic concepts to real-world contexts. Throughout the course, students engage in problem-solving activities that reinforce their understanding of algebra and its practical applications.

**Algebra I A/B (Bright Thinker)***HSBT2001/HSBT2002, HSBT2001D/HSBT2002D**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 10**CSU/UC Approved for “C”*

Algebra I is a common starting point for high school math studies. A review of fundamental math skills in Unit 1 ensures students are ready for algebraic concepts. Math competence grows as students learn to solve expressions, equations, and inequalities using formulas, ratios, proportions, percentages, and rates. Other concepts covered include identifying functions, understanding patterns, and sequences, solving direct and inverse variation, memorizing slope formulas, writing and graphing linear equations, and learning systems of equations and inequality. The course covers exponent rules to work and solve exponential functions, operations with polynomials to solve quadratic functions and equations, and the various methods to graph, factor, simplify square roots, complete the square, and use the quadratic formula. Using tables and graphs, students analyze and organize data and statistics using linear, quadratic, and exponential models. The standard assessment questions throughout the course help the students complete the course successfully and prepare for new concepts in Geometry.

Algebra 2 A/B CP*HS2045/HS2046**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 10**CSU/UC Approved for “C”*

This course aligns with the California Algebra 2 standards. This discipline complements and expands the mathematical content and concepts of Algebra I and Geometry. Students who master Algebra 2 will gain experience with algebraic solutions of problems in various content areas, including the solution of systems of quadratic equations, logarithmic and exponential functions, the binomial theorem, and the complex number system.

**Algebra 2 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)***HSED2005/HSED2006, HSES187/HSES188**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 10**CSU/UC Approved for “C”*

Algebra is a mathematical field that employs symbols to represent and generalize relationships instead of specific numbers. In Algebra 2, students will engage in performing operations on rational expressions and understanding the limitations and constraints associated with them. They will also delve into the analysis and graphical representation of polynomial functions. Additionally, Algebra 2 introduces students to complex numbers and provides opportunities to solve quadratic equations within the complex number system.

**Algebra II A/B (Bright Thinker)***HSBT2003/HSBT2004, HSBT2003D/HSBT2004D**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 10**CSU/UC Approved for “C”*

In Algebra II, students will consolidate and build on the knowledge acquired in Algebra I. After a review of Algebra I concepts, students will take an in-depth look at linear equations, inequalities, and functions. Students will be introduced to matrices, apply Cramer’s Rule in solving linear systems, and solve graphs and equations of conic sections. Using graphs, factoring, and the quadratic formula, students will solve quadratic equations, inequalities, and functions. Students will investigate how to graph, factor, invert, and solve polynomials; and they will solve rational expressions, radical expressions, fractional exponents, and rational inequalities. Students will examine the properties, transformations, and applications of exponential and logarithmic functions. Applying probability and data analysis, students will determine probability and model data. The final Unit will present trigonometric concepts to prepare students advancing to trigonometry.

**AP Calculus A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)***HSED2019/HSED2020**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 10**CSU/UC Approved for “C”*

This course grounds the study of calculus in real-world scenarios and integrates it with the four STEM disciplines. The first semester covers functions, limits, derivatives and the application of derivatives. The course goes on to cover differentiation and antidifferentiation, applications of integration, inverse functions, and techniques of integration.

**AP Computer Science Sem A CP (Online – Edmentum)***HSED2028**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 5**CSU/UC Approved for “C”*

In AP Computer Science Sem A, students will describe the basic concepts of computer programming. They will compile and run a simple Java program. They will use arithmetic, relational, and logical operators. They will implement algorithms, and use different

types of loop and decision-making statements. They will create and use classes. Students will create and manipulate one-dimensional and two-dimensional arrays. They will perform sequential search, binary search, selection sort, and insertion sort on an array. They will explain and implement object-oriented programming design. You will implement inheritance, polymorphism, and abstraction. Further, you will describe privacy and legality in the context of computing.

Geometry A/B CP

HS2038/HS2039

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

The ultimate goal of this course to extend students prior learning from middle school geometry to more formal geometric proofs that use rigid motions and their precise definitions, the study to figures on the Euclidean Plane, the connection of algebraic function to geometry and the study of trigonometry concerning right triangles and circles. Students will further their learning of rigid motions, translation, rotation and reflection, and begin to prove congruence with the use of them. They will develop proofs using rigid motions developing and utilizing precise definitions. They will then extend these definitions and proofs to solve problems about triangles, quadrilaterals and other polygons.

Geometry A/B GR

HS2089/HS2090

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

Geometry GR’s first semester focuses on mastering fundamental geometry concepts. Students learn nomenclature, drawing techniques, and algebraic methods to measure shapes. They explore linear equations, properties of lines, and use geometric reasoning to solve problems. Rigid transformations serve as proofs for congruency, while deductive reasoning and geometric proofs are introduced. The study of similarity involves scale factors and missing measurements. Triangles, including Special Right Triangles, are extensively covered, alongside an introduction to trigonometry. The second semester delves into circles, conic sections, three-dimensional geometry, real-world applications, and probability. Topics include measures of circles, tangents, chords, conic equations, solid shapes, and probability scenarios.



Geometry A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED2003/HSED2004, HSES189/HSES190

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

Geometry is a mathematical discipline that utilizes logical reasoning to establish relationships among points, lines, surfaces, and solids. In Geometry, students delve into this field by examining rigid and non-rigid transformations of figures in the coordinate plane, allowing them to establish congruence and similarity between triangles and other shapes. They also learn to prove theorems pertaining to lines, angles, triangles, and parallelograms, and develop skills in constructing geometric figures using traditional tools and modern technology. The course culminates in an exploration of trigonometry, where students apply their understanding of triangles to investigate various mathematical concepts.



Geometry A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT2005/HSBT2006, HSBT2005D/HSBT2006D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

High School Geometry deals primarily with two-dimensional Euclidean geometry and solid geometry promotes the development of logical reasoning skills and is useful in many life situations. The course begins with the fundamental concepts of line segments and angles. Students progress to conditional statements, geometric and algebraic proofs, and line relationships. In studying polygons, students learn the properties of triangles, quadrilaterals, and circles, along with geometrical concepts, including the Pythagorean Theorem and the relationship of pi (π) to the circumference and area of a circle. In the study of solid geometry, students learn how to determine the area and volume of prisms, cylinders, pyramids, cones, and spheres. Students apply the geometric skills learned by working with ratios, similarities, transformations, and symmetry before concluding the course with an inquiry into the fundamentals of trigonometry.

Integrated Math 1 A/B CP

HS2081/HS2082

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

In this course, Integrated Math 1, students will investigate topics from Algebra and Geometry. The first semester will focus on Algebra 1. The second semester will begin with Statistics and Probability and move on to topics found in Geometry. This course will help students develop a basic understanding of linear functions and geometric transformations. The first semester will have a primary focus on linear functions, equations and inequalities. Students will learn the various forms of linear equations (standard form, slope-intercept form and point-slope form) and represent these functions through different means: equation, table, graph, and real life situation. Students will make connections between these representations and decide which approach is best when encountering various types of problems.



Integrated Math 1 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED2013/HSED2014

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

These two semester-long courses are designed to enable all students at the high-school level to develop a deep understanding of the

math objectives covered and leave them ready for their next steps in mathematics. The courses are built to the Common Core State Standards. The three units in Semester A advance students through the study of single-variable expressions to systems of equations, while Semester B covers functions, advanced functions, and concludes with a practical look at the uses of geometry and trigonometry.

Integrated Math 2 A/B CP

HS2055/HS2056

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

This Integrated Math 2 course covers algebra, geometry and probability topics such as: performing operations on polynomials, graphing and solving quadratic and exponential functions/inequalities, using postulates and theorems to create two-column proofs to explore properties of angles, triangles and similar shapes, volume and surface area and calculating probabilities. Throughout the course, students will use close reading skills to make sense of problems and apply critical thinking to construct arguments and justify reasoning. Each unit will require students to apply the skills they have learned to model real-world mathematical phenomena and create multiple representations of key concepts. By the end of the course students will have developed mastery in the core topics and will have further developed skills in quantitative reasoning, constructing viable arguments and choosing appropriate tools to make sense of and model mathematical concepts.



Integrated Math 2 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED2015/HSED2016

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

Building on the concepts covered in Integrated Math 1, these courses are based on proven pedagogical principles and employ sound course design to effectively help students master rules of exponents and polynomials, advanced single-variable quadratic equations, independent and conditional probability, and more. Online and offline activities combine to create an engaging learning experience that prepares high school learners for their next step in their studies of mathematics.

Integrated Math 3 A/B CP

HS2057/HS2058

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

Integrated Math 3 is the third course in the high school integrated math sequence and build upon concepts and topics from Integrated Math 1 and 2. In this course, students will explore and analyze polynomial, exponential, logarithmic, radical, rational, and trigonometric functions using appropriate tools (e.g. Fundamental Theorem of Algebra, properties of exponents, function transformations, etc) and technology (e.g. graphing calculators, spreadsheets, online resources, etc.). Students will learn how to communicate data visually and numerically and will discover how various features relate to different types of data and probability distributions. They will also expand their understanding of measurement in two- and three-dimensions with geometric modeling and application.



Integrated Math 3 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED2017/HSED2018

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

Beginning with the simplification of rational and polynomial expressions, Semester A takes students through the next steps in mastering the principles of integrated math. These two semester-long courses focus on meeting Common Core objectives with engaging and interactive content. Semester B begins with the derivation of the trigonometric formula for the area of a triangle, and proceeds through the use of functions and on developing the critical thinking skills necessary to make logical and meaningful inferences from data.



Precalculus A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED2007/HSED2008, HSES191/HSES192

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

Precalculus is a comprehensive course that covers the foundations of calculus, analytical geometry, and trigonometry. Students will delve into various topics in Precalculus, including conic sections, matrices, sequences, induction, and probability, and learn to apply this knowledge to real-world scenarios. The course also introduces fundamental concepts of calculus, such as function limits and the concept of area under a curve.



Precalculus A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT2007/HSBT2008, HSBT2007D/HSBT2008D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “C”

This course explores a wide variety of mathematical concepts with the goal of preparing students for calculus or other college-level math courses. A review of numerical properties, factoring, the quadratic formula, and the Cartesian coordinate system prepares students for advanced mathematical concepts. Students use graphing calculators to plot graphs and solve equations and learn to solve a variety of problems including parent functions, transformations, even and odd functions, domain and range, operations, linear functions, regression, correlation, quadratic functions, polynomials, asymptotes, and exponential, logistic, and logarithmic functions. Trigonometric studies include angle measurement, arc length, functions, reciprocal and quotient identities, Pythagorean identities, sines, and cosines. Sequences and series precede inquiries into the characteristics and applications of conic sections and vectors. The

course concludes with an investigation into parametric and polar equations.

**Probability and Statistics CP (Online – Edmentum)***HSED2023**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 5**CSU/UC Approved for “C”*

In this course, students will learn to represent and interpret data using various graphical displays such as dot plots, histograms, box plots, two-way frequency tables, and scatter plots. They will also study normal distributions and develop an understanding of the difference between correlation and causation. The course will cover topics like determining conditional probability, assessing independence of events, and applying counting techniques and probability rules to calculate probabilities. Students will also evaluate different data collection methods and statistical models, including simulations. The course concludes by discussing the use of probability models in real-life situations involving both payoff and risk.

**Trigonometry (Bright Thinker - Licensed Course)***HSBT2013D**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 5**CSU/UC Approved for “C”*

This course includes using ratios, rates, and proportions to solve problems; changing fractions, percents, and decimals; and solving problems involving percentages such as discounts, markups, commissions, profit, simple and compound interest, and so forth.

Math – Electives

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



Accounting A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9089/HSED9090, HSES482/HSES483

Credits: 10

This course is intended to help students familiarize themselves with the basics of accounting and accounting functions specific to different kinds of businesses. This course covers the fundamentals of bookkeeping and financial statements. It also covers career opportunities and the key government regulations in the accounting field.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Basic Math A/B

HS2001/HS2002

Credits: 10

Basic Math is a one-year course that prepares students for success in the Pre-Algebra program. Basic Math A begins with a review of basic operations such as addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. It then delves into factorizations, fractions and fractional notations. Students also experience an understanding of order of operations, decimal notation, and estimation. Basic Math A concludes with an emphasis on ratio and proportion and their geometric application. Basic Math B begins with several lessons on percent notation including application to tax rate, discounts, and simple and compound interest. Students also explore central tendencies of data and learn of the various graphical representations of such data. Students delve into the relationship between the American Measurement Systems and the Metric System. Basic Math B concludes with an introduction to basic geometry as well as properties of real numbers.

9th–12th Grade



Business and Consumer Mathematics (Online – Edmentum)

HSES284

Credits: 5

This course explores practical mathematics skills that can be applied in everyday life. Students will learn about budgeting, managing bank accounts, and calculating the cost of goods or services. They will also gain knowledge about taxes, payroll deductions, and the concepts of investing and borrowing money. The course aims to equip students with the ability to make informed decisions regarding purchasing or renting a home or car, as well as understanding the importance of insurance in protecting their investments. Additionally, students will study economics, delving into the creation, distribution, and consumption of goods and services. The course highlights the impact of economics on individuals and its significance on a national scale.

9th–12th Grade



Business & Consumer Math Part 1/Part 2 (Bright Thinker - Licensed Course)

HSBT2009D/HSBT2010D

Credits: 10

In this course, students will learn practical applications of mathematical skills such as buying a car, home, and insurance; budgeting; bank services; and savings and investing. This course includes taxes, math in the workplace, statistics, probability, measurement, manufacturing, insurance, and supplying services.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Business Math

HS2007

Credits: 5

This course is designed to strengthen the student’s basic skills in personal and business math. Students learn how to figure income tax and comparative shop. They will learn the basics of starting and running a business and practice such real-world scenarios as paying employees, figuring insurance costs, and calculating travel expenses and training costs. Students will also learn about the costs of production and purchasing, work with sales, warehousing, distributing, and marketing devices, and handle general accounting schemes.

9th–12th Grade



Consumer Mathematics CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9138

Credits: 5

In this course, students will learn practical applications of math. They will learn how to plan a budget, manage bank accounts, and figure the cost of a good or service. They will also learn about taxes, payroll deductions, and how to invest and borrow money.

This course will help students make informed decisions about buying or renting a home or car and teach them how to protect their purchases and investments with insurance. Finally, they will study economics, or the science of the creation, distribution, and consumption of goods and services. They will see how economics affects them as an individual and how it affects the country as a whole.

9th–12th GradeC

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Financial Mathematics A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED2021/HSED2022

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Financial Mathematics, Semester A, is a single-semester course designed to introduce students to the basics of financial algebra. This course includes lessons that focus on planning for expenses and developing financial goals. Students will learn to use algebraic expressions that model growth that’s due to interest. They will also describe investments in terms of their cost, risks, and returns. Financial Mathematics, Semester B, is a single-semester course designed to provide insight into some advanced concepts of financial algebra. In this course, students will see how businesses achieve profits through proper financial planning. Students will examine the benefits and consequences of using credit cards and taking out loans. They’ll also describe the procedures for filing taxes and identify taxes levied on various investments.

**Math Models A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT2011/HSBT2012, HSBT2011D/HSBT2012D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

The Math Models course applies mathematical concepts to real-life situations. The course begins with a review of basic math concepts before presenting an overview of geometry, probability and statistics, and problem-solving. Students will learn to conduct and analyze research by collecting and describing data using graphs and models that find application in disciplines as diverse as science, trigonometry, art, architecture, and music. Students will employ theoretical, empirical, and binomial probability to predict the likelihood of outcomes. Using math models, students will better understand personal finance issues including compensation, budgeting, taxes, bank accounts, and compound interest. Applying math models to analyze the pros and cons of credit cards, renting or purchasing a home, leasing or purchasing a vehicle, and investments and insurance will enable students to be smarter consumers.

Math Readiness A/B/C/D

HSMM01/HSMM02/HSMM03/HSMM04

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5-20

Math Readiness is a standards and concepts-based modular course designed to remediate the student on various levels of math standards. These modules are designed to be assigned as needed where the instructor is able to detect a deficiency with a student’s particular skill set. Each module focuses on one or two math concepts and will greatly increase the student’s ability to comprehend and master each concept. All work is done in the workbook with some use of the Internet to reinforce certain concepts. A student can complete 5 modules per semester and can complete each module only once.

Personal Finance

HS2030

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Personal Finance is a real-world application for basic math skills that will cover a wide range of topics. This course will give students a basic understanding of personal finance management by covering topics such as gross pay, net pay, taxes, budgeting, and types of bank accounts. Students will also learn how to shop by comparing base price, unit price, and net price. In addition, this course shows students how interest can be used for the consumer (in the case of savings) or against them (in the case of credit card debt). Students will also gain an understanding of the monetary considerations when buying a house or car.

**Personal Finance CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9004, HSES289

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Personal Finance is a real-world application for basic math skills that will cover a wide range of topics. This course will give students a basic understanding of personal finance management by covering topics such as gross pay, net pay, taxes, budgeting, and types of bank accounts. Students will also learn how to shop by comparing base price, unit price, and net price. In addition, this course shows students how interest can be used for the consumer (in the case of savings) or against them (in the case of credit card debt). Students will also gain an understanding of the monetary considerations when buying a house or car.

Pre-Algebra A/B

HS2015/HS2016

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

Pre-Algebra A helps to build students’ foundational skills for entry into the Algebra course. Pre-Algebra A begins with a review of integers and the order of operations. Students are then introduced to variables and simple equations as well as solving application problems. Emphasis is then placed on solving problems with fractions with application to basic geometry. Pre-Algebra A concludes with solutions of decimal problems. Pre-Algebra A helps to build students’ foundational skills for entry into the Algebra course. Pre-Algebra A begins with a review of integers and the order of operations. Students are then introduced to variables and simple equations as well as solving application problems. Emphasis is then placed on solving problems with fractions with application to basic geometry. Pre-Algebra A concludes with solutions of decimal problems. Pre-Algebra B begins with an introduction to a three-dimensional surface area (volume). Students then progress into comprehensive work with percents and measurement systems. Measurement systems are related to the various types of graphs. Pre-Algebra B concludes with the product rule, power of exponents, and multiplying polynomials.



Social Science – Core Classes

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



American Government CP (Online – Edmentum)

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “A”

HSED3005, HSES170

Credits: 5

American Government is the study of the founding principles of democracy in the United States, the structures and details of how the government functions, and the role of the individual citizen in participating in that democracy. In American Government, students will learn about the principles and events that led to the founding of the United States in the eighteenth century. They will examine how the operations of the government are spread among three branches of government and distributed between the national, state, and federal levels. The course will explore the role of the individual citizen in the operations of the government and apply these concepts to understand the concrete areas of foreign, domestic, and economic policy. Students will use timelines to gain an understanding of how events link to each other and to the structures of government that exist today. They will analyze historical documents to gain a firsthand sense of how government structures were designed. By gathering evidence from relevant documents and historical texts, students will develop credible explanations of how and why the government exists as it does. They will express their viewpoints on the operations of government by writing essays and creating presentations about topics relevant to modern US citizens.



AP US History A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “A”

HSED3007/HSED3008

Credits: 10

This course develops critical thinking skills by encouraging multiple views as students realized that there are often multiple accounts of a single historical event that may not be entirely consistent. Electronic discussion groups encourage collaboration, and a variety of practice activities are provided, from multiple choice actions to advanced interactions. Units include: The Historical Process; Early America; Revolutionary America; The Civil War; Populism and Progressivism; the emergence of the U.S. as a world power; and contemporary themes.

Economics CP

HS3058

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Credits: 5

The goal of studying economics is to ensure that students make reasoned judgments about both personal and economic questions along with broader questions about economic policy. The course objective is to develop an economic way of thinking and problem solving in order to understand and apply basic economic principles to decisions made by consumers, businesses, our federal government, and participants in the global marketplace. Unit 1 will introduce students to the basic concepts of economics, while Unit 2 will cover Microeconomics looking at individuals and small businesses, while Unit 3, Macroeconomics will review the national economy as whole. Unit 4 will introduce them to the Federal Reserve’s Invest in What’s Next: LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL program and have them research potential degrees & training in their post-secondary lives, while Unit 5 takes a look at the world’s economic globalization. Each unit will have performance tasks related to current events by topic, and throughout the course, there will be two economics projects. The first one is related to an American entrepreneur and their business, chosen in Unit 1 and presented in Unit 2. The other is a multimedia research project about a global economic issue and its possible solutions. That topic is chosen in Unit 3, and will be presented in Unit 5 with the purpose of bringing together the course’s overall economic concepts.

Economics GR

HS3051

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course provides an introduction to economics, a social science that studies the workings of an economy and people’s role within it. It covers economic systems, choices available within those systems, and their importance in understanding the changing world. It explores various global economies in comparison to the American economy, emphasizing the free enterprise system. The laws of supply and demand are examined, along with their influence on competition, prices, and consumer behavior. The study of businesses highlights their contribution to the economy and how supply and demand laws affect worker wages and skills. The course also covers money, including its history, transfer, and impact, as well as monetary policy and the role of the Federal Reserve System in maintaining stability. Personal finance is integrated throughout to connect these topics to individual financial situations and goals. Lastly, banking, financial intermediaries, saving, and investing are explored, along with the importance of government spending, taxes, and investment in supporting federal programs. The course provides guidance on becoming a smart consumer and making sound financial decisions.

**Economics CP (Online – Edmentum)***HSED3006, HSES228**Credits: 5**9th–12th Grade**CSU/UC Approved for “G”*

Economics is a social science that explores the creation, consumption, and exchange of goods and services. It encompasses both local and global perspectives, examining the interactions between buyers and sellers as well as a country’s role in the international marketplace. By studying economics, individuals gain insights into the decisions and behaviors of people, industries, and governments. In Economics, students will learn about their role as consumers and the fundamental principles of the U.S. free-enterprise system, connecting it to the global market. The course will delve into the relationship between business, industry, and the nation’s economy, as well as the interactions between industry and government. Students will explore the entrepreneurial process and the fluctuations in the business cycle. Additionally, they will study significant historical events related to labor laws and understand their responsibilities as consumers within an economic system.

**Economics (Bright Thinker)***HSBT3006, HSBT3006D**Credits: 5**9th–12th Grade**CSU/UC Approved for “G”*

The Economics course begins with a survey of the basic principles concerning the production, consumption, and distribution of goods and services within the free enterprise system. Students examine the rights and responsibilities of consumers and businesses; analyze the interaction of supply, demand, and price; and study the role of financial institutions. Types of business ownership, market structures, and basic concepts of consumer economics are surveyed. The impact of a variety of factors including geography, governmental intervention, economic philosophies, historic documents, societal values, scientific discoveries, and technological innovations on the national economy and economic policy is an integral part of the course. Students apply critical-thinking skills when creating economic models and evaluating economic activity patterns. Students also examine the knowledge and skills necessary for self-supporting adults to make critical decisions relating to personal financial matters, such as seeking college financial aid, using credit wisely, and balancing financial accounts. Economics is a social science that teaches how goods and services are created, consumed, and exchanged. Economics can cover topics locally, like how buyers and sellers of goods and services interact with one another. But it also covers topics on a larger scale, like studying a country’s role in the international marketplace. Economics examines the efforts, decisions, and thought processes of people. Studying economics can tell why individuals, industries, and governments behave in certain ways. In Economics you will learn about your role as a consumer and also the basic principles of the U.S. free-enterprise system and how that system ties into the global market. You will also learn about the role that business and industry plays in a nation’s economy and the relationships that industry has with the government. You’ll also learn more about the people who initiate businesses and the ups and downs that occur in a business cycle. Furthermore, you’ll study important historical events surrounding labor laws and the responsibilities you have as a consumer in an economic system.

US Government CP*HS3050**Credits: 5**9th–12th Grade**CSU/UC Approved for “A”*

In this course, students will survey the scope of our government from its beginnings in early America, to its development, adaptation, structure, functions, and ultimately, its relevance in our democratic society. Students will learn about the foundations and unique characteristics of our democracy through reading original and transcribed founding documents, including, but not limited to: The Declaration of Independence, Articles of Confederation, and the U.S. Constitution. Students will examine the branches of the federal government and how they uphold the ideals regarding separation of powers and checks and balances. Influenced by Enlightenment philosophers, students will also analyze how the authors of the Constitution, a living document, drafted it in such a way as to allow for its adoption and application throughout the centuries. Students will also review key important Supreme Court cases and how they changed or helped create legislation protecting Americans’ civil rights. Different levels of national, state and local governments along with the public services provided and public interests of their constituents will also be examined more closely, by students. They will also trace the election process and learn how public opinion can influence the government and its officials. Throughout this academic undertaking, students should be able to better comprehend the importance of active civic participation in this representative republic, the United States. In finishing this course, students will compare “American” democracy with other democracies/governments around the world, in the hope that they can distinguish similarities and differences, as well as understand United States engagement in foreign affairs.

US Government GR*HS3070**Credits: 5**9th–12th Grade*

In this course, students will survey the scope of our government from its beginnings in early America, to its development, adaptation, structure, functions, and ultimately, its relevance in our democratic society. Students will learn about the foundations and unique characteristics of our democracy through reading original and transcribed founding documents, including, but not limited to: The Declaration of Independence, Articles of Confederation, and the U.S. Constitution. Students will examine the branches of the federal government and how they uphold the ideals regarding separation of powers and checks and balances. Influenced by Enlightenment philosophers, students will also analyze how the authors of the Constitution, a living document, drafted it in such a way as to allow for its adoption and application throughout the centuries. Students will also review key important Supreme Court cases and how they changed or helped create legislation protecting Americans’ civil rights. Different levels of national, state and local governments along with the public services provided and public interests of their constituents will also be examined more closely, by students. They will also trace the election process and learn how public opinion can influence the government and its officials. Throughout this academic

undertaking, students should be able to better comprehend the importance of active civic participation in this representative republic, the United States. In finishing this course, students will compare “American” democracy with other democracies/governments around the world, in the hope that they can distinguish similarities and differences, as well as understand United States engagement in foreign affairs.



United States Government (Bright Thinker)

HSBT3005, HSBT3005D

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “A”

U.S. Government commences its examination of American democracy with a general overview of the purpose, types, origin, and formation of governments. Students explore how colonial self-rule, English law, and weaknesses in the Articles of Confederation influenced the formation of the U.S. Constitution. Students then investigate the principles of the Constitution and the federal system. The purpose, powers, and relationships among the American institutions of self-government—Congress, the Presidency, and the Judiciary—are examined as well as federal, state, and local governments. Students learn about civic responsibility, including voting and participating in the governmental process. They gain an understanding of the functions and organization of political parties, the evolution of the two-party system, and the influence of public opinion and political ideology on government decisions.

US History A/B CP

HS3043/HS3044

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “A”

United States History A is a five-unit course in which students will examine United States History from the beginnings of America to the present. Students will begin with an examination of America’s beginnings from the 1607–1824. Students will then look at the growth, reform, and lasting effects associated with the Civil War. They will study how industry and immigration led to the Gilded Age from 1865–1914. Students will examine the progressive era from 1890 to 1920 to understand the drive for reform and several civil rights movements of this time. Additionally, they will study imperialism, conflict, and World War I from 1890 to 1920. United States History B is a five-unit course in which students will examine United States History from the 1920s to the present. Students will begin with an examination of the Roaring 20s, the Great Depression, and the New Deal from 1919–1941. Students will then look at the isolation, involvement, and the homefront during World War II and the Cold War from 1931 to 1960. They will study civil rights, protest, and change in America from 1945–1960. Students will examine the events that surrounded the Watergate years to understand the drive for reform and the lasting impacts of America’s crisis in confidence from 1968–1980. Additionally, students will study the characteristics of the end of the 20th century and the challenges that face Americans in the 21st century.



US History A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED3003/HSED3004, HSES166/HSES167

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “A”

US History is a course that focuses on the study of the events, people, and culture of the United States throughout history. In this course, students will learn about the process of historical inquiry and review the events and principles behind the founding of the United States. They will then apply historical inquiry to analyze societal issues, trends, and events from the Civil War through the Great Depression. Through the exploration of timelines and analysis of historical documents, students will develop an understanding of the connections between events and gain a firsthand sense of how they unfolded. By gathering evidence from relevant documents and historical texts, students will be able to develop credible explanations of events in US history. They will also evaluate change and continuity over time through the writing of essays and creation of presentations about broad periods of historical development.



United States History A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT3003/HSBT3004, HSBT3003D/HSBT3004D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “A”

United States History details the American story from the Reconstruction (1877) to the present day. Beginning with western expansion, students analyze the impact of events including the rise of cities and capitalism, the Alaska Purchase, and the Spanish-American War. The course details technological advances including the assembly line and harnessing electricity, as well as societal reform. Students then discuss how this progress influenced American prosperity. Students consider America’s rise to a world power during World War I before probing the events leading up to World War II, including the Great Depression. Students examine World War II and its consequences, including the Cold War and Korean War. The course then moves to 20th-century history, including the Reagan era and the Persian Gulf War, concluding with a look at recent events, including the War on Terrorism.

World History A/B CP

HS3040/HS3041

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “A”

Students in this course will explore various aspects of world history. They will examine the influence of democratic ideals and the Renaissance and Enlightenment periods on cultural and political movements worldwide. The course will delve into the development and consequences of revolutions in different parts of the world, as well as the impact of industrialization and imperialism. Detailed study will be given to World Wars I and II, including topics such as communism, totalitarianism, and the Holocaust. The Cold War, the Vietnam War, and the Korean War will also be analyzed. Students will investigate democratic reforms in Latin America and Europe following the Cold War, and analyze the politics of the Middle East in relation to current events. The course will also address contemporary global issues like terrorism and overpopulation. Assignments will involve various tasks such as essays, Internet

activities, PowerPoint presentations, primary source analysis, and critical thinking exercises. In the second semester, the focus will be on continued imperialism, expanding capitalism, and global trade in the 19th and 20th centuries. The course will cover the causes of World War I, the global depression of the 1920s and 1930s, and the rise of nationalism in Germany, Japan, and Italy leading to World War II. The study will include the rise of communism and its influence in post-World War II era, as well as the dynamics of the Cold War and the shift in ideologies. Students will examine the geopolitical landscape, globalization, and the impact of technology in the 21st century. Throughout the course, connections between past events and present situations will be explored through current event analysis and engaging tasks. The culmination of the course will be a multimedia project in which students choose a world problem or issue and propose solutions to address it.

World History A/B CP

HS3060/HS3061

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “A”

Semester A begins with a recap of ancient civilizations, the rise of religions and the creation of empires. This starts with a review of early Asian, African, and European cultures along with explorations of the Americas, the influences of the Renaissance and Enlightenment (1500s), and its ideals that caused social and political shifts in thought worldwide. The course looks at the rise of imperialism and colonialism, the nations’ struggles with growing pains (1600s) and individual rights, conflicts and revolutions (1700s), and it concludes with the world rise of industrialization, civil wars, labor issues, and capitalism’s influence on countries’ and territories’ growth and expansion (1800s). Each unit’s background and task information and activities will attempt to connect the past to the present through a series of current event “quick writes” and engaging tasks. Through this interactive component, students should gain a better understanding of how countries’ past decisions and actions have led to present situational accomplishments and crises around the world.



World History A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED3001/HSED3002, HSES168/HSES169

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “A”

World History is a course that focuses on the study of the events, people, and culture of planet Earth throughout history. In this course, students will learn about the process of historical inquiry and review the events and principles of early civilizations. They will also apply historical inquiry to analyze societal issues, trends, and events from early civilizations to the modern world. Through the exploration of timelines, students will develop an understanding of the connections between historical events. The course will also delve into the development of writing, political and economic structures, transportation systems, and religious and cultural ideologies.



World History A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT3001/HSBT3002, HSBT3001D/HSBT3002D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “A”

World History is a survey of the development of civilizations from prehistoric times to the present. The journey begins with ancient civilizations including Mesopotamia, Egypt, and China, and traces the foundations of Western civilization to ancient Greece and Rome. Students analyze developments in Africa, Asia, and Europe during the Middle Ages, including the Crusades. This course covers how the Renaissance and Reformation provided a springboard for the Age of Reason and the Scientific Revolution. An inquiry into events such as the American War of Independence and the French Revolution prepares students to consider the great advances and social upheaval sparked by the Industrial Revolution. Units probe the causes, events, and consequences of the two World Wars and the rise and fall of Communism. The course concludes with a look at developments shaping current events.

Social Science – Electives

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes

American Dreamers A/B

HSAD01/HSAD02

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

This course details the lives and times of some of the most famous Americans of the 20th Century. Students will learn about various historical figures from public service, sports, arts and entertainment, business, and science and medicine. The student will explore the life of each person and learn how their dreams, their successes, and their failures helped to invigorate, inspire, and advance the American Dream during different phases of the 20th century.

Black/African American Studies CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9119

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Throughout US history, African Americans have faced great adversity in the form of enslavement and institutional racism. They fought for their freedom and worked to right a broken system, but their struggle continues today. This course studies the treatment of enslaved Africans as they were brought to America, the prejudices African Americans have experienced, and their important role in the social, political, and economic development of the United States.

Criminal Justice CP

HS3030

10th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Prerequisite: Teacher Approval

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Students will study the criminal justice system in America and its three basic components: police, courts, and corrections. The course begins with examining the concept of justice, and how this ideal relates to the everyday practice of criminal justice in the United States today. Students will then explore the history, activities, and legal environment surrounding the police. Students then build upon what they have learned by understanding the court, prisons, probation, and parole. Throughout these units students will be exposed to concepts that will allow them to come away from the course with a more informed position on criminal justice topics. This course will benefit those with interest in pursuing a criminal justice career or simply responding as more informed citizens.

Ethnic Studies

HS3545

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course explores the complexities of race, ethnicity, and culture in our society through an analytical lens on society, history, and more. It seeks to study the dominant narratives and expose students to a variety of perspectives and experiences that are often marginalized or unnoticed in mainstream media and education. Each unit addresses topics such as the power of words and voice in shaping society, intersectionality, culture and cuisine, impact of law on specific population groups, and so on. Through these studies, students will respectfully engage in learning activities that will cultivate and develop their knowledge and skills related to cultural competency, critical thinking, analysis, communication, historical and societal awareness, research, and empathy. By completing this course, students will develop a better understanding of society and be better equipped to navigate a diverse and interconnected world.

History of American Sports

HS3037

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course focuses on the history and cultural impact of the five major professional sports in America today: basketball, football, baseball, hockey, and soccer. Students will explore the intricate and colorful history of each sport beginning from its inception, through its early developmental stages, and into the current times. Students will learn about various athletes who have greatly impacted each sport. Students will also study how each sport has found a niche in American culture and will explore the future possibilities for each sport.

History of the Ancient World

HS8502

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course explores the major civilizations of ancient history and makes connections to how their beliefs and customs affect the modern world. The class begins with prehistory and the beginnings of man and continues through all of the fall of Rome. The focus of this course includes the ancient civilizations of the Fertile Crescent and Mesopotamia, Egypt and Nubia, India, China, Greece, and Rome.



Holocaust Studies CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSES462

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Holocaust Studies is a single-semester course that describes the mass murder of millions of Jews during the Nazi rule in Germany and its impact on the international community. In this course, students will trace the history of Jews living in Europe and the origins of anti-Semitism. Students will learn about the early life of Hitler and his rise to power. The course also describes how the Nazis exterminated the Jews and how Jews resisted. Students will also learn about the liberation of the Jews and the impact of the Holocaust on the non-Jewish community. The course also covers the outcome of postwar trials.

**Introduction to Anthropology CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9027, HSES300

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This one-semester elective course is intended as a practical guide to introduce you to the field of anthropology. Students will explore the evolution of anthropology as a distinct discipline, learn about anthropological terms, concepts and theories, and discuss the evolution of humans and human society and culture. Students will also learn about social institutions, such as marriage, economy, religion, and polity.

**Introduction to Archaeology CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9025, HSES435

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course will help students meet the following goals: Recognize archaeology as a field of study, analyze the evolution of modern archaeology, describe and compare the career options available in archaeology in the United States, describe and explain the various types of archaeology, investigate the process of archaeological research, identify the different types of archaeological evidence, evaluate methods to identify and characterize archaeological sites, describe and explain various “invasive” archaeological investigation and site excavation methods, describe the techniques used for recovering, recording, and analyzing archaeological finds, describe the techniques used for preserving archaeological discoveries, recognize the requirements for storing archaeological collections, investigate the controversial role of archaeology in prehistoric and historic indigenous cultures in the United States, evaluate the role of public archaeology for sharing information and creating awareness, identify strategies to maintain authenticity of archaeological sites and protect them from threats such as vandalism and illegal trade.

**Introduction to Criminology CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9050, HSES426

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course provides an overview of criminology, covering various theories and concepts in the field. It is divided into lessons and Course Activities that explore different aspects of criminology. The first lesson introduces criminology as a field of study. The following lessons delve into theories that explain criminal behavior, including those related to self-interest, individual traits, routine activities, social institutions, labeling, and peer association. Subsequent lessons explore theories that examine the influence of political and social powers, societal goals, and social order on criminal behavior. Other theories focus on crime prevention through promoting peace and justice, reducing opportunities for crime, and increasing the risks of detection. The final lesson covers a theory that aims to prevent the escalation of serious crimes within a community. Throughout the course, students will gain a comprehensive understanding of criminology and its various theories and applications.

**Introduction to Philosophy CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9017, HSES230

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This elective course provides students an introduction to the field of philosophy and its great, timeless questions. Students explore the origin and evolution of philosophy as a discipline and learn about the times, lives, and intellectual contributions of essential philosophers.

**Introduction to World Religions CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9168, HSES489

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This one-semester course is intended to help students understand the origin, beliefs, and practices related to various world religions. This course includes 14 lessons and 5 Course Activities. Each lesson contains one or more Lesson Activities. The first lesson introduces the concept of religion and discusses different approaches to studying world religions. The next lesson discusses the origins, beliefs, and practices related to some primal religions. The next eleven lessons discuss the origins, beliefs, and practices related to various world religions. The final lesson discusses the origins, beliefs, and practices related to some contemporary religious movements.

Latin American History

HS30LH

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course emphasizes the development of the three Latin American regions. Students will study Central America, the Caribbean, and

South America. They will learn about each area’s geography, culture, climate, history, and tradition. Students will cover some countries in detail and learn how political systems and ideals have shaped its history.

Psychology A/B CP

HS3016/HS3017

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This elective course introduces students to the scientific study of human behavior and mental processes. Students will enhance their comprehension, critical thinking, and communication skills through research and analysis in written assignments. Lessons will develop and increase students’ fluency, vocabulary, imagination, and creativity. Topics include: research methods and statistics, human growth and development, the senses and perception, learning and memory, thinking and motivation. This course addresses Common Core State Standards of Literacy in Reading and Writing in History/Social Studies and requires grade-level to advanced reading and critical thinking skills.



Psychology A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9007/HSED9008, HSES227/HSES246

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In Psychology, students will explore the field’s history and major theories. They will examine human development and how the nervous and endocrine systems impact behavior. Language development and acquisition theories will be discussed, along with the influence of heredity, environment, society, and culture on human behavior. The course provides an in-depth understanding of these psychological concepts and their relevance to the study of human behavior and development.



Social Issues CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9032, HSES377

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Upon completion of this course, students will acquire a diverse range of knowledge and skills, including comprehending media, understanding the roles of the federal government branches, and articulating the significance of civil liberties versus civil rights. They will analyze crime rate trends and approaches to punishment, as well as describe the historical interpretation of the right to bear arms by the Supreme Court. Students will demonstrate proficiency in defining poverty-related terms, recognizing race as a social construct, and explaining theories of prejudice. They will also gain knowledge of significant legislation linked to civil rights, the interconnection between abolition and the women’s movements, and major events in the gay rights movement. Additionally, students will understand the organizational structure of the American school system, the impact of the Industrial Revolution and immigration on education, and pivotal court cases related to abortion and the right to privacy. Familiarity with terms like “culture of life,” awareness of cases influencing public perception of euthanasia and the right to die, and knowledge of key legislation on stem cell research will also be acquired. Ultimately, this comprehensive curriculum will enhance students’ critical thinking and analytical skills, providing a deep understanding of various social and political issues.



Sociology CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9016, HSES226

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In this course, students will explore the evolution of sociology as a distinct discipline while learning about sociological concepts and processes. They will learn how the individual relates to and impacts society. Students will also learn about the influence of culture, social structure, socialization, and social change on themselves and others. The course combines a variety of content types, including lessons, activities, discussions, and games to engage learners as they discover sociology as a subject and as a career.

We the People

HS8006

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course is designed to look at the history of the LGBT movement. Students will explore major milestones in the movement including Stonewall, the AIDS epidemic, Proposition 8 and current events affecting the LGBT community. Students will explore how individuals as well as organizations played a role in the visibility and progress of the movement. Students explore the movement through a variety of resources, including books, online resources and videos. Students will complete a book review on a memoir they will read throughout the course and an injustice project that relates to a hardship they have or someone they know has faced in their lifetime.



Women’s Studies CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9106, HSES301

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Women’s Studies is a course that is designed to help you understand the concepts of gender and gender roles, and the social discrimination that exists on the basis of gender. Students will learn about the history of feminism and feminist theories. Students will also learn about the social and political movements that raised awareness about equal rights for women and other marginalized groups. Students will explore the role of media in reinforcing gender stereotypes. This course also looks at the difference in the Western and non-Western ideas of gender, feminism, and activism. The course ends with a discussion on the possible challenges in the path

toward creating an equal society.

World Geography A/B CP

HS3046/HS3047

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

World Geography A is a five-unit course in which students will examine the perspectives of the human and physical world. Students will create written responses throughout their studies to establish prior knowledge and to make connections with what they know and new information regarding the world around them. In the first semester of this course, students will begin with an examination of the World, which will include how geographers look at the world. This will include examinations of the physical world, climates of Earth, as well as the human world. Students will then look at the United States and Canada. They will then study Latin America, which will include Mexico, Central and South America, as well as the Caribbean. Students will then explore all of Europe, including the Russian Core. Students will complete the first semester of World Geography with an examination of North Africa as well as Southwest and Central Asia. World Geography B is a five-unit course in which students will examine the perspectives of the human and physical world. Students will create written responses throughout their studies to establish prior knowledge and to make connections with what they know and new information regarding the world around them. In the second semester of this course, students will begin with an examination of Africa South of the Sahara. Students will then look at the countries of South Asia. They will continue to broaden their understanding by studying East Asia. Students will then examine Southeast Asia and the Pacific World. Students will finalize their study of World Geography by studying topics that pose great challenges to the world and will explore a variety of sources to broaden their understandings in these areas.



World Geography A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9014/HSED9015, HSES171/HSES172

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In an increasingly interconnected world, equipping students to develop a better understanding of our global neighbors is critical to ensuring that they are college and career ready. These semester-long courses empower students to increase their knowledge of the world in which they live and how its diverse geographies shape the international community. Semester A units begin with an overview of the physical world and the tools necessary to exploring it effectively. Subsequent units survey each continent and its physical characteristics and engage students and encourage them to develop a global perspective.



World Geography A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9016/HSBT9017, HSBT9016D/HSBT9017D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In World Geography, students will learn the six essentials of geography: spatial terms, places and regions, physical systems, human systems, environment and society, and uses of geography. After a broad survey of Earth’s structure, hydrosphere, and climates, the focus of each Unit will narrow to a particular region of the world. By examining the physical geography of each region, including water resources, climate, vegetation, and natural resources, students will understand the influence of geography on economic activities, human culture, and history. In addition, students will investigate the impact of human activity on the environment, including pollution and development, and consider the implications of continued activity.



Science – Core Classes

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



Anatomy and Physiology A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT4001/HSBT4002, HSBT4001D/HSBT4002D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “D”

Anatomy & Physiology introduces students to the structures and functions of the amazing body. Students learn about different organ systems and how they work together to maintain life. Some of these organ systems include the circulatory, digestive, integumentary, reproductive, and respiratory systems. Students examine different diseases that affect these systems and the treatments (both traditional and new) used to fight diseases. The development and effects of aging on the different organ systems are explored throughout Anatomy and Physiology.



AP Biology A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED4015/HSED4016

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “D”

In this blended online course (employing both online and face-to-face learning), students will be taught and encouraged to continually pose questions about the subject matter. Through exploration and discovery of the phenomenon at the core of each lesson, students will be guided to answer their own questions and be able to discuss the phenomenon in ways that reflect sound scientific practices. Biology is presented as a living process, one that carries a body of current understandings and a method of building on those understandings to either deepen them or replace them with better explanations. In particular, students will explore the eight themes identified as the focus for AP-level Biology instruction: Science as a Process Evolution Energy Transfer Continuity and Change Relationship of Structure to Function Regulation Interdependence in Nature Science, Technology, and Society.



AP Chemistry A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED4031/HSED4032

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “D”

The Advanced Chemistry course is designed around the AP Chemistry Curriculum Framework established by the College Board. The course is presented through the lens of scientific inquiry – the process of channeling human curiosity into purposeful exploration, discovery, and application of observable natural phenomena. In this course, students will grow to understand their physical world in a deep way. At the same time, an inquiry and STEM-oriented approach to chemistry offers students a shared method of asking questions about the world around them. Their experience and knowledge from this course – tied to a strong emphasis on qualitative and quantitative analysis and communication – is designed to enable them to understand important scientific and societal problems and to creatively grapple with such problems. In this blended online course (employing both online and face-to-face learning), students will be taught and encouraged to continually pose questions about the subject matter. Through exploration and discovery of the phenomenon at the core of each lesson, students will be guided to answer their own questions and will be able to discuss the phenomenon in ways that reflect sound scientific practices.



Aquatic Science A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT4017/HSBT4018, HSBT4017D/HSBT4018D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “D”

In Aquatic Science students will test, predict, and learn about water and things pertaining to water. The first unit will guide students to think of water as a system. Learning the chemistry and physics of water, students will complete a course project by applying scientific methods to collect and analyze data on a local body of water. A survey of the physical properties of the ocean, including their formation and composition, will precede an inquiry into how the atmosphere and sun interact with the hydrosphere to create weather. Students will examine the elements and properties of aquatic ecosystems, including aquatic biology and marine and freshwater ecosystems. In the final unit, students will consider the relationship between humans and water, including challenges such as population growth competing for resources with agriculture and industry.



Astronomy A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT4005/HSBT4006, HSBT4005D/HSBT4006D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “D”

Beginning with a look at astronomy’s history, students will recognize the contributions of Ptolemy, Copernicus, Galileo, and Newton to humankind’s understanding of the universe. The second Unit investigates telescopes and detectors, including radio receivers.

Examining the characteristics and processes of the Sun will be followed by a look at the terrestrial planets: Mercury, Venus, and Mars. After studying the Earth-Moon system, students will explore facts about the minor planets, Jupiter, Saturn, and the outer planets. Moving beyond the solar system, students will learn the characteristics of stars, galaxies, and other deep-space objects. Students will better appreciate the night sky after learning about the constellations and discover the origin and fate of the universe with an inquiry into impermanence, special and general relativity, and cosmology.

Biology A/B CP

HS4036/4037

Credits: 10

10th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for "D"

Biology CP is a 10-unit course that will have students focus on the knowledge and skills required to master the concepts of the relationships between organisms and their environment. Students will demonstrate their understanding and evaluation skills by using evidence, that is either gathered through lab investigations or researched, to explain their arguments with the support of models and mathematical representation. Performance tasks, labs, and summative assessments will evaluate how well students mastered the learning targets that focus on key processes and functions in the interdisciplinary relationships between core concepts in biology, physical science, chemistry, earth and space science, and engineering. The goal upon completing this course is for students to exercise their newly developed reasoning and analytical skills to achieve in their current and post-secondary academic coursework into any science or non-science discipline and to become science-minded, conscientious model for others to positively impact their community.



Biology A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED4001/HSED4002, HSES287/HSES288

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for "D"

This inquiry- and lab-based course is designed to support modern science curriculum and teaching practices. It robustly meets NGSS learning standards for high school biology. Content topics include cells, organ systems, heredity, organization of organisms, evolution, energy use in organisms, and the interdependence of ecosystems. Each lesson includes one or more inquiry-based activities that can be performed online within the context of the lesson. In addition, the course includes a significant number of hands-on lab activities. Approximately 40% of student time in this course is devoted to true lab experiences, as defined by the National Research Council (2006, p. 3).



Biology with Virtual Labs A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED4007/HSED4008, HSES458/HSES459

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for "D"

This inquiry- and virtual-lab-based course is designed to support modern science curriculum and teaching practices. It robustly meets NGSS learning standards for high school biology. Content topics include cells, organ systems, heredity, organization of organisms, evolution, energy use in organisms, and the interdependence of ecosystems. Each lesson includes one or more inquiry-based activities that can be performed online within the context of the lesson. In addition, the course includes a number of virtual lab activities in which students will exercise experimental design, data analysis, and data interpretation skills while working through a simulated laboratory situation.



Biology A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT4003/HSBT4004, HSBT4003D/HSBT4004D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for "D"

In Biology, students develop an appreciation for the living world. A brief history of biology followed by an investigation of the basic unit of life – the cell – prepares students for deeper research. Students explore topics concerning genetics, including meiosis, heredity, and DNA. Students consider natural selection, the origin of life theories, and the mechanics of evolution. An exploration of "little critters" such as bacteria precedes a study of plant structures, processes, and reproduction. Students inquire into animal behavior and characteristics as they study invertebrates, amphibians, reptiles, birds, and mammals, among others. An inspection of nutrition and disease leads students to examine human body systems. The course concludes with an analysis of the interdependence of living things in ecosystems.



Chemistry A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED4009/HSED4010

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for "D"

This inquiry- and lab-based course is designed to support modern science curriculum and teaching practices. It robustly meets NGSS learning standards associated with high school chemistry along with additional concepts and standards typically included in a full-year high school chemistry course. Content topics include atoms and elements, chemical bonding, chemical reactions, quantitative chemistry, molecular-level forces, solutions, and energy and changes in matter. It also addresses additional concepts and standards typically included in a full-year high school chemistry course, including molar concentrations, acid-base reactions, advanced stoichiometry, gas laws, and organic compounds. Each lesson includes one or more inquiry-based activities that can be performed online within the context of the lesson. In addition, the course includes a significant number of hands-on lab activities. Approximately 40% of student time in this course is devoted to true lab experiences, as defined by the National Research Council (2006, p. 3).

**Chemistry A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT4007/HSBT4008, HSBT4007D/HSBT4008D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “D”

A foundational branch of physical science, the principles and laws of chemistry find many applications in business, technology, health care, and other fields outside traditional scientific areas. Beginning with a look at measurements, calculations, data analysis, and the scientific method, students investigate the properties of elements, compounds, and mixtures. A survey of the history of theories of atomic structure leads students to MendeléeV’s periodic table and an inspection of the periodic law. Next, students apply atomic theory in the study of molecular and chemical bonding interactions through chemical formulas, reactions, and stoichiometry. Students’ knowledge expands as they learn about the states of matter, gas laws, solutions, acids and bases, thermochemistry and reaction kinetics, and oxidation-reduction reactions. The course concludes with inquiries into organic chemistry, biochemistry, and nuclear chemistry. Throughout the course, there are lab investigations, including video labs, to reinforce scientific concepts and skills.

**Earth Science A/B (Online – Edmentum)**

HSES475/HSES476

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

In the Earth Science course, students will delve into the intricacies of our planet as a dynamic system and recognize the significance of our role within it. They will explore the Solar System, examining the characteristics of stars, the sun, the moon, and the structure of galaxies. Through the application of the scientific method, students will seek answers to important questions. By studying Earth’s composition and its surroundings, they will develop an understanding of the profound impact humans can have on the future of our world. Upon completion of this course, students will be able to: describe the fundamental structure of Earth, explain the gradual formation of Earth’s landforms, analyze various types of maps and their features, comprehend the role of tectonic plate movements in shaping the planet, classify different types of volcanoes and examine the nature of volcanic eruptions, grasp the concept of the rock cycle and the formation of soil layers, and identify the processes involved in the transformation of rock into soil.

**Earth and Space Science A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED4013/HSED4014, HSES244/HSES245

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “D”

This inquiry- and lab-based course is designed to support modern science curriculum and teaching practices. It robustly meets NGSS learning standards associated with high school Earth and space science. Content topics include scientific processes and methods, the universe, the Precambrian Earth, the Earth’s materials and tectonics, the hydrosphere and atmosphere, and human interactions with the Earth’s systems and resources. Each lesson includes one or more inquiry-based activities that can be performed online within the context of the lesson. In addition, the course includes a significant number of hands-on lab activities. Approximately 40% of student time in this course is devoted to true lab experiences, as defined by the National Research Council (2006, p. 3).

Engineer Your World A/B CP

SGI1171/SGI1172

Credits: 10

10th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “D”

This course engages students in authentic engineering practices in a project-based environment. Students complete a series of socially relevant design challenges to develop engineering design skills and habits of mind. Students learn about engineering’s societal impact through exploration of past accomplishments; current and future challenges, and the interplay between science, technology, customer needs and evolving designs. They also learn about engineering disciplines and careers, the multidisciplinary nature of practice, and professional codes and standards to which engineer adhere. Also, students learn and employ the multi-step, iterative process that engineers use to design a product for specific customer needs. They learn to characterize the system using quantitative techniques common in the practice of engineering, enabling a deeper understanding of the system. Emphasis is placed on creating communication artifacts to ensure accurate interpretation by others, integrated product teams, and examples of successful engineering teams. Finally, students learn to use common tools and techniques that engineers employ to approach and solve problems and to manage projects.

**Environmental Systems A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT4009/HSBT4010, HSBT4009D/HSBT4010D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “D”

In Environmental Systems, students will learn about different Earth systems, how they interact with each other, and how humans impact these systems. Students will look at the scientific bases for land, water, atmosphere, and biosphere systems; discuss several environmental problems; analyze possible solutions; delve into laws already in existence, and discuss any possible future laws. Critical thinking will be required, as well as the ability to argue points from both sides of an issue. Throughout the course, there will be lab investigations, including video labs, to reinforce scientific concepts and skills.

**Integrated Physics & Chemistry A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT4011/HSBT4012, HSBT4001D/HSBT4012D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “D”

In Integrated Physics & Chemistry (IPC), students will learn many fascinating chemistry and physics concepts. Students will have a brief introduction to the scientific method, lab safety, and the metric system. The study of chemistry will begin with atomic theory and the Periodic Table, applying theory to develop chemical formulas and balance equations. The course will include investigations into

acids and bases, gas laws, and nuclear chemistry. Students will explore Newton's laws of motion and other physics concepts including mass, force, motion, velocity, acceleration, gravity, and energy. A study of electricity and magnetism, simple machines, the laws of thermodynamics, and energy waves will round out the physics portion of the course. Throughout the course, students will perform lab investigations, including video labs, to reinforce scientific concepts and skills.



Medical Microbiology A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT4013/HSBT4014, HSBT4013D/HSBT4014D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for "D"

Medical Microbiology explores the world of microorganisms that are responsible for causing illness. Students learn about the common bacteria, viruses, and protists that lead to sickness and disease in humans. Medical Microbiology delves into different ways these germs and diseases can spread from person to person, throughout a community, and eventually around the globe while discussing the best practices for stopping them from spreading. Students look into different medications and how they work to kill or slow the growth of different microorganisms. Students also research why some antibiotic medications are no longer effective against the bacteria that cause disease. Medical microbiology teaches laboratory skills, including how to effectively grow and isolate different colonies of microorganisms in Petri dishes.

Physical Science A/B CP

HS4026/HS4027

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for "D"

Upon successful completion of Physical Science, students will be able to communicate their findings using scientific observations, data collections and analyses. They will be able to use appropriate tools to perform investigations and understand how science is incorporated in our lives. In this semester of the course, students will focus on the chemical aspect of physical science. Students will understand characteristics of various materials and provide explanations of their behaviors by analyzing their molecular composition. Students will practice writing and validating scientific reports and justify their findings using graphs, tables and stoichiometric calculations to show their quantitative and qualitative data. Students will also gain the experience necessary to perform simple lab techniques such as measuring, filtering and diluting. Due to the high rigor of this class, knowledge of Algebra 1 is highly recommended.

Physical Science A/B GR

HS4034/HS4035

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

Upon successful completion of Physical Science, students will be able to communicate their findings using scientific observations, data collections and analyses. They will be able to use appropriate strategies to analyze and understand how science is incorporated in our lives. In this semester of the course, students will focus on the chemical aspect of physical science. Students will understand characteristics of various materials and provide explanations of their behaviors by analyzing their molecular composition. Students will practice writing and validating scientific reports and justify their findings using graphs, tables and stoichiometric calculations to show their quantitative and qualitative data. Students will observe and interact with computer simulations on acids and bases. Knowledge of Pre-Algebra is highly recommended.

Physics A/B CP

SGI1184/SGI1185

Credits: 10

10th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for "D"

In Physics A, students will explore the fundamental properties of motion and force. These areas include Newton's three laws, the conservation of momentum, impulse, kinematics, and dynamics. Students will also understand the types of energy involved in these processes and how they are transformed. Ultimately, students will be able to understand and explain the physical interactions that can occur everyday, such as in collisions. In Physics B, students will explore the characteristics of waves and their applications to the real world. Specifically, students will be able to acknowledge the various ranges of lengths of electromagnetic radiation and how they are vital for our everyday functioning. Students will also study the nature of electricity and magnetism and how they are related. Beyond these concepts, students will learn how to analyze and measure voltage and current in both parallel and perpendicular circuits. In addition, students will be able to utilize Snell's law in their understanding of light and Coulomb's law in their understanding of electrical forces.



Physics A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED4011/HSED4012, HSES206/HSES207

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for "D"

Physics introduces students to the physics of motion, properties of matter, force, heat, vector, light, and sound. Students learn the history of physics from the discoveries of Galileo and Newton to those of contemporary physicists. The course focuses more on explanation than calculation and prepares students for introductory quantitative physics at the college level. Additional areas of discussion include gases and liquids, atoms, electricity, magnetism, and nuclear physics.



Physics A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT4015/HSBT4016, HSBT4015D/HSBT4016D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for "D"

In Physics, students will learn concepts, including matter and energy, motion and force, speed, velocity, and acceleration in order to better understand how the universe behaves. A survey of the historical development of physics as a foundational branch of science will lead to the recognition of the contributions of Newton, Einstein, Planck, and others. Students will apply physics concepts as they study gravity and acceleration, momentum, motion, and energy. The concepts of work and power will become evident as students learn how machines use torque and force to accomplish work. Students will recognize the roles of each fundamental force and will investigate electrostatics, thermodynamics, waveforms, particles, and quantum physics. Following an examination of the nucleus, radioactivity, fission, and fusion, the course will conclude with the theories of special and general relativity. Throughout the course, there will be investigations, including video labs, to reinforce scientific concepts and skills.

Science – Electives

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes

Earth Science A/B

HS4016/HS4017

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

Students will be introduced to the field of earth science, be familiar with maps, and be acquainted with the concepts of rock and mineral composition, plate tectonics, and earthquakes. Students will be challenged to demonstrate their learning at different thinking levels such as interpretation, prediction, analysis, and evaluation. Earth Science A/B is valuable as an exploratory course for those interested in the scientific field or for those students seeking to increase their understanding of the earth. At the end of each unit there is a virtual laboratory assignment. The instructor can assist students with this portion of the unit.



Environmental Science A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9100/HSED9101

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In Environmental Science, Semester A, students will explore the significance of environmental science as an interdisciplinary field. They will examine the abiotic and biotic factors that shape ecosystems. The importance of biodiversity for organism survival and the roles of the food chain and food web in ecosystems will be discussed. Students will study ecological interactions and the concept of succession. The effects of climate change and various forms of adaptation will be explored. Additionally, the water cycle and the cycling of carbon, oxygen, nitrogen, and phosphorous in the global environment will be examined. In Environmental Science, Semester B, students will delve into the factors influencing populations. They will analyze human population growth and its consequences. The unequal distribution of natural resources on Earth and the factors contributing to it will be explained. Waste management will be discussed, along with different types of pollution and methods for pollution control. Various nonrenewable and renewable energy sources will be introduced. Furthermore, students will learn about the benefits of environmental policies and identify the factors influencing sustainable development.



Foundations of Green Energy A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9171/9172

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Foundations of Green Energy is a two-semester course that is designed to provide students with an in-depth understanding of the science, technologies, and career opportunities within the rapidly expanding and evolving energy industry. The course focuses on the study of electrical energy and explores emerging energy technologies. It is specifically tailored to meet the state standards associated with STEM studies in the field of energy. The course content aligns with the Energy Industry Fundamentals Certificate Program (EIFCP) standards, which have been developed by the Center for Energy Workforce Development (CEWD). Through this course, students will gain valuable knowledge and skills that will prepare them for future success in the dynamic and growing field of green energy.



Introduction to Astronomy CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9026, HSES436

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In Introduction to Astronomy, students will explore the captivating history of astronomy, spanning from ancient civilizations to the present day. The course delves into the celestial movements of the Sun, Moon, planets, and stars, enabling students to comprehend their patterns across the sky. Additionally, students will gain an understanding of the solar system’s formation, as well as the vital roles played by the Sun and Moon within it. The causes behind Earth’s seasons and the factors contributing to the existence of life on our planet will be thoroughly discussed. Furthermore, students will delve into the intriguing realm of stars, galaxies, and the awe-inspiring structure known as the Milky Way. The course also covers various theories of cosmology, providing students with insights into our understanding of the universe. Lastly, the advantages and disadvantages of space exploration will be explored, fostering critical thinking and awareness of the exploration’s impact.



Introduction to Forensic Science CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9022, HSES303

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course is designed to introduce students to the importance and limitations of forensic science and explore different career options in this field. They also learn to process a crime scene, collect and preserve evidence, and analyze biological evidence such as fingerprints, blood spatter, and DNA samples. Moreover, they learn to determine the time and cause of death in homicides and analyze ballistic evidence and human remains in a crime scene. Finally, they learn about forensic investigative methods related to arson, computer crimes, financial crimes, frauds, and forgeries.

**Introduction to Marine Biology CP (Online – Edmentum)***HSED9023, HSES437**Credits: 5**9th–12th Grade**CSU/UC Approved for “G”*

This one-semester course is intended to help familiarize students themselves with the knowledge and skills required for a career in marine biology. In the Introduction to Marine Biology course students will explore the fundamental concepts of marine biology. They will learn about the formation and characteristic features of the oceans. They will also learn about the scientific method and explore careers available in marine biology. The course will introduce them to the characteristic features of different taxonomic groups found in the ocean. Students will learn about the different habitats, life forms, and ecosystems that exist in the oceans and explore the different types of adaptations marine creatures possess to survive in the ocean. They will learn about succession and the flow of energy in marine ecosystems. Finally, students will also learn about the resources that the oceans provide and the threats that the oceans face from human activities.

**Introduction to Veterinary Science CP (Online – Edmentum)***HSED9028, HSES302**Credits: 5**9th–12th Grade**CSU/UC Approved for “G”*

In the Introduction to Veterinary Science course, students will embark on a comprehensive exploration of the captivating history of veterinary science. The course provides valuable insights into the essential skills and requirements necessary for a successful career in the veterinary industry. Students will delve into the intricate physiology and anatomy of animals, equipping them with the knowledge to evaluate and assess animal health effectively. Through engaging coursework, students will gain expertise in diagnosing and treating both infectious and noninfectious diseases that commonly affect animals. Furthermore, the course covers the crucial topic of zoonotic diseases, highlighting the interconnectedness between animal and human health. Additionally, students will study the profound impact of toxins and poisons on animal well-being, fostering a comprehensive understanding of the potential threats to animal health.

**Physical Science A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)***HSED4017/HSED4018 9th–12th Grade**Credits: 10**CSU/UC Approved for “G”*

In this course, students will identify and describe the chemical composition and properties of substances. Additionally, they will study the interactions between matter and energy in physical contexts. Throughout the course, students will apply their reasoning skills through investigation and the principles of the scientific method. In the second semester, students will study different forms of energy and their application in science and industry. Additionally, they will study forces on objects and the motions they produce.

**Revolutionary Ideas in Science CP (Online – Edmentum)***HSED9170, HSES504**Credits: 5**9th–12th Grade**CSU/UC Approved for “G”*

This one-semester course is a guide to help students understand the history of science from prehistoric to modern times. They will learn about inventions and discoveries in various fields of science, such as physics, chemistry, biology, genetics, computer science, Earth sciences, and astronomy.



Electives – World Language

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



American Sign Language 1 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6025/HSED6026, HSES494/HSES495

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

American Sign Language (ASL) holds the distinction of being the third most widely used language in North America. American Sign Language 1 offers an engaging introduction to ASL vocabulary and the formation of basic sentences, empowering learners to initiate communication from the outset. Crucially, this course also delves into the rich tapestry of Deaf culture, encompassing social beliefs, traditions, history, values, and the vibrant communities shaped by deafness. Through the Learn to Sign course, students will further develop their proficiency in ASL and deepen their understanding of its grammatical structures. Expanding their repertoire of signs, students will explore captivating topics such as Deaf education and the diverse realm of Deaf arts and culture.



American Sign Language 2 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6027/HSED6028, HSES507/HSES508

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

In American Sign Language 2, students will have the opportunity to explore vocabulary essential for shopping, making purchases, and managing emergencies. Building upon the foundational knowledge acquired in the prerequisite course, students will advance their communication skills and deepen their understanding of deaf culture. They will delve into topics such as classifiers, glossing, and mouth morphemes, which will enable them to give descriptions and provide directions effectively. By expanding upon the previous prerequisite course, students will enhance their proficiency in signing by studying sequencing, transitions, role-shifts, and future tenses. Moreover, they will develop the ability to tell stories and ask questions, gaining a greater appreciation for deaf culture. Throughout the course, emphasis will be placed on improving speed, engaging in conversations, refining signing skills, and fostering cultural awareness.



American Sign Language 3 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6029, HSES509, HSED6030, HSES533

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

In American Sign Language 3, students will have the opportunity to delve deeper into the intricacies of ASL signing, including advanced grammar features, classifiers, and locatives. They will engage in learning, composing, and presenting vocabulary and narratives, immersing themselves in the vibrant Deaf culture and community. The course will explore various aspects of Deaf culture, including opinions, slang, idioms, and the use of technology and media to gain authentic Deaf perspectives. Students will also examine how travel, cultural differences, and geography influence sign language. Additionally, the course will provide insights into significant events and topics in Deaf culture, such as education, science, and literature, further enriching students’ understanding of Deaf culture and enhancing their signing skills.



French 1 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6009/HSED6010, HSES218/HSES219

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

These courses are based on a researched scope and sequence that covers the essential concepts of French. Class discussions provide an opportunity for discourse on specific topics in French. A key support tool is the Audio Recording Tool that enables students to learn a critical skill for French: listening and speaking. Beginning with learning personal greetings and continuing through practical communications exchanges, French 1B introduces students to the skills necessary to make the most of traveling to French-speaking countries.



French 2 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6011/HSED6012, HSES220/HSES221

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

Prerequisite: French 1

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

Each of these semesters is designed to build on the principles mastered in French 1 and use a combination of online curriculum, electronic learning activities, and supporting interactive activities to fully engage learners. Unit pretests, post-tests, and end-of-semester tests identify strengths and weaknesses, helping to create a more personalized and effective learning experience. As with French 1,

these 90-day courses emphasize practical communication skills while also building intercultural awareness and sensitivity.



German 1 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6021/HSED6022

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

In German 1 Sem A, students will be introduced to several common situations in which people communicate, such as exchanging names and greetings, describing people by physical and personality traits, and describing family members and aspects of your social life. They will start with basic sentence structures and grammatical tools, and communicate by listening, speaking, reading, and writing in German as they internalize new vocabulary and grammar. They’ll also learn about some regions of the German speaking world that the central characters of each unit are visiting. Students will build on this semester’s work as they advance in their German studies: everything that they learn about a language and the cultures in which it is spoken will serve as a foundation for further learning. In German 1 Sem B, student will be introduced to several common situations in which people describe how to earn, save, and manage money, modes of urban transportation, various seasons and the associated weather conditions, food, clothes, and activities. They’ll also describe various art forms, plays, concerts, and movies. They’ll discuss health and well-being, and travel and tourism. Students will build on what they learned in the German 1 Sem A course to communicate by listening, speaking, reading, and writing in German as they internalize new vocabulary and grammar. They’ll also learn about some regions of the German-speaking world that the central characters of each unit are visiting. Students will build on this semester’s work as they advance in your German studies: everything that they learn about a language and the cultures in which it is spoken will serve as a foundation for further learning.



German 2 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6023/HSED6024

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

Prerequisite: German 1

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

In German 2 Sem A, Student will be reintroduced to German in common situations, beginning with describing classes, school friends, teachers, and school supplies. They’ll discuss different styles of dressing, housing and neighborhoods, and learn about relationships between family members and friends, students and teachers, and employees and employer. They’ll also describe daily personal routines and schedules, household chores, and family responsibilities. Finally, they’ll discuss different types of cuisine, dining establishments, and dining etiquette. They’ll build on what they learned in the German 1 Sem B course to communicate by listening, speaking, reading, and writing in German as they internalize new vocabulary and grammar. Students will also learn about some regions of the German-speaking world where the central characters of each unit are visiting. They will build on this semester’s work as they advance in their German studies: everything that they learn about a language and the cultures in which it is spoken will serve as a foundation for further learning. In German 2 Sem B, Students will be reintroduced to German in common situations, beginning with various professions and career plans for the future. They’ll discuss traveling to various regions and the flora and fauna found in each region and describe types of trips, including road trips, camping, and ecotourism. They’ll also describe hobbies, activities, and crafts that people enjoy. Finally, they’ll discuss medical specialists, including dentists and veterinarians, and symptoms related to illness and injury. They’ll build on what they learned in the German 2 Sem A course to communicate by listening, speaking, reading, and writing in German as they internalize new vocabulary and grammar. Student will also learn about some regions of the German-speaking world where the central characters of each unit are visiting. They will build on this semester’s work as they advance in their German studies: everything that they learn about a language and the cultures in which it is spoken will serve as a foundation for further learning.

Spanish 1 A/B CP

HS6016, HS6017

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

This course provides an introduction to the language and cultures of Spain and Latin America. Students will develop basic listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills necessary to communicate about self, family and daily life, as well as basic survival needs. They will also explore cultural aspects of the Spanish-speaking world.



Spanish 1 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6001/HSED6002, HSES212/HSES213

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

In Spanish 1, students will be introduced to various common communication situations, including exchanging names and greetings, describing people based on physical and personality traits, and discussing family members and aspects of social life. They will begin by learning basic sentence structures and grammatical tools, enabling them to listen, speak, read, and write in Spanish while internalizing new vocabulary and grammar concepts. Throughout the course, students will also explore different regions of the Spanish-speaking world through the experiences of central characters in each unit. As students progress in their Spanish studies, they will continue to build upon the knowledge and cultural understanding gained, laying a strong foundation for further language learning.

Spanish 2 A/B CP

HS6049, HS6050

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

Prerequisite: Spanish 1

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

Spanish 2 is designed to review and build upon material presented in Spanish I. The activities provided are designed to increase the

student's proficiency in the four basic skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing. The program utilizes small group activities and students' involvement. It presents a more complex structure and awareness of the Spanish culture. Success in this class depends heavily on the student's cooperation, participation, curiosity and consistent practice in and out of class.



Spanish 2 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6003/HSED6004, HSES214/HSES215

9th–12th Grade

Prerequisite: Spanish 1

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

Spanish 2A and B utilize three assessment tools that are designed specifically to address communication using the target language: lesson activities, Unit Activities, and Discussions. These tools help ensure language and concept mastery as students grow in their understanding and use of Spanish. Learning games specifically designed for language learning are used and can be accessed on a wide variety of devices.



Spanish 3 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6005/HSED6006, HSES216/HSES217

9th–12th Grade

Prerequisite: Spanish 2

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

Credits: 10

Spanish 3A and B take a unique approach by setting the lessons in each unit in a specific Spanish-speaking locale, immersing students in the language and in a variety of Hispanic cultures and issues. For example, Unit 5 in Semester B includes a discussion of the environmental issues in Argentina. Concluding the three-year cycle of Spanish courses, Spanish 3A and B effectively combine group and individual learning and offer activities and assessments to keep students engaged and on track.



First-Year French, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6012D/HSBT6013D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

Students will work toward proficiency at a Novice-Low ACTFL level in the following topics: greeting others, introducing themselves, saying the alphabet, answering basic questions, telling time, and talking about destinations and where they are going. Additionally, they will be able to briefly talk about friends, family, pets, home, important dates, seasons, toys, games, food, and colors. Students learn basic conversation skills for inside a post office, in a pharmacy, and at a French dinner table. Several French-speaking regions are also highlighted. This course features interactive elements: live one-on-one speaking appointments, a student discussion board, and an instructor-hosted wiki.(instructor to be provided by the school) There is a strong emphasis on learning to speak the language, as well as reading and writing it. Additionally, there is an emphasis on gaining cultural understanding.



Second-Year French, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6014D/HSBT6015D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

Students will continue to learn to communicate in French; reading, writing, speaking, and culture will be stressed. Students will review and enlarge their vocabularies; study holidays, professions, history, and literature; and practice grammar and writing. This course features interactive elements: live one-on-one speaking appointments, a student discussion board, and an instructor-hosted wiki. (instructor to be provided by the school) There is strong emphasis on learning to speak the language, as well as reading and writing it.



First-Year German, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6016D/HSBT6017D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

In this course students will learn to speak, read, write, understand German, and learn to focus on how they personally learn. Students will also learn about cultural elements pertaining to German speaking countries such as culture, history, geography, and lifestyle. Students review basic German as well as learn more vocabulary and grammatical principles through German Märchen (fairy tales). Students hear, read, speak, and write basic German in a context that is cheery rather than Grimm. This course includes authentic teaching materials such as popular YouTube videos, pop music, and texts. This course features interactive elements such as: live one-on-one speaking appointments with TAs and instructor, an instructor-hosted wiki, and writing to a fictitious German pen pal.



Second-Year German, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6018D/HSBT6019D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

Students will expand their vocabularies and study more advanced grammatical structures that will lead to effective handling of social situations. Students will continue to gain familiarity with German life and customs. This course offers students the opportunity to continue to develop their emerging German fluency and to improve their mastery of important German structures and vocabulary. As they work their way through the course, students will explore many topics and practice reflexive verbs, relative pronouns, the perfect and preterit tenses, and case endings. This course features interactive elements: live one-on-one speaking appointments, a student discussion board, and an instructor-hosted wiki.(instructor to be provided by the school) There is strong emphasis on learning to speak

the language as well as read and write it.



First-Year Japanese, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6020D/HSBT6021D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

Students will expand their vocabularies and study more advanced grammatical structures that will lead to effective handling of social situations. Students will continue to gain familiarity with German life and customs. This course offers students the opportunity to continue to develop their emerging German fluency and to improve their mastery of important German structures and vocabulary. As they work their way through the course, students will explore many topics and practice reflexive verbs, relative pronouns, the perfect and preterit tenses, and case endings. This course features interactive elements: live one-on-one speaking appointments, a student discussion board, and an instructor-hosted wiki. (instructor to be provided by the school) There is strong emphasis on learning to speak the language as well as read and write it.



Second-Year Japanese, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6022D/HSBT6023D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

This course enables students to obtain a greater oral proficiency while increasing their ability to read and write katakana words. Special attention is given to identifying and conjugating verb tenses and situational vocabulary. This course helps students develop and expand their knowledge base in Japanese by covering aspects of daily life, Japanese culture, and more advanced vocabulary and grammar concepts. Students will discover an increased ability to communicate as their vocabulary and grammar knowledge increase. This course also features interactive elements: live one-on-one speaking appointments, a student discussion board, and an instructor-hosted wiki. There is strong emphasis on speaking, as well as reading and writing, in this course.



First-Year Korean, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6024D/HSBT6025D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

This introductory Korean course familiarizes students with Hangeul (the phonetic system), basic grammar, foundational vocabulary, discourse, reading, and culture. Also, this beginning course helps students build basic language skills—speaking, hearing, reading, and writing—and broaden their understanding of Korean culture and communicate simple ideas in Korean. By the end of the course, they can talk about shopping, a typical day, weekend activities, and the culture and lifestyle of Seoul, Korea. This course features the Conversation Café, a live virtual classroom where students practice their language skills and participate in one-on-one speaking appointments.



Second-Year Korean, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6026D/HSBT6027D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

This course will enable students to build basic language skills (speaking, hearing, reading, and writing), broaden their understanding of Korean culture, and increase their ability to communicate simple ideas in the Korean language. By the end of the course, students will be able to talk about parties, family relationships, living in a dormitory, conversations with professors, airports, shops, restaurants and conversations on the telephone. They will also be able to talk about hobbies.



First-Year Latin, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6028D/HSBT6029D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

First-Year Latin teaches basic grammar, pronunciation, vocabulary, and reading skills as well as Latin influences on the English language. It also includes translations that focus on the mythology, culture, and history of Rome. Students will learn III, III-io, and IV conjugations; third declension and relative pronouns; and Latin vocabulary. Through translation, they will learn the stories of Aeneas and Odysseus (Ulysses). These stories are taken from Virgil’s Aeneid and Homer’s Odyssey. The study of Latin will also improve English vocabulary.



Second-Year Latin, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6030D/HSBT6031D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

As students continue to expand their Latin vocabulary, they will learn to use the fourth and fifth declensions, compare adjectives and adverbs, and apply infinitives. They will also receive an introduction to the subjunctive mood. Through translation, students will learn about the Roman gods and the legendary and real heroes of the Roman Empire. The study of Latin will also improve English vocabulary. They will study the subjunctive verb, irregular verbs, gerunds and gerundives, and the many uses of the ablative and dative cases. The study of Latin will also improve English vocabulary. Through translation, students will travel with two fictional young Roman boys to Greece. This course also allows students to explore Roman history. When they complete this course, students should be ready to begin studying the writings of ancient Romans.

**First-Year Russian, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT6032D/HSBT6033D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

In this introduction to Russian language, culture, and history, students will develop basic skills in speaking, listening, reading, and writing. They will be introduced to basic grammar concepts, vocabulary, and cultural highlights. Interactive elements include live instructor-led orientations and weekly lesson review activities, live one-on-one speaking appointments, a student discussion board, and an instructor-hosted wiki. There is a strong emphasis on learning to speak the language as well as read and write it.

**Second-Year Russian, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT6034D/HSBT6035D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

This course will help students become conversational in the most common topics—expressing opinions, going places, transportation, discussing sports, and describing location. In this course, students will be introduced to the dative case, which can be used to ask permission. Students will also begin using the instrumental case; this will enable them to talk about doing activities with others or going places with people. Other topics include telling time, using the word “whose,” and a review of the nominative, accusative, and genitive cases. There are also cultural highlights through which students will learn more about Russia and the Russian people. This course will help students become conversational in the most common topics—discussing the weather and different seasons in the year, telling age, and sharing what each student wants to be when he or she grows up. In this course, students will continue using the dative case, which is used to talk about age. Students will also see the instrumental case again; this will aid them as they talk about what occupies their time and what they want to become. Last, students will learn how to use every child’s favorite two words, why and because.

**First-Year Spanish, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT6036D/HSBT6037D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

This introductory Spanish course focuses on Hispanic and Latino culture and is structured to help students begin conversing almost immediately in Spanish. Students will practice speaking, reading, writing, pronunciation, and grammar within the context of familiar topics.

**Second-Year Spanish, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT6038D/HSBT6039D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

Building on the skills that students developed during their second year of Spanish, students will focus on speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills, with appropriate grammatical principles as well as additional insights into culture (focusing on Colombia, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Venezuela, Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, and Honduras). Conversation practice happens in the Conversation Café, where students will interact with other students and course teaching assistants. This Spanish course includes many interactive activities and also includes an instructor-hosted wiki and live one-on-one speaking appointments.

**Third-Year Spanish, Part 1 & Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT6040D/HSBT6041D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “E”

Building on the skills that students developed during their second year of Spanish, students will focus on speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills, with appropriate grammatical principles as well as additional insights into culture (focusing on Colombia, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Venezuela, Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, and Honduras). Conversation practice happens in the Conversation Café, where students will interact with other students and course teaching assistants. This Spanish course includes many interactive activities and also includes an instructor-hosted wiki and live one-on-one speaking appointments.



Electives – Physical Education

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



Lifetime Fitness & Wellness Pursuits A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT5001/HSBT5002, HSBT5001D/HS5002D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Lifetime Fitness & Wellness Pursuits guides the student through a variety of topics relating to physical activities and methods for pursuing a healthy lifestyle. This course is structured to provide both academic knowledge relating to fitness and participation in a variety of physical activities. Subjects studied include biomechanical principles, fitness and equipment safety, anaerobic and aerobic exercises, hydration best practices, social and emotional health, and more. Fitness projects focus on topics including power, speed, reaction time, cardiovascular health, teamwork, and warm-up and cool-down techniques. Finally, the student will develop both personal nutrition and fitness plans to be consistently utilized within daily life.

Physical Education 1/2/3/4

HS5001/HS5012/HS5013/HS5014

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Upon completion of this course, students will have participated in a variety of sports. In addition, students will learn about a specific sport and discuss aspects of that sport in current news. This class will familiarize students with activities that might be suitable for lifelong recreation and physical fitness.

Physical Education 1/2 (2024)

HS5080/HS5081

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Physical Fitness is one of the most crucial core concepts to building a healthy life. Most of the time physical fitness is seen as hard and rigorous physical activities such as running, doing push ups, crunches or other widely recognized workout activities, when in reality these are only components of it. By the end of this class, you will be able to recognize that physical activity is everywhere and many daily activities can be considered physical activity. This class is meant to show you how taking small steps towards a healthier lifestyle can benefit yourself in the long run significantly. Physical Fitness 2 will help you strengthen skills learned in Physical Fitness 1 as well as create a solid foundation role of individual attitude, motivation, and determination in achieving personal satisfaction from challenging physical activities. All units will encourage you to identify leadership skills, perform planned leadership assignments, and assume spontaneous leadership roles.



Physical Education (Online – Edmentum)

HSED5001, HSES277

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course includes topics in getting active, improving physical performance, and lifestyle considerations. Unit activities elevate students' self-awareness of their health and well-being while examining topics such as diet and mental health and exploring websites and other resources. In addition to being effective as a stand-alone course, the components can be easily integrated into other health and wellness courses.



Physical Education 2/3/4 (Online – Edmentum)

HSED5002/HSED5003/HSED5004

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Upon completion of this course, students will have participated in a variety of sports. In addition, students will learn about a specific sport and discuss aspects of that sport in current news. This class will familiarize students with activities that might be suitable for lifelong recreation and physical fitness.



Electives – Health

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes

Food and Nutrition

HS8033

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course will discuss health issues and concerns of students. Students will examine topics such as the impact and influence of food choices and practices of good nutrition, Dietary Guidelines for Americans, the impact and importance of calories, the dangers, effects, and treatments of eating disorders, safety issues, and basic first aid in the kitchen. Students will also explore the different parts of any given recipe, which includes language and the methods of measuring out ingredients. Students will expand on the notion of creating a meal that has appeal, limited to resources available to students, and the luxury of convenience foods. Students will learn smart shopping, shopping with a plan, creating a shopping list, ways to save money, reading the labels on the food products, and understanding the Universal Product Code. They will also discuss food groups and the four food groups from the Food Pyramid Guide. Students will also study types of dairy products, cultured products, frozen dairy desserts, cheeses, and butter. Lastly, the students will discuss and explore how to buy, store, prepare and cook meats, fish, poultry, and desserts.

Health A/B

HS7045/HS7046

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

Health A will concentrate on the concepts of wellness, health risks, personality, mental health, self-esteem, and expression of emotions. Students will also be exposed to an understanding of stress, responses to stress, and stress management. Students will study family roles and changes in family structures which have occurred. Also explored in this course are human reproduction, heredity, and human development. This course shall conclude with lessons in nutrition, malnutrition, diet planning, and being a wise consumer regarding food choices. HS Health has been updated to include required instruction on HIV/AIDS prevention education and affirmative consent. The course now includes medically accurate instruction on the nature of HIV/AIDS and its effects, methods of transmission, strategies to reduce the risk of infection, and social and public health issues related to HIV/AIDS. In addition, students will study the effectiveness and safety of all FDA-approved contraceptive methods in preventing unplanned pregnancy. High school students will be provided the knowledge and skills to form healthy relationships free from violence, coercion, and intimidation with a comprehensive study of affirmative consent/“Yes Means Yes”. Lastly, students will be instructed on hands-only CPR training and the Automated External Defibrillator (AED), and demonstrate hands-only CPR with an on-site CPR manikin. Health B, has a focus on the human skeletal, muscular, nervous, respiratory, and cardiovascular systems. Students will explore the elements of physical fitness and the importance of suitable exercise programs. An area of emphasis in Health B will highlight the use and abuse of prescription and illegal drugs. Students shall explore the body’s effect of alcohol use and abuse and issues regarding social pressures to consume alcohol. Also studied is the harmful effects of all tobacco products. Another area of emphasis in this course is the human immune system and its response to infectious and noninfectious diseases. Finally, this course shall conclude with lessons about environmental pollution and the healthcare system.



Health A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED7005, HSES294

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course aims to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of their role in maintaining lifelong health. The course encompasses various topics, including nutritional facts and guidelines, the influence of lifestyle on overall well-being, and the advantages of engaging in physical activity. Students will explore life-saving techniques and emergency procedures, as well as strategies for disease prevention and injury avoidance. Moreover, the course will examine the detrimental effects of substance abuse and emphasize the significance of maintaining optimal mental and emotional health. By the end of the course, students will be equipped with the knowledge and tools necessary to make informed decisions about their health and well-being.



Health A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT7001, HSBT7001D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

High School Health I is a course focused on empowering late adolescents with skills and knowledge in order to maximize healthy decision-making. The course will allow students to explore a general approach to topics, such as nutrition and fitness, disease prevention, healthy risk-taking, health services, drug-use prevention, STDs, and abstinence. Students will focus on ways to maximize their physical, emotional, and social health. This is accomplished by promoting healthy relationships with family and

peers, understanding the health risks of drug use and sexual activity, all the while providing skills for avoiding unhealthy decisions. Throughout this half-credit course, students will become empowered as agents over the future of their own health.



Nutrition and Wellness CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9024, HSES427

Credits: 5

This one-semester course is intended as a practical, hands-on guide. This course will cover basic knowledge about nutrition and wellness such as basic concepts of nutrition, the digestive and metabolic processes, nutrient requirements, dietary guidelines, importance of physical fitness, community health issues, food management, and careers in the field of nutrition and wellness.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Electives – Visual and Performing Arts

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



Audio/Video Production I A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT6005D/HSBT6006D

Credits: 10

Audio/Video Production I explores foundational principles in both audio design and video production. This course is broken down into four primary sections: pre production, principal photography, post production, and career preparation/portfolio development. Each section focuses on the primary elements found in each phase of production. Preproduction explores topics such as script and storyboard development, production documents, and production planning. Principal photography analyzes key crew roles associated with audio and video production, like the director, sound designer, producer, and actors, as well as shooting techniques, camera gear, and on-set safety. Post production delves into topics such as video editing, copyright laws, and sound mixing and design. The course concludes by having the student create an audio/video portfolio, résumé, and cover letter to prepare for entry into college and the professional world.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

Art History A/B CP

HS6009/HS6010

Credits: 10

This sequential course will introduce students to the building blocks of visual art: aesthetic elements and principles. The course also surveys prehistoric art, the arts of the Mediterranean cultures, Asia, and Africa. Students will learn that the evolution of our common visual vocabulary is not an irrelevant artifact of the past, but rather an evolving language that we use every day. Students will understand how artists of varied cultures throughout human history have employed visual elements and principles to create unique and effective works of art. Art History B will introduce students to Early Christian, Byzantine, and Islamic Art and the evolution of the arts in Europe from Medieval Art through Modern Art. Students will learn how the history of the visual arts evolved in concert with political, social, and religious human events. Students who complete this course will have the ability to interpret both historical and contemporary visual artworks. Lessons will include textbook readings, analytical writing, art production exercises, and research tasks.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “F”



Art History and Appreciation (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6018/HSES463

Credits: 5

Art has played a significant role in civilizations throughout history, serving as a reflection of their values and beliefs. By studying art, one can gain insights into the cultures and societies that produced it. This course explores various art forms, techniques, and processes, while also examining the cultural functions of prehistoric, Egyptian, Greek, Roman, early Christian, Islamic, Indian, Chinese, Japanese, African, American Indian, and Latin American art. It delves into the influence of the Reformation period on art, the principles of Baroque art and architecture, and the impact of visual technologies on art after the Renaissance. The course also explores the connections between art and science, art and politics, and the principles of modern art in relation to modern culture. Additionally, it covers developments in modern architecture and pre-digital visual culture from the 1950s to the end of the 20th century. By the end of the course, students will have a comprehensive understanding of art’s historical and cultural significance.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Art History A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT6003/HSBT6004, HSBT6003D/HSBT6004D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

Art History will help students develop skills to recognize and appreciate the diversity of art. Students will begin with prehistoric and ancient art before progressing to the classical art of the Greeks and Romans. Students will survey medieval art before exploring the Renaissance. The use of light and shadow to evoke emotion during the Baroque period will impress students, as will the whimsical style of the Rococo period. Students will contrast the Neoclassical return to idealized subjects with the Romantic era's imagination. Appreciation of art will grow as students study Impressionist and Post- Impressionist artists such as Monet and Van Gogh. The course will conclude with students tracing modern art movements, including expressionism and minimalism, as well as conceptual art and artists, including Rodin, Picasso, Mondrian, and O'Keeffe.

Arts and Crafts A/B

HSAC01/HSAC02

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

Arts and Crafts begins by focusing on the elements of art and the color wheel. Students eventually progress to learning about the principles of art and how to apply them to various works of art. Students will learn about various artists and their crafts, and mimic some of the art styles by creating artwork of their own throughout each unit. Students will learn how to critically analyze various pieces of famous artwork. By the end of the last unit, the student will have gathered a portfolio of artwork which they will share with their instructor for evaluation.



Basic Clothing Construction (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6007D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for "F"

This course introduces students to the basic principles and skills required to sew, including design concepts, selecting and preparing patterns, operating sewing equipment, and completing a sewing project. Students in Clothing Construction will submit a portfolio of work to the instructor for a grade.

Basic Drawing

HS6011

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course explores a variety of drawing techniques in sequential order of complexity. Skill-building emphasis is placed on mastering basic drawing shapes and developing creative thinking through imaginative expression. In addition, students learn to translate the world around them through perceptive, believable drawings.

Careers in Visual Arts A/B CP

HS6511/HS6512

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for "F"

In this course, Students will have a strong foundation in observing, interpreting, critiquing, discussing and producing art. They will have gained experience in creating expressive two- and three-dimensional works of art using a variety of media. At the end of the yearlong course, students will be fluent in art and industry-specific vocabulary, able to create, analyze, and judge works of art, knowledgeable about the importance of art within various cultures, prepared to apply the skills they have practiced throughout the year to multiple artistic careers, educated on how to share their art with larger artistic and professional communities, and informed of the multitude of career pathways within the Visual Arts Industry.

Cartooning

HS6012

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course consists of a sequence of drawing exercises to give students the opportunity to explore the art and craft of cartooning and develop creative solutions for the many inherent challenges of the art form. By the end of the course, each student will have a notebook filled with original drawings of cartoon characters and the magical worlds they live in, as well as hundreds of ideas for developing more. Note: This course is particularly designed for students who really enjoy drawing.

Digital and interactive Media A/B CP

HSED9058/HSED9059, HSES496/HSES497

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for "G"

Semester one is intended as a practical, hands-on guide to help you understand the concepts of digital and interactive media. This course will cover careers, training, and emerging technologies in digital media. This course familiarizes you with the concepts involved in digital media, such as graphic design, digital photography, principles of design, and digital printing. This course also covers copyright laws and fair use involved in digital media. Semester two is intended to help you understand the concepts related to digital communication systems, audio and video production, multimedia, animation, and digital publishing. This course will cover digital communication systems, audio and video technologies, covering digital media design, multimedia, and animation. In addition, this course teaches you how to create a web page, publish digital products, and create a digital portfolio.



Digital Photography (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6008D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for "F"

This course is an introduction to digital photography and teaches students effective camera and editing software use, artistic design, processing and careers, with a brief history of photography.



Drawing (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6009D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

This course helps students learn principles and develop skill in drawing techniques, taking inspiration from art history. By the end of this course, we expect students to have a solid foundation which they can use to effectively express creativity through drawing or other artistic endeavors.

Film Analysis A/B CP

HS6037/HS6038

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

Film Analysis will offer students the opportunity to become familiar with film history and the diversity of cinema through viewing and analyzing a selection of films from the most important genres. Genre is another word for category and is the term used in film studies to describe the different types of films. Students will explore twenty-one genres spread across ten units. Each film genre focuses on a category of filmmaking spanning different filmmakers, time periods, styles and even subgenres. Some genres are quite general—like drama—and include a vast array of films and other subgenres; while some genres are quite specific—like fantasy—and include a smaller selection of films. Students will come out of this course with a solid understanding of film history and new insight about the major genres of film.

Film Analysis A/B CP (2024)

HS6103/6104

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

The Film Analysis course will offer students the opportunity to become familiar with the film industry of both past and present. Students will analyze a diversity of cinematic films through a unique lens - movies that have had impacts in various ways. Through very specific categorical designations, students will watch various types of films while analyzing the social, business, and ethical impact of these films and the film industry. In each designated category, students will engage in scholarly and analytical reading, reflect on said reading, and write critically about how each of their viewed films fit these social, business, and ethical norms. Additionally, students will learn both broad and specific film and film business vocabulary and will be expected to use this language in all of their writings and projects. Students will watch a total of 20 films in 10 designated categories. Students will be assessed on their completed “film maps” and the performance tasks they must complete for each category. Rubrics will be used to ensure that students relate their written, audio, and other creative content back to the theme exploration and newly learned vocabulary.



Graphic Design & Illustration A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6007/HSED6008, HSES388/HSES389

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

This course serves as a practical and interactive guide for individuals interested in graphic design. It provides comprehensive coverage of key concepts, including graphic design principles, image creation, and image manipulation techniques. The course explores potential career paths within the graphic design field, as well as the necessary training and skills required for success. Students will learn how to effectively utilize color and typography in image creation, along with methods for manipulating images. Additionally, the course emphasizes the importance of design elements and principles in creating visually appealing images. Ethical considerations and copyright laws related to the use of graphic design are also addressed to ensure responsible and professional practices.



Interior Design (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6010D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

This course is an introduction to interior design. Students will learn the fundamentals of design and their application to interiors as they create designs and share them with their peers.

Intermediate Drawing

HS60ID

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Intermediate Drawing focuses on the elements of drawing and using the various mediums of drawing. Students learn about the basic principles of drawing including perspective, tonal ranges, shape, proportion and composition. Students will learn such techniques as how to draw the figure, sketching landscapes in the outdoors, creating medium tone drawings, and capturing a still life. By the end of the last unit, the student will have gathered a portfolio of artwork which they will share with their instructor for evaluation.

Intro to Plays and Theater CP

HS6031

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

Introduction to Plays and Theater is the study of drama, a story that is written to be performed in front of an audience. In this course the student will be learning the techniques involved in writing drama. These include setting, plot, character development, conflict, props, play structure, dialogue, symbolism, and theme.



Introduction to Music (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT6011D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

This comprehensive introduction to music begins with basic musicianship and evolves into music history, covering genres from the Medieval period through current Western popular music. Musical theater and art music from India and Bali will also be addressed.



Introduction to Visual Arts CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6016, HSES378

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

This course is intended for students to familiarize themselves with different types of visual arts. This course has 16 lessons and 5 Course Activities. Each lesson contains one or more Lesson Activities. In Introduction to Visual Arts, students will trace the history of art and describe various art forms. They will identify the elements of art and examine the principles of design. Students will analyze the parameters in evaluating and critiquing art. They will examine copyright laws and discuss the ethical use of art.



Music Appreciation CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6015, HSES262

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

The music appreciation course is a one-semester elective that provides a practical and interactive introduction to music. Students will learn about the fundamental elements and patterns of music, as well as different aspects of musical notation. The course covers the history and evolution of music from the Middle Ages to the modern era, emphasizing its impact on society and culture. Students will also study compositional techniques and expressive devices to enhance their ability to evaluate concerts. By exploring music in depth, students will develop a deeper appreciation for its artistic and cultural significance.



Music Appreciation A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT6001/HSBT6002, HSBT6001D/HSBT6002D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

This one-semester elective course is intended as a practical, hands-on guide to introduce you to the field of music appreciation. You'll first identify elements and patterns in music and learn to identify various elements of musical notation. Next, you'll explore the history and evolution of music from the Middle Ages through to the modern era. Then, you'll learn about the influence of music on society and culture. Finally, in the last few lessons you'll learn of the various compositional and expressive devices and how to evaluate a concert.

Music of Today

HS6108

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Music of Today is an engaging exploration of contemporary music spanning over various genres, styles, and cultural influences. This course will provide students with a deep understanding of the diverse landscape of modern music, examining its historical roots, cultural significance, technological advancements, and artistic innovations. Throughout the curriculum, students will embark on a journey through the dynamic world of contemporary music, discovering the ways in which it reflects and shapes our ever-changing society. From popular music to experimental avant-garde compositions, students will analyze and critically evaluate a wide range of musical works, gaining insights into the creative processes, socio-political contexts, and technological developments that have shaped the music of today.



Professional Photography A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6013/HSED6014, HSES3263/HSES264

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

Digital Photography has revolutionized the way we capture and share moments, fundamentally transforming the photography industry. This course offers the flexibility to be taken individually or as a group, allowing customization to meet specific needs. With 15 comprehensive lessons and interactive online discussions, students develop critical thinking skills while exploring digital photography as a creative pursuit or potential career.



Theater, Cinema, and Film Production CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED6017, HSES461

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

The single-semester course, Theater, Cinema, and Film Production, provides an overview of the processes involved in theater, cinema, and film production. Students are introduced to various genres and subgenres of theater and film. The course explores the creative aspects of production, including screenplay writing, directing, set design, acting, makeup, and costume design. Students also learn

about technical elements such as lighting, sound, and camerawork. The course covers the stages of pre-production, production, and post-production for both plays and films. Additionally, students gain insights into the role of audiences and their influence on these productions.

Visual Arts A/B CP*HS6014/HS6015**Credits: 10**9th–12th Grade**CSU/UC Approved for “F”*

In Visual Arts A/B, students will have a strong foundation in observing, interpreting, critiquing, discussing and producing art. They will have gained experience in creating expressive two- and three-dimensional works of art using a variety of media. Each student will compile examples of their work to display in a portfolio that highlights their current technical level and demonstrates their growth. Students will understand the role of visual arts throughout history and across the world. They will understand the power of art to communicate ideas and influence opinions. Students will be able to analyze their own work and that of other artists and critique works using content specific vocabulary. They will be able to verbally articulate their technical and creative process to their peers while recognizing strengths and areas for potential growth within their own work. At the end of the yearlong course, students will be fluent in art-specific vocabulary, able to create, analyze, and judge works of art, knowledgeable about the importance of art within various cultures, and prepared to apply the skills they have practiced throughout the year to multiple artistic careers.



Electives – Life Skills

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



Academic Success (Online – Edmentum)

HS9121, HSES355

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 3

This elective course is intended as a practical, hands-on guide to help students improve study habits and enhance their prospects for academic success, now and in the future. The orientation section of this course prepares students to be successful in an online environment.

Basic Study Skills

HS1034

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Basic Study Skills is a course designed to enhance the study skills of students. After completion of this course, students will be able to set goals for themselves, manage their time well, take effective notes, and prepare for exams. The student will also learn the vital components for a research paper (e.g. gathering resources, citing work, and proofreading) as they create one themselves.

Career and College Skills

HS8512

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This class will create economically independent students, able to recognize a career and/or college path for their lives and make this plan a reality. Students will explore themes that relate to who they are, what they want, and how to get what they want. Students will learn to envision a future where they are responsible, contributing adults of society. They will be given opportunities to plan a lifestyle budget, explore various types of careers, research colleges and ways to support themselves. Finally, they will have the ability to plan and enact a 10-year growth plan that is designed to get the student from high school graduation into a rewarding career.

Career Opportunities

HS8019

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

The Career Opportunities course will assist students in the process of identifying possible career paths by investigating and exploring ten different career clusters. Students will analyze and reflect on their strengths and interests as they explore these careers. By completing some real-world projects related to these careers, students will apply both academic and work-based skills. The course assessment will include the completion of activities, reflection journal entries, study guide questions and unit tests. Career Opportunities is a five-unit elective consisting of 25 lessons.

Character Education

HS8042

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Character Education is a 5-unit small group instruction class that introduces students to the character traits most important to success in our unique school model. Traits of grit, responsibility, optimism, and gratitude are explored, as well as personal reflection on mindsets and experiences that will guarantee students more success in the future. Upon completion of this course, students will be able to: 1) identify examples of people displaying/not displaying the key character traits 2) strengthen a work ethic that is influenced by the ability to ask questions when needed by a teacher with whom they have a positive relationship 3) learn to take personal responsibility for content mastery by finishing assignments to the best of their ability in a timely manner 4) engage in a process where they apply self-reflection and the specific character traits to their personal growth 5) apply to the concept of grit to their response to challenges, school work, and goals for the future 6) apply the concept of responsibility to self-control, integrity, personal choices, and locus of control 7) apply the concept of gratitude to fully engage in their lives and antidote to living in a state of scarcity and negativity and 8) apply the concept of optimism to the concept of malleable intelligence, a belief in self-efficacy and hope for the future.



College & Career Transitions A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9018/HSBT9019

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

This course is designed to equip students with the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to be active and successful learners, both in high school and in college. Students examine numerous research-based learning strategies that are proven to lead to academic success such as goal setting, effective time management, handling stress, note-taking, active reading, test-taking strategies, and conducting

research. In the College and Career Transitions course, students will research financial scholarships and grant opportunities, complete applications, and explore technical schools, colleges, and universities. With the increased emphasis on career and college readiness and post-secondary education, students need a course that will provide opportunities to meet these post-secondary opportunities in grades 9–12.

Driver Education

HS80DE

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course is designed to give students a broad understanding of the laws and practices they will need to drive a vehicle safely. By the end of the course, students will be familiar with how weather conditions, other drivers, and different traffic situations can be navigated safely and efficiently. In addition to general rules that govern all drivers in the United States, students will also learn rules specific to laws of the State of California. Upon completion of the entire course, students should be prepared to take their Class C California Driver's Test.

Dual Enrollment Support A CP

HS90135

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for "G"

Dual Enrollment Support A is a course designed to guide and enhance students experience as first-time college students. In this course, students will learn many proven strategies for creating both academic and personal growth through readings, lectures, discussions, activities, and reflective journal writing. In addition, students will learn to express themselves professionally by practicing effective communication, college-level writing, and public speaking / presentation. Most importantly, students will establish themselves as independent college students with the skills, habits and mindsets for a balanced and successful college experience. Throughout the course, students will read proficiently to gather, analyze and evaluate information, apply independent study skills to develop competency with the habits of mind needed for college success, model thinking and behavior expected of college students, apply reasoning to make responsible choices, and make, justify, and critique the arguments of themselves and others. Upon completion of the course, students will have mastery in all of the topics and skills listed above and will have real life further developed skills in reasoning, argument, multimedia communication, and social-emotional domains.

Independent Living

HS80IL

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

The Independent Living course explores the challenges individuals may encounter when living independently. Students will explore topics such as housing decisions, self-sufficiency in terms of food, and cultivating a fulfilling lifestyle. The course emphasizes the importance of personal responsibility, decision-making skills, and understanding financial and career choices. Students will also gain essential knowledge in areas such as childcare, money management, civic responsibility, basic sewing techniques, and culinary skills. This course equips students with the necessary tools and knowledge to navigate the demands of independent living successfully.



Life Preparation (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT8001D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for "F"

This course helps students learn principles and develop skill in drawing techniques, taking inspiration from art history. By the end of this course, we expect students to have a solid foundation which they can use to effectively express creativity through drawing or other artistic endeavors.



Literacy Advancement A/B (Online – Achieve 3000)

HSES274/HSES275

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

Literacy Advancement is a class that utilizes the Achieve 3000 program that offers differentiated instruction tailored to each student's Lexile reading level to improve their core literacy skills, and content-area knowledge. Students follow a simple 5-Step Literacy Routine that improves vocabulary, comprehension, and reading fluency as well as writing skills. During the Literacy Routine, students receive reading materials and follow-up activities that are precisely matched to their learning abilities. Each one of the five steps will aid in enhancing the student's essay writing skills while incorporating the use of technology. The goal is to provide support and help to increase the student's literacy skills and comprehension, test-taking skills, and technology skills.



Literacy Empowerment A/B (Online – Achieve 3000)

HSES297/HSES298

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

Literacy Empowerment is a class that utilizes the Achieve 3000 program that offers differentiated instruction tailored to each student's Lexile reading level to improve their core literacy skills, and content-area knowledge. Students follow a simple 5-Step Literacy Routine that improves vocabulary, comprehension, and reading fluency as well as writing skills. During the Literacy Routine, students receive reading materials and follow-up activities that are precisely matched to their learning abilities. Each one of the five steps will aid in enhancing the students essay writing skills while incorporating the use of technology. The goal is to provide support and help to increase the student's literacy skills and comprehension, test-taking skills, and technology skills.

My Language Arts Path A/B/C/D/E/F

HS90181/HS90182/HS90183/HS90184/HS90185/HS90186

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5-30

My Language Arts Path is a digital course that is a part of the Edmentum Learning platform. Utilizing diagnostic data, the program creates a unique learning path that targets each students' specific instructional level, academic needs, and growth goals. The coursework includes individualized tutorials, practice, mastery quizzes, and progress checks. Students complete a set of skills to earn a unit. The goal is to provide support and help to increase student's language arts, testing, and technology skills.

My Learning Path I

HS90122

9th–12th Grade

Credits:3

My Learning Path I utilizes a series of interactive assessments to measure core academic skills, as well as personal strengths and career interests. Through a series of written, interview, and research activities, students connect with resources supporting their academic and career interests. After assessing and reflecting on areas of strength and challenge, students create a personalized academic plan and portfolio presentation; aligned with their identified career interests and personal goals. Students also develop computer-based test-taking and technology skills, as well as digital media creation and distribution skills.

My Math Path A/B/C/D/E/F

HS90169/HS90170/HS90171/HS90172/HS90173/HS90174

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5-30

My Math Path is a digital course that is a part of the Edmentum Learning platform. Utilizing diagnostic data, the program creates a unique learning path that targets each students' specific instructional level, academic needs, and growth goals. The coursework includes individualized tutorials, practice, mastery quizzes, and progress checks. Students complete a set of skills to earn a unit. The goal is to provide support and help to increase student's math, testing, and technology skills.

My Reading Path A/B/C/D/E/F

HS90175/HS90176/HS90177/HS90178/HS90179/HS90180

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5-30

My Reading Path is a digital course that is a part of the Edmentum Learning platform. Utilizing diagnostic data, the program creates a unique learning path that targets each students' specific instructional level, academic needs, and growth goals. The coursework includes individualized tutorials, practice, mastery quizzes, and progress checks. Students complete a set of skills to earn a unit. The goal is to provide support and help to increase student's reading, testing, and technology skills.

New Student Seminar

HS9053

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 2

The course will help new students transition from their previous school to the new learning environment. The course will prepare students for the blended learning model and meet the social and academics challenges they may encounter over the ensuing years. Giving students time and support to adjust to our school's culture and expectations will create a more cohesive, prepared and academically motivated student. Students will build rapport with teachers and staff with the purpose of making the student feel comfortable in asking questions and seeking support.

Parenting and Child Development A/B

HS8040/HS8041

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

Parenting and Child Development is an introduction to the stages of child development and how to aid the developing child. The course begins with an introduction to child psychology, observing child development, parenting, and teen parenthood. Students will then go through a detailed step-by-step of the stages of childhood and adolescence. The course will end with children's health and safety, challenges in a family, childcare, early education, and careers that involve children.

Senior Portfolio

HS9098

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

The Senior Portfolio course is designed to assist the student research and transition to various post-secondary opportunities. Students will explore various career and college options and the requirements that each of those options require. Upon completion of this course, students will have developed their own Google Site portfolio which will have the final draft of their Cover Letter, Résumé, Community Service documents, and their potential Graduation Speech.

Student Assistant A/B

HS9021/HS9022

9th–12th Grade

Prerequisite: Teacher approval

Credits: 10

Student Assistants serve teachers and other staff members by providing clerical and instructional assistance in the centers. Teacher permission is required and students must complete training as required by the Director of Educational Operations. Students who

fall behind in their regular school work will need to take a break from this course until their other studies have improved. Student Assistants must demonstrate responsibility, maturity and integrity in their relations with adults and other students. Students will earn 5 credits upon completion of 60 hours of work during each semester.

Student Council A/B

HS9025/HS9026

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This is an elective course whereby students are given the opportunity to interact with each other and school-wide activities. Students become active in advertising for upcoming school events, decorating centers for important events, and planning school-wide events like Prom, back to school night, and graduation. Students will also participate in community service events like canned food drives, highway clean up, and toy drives.

Study Skills

HSED9125, HSES493

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

In this course, students will learn to create a better academic atmosphere in order to prepare for better testing and project results. This course will focus on getting students organized in their academic life through time management and social emotional skills. Students will then learn what to look for and how to prepare for reading passages. Additionally, they will be taught how to read to remember and how to dissect both fiction and nonfiction readings in order to better find and organize information. Finally, students will learn key concepts in how to prepare and perform better on both research projects and large exams.

Tech in Testing

HS90112

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Students taking the Tech in Testing class will be prepared with skills and strategies for test-taking. They will be exposed to Universal Tools, online features, Equation Editors, virtual manipulatives, and technology enhanced items. During content-specific units, students will become familiar with the format of questions in regards to the power standards for English and Math.

Technology Literacy A/B

HS90133/HS90134

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

Technology Literacy A offers students a comprehensive, interactive tour through Google's G Suite applications. Students will be given multiple opportunities to display creativity using Google tools including Drive, Docs, Slides, Gmail and Meet. Throughout the course, students will also be learning about and practicing good Digital Citizenship. Technology Literacy B offers students a comprehensive, interactive tour through Google's G Suite applications. Students will be given multiple opportunities to display creativity using Google tools including Sheets, Forms, Sites, and Maps. At the completion of this course, students will be prepared to successfully complete Google's G Suite industry certification examination.

Work Experience 1A/1B/2A/2B

HSWE1A/HSWE1B/HSWE2A/HSWE2B

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5-20

In Work Experience, students will learn about the fundamentals of gaining employment. Students will create resumes, receive interviewing tips, and discuss how to develop and maintain healthy working relationships. Students will practice filling out W-4 forms, learn about taxes and employee benefits. Also students will identify and strategize a career development path. Students will familiarize themselves with the job market utilizing technology as a tool for research.



Electives – General

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



Beginning Piano (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT9026D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Gain a solid foundation in basic two-hand piano skills. Learn music theory, including how to read notes, rhythms, and musical symbols on a staff. After finishing this course, students should be able to teach themselves to play the beginning music they find at the music

store.

**Calligraphy (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT9029D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course is an introduction to basic calligraphy skills. Students will learn four letter styles: sans serif B-point, Celtic, Gothic, and italic.

**Career Preparation I A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9001/HSBT9002, HSBT9001D/HSBT9002D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In Career Prep, students are given tools to be successful in future careers. The career clusters and their associated career paths are the focus of the course. Students will learn how to survey the job market, fill out paperwork, and thrive in the workplace. Students will create an electronic portfolio throughout the course. The portfolio includes letters of interest to employers, résumés and cover letters, interview preparation documents, a career plan, and other reports. The course is designed for students who are currently working and can leverage real-life experience into their course Projects.

**Character Education: Exploring Values Part 1/2/3 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT9031D/HSBT9032D/HSBT9033D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 15

This course is a literary study of basic values and examines the consequences of having or lacking courage, self-discipline, respect, honesty, work, trust, and compassion. It examines the consequences of having or lacking confidence, generosity, humility, obedience, determination, reliability, tolerance, forgiveness, and excellence. It examines the consequences of having or lacking mercy, patience, grace, gratitude, accountability, loyalty, patriotism, and self-sufficiency. Lessons include instructor-graded portfolio activities, which should be submitted as a whole prior to requesting the final.

E-Sports I/II

HS90159/HS90167

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

The E-Sport program is designed to increase problem-solving skills, strategy building, and teamwork. E-Sports participation is primarily through gaming devices but there will also be a focus on growing skills through practice and teamwork. This program will have a coach that facilitates this growth. Students will practice twice a week and compete as a team against other regions in a variety of game titles. They will also compete against other high schools as a recognized varsity team sport.

**Essential Life Skills (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT9046D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

In this course, students learn how to lay a foundation for successful, responsible adulthood by using time effectively, setting goals, avoiding procrastination, overcoming feelings of inadequacy, and developing self-motivation.

**GED® Language Arts (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9052D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Knowledge’s GED® courses comprise the four key areas of the exam: Language Arts/Writing, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science. Each course contains a practice test to gauge which skills the learner needs to focus on, and the platform allows the instructor to assign the needed skills. The courses are individualized based on each learner’s needs in order for them to achieve a successful GED® score in the least amount of time possible.

**GED® Mathematical Reasoning (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9053D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Knowledge’s GED® courses comprise the four key areas of the exam: Language Arts/Writing, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science. Each course contains a practice test to gauge which skills the learner needs to focus on, and the platform allows the instructor to assign the needed skills. The courses are individualized based on each learner’s needs in order for them to achieve a successful GED® score in the least amount of time possible.

**GED® Science (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9054D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Knowledge's GED® courses comprise the four key areas of the exam: Language Arts/Writing, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science. Each course contains a practice test to gauge which skills the learner needs to focus on, and the platform allows the instructor to assign the needed skills. The courses are individualized based on each learner's needs in order for them to achieve a successful GED® score in the least amount of time possible.



GED® Social Science (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9055D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Knowledge's GED® courses comprise the four key areas of the exam: Language Arts/Writing, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science. Each course contains a practice test to gauge which skills the learner needs to focus on, and the platform allows the instructor to assign the needed skills. The courses are individualized based on each learner's needs in order for them to achieve a successful GED® score in the least amount of time possible.



GED Prep: Mathematics (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9019

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

The GED exam measures the skills and knowledge similar to a high school course of study and allows learners to receive their high school equivalency certifications.



GED Prep: Reading Language Arts (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9018

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

The GED exam measures the skills and knowledge similar to a high school course of study and allows learners to receive their high school equivalency certifications.



GED Prep: Science (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9020

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

The GED exam measures the skills and knowledge similar to a high school course of study and allows learners to receive their high school equivalency certifications.



GED Prep: Social Studies (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9021

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

The GED exam measures the skills and knowledge similar to a high school course of study and allows learners to receive their high school equivalency certifications.

Independent Project 1A/1B/2A/2B

HS9090/HS9091/HS9095/HS9096

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5-20

This course allows teachers to create a unique curriculum aligned with standards and addressing multiple disciplines. Teachers collaborate with their principal to develop a course proposal, ensuring it meets educational goals. The course emphasizes integrating various subjects and encourages cross-curricular learning. Teachers have the flexibility to incorporate academic domains based on their expertise and objectives.



Leadership (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT9063D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

In this course, students learn about different types of leadership, the characteristics of a leader, how leaders make effective decisions, and the secret to becoming a good leader.



Logic I (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9064, HSBT9064D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for "G"

The Logic I course will improve the critical thinking skills of students through the study of informal logic. The course will challenge students to evaluate whether humans are rational or emotional beings. The majority of the course explores occurrences of faulty reasoning known as logical fallacies. Students will learn to recognize and expose fallacies when evaluating and critiquing arguments. Fallacies covered include appeal to fear, irrelevant thesis, straw man, false analogy, red herring, and misuse of statistics. Students will apply the study of types, components, and principles of argumentative dialogue in preparing a dialogue of their own. During

the course, students will consider and analyze Aesop’s Fables and “The Cave” by Plato. The course concludes with a comprehensive review of fallacies and a preview of formal logic.



Logic II (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9065, HSBT9065D

Credits: 5

Logic II introduces the student to the world of Aristotelian formal logic. Students will use classical tools, including the Porphyrian tree and Euler’s circles to translate arguments into propositions organized within the categorical form. Students will also learn to analyze the validity of arguments using the square of opposition, terminological rules, Venn diagrams, and the Barbara, Celarent, Darii, Ferio mnemonic. The course concludes with an evaluation of presuppositional disputes and a survey of hypothetical syllogisms.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Personal Finance (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9008, HSBT9008D

Credits: 5

The Personal Finance course introduces students to strategies and practices that empower them to manage their money wisely. Students first perform a self-analysis to discover their money personality. A study of good consumer habits includes a comparison of renting and buying. Students learn the steps to building wealth, including building an emergency fund, evaluating and embracing risk when investing, and using credit sparingly and wisely. A survey of consumer rights accompanies the steps recommended to protect one’s personal information. Students survey types of insurance and evaluate the role of each in limiting personal financial risk. The course concludes with an entire Unit dedicated to evaluating higher education opportunities, costs, and funding.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Personal Freedom (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT9071D

Credits: 5

Personal Freedom is a practical course that considers freedom and interaction with others, freedom from conflict, and freedom within the family.

9th–12th Grade



Project Self-Discovery (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT9073D

Credits: 5

In this course, students will increase their knowledge of what people are like and improve their powers of self-understanding and self-expression; they will learn how to gain self-confidence, self-acceptance, and a more meaningful life.

9th–12th Grade



SAT Math (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9202

Credits: 5

The SAT Math course was developed by aligning the strands and topics that are assessed on the SAT. Each unit within the course aligns with one or more topics covered in the SAT. The focus of this course centers around the study of algebraic problem-solving skills and the comprehension of concepts related to geometry, probability, and statistics. Learners will encounter a diverse range of lessons and activities aimed at enhancing their knowledge and skills in these specific areas.

9th–12th Grade



SAT Reading (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9203

Credits: 5

The SAT Reading course was developed by aligning the strands and topics assessed on the SAT. Each unit within the course aligns with one or more topics covered in the SAT. The course primarily focuses on the study of various reading strategies and vocabulary skills for fictional, informational, and persuasive texts. Within this course, learners will discover a diverse range of lessons and activities aimed at improving their understanding and proficiency in these strategies.

9th–12th Grade



Speech Communication (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9014, HSBT9014D

Credits: 5

Speech Communication seeks to improve the interpersonal and public communication skills of students. By surveying the communication process, students learn the components and functions of communication, differentiate between oral and nonverbal communication, and comprehend the listening process. Developing familiarity with self and personal strengths and weaknesses, the course boosts students’ self-confidence as public speakers in situations such as speeches or interviews. The course culminates with students applying their acquired communication skills by researching, preparing, and giving a speech.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Study Skills (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

*HSBT9084D**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 5*

This course is designed to help students master themselves and their ability to study, learn, and retain information in a manner that most aptly fits their learning style. Students will discover their learning style, learn how to use time effectively, learn listening skills, and learn tips for taking better notes. techniques.



Electives – CTE and Career Titles

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



Accounting I A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9020D/HSBT9021D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

In the Accounting I Jump Course for high school, students will learn a basic overview of the different functions in accounting. This includes rules for financial reporting and the parts of the balance sheet, income statement, and statement of stockholders' equity and retained earnings. Students will then be guided through the accounting cycle, learning how to create these documents and utilize them within a corporation. Students will journalize payments and invoices in accounts payable and accounts receivable, understand the different methods of inventory, and calculate payroll and taxes. Students will complete the course with the Accountant Simulation Project, an assignment where they will fulfill all steps of the accounting cycle without guidance and then present a completed cycle with notes for future opportunities for their simulated corporations.



Accounting II A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9022D/HSBT9023D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

Accounting II expands upon the concepts originally introduced in Accounting I. The course begins with an investigation into laws and regulations that accountants must follow to manage business operations, such as the role of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). Students will understand and demonstrate completing corporate assignments, including the analysis and production of consolidated financial statements and tax accounting. Students will determine financial ratios, business liquidity, profitability, return on assets, and efficiency ratios among other accounting functions. The content will then transition to managerial accounting concepts which will include costs and cost drivers, cost accounting decision making, and cost allocation functions. Students will also learn the principles of using financial resources to ensure business stability such as depreciation, payback periods, budgeting, management of corporate stock, and cash flows.



Advertising (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9024D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

The Advertising course teaches the principles and practices of advertising as an integral part of marketing communication. The course begins with a look at the professional opportunities available in the advertising field. Students are asked to consider environmental, ethical, and other professional responsibilities. They learn about the marketing research process and the components of advertising using the PESO model. Students apply demographics, segmentation, and the four major sales channels to define target markets and make a sales presentation. In the final Module, students use the knowledge gained about the product cycle to complete a final project simulating a promotional campaign for a new product.



Applied Medical Terminology A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9081/HSED9082, HSES484/HSES485

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Built on the same sound pedagogy and proven course design methodologies as all of the Edmentum courses, Medical Terminology helps students understand the structure and meaning of medical terms and identify medical terminology associated with various body systems. Students will learn about the history of medical terminology and identify the basic components of medical terms. They will learn about various medical abbreviations, acronyms, and symbols used in health care. Additionally, they will discuss the structure, planes, and cavities of the human body and their respective positions. Students learn about the structure and functions of each body system. They will identify the medical terminology related to various diseases, disorders, medical procedures, and treatment for each system and they will explore health science specializations related to each body system. Finally, students learn about the structure and functions of each body system. They will identify the medical terminology related to various diseases, disorders, medical procedures, and treatment for each system. Additionally, they will explore health science specializations related to each body system.



Artificial Intelligence CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9166, HSES487

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Artificial Intelligence provides a comprehensive overview of the field, covering its history, applications in domains like games, speech recognition, and computer vision. Students explore intelligent agents, problem formulation, knowledge representation, and concepts including machine learning, natural language processing, expert systems, and robotics. Ethical considerations and safety issues in AI are highlighted. By course end, students gain a solid understanding of AI's fundamentals and implications.



Audio Video Production 1 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9142/HSED9143

Credits: 10

This course will cover various topics in audio video production, such as directing techniques, editing and mastering techniques, file management and delivery formats, advanced camera and lighting techniques, and techniques for providing special effects.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Audio Video Production 2 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9144/HSED9145

Credits: 10

This course will cover the various audio video production activities, discuss the various media formats and distribution, and discuss the different critiquing techniques and media ethics.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Audio Video Production 3 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9146/HSED9147

Credits: 10

This course will cover the various methods of mastering production techniques and advanced media-delivery methods. It explores different special effects and animation techniques. It also covers career options, portfolios, technology effects, critiquing, and copyright and labor issues.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Automotive Basics (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT9025D

Credits: 5

This automotive course teaches students to perform basic auto maintenance and repair tasks on their own, such as fixing flat tires, changing oil, and maintaining a vehicle. A practical approach for saving money and time, this course also gives students the confidence to discuss complex auto problems with a mechanic.

9th–12th Grade



Business Communications A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9139/HSED9140

Credits: 10

Business Communications, Semester A, is a single-semester course designed to strengthen student's ability to read and write in the workplace. The course first introduces the business writing process. Then, they will learn about writing emails and instant messages, as well as examine the role that digital media plays in business. The last units cover how to format and write specific types of business messages. In the second semester, students will learn about different kinds of workplace documents they may need to read or write on the job. Then the course introduces them to the design and visual components of workplace documents, along with strategies for giving business presentations. The next portion focuses on the role that professional and interpersonal skills play in the workplace. Lastly, they will learn strategies that will help them find and apply for jobs.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Business Communications (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT9027D

Credits: 5

This business communications course explores strategies and skills needed to become an effective written and verbal communicator. Skills taught in this course are especially helpful in workplace communication but are also applicable to communication outside of work.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Business Information Management A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9148/HSED9149

Credits: 10

This course is intended as a practical, hands-on guide to help students understand the basic computer skills required during their college education and when pursuing a career. This course will cover the needs for technology in business organizations and how businesses use hardware, software, Internet, and emerging technologies. This course also covers productivity applications such as word processing software and spreadsheet software. The second semester will covers the use of presentation software for preparing, enhancing, and delivering business slideshows. It also covers how databases are used to store data and improve the decision-making capabilities of business organizations. Additionally, the course covers the principles of website design and project management in business organizations.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

**Business Law (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT9028D

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In Business Law, students will gain an understanding of the law as it relates to them currently, as well as the implications of the law in their future lives, the lives of their families, and the lives of their friends.

**Business Management A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9004/HSBT9005, HSBT9004D/HSBT9005D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Business Management is an integral part of the Business, Marketing, and Finance Career and Technical Education cluster. Students examine evolving views of management with an emphasis on leadership. Next, students consider ethical case studies and analyze the strengths and weaknesses of various organizational structures. In Units 4–6, students analyze the decision-making process as it applies to management issues, such as quality control and improving communication. Beginning with Unit 7, students investigate employee compensation and legal matters concerning hiring and firing. The course concludes with a presentation of practical tools to build personal habits and nurture team building.

**Certified Nurse Aide A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9079/HSED9080, CTESKY9079/CTESKY9080

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

The course is designed to enable students to learn the key skills and information that they need to work as certified nurse aides. The course is based on the NNAAP Exam syllabus and is designed to prepare students to take the exam and become certified nurse aides. While going through this course students will explore concepts related to effective communication for nurse aides, how to work on multidisciplinary teams, cultural competency, and key points that nurse aides should report to their nurse supervisors. Students will also be doing in-depth studies of the history of medical terminology and the basic components of medical terms, medical abbreviations, acronyms, and symbols with their full forms. Students will study body structures, including the musculoskeletal, integumentary, endocrine, nervous, sensory, lymphatic, and immune systems. They will list diseases and disorders associated with these body systems and also identify specializations, medical equipment, diagnostic and treatment procedures, and medications related to each of these systems. Finally, they will focus on the five body systems, which include the respiratory, cardiovascular, reproductive, digestive, and excretory systems. Students will recall the structures and functions of each body system, list diseases and disorders associated with each, and identify specializations, medical equipment, diagnostic and treatment procedures, and medications related to these systems.

**Child Development & Parenting A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9005/HSED9006, HSES286/HSES295

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course explores child development, parenting, and essential communication skills. Students will learn fundamental concepts of parenting, workplace skills, and recent parenting trends. By the end of the course, students will gain valuable knowledge and skills for successful parenting and understanding child development.

**Child Development (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9003, HSBT9003D

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

The course is designed to help young people acquire knowledge and skills essential to the care and guidance of children as a parent or caregivers. The emphasis is on helping students create an environment for children that will promote optimum development. Students also investigate careers in child development. Recommended Prerequisite: Principles of Human Services Child Development prepares students to understand the physical, social, emotional, and intellectual growth and development of children.

**Clothing Fashion Fundamentals (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT9030D

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

Clothing Fashion Fundamentals includes a history of fashion, surveys current fashion designers, and introduces students to careers in clothing and fashion design. Students who take this course will also learn how to apply the fundamentals of fashion to their own wardrobe.

**Commercial Photography I A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9034D/HSBT9035D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Commercial Photography I develops students’ skills in the areas of digital photography, professional communication, and design. Commercial Photography is about more than simply taking a photo. It involves marketing, teamwork, management, design, and much

more. Students learn concepts such as how to work with clients, edit images, pose portraits, style scenes, use a camera in manual mode, use the principles of design, prepare for their career, and create images with purpose. Real world projects and a broad scope of the career give students insight to what it is like to work in the creative production industry. Students leave Commercial Photography I with a wealth of knowledge and an industry-ready portfolio.



Commercial Photography II A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9036D/HSBT9037D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Commercial Photography II advances students’ skills in the areas of digital photography, professional communication, and design. In Commercial Photography I, students learned introductory concepts such as lighting, posing, retouching images, working with clients, styling, and shooting with a camera in manual mode. In Commercial Photography II, several of those concepts are discussed more in depth. Additionally, students are introduced to new concepts such as leadership, business ownership, conceptualization, architectural photography, stock photography, inspiration, and more. Through real world projects and a broad overview of different career paths in photography, students gain insight into what working in the creative production industry requires. The projects help students set goals and plan for their own future. Commercial Photography II students are encouraged to explore and take photos as often as possible. Students leave Commercial Photography II with a wealth of knowledge and an industry-ready portfolio.



CompTIA A+ with Exam Prep A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9071/HSED9072, CTESKY9071/CTESKY9072

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course is focused on the exam objectives of CompTIA A+ 220-901. Students will learn about computer hardware and networking. Students will learn about mobile devices and their features. Students will learn how to identify and troubleshoot problems related to hardware, networking, printers, storage devices, and mobile devices. Unit activities in the course help students to develop and apply critical thinking skills. Animations and screenshot based slideshows included in the lesson keep students engaged. Students can understand technical concepts very easily. Simulations provide students a real computer environment to practice various procedural steps. These simulations emulate the CompTIA A+ performance based questions. Practice Test at the end of the course help students to attempt questions that are similar to CompTIA A+ 220-901 certification exam.



CompTIA Network+ Certification (N10-007) A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9176/HSED9177, HSES510/HSES511

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

CompTIA Network+ Certification (N10-007) is a yearlong course that covers the objectives of the CompTIA Network+ Certification (N10-007) exam. The first semester begins by describing networking concepts such as network topologies, protocols, Internet Protocol (IP) addressing, switching, and routing. You’ll describe wireless technologies, virtualization, cloud computing, and network services. You’ll also describe network cables and connectors, network devices, and network storage technologies. The second semester begins by describing network documentation and best practices. You’ll describe network monitoring tools and remote access methods. You’ll explain business continuity and disaster recovery methods. You’ll describe the methods to secure a wireless network. You’ll describe the types of network attacks. You’ll identify various device hardening and mitigation techniques. You’ll describe troubleshooting methodology and tools. You’ll explain how to troubleshoot wired and wireless connections and network service problems.



Computer Programming 1 A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9036/HSED9037, HSES431/HSES432

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Part of the Courseware Career and Technical Education (CTE) Library, Computer Programming combines engaging online and offline activities in a rigorous one-semester course for high school students who may be aspiring to technical careers. Building on lessons covering the software development lifecycle and software development methodologies, the course uses online discussions, activities, and lessons to lead your students through additional key topics such as quality control, system implementation, and maintenance and the increasingly important issue of system security.



Computer Science Part 1/Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT9038D/HSBT9039D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This is an introductory course in computer programming, software engineering, and applications. It introduces students to fundamentals of computer programming such as design, code, and programs. It also lays the foundation for basic programming concepts through the Python programming language. This prepares students for the second semester, when they will learn object-oriented programming skills in an internet environment. Most modern web applications are built on three interacting building blocks: (1) Client programs that run locally in the user’s web browser, (2) server programs that run on machines in data centers, and (3) databases for information storage. In this course students will learn how to write client and server code, and become familiar with database usage to build simple web applications. It is not the goal of this course to teach how to build graphically attractive web programs but rather to teach the mechanics underpinning modern web applications.

**Computer Technology (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT9040D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course provides an introduction to computer application software. Students will learn to create documents, spreadsheets, and presentations using Microsoft Office 2013. The basics of operating systems and the use of email are also covered.

**Computing for College & Careers A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9010/HSED9011, HSES347/HSES460

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course is designed to enable students at the high school level to develop basic computer skills that they can use during their college education and also in their careers. This course is designed to enable all students at the high school level to develop the critical skills and knowledge that they will need to be successful in careers throughout their lives. The course is based on Career and Technical Education (CTE) standards designed to help students prepare for entry into a wide range of careers and/or into postsecondary education.

Construction 1 A/B CP

CTESKY101/CTESKY102

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “F”

Construction 1A contains units on safety, tools and materials. Detailed information on safety, tools and materials required, and step-by-step procedures are presented for each project. Smaller lead up exercises precede each shop project for the practice of specific skills. Students engage in a variety of lead up exercises and projects to ensure exposure to a multitude of skills. Hands-on learning includes smaller scale projects to develop mastery of hand and power tool carpentry skills. Construction 1B contains units on safety, tools and materials. Detailed information on safety, tools and materials required, and step-by-step procedures are presented for each project. Smaller lead up exercises precede each shop project for the practice of specific skills. Students engage in a variety of lead up exercises but with an added focus on projects to ensure exposure to a multitude of skills. Hands-on learning includes smaller and medium scale projects to develop mastery of hand and power tool carpentry skills.

Construction 2 A/B CP

CTESKY201/CTESKY202

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Construction 2A contains units on safety, tools, and materials for projects at an intermediate level of difficulty. Detailed information on safety, tools and materials required, and step-by-step procedures are presented for many of the projects. Smaller lead up exercises precede each shop project, allowing students to practice specific skills related to the project, such as the proper operations of hand tools or the use of measurement devices. Students engage in a variety of projects to ensure exposure to a multitude of skills. Projects include notched-top sawhorse, a picnic table and more. Construction 2B contains units on safety, tools, and materials for projects at an intermediate level of difficulty. Detailed information on safety, tools and materials required, and step-by-step procedures are presented for many of the projects. Smaller lead up exercises precede each shop project, allowing students to practice specific skills related to the project, such as the proper operations of hand tools or the use of measurement devices. Students engage in a variety of projects to ensure exposure to a multitude of skills. Hands-on learning includes larger-scale project for exposure to new and repeated carpentry skills.

**Counseling & Mental Health A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9041D/HSBT9042D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course is a Career and Technical Education course for use in the Health Science or Human Services career pathways. The course covers general topics for personal and professional development (soft skills), such as time management, critical thinking, and problem-solving, communication, team building, ethics, and character. It also focuses on many mental health topics, including the history of mental health care, modern mental health care systems, the nervous system, mental health across life stages, stress, depression, and other mental disorders. Students research the professional development of workers in the mental health field, such as the scope of practice, ways to recognize abuse, and methods for adapting to change. Student and professional organizations for career development are discussed as well. The course ends with activities exploring careers and researching training opportunities.

**Culinary Arts A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9002/HSED9003, HSES375/HSES376

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course covers the history and development of the culinary arts; the basics of nutrition; and health, safety, and sanitation. It covers basic science principles used in cooking and various cooking methods. It also explores the culinary skills required to make a variety of items, ranging from stocks and soups to seafood and poultry to various breads and desserts.

**Digital Audio Technology I A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9043D/HSBT9044D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

This course will provide an introduction to Digital Audio Technology. It will give an overview of the history of audio recording, including inventors and the technology they developed. The course will also focus on the current trends in digital audio technology, such as computer music, digital audio workstations, and building a recording studio. Each step in the audio production cycle will be discussed along with the equipment and programs used. Script writing, audio assets, sound effects, and music for film are also discussed in the course. The course will further analyze the audio production industry by examining career path opportunities, educational options, and industry certificates that can be obtained. Ethical concerns will be addressed as well as the legal aspects of the profession. Employability skills such as interviewing, budgeting, and writing cover letters and resumes will also be developed.



Digital Design & Media Production (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9045D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Digital Design and Media Production is designed to provide students with a comprehensive introduction to the principles and practices of graphic design, video production, and social media marketing. The course covers various topics, including audience identification, graphic design elements and principles, advertising and marketing, videography, and social media. Students will learn the importance of planning and research in communication as well as fair use and copyright laws. They will also develop skills in logo design, videography, and social media marketing while producing a 60-second news package and an ad plan tailored to their target audience. Students will critically analyze the growth of social media and explore the impact of the internet on the advertising and marketing world. Through a combination of lessons, hands-on activities, and projects, students will gain valuable media production experience in an increasingly digital world.



Drafting and Design A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9155/9156

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course is designed to familiarize students with various aspects of drafting and design. The course covers fundamental concepts of drafting and design, including topics such as drafting tools, drafting conventions, sketching and drawing techniques, types of views and projections, and basic computer-aided design and drafting (CADD) operations. By the end of the course, students will have a solid understanding of drafting and design principles and will be equipped with the necessary skills to apply them effectively.



Entrepreneurship A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9051/HSED9052, HSES396* (*semester A only)

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course is intended to help students understand the components of a business plan, ideation and innovation in products and pricing, the market research process, and various management functions of operations management. This course will cover the roles and attributes of an entrepreneur, marketing and its components, the selling process, and operations management. The second semester of this course is intended to help students understand the concept of accounting and its role in business, different firm ownership structures, importance of business ethics, and the scope and importance of quality management. This course will cover the different types of capital that a business needs at different stages, nature of legally binding contracts, different functions of the human resources division of a company, and the types of risks that entrepreneurs have to face.



Entrepreneurship A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9006/HSBT9007, HSBT9006D/HSBT9007D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

The Entrepreneurship course is designed to grow students’ passion for starting, growing, and excelling in business ventures. Students explore the basics of starting a business from brainstorming great concepts to execution and profitability. Entrepreneurship includes more than just starting businesses. It explores the ventures of product development, marketing, distribution, and sales. Students expand their knowledge in the areas of proper product and service pricing, financial planning and growth, accounting and bookkeeping, fundraising, marketing research, and business law. The course asks students to practice the knowledge and skills they gain by developing and writing a business plan for their very own business venture. Students gain a complete understanding of what it takes to make a business a success and possibly a desire to actually start their own companies.



Essential Career Skills (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9033, HSES293

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course helps students understand and practice critical life and workplace readiness skills identified by employers, state boards of education, and Advance CTE. These skills include personal characteristics, such as positive work ethic, integrity, self-representation, and resourcefulness, as well as key people skills, communication skills, and broadly-applicable professional and technical skills. These skills are universally valuable but sometimes assumed or glossed over in more career-specific courses. For that reason, this provides students with a solid foundation in their career studies.

**Exploring Computer Science (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT9047D

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course is an introduction to computer science. It is designed to help you understand and develop computational thinking through the study of human and computer interaction; the information processing cycle (involving data); networks and the web; communication methods; ethical responsibilities; software program design and coding; and the problem-solving process. This course is fun and filled with a variety of learning assignments that will prepare you for computer science courses you may want to take in the future.

**Food & Nutrition Part 1/Part 2 (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT9048D/HSBT9049D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In this hands-on food and nutrition course, students will use a variety of sources and activities to discover how food affects the way their body works, including cooking meals, researching individual nutrition needs, tracking eating habits, and planning meals based on scientific guidelines. Students will also learn about different careers related to food and nutrition through interviews with various professionals in the field.

**Food Handler and Food Manager Certifications CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9178, HSES512

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

The Food Handler and Food Manager Certifications course prepares students for competency exams in food handling and management. Students gain the knowledge and skills needed to provide safe food as handlers or managers. Students will possess the competence and expertise to meet rigorous standards in food safety and management.

**Game Development CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9038, HSES232

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This comprehensive course offers students a thorough understanding of game development, equipping them with the necessary skills for a successful career in the field. Students will delve into various aspects, including the history of video games, character development, mobile game design, user interface design, social gaming, and development design principles and methodologies. Interactive games are integrated throughout the course to enhance the learning experience and gauge student proficiency while still focusing on establishing a solid foundation for a future career in game development.

**Graphic Design & Illustration I A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9050D/HSBT9051D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Graphic Design and Illustration I is an introductory course that explores the elements, principles, and tools of the graphic design and illustration industries. Students begin the course by analyzing the various elements of design such as color, shape, and value and applying them to unique works of their own. Personal projects include product label design, logo design, figure drawing, designing type, and more. The course focuses on design tool basics such as software applications and computer hardware. The student will practice design skills directly on computer applications while exploring other key professional skills such as creating design proposals, typography, cyber security, printing, copyright laws, artist critiques, and other career tools. The course concludes by having students assemble a graphic design and illustration portfolio. Their portfolio can be used for art school applications, job placement, or general professional development.

**Home Gardening (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9056D

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

This course introduces students to vegetable gardening, including design, preparation, planting, and growing.

**Hospitality and Tourism: Traveling the Globe CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9112

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

With greater disposable income and more opportunities for business travel, people are traversing the globe in growing numbers. As a result, hospitality and tourism is one of the fastest-growing industries in the world. This course will introduce students to the hospitality and tourism industry, including hotel and restaurant management, cruise ships, spas, resorts, theme parks, and other areas. Students will learn about key hospitality issues, the development and management of tourist locations, event planning, marketing, and environmental issues related to leisure and travel. The course also examines some current and future trends in the field.

**Human Growth & Development A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9057D/HSBT9058D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

Human Growth and Development guides the student through the biological, physical, social, and emotional development of humans. The course is structured to explore growth and development at various life stages. The first Module analyzes stages of prenatal development, prenatal care and nutrition, and genetics. The course continues by exploring sequential human growth stages such as infants, early childhood, adolescence, and early, middle, and late adulthood. Each Module contains hands-on projects, equipping the student to dig deeper into topics such as psychosocial and emotional development while speaking directly to individuals in these various life stages. The course explores theories of development, societal and cultural influences, and concludes by analyzing growing career opportunities in human development.

**Human Resource Management (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9059D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Human Resource Management (HRM) is vital to every organization. In this course, students will discover the role of the human resource manager. They will define the role, as well as policies, procedures, and legal requirements within the role. Students will also cover the life cycle of the employee, including hiring practices, training, labor laws, discipline, reward, benefits, and termination. Students will discover how to be human resource professionals are liaisons for both the organization and the employees. Students will learn how to enforce employer responsibilities while protecting employee rights. Through a better understanding of human resource management, students will learn how to become better managers and employees in the future.

**International Business CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9095

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

International Business is a single-semester course that describes international business and its various aspects. This course begins by describing the impact of globalization and the position of the United States in international business. In this course, students will learn about global trade theories and policies and identify major world economies. In addition, they’ll determine the levels of economic cooperation between the economies, and determine the strategies that are required to enter the international business arena. Finally, students will explain the importance of human resources in global firms and describe various employability skills required in business.

**Introduction to Android Mobile App Development (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9199

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In this course, students will describe the history of and upcoming trends in mobile app development. Students will identify career options in mobile app development and describe the skills and training required for mobile app development. Students will also describe how to start a mobile app development company. Further, students will create a new project in Android Studio. Finally, students will create the user interface of an app and make it interactive in Android Studio.

**Introduction to Cybersecurity CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9001, HSES430

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course serves as an introduction to the fundamental concepts of cybersecurity. Students will explore key cybersecurity principles and programs, while identifying various types of threats and errors. They will acquire knowledge on safeguarding computer systems, networks, and data against cyberattacks, as well as understanding risk assessment, mitigation, and incident handling processes. The course also covers relevant laws, standards, and ethical considerations in the cybersecurity realm. Lastly, students will have the opportunity to explore the diverse career prospects available within the field of cybersecurity.

**Introduction to Fashion Design CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9009

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This one-semester elective course provides an introduction to the fundamentals of fashion design. Students will delve into the history of fashion, examine its components, and explore the influences and contributions of notable fashion innovators. The course covers the essential steps involved in garment production, from initial research and forecasting to fabric manufacturing and the creation of sample garments. Students will familiarize themselves with fashion terminology, life cycles, adoption theories, and consumer behavior. By the end of the course, students will have gained a comprehensive understanding of fashion concepts and the various stages of garment production.

**Introduction to Finance CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9141

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This one-semester course is designed to provide students with a solid foundation in essential finance concepts. Organized into five units with twenty-one lessons, the course offers a comprehensive exploration of finance. Topics covered include the significance of finances and financial planning in personal and business contexts, effective financial management strategies, diverse investment approaches, and potential career paths in the finance industry. By the end of the course, students will have gained a thorough understanding of fundamental finance principles and their practical applications.

**Introduction to iOS Mobile App Development (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9200

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In this course, students will describe the history of and upcoming trends in mobile app development. Students will identify career options in mobile app development and describe the skills and training required for mobile app development. Students will also describe how to start a mobile app development company. Further, students will create a new project in Xcode. Finally, students will create the user interface of an app and make it interactive in Xcode.

**Introduction to Military Careers CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9031, HSES438

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Introduction to Military Careers is a comprehensive single-semester course that explores the diverse array of career opportunities available within the US military and its branches. Students will delve into the foundational aspects of the US military, including its historical background, organizational structure, and branch distinctions. The course also provides an in-depth examination of the various occupations within the military and the corresponding qualifications necessary for each role. Enlistment requirements, training programs, pay systems, and the extensive benefits associated with military service are covered extensively. Furthermore, students will gain insight into the significance of personal attributes, habits, and physical well-being for a successful military career.

Introduction to Nursing A/B CP

CTESKY9114/CTESKY9115

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “D”

This course provides students with a lab-based anatomy science emphasizing nursing skills and health science. Through the course students study a variety of biological concepts including; an in-depth study of human anatomy systems, cellular biology, DNA replication, gene inheritance, homeostasis, positive and negative feedback, evolution, and more. Labs and activities also provide opportunities for students to engage in scientific practices including developing and using models, asking questions, planning and carrying out investigations, and analyzing and interpreting data. Technical instruction includes a study of body-orientation, medical terminology, pharmacology, nursing education, nursing history, nursing job responsibilities, CNA-aligned nursing skills, CPR training and more. Throughout the course students also practice with medical technology to build mastery of nursing skills. Students will also participate in career and industry exploration within the health science sector.

**Introduction to Nursing A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9114/HSED9115, CTESKY9114/CTESKY9115, HSES490/HSES491

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course introduces students to the field of nursing. Students will learn about the history and evolution of nursing, education and licensure requirements, career path options, and nursing responsibilities. Students will also focus on foundational information such as basic anatomy, physiology, medical terminology, pharmacology, first aid, and disease prevention. Students will also examine various nursing theories, as well as focus on the nursing process, including assessment, diagnosis, and treatment options. Students will also learn about professional and legal standards and ethics. Additional skills of communication, teaching, time and stress management, patient safety, crisis management will be included.

**Introduction to Social Media CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9012, HSES374

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This one-semester elective course is intended as a practical, hands-on guide to help students understand the world of social media and how individuals, social groups, and businesses are using different types of social media.

**Instructional Practices A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9060D/HSBT9061D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

Instructional Practices provides the student with foundational knowledge and skills in education theory, development, and delivery. The course begins by exploring the history of education and identifying characteristics of highly effective teachers, trainers, and educational settings. Instructional strategies and theories of the learning process are introduced to the student, as well as training methods for effective course planning and delivery. Verbal, written, and electronic communication skills are enhanced to prepare the

student for professional discussions with educators, parents, and other stakeholders. Research projects are included in the course to help hone student skills related to developmental theory, adult learning theory, and pedagogy. Technology will be utilized to develop original content, instructional materials, and assessments. Specialized topics such as special education and ethical responsibilities in teaching and learning are highlighted throughout the course. The course concludes with an opportunity to conduct field study research and observe a professional educator while assessing their preferred instructional strategies.



Keyboarding (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9062D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

This course will guide students through attaining proficiency in touch typing and word processing skills. In an increasingly digital world, the ability to quickly and accurately type and create well-formatted documents will prove invaluable and advantageous in completing schoolwork, communicating professionally, and pursuing personal education and career goals.



Marketing, Advertising, & Sales CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9093

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This one-semester course is intended to help students learn about the scope and importance of marketing, advertising, and sales in a business. This course will cover various marketing functions, product planning, advertising operations, and the process of selling.



Medical Terminology A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9066D/HSBT9067D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Medical Terminology is a course for students with an interest in the medical field. This course provides students with knowledge of Latin and Greek roots, prefixes, and suffixes in addition to combining forms and eponymous terms related to the many systems of the human body. Students are also able to learn more about the many professions, specialists, and treatment plans associated with different areas of the body. This course introduces new ways of looking at the body through the lens of medical terms and their origins.



Meteorology (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)

HSBT9068D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

In Meteorology, students will learn how severe weather conditions like hurricanes, tornadoes, and thunderstorms develop. In this nonmathematical look at meteorology, students will also learn why the earth has seasons and how water in the atmosphere affects weather.



Money Matters A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9069D/HSBT9070D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

Money Matters is a CTE course introducing students to basic financial concepts, institutions, and careers. Students will explore professional business practices before surveying financial industry careers. They will then investigate business types and the rights of consumers. A survey of banking is followed by an investigation of credit, loans, and identity theft. Students will examine economic concepts including unemployment, inflation, international business, and the role of the Federal Reserve System. Before exploring taxes and financial records, students will learn the importance of investing and analyze how different types of investments can contribute to a sound portfolio. The course concludes with a look at managing risk through the use of insurance products. Practical projects include reconciling a bank account, preparing a federal income tax Form 1040, and creating a budget.



Networking Fundamentals A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9173/HSED9174

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

The Networking Fundamentals course provides an introduction to networking careers and essential concepts. Students will explore types of networks, network topologies, software-defined networking, and private/public networks, including intranets and extranets. They will also gain knowledge about Internet of Things (IoT) technologies. The course covers networking models, protocols, IP addresses, and subnetting, as well as identifying networking devices, cables, media, and connectors. Additionally, students will learn to install a network operating system and set up a small wired network. The second semester focuses on network planning, administration, troubleshooting, and maintenance, encompassing project management phases, planning, designing, and documenting networks, wireless networking standards, access methods, virtual private networks, cloud computing, and wired/wireless network troubleshooting. Students will also explore disaster recovery methods and network maintenance practices.



Preparing for Responsible Parenthood (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9072D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Preparing for Responsible Parenthood takes students through the basic roles of parenting, including practical knowledge for discipline; teaching values; communicating with children; and creating a nurturing, stress-free home environment.



Principles of Agriculture A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9132/HSED9133, HSES498/HSES499

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course is intended to help students to be familiar with various aspects of the agriculture, food science, and natural resources industries. This course covers basic concepts in the field of agriculture, food science, and natural resources. The second semester covers basic concepts related to animal science, food science and technology, and power and structural technology. It also covers career opportunities in these fields and the academic skills and knowledge required for a successful career in agriscience.



Principles of Business, Marketing and Finance A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9045/HSED9046, HSES359/HSES360

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Principles of Business, Marketing, and Finance is intended as a practical, hands-on guide to help students understand the skills required to achieve success in modern-day careers in the business, marketing and finance cluster.



Principles of Business, Marketing and Finance (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9009/HSBT9010, HSBT9009D/HSBT9010D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

The Principles of Business, Marketing, & Finance course will expand the student’s knowledge in the many areas of business and free enterprise. The majority of the course will take a comprehensive look at business disciplines such as analyzing goods when compared to services, economics, financial management, principles of personal finance, marketing, the global economy, and government in business. Students will gain soft skills, such as understanding business ethics, leadership, and the management of employees. Students will also gain hard skills, such as product management, finances, marketing campaigns, and sales. The course will then take a practical look at career opportunities in business and the professional skills needed to excel within the industry. Students will finish the course with a broad grasp of the principles of starting, operating, and managing a successful company.



Principles of Education and Training A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9159/HSED9160

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course is intended to help students learn career opportunities in the education and training career cluster. This course covers career opportunities in the three pathways in the education and training cluster – administration, education, and professional support. In addition, the course covers personal and professional skills that are necessary for a career in this field. The second semester is intended to help students learn teaching strategies as well as the importance of child growth and development for educators. This course explains child development, health, nutrition, and safety requirements for children. In addition, the course covers teaching strategies as well as technologies that can aid educators.



Principles of Education & Training A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9074D/HSBT9075D

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Through an examination of the Principles of Education and Training, students will study the roles and responsibilities of teachers, administrators, and administrative support professionals. Students will analyze the characteristics, qualities, and traits of highly successful educators. Students will evaluate a variety of educational options available on their road to becoming professional educators. Students will also study the opportunities and paths possible when becoming corporate trainers or independent contractors, providing training services to a variety of clients. Throughout this course, students will have learned methods of classroom instruction and ways to develop Lesson plans. Students will use critical thinking skills to develop their own personal philosophy of education. Students will learn via the perspectives of students, teachers, and support professionals using real-life examples and situations to explore what it means to be an “educator for life.” Students will end this course by developing a graduation plan that leads to their calling as professional educators.



Principles of Engineering & Tech A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9048/HSED9049, HSES231* (*semester A only)

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 10

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This easy-to-manage course provides students with essential STEM knowledge and an effective overview of STEM careers. The course’s 15 lessons are interspersed with activities and online discussions that engage learners and promote understanding and achievement. Topics covered include biotechnology, mechanics, and fluid and thermal systems. The concluding lesson provides a valuable overview of the overall engineering design process.

**Principles of Government and Public Administration A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9161/HSED9162, HSES500/HSES501

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This course provides a comprehensive understanding of the foundations and operations of the United States government. Students will explore the history and development of the U.S. Constitution, as well as the functions of government and public administration. In the second semester, the course focuses on equipping students with the necessary skills for professionals in the field. Students will delve into career opportunities in government and public administration. The course also addresses essential interpersonal and technological skills required in the workplace, while examining the role and impact of geography, science, and technology on governmental and public administrative functions.

**Principles of Government & Public Administration A/B (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9076D/HSBT9077D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Principles of Government and Public Administration (PGPA) introduces students to careers in public policy. PGPA explores government from the perspective of government and private-sector employees as well as elected officials. In this course, students examine different career avenues and their ethical and professional standards. PGPA introduces students to theories of governmental development alongside the constitutional principles underlying America’s federal and unitary forms of government. Students learn about the public official’s responsibility to protect citizens’ rights to due process and discover how interest groups influence public policy. Students then analyze the effect of policymaking on both the culture and society of the nation and foreign policy. The course concludes with an investigation into the role of government in a free-market economy, including its ability to stimulate invention and innovation.

**Principles of Health Science A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9034/HSED9035, HSES357/HSES358

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

With a focus on health science topics and careers, students will explore the diverse field of health science and the increasing demand for professionals in this area. The course covers essential concepts such as medical terminology, physiology, and human homeostasis, providing a solid foundation for further exploration. By the end of the semester, students will have a broad understanding of health science and the various career paths available to them.

Principles of Health Science A/B (Online – Bright Thinker)

HSBT9011/HSBT9012, HSBT9011D/HSBT9012D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

The Principles of Health Science course is designed to help prepare students for a career in the health science field. It covers healthcare systems and the roles of team members within these institutions. The course has many opportunities for students to explore various careers within the field of healthcare. It emphasizes the personal and professional skills required to succeed in this arena, including personal character qualities, teamwork, and leadership. Coverage includes the science of healthcare, including measurement, SI system, anatomy and physiology, and safety practices. It covers topics of healthcare at various life stages, from birth to death. Laws and regulations, best practices, and professional ethics are discussed as well. Because this course has an emphasis on careers, other topics covered include career preparation, the role of student and professional organizations, and the state of careers in the field of healthcare.

**Principles of Hospitality and Tourism A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9043/HSED9044, HSES433/HSES434

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

The first semester of this course aims to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the hospitality and tourism industry. Students will explore the industry’s history, diversity, components, and various career opportunities available. In the second semester, students will focus on developing the personal and professional skills required for a successful career in hospitality and tourism.

This includes enhancing interpersonal and communication skills, cultivating professional competencies, and further exploring career prospects within the industry. Throughout both semesters, students will gain valuable insights and knowledge that will prepare them for a rewarding journey in the hospitality and tourism field.

**Principles of Human Services A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9128/HSED9129

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

The first semester of this course is designed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of career opportunities within the human services career cluster. Students will explore various pathways, including counseling, mental health services, and consumer services. Emphasis is placed on developing essential workplace skills, such as a positive work ethic, integrity, budgeting basics, self-representation, and teamwork. In the second semester, students will delve into additional pathways within human services, such as childcare, family services, and personal care services. They will also further enhance workplace skills, including customer service and internet and information technology proficiency. By the end of the course, students will be equipped with the knowledge and skills

necessary to pursue a successful career in the diverse field of human services.



Principles of Human Services (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9013, HSBT9013D

Credits: 5

The Principles of Human Services course enables students to investigate careers in human services, including counseling, mental health, early childhood development, family and community, and personal care services. Each student is expected to complete the knowledge and skills essential for success in high-skill, high-wage, or high-demand careers. Skills learned in the course include responsible decision-making, setting both short- and long-term goals, and knowing how to react to and handle high-stress crisis situations.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Principles of Information Technology A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9041/HSED9042, HSES428/HSES429, CTESKY9041/CTESKY9042

Credits: 10

This course takes the next steps in preparing learners for a career in information technology. Covering software, hardware, and implementation topics, the course also addresses the security and ethical issues that students will face in an IT career. Combining lessons, online and offline activities, and interactive discussions, the course will provide a practical yet cutting-edge look at the issues faced by leading IT professionals today and in the future.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9163/HSED9164

Credits: 10

This course serves as a practical and hands-on guide to understanding the operations of law enforcement agencies, courts, the correctional system, and security and emergency agencies. The course delves into the history and development of criminal law, court procedures, and the roles of law enforcement and private security in public safety. It also addresses the ethical and legal responsibilities of professionals in the field, as well as working conditions. In the second semester, the course focuses on the personal, professional, and technological skills necessary for success in the field of law, public safety, corrections, and security.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, & Security A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9078D/HSBT9079D

Credits: 10

Principles of Law, Public Safety, Corrections, & Security explores the foundational elements of our legal system alongside the work of public servants and first responders. The course begins by taking a broad perspective on the origin of law and the U.S. Constitution. Constitutional rights of citizens are defined and applied to specific areas of public service. In the area of law, the student will analyze the role and importance of the court system, the responsibilities of lawyers, and general courtroom procedures. In the area of public safety, the student will explore the roles of first responders such as police, firefighters, and EMTs. In the area of corrections, the student will learn crime classification, the differences between prisons and jails, and the various levels and functions of criminal courts. The student will also understand the work of both public and private security, including private bodyguards protecting celebrities and security for major public events. By the end of the course, the student will know the careers related to public service and law, the ethical considerations of each, and the pathways required to gain these careers.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Principles of Manufacturing A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9116/HSED9117

Credits: 10

California Course Principles of Manufacturing, Semester A, is intended to help students be familiar with the evolution of manufacturing and describe manufacturing processes and systems. This course will cover the history and evolution of manufacturing, manufacturing processes, engineering design, and production systems. California Course Principles of Manufacturing, Semester B is intended to help students be familiar with quality control systems, explain the importance of maintenance and marketing, and identify key professional and personal skills that are helpful in having a successful career in the field of manufacturing.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”



Principles of Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9098/HSED9099, HSES502/HSES503

Credits: 10

This course is intended to equip students with the knowledge and skills required for a career in Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics (TDL). This course covers the evolution of the TDL industry, various modes of transportation, and the role of the TDL industry in world trade and globalization. It also covers career opportunities in TDL. In addition, it covers workplace skills, such as positive work ethics, integrity, self representation, and communication and interpersonal skills required to be successful in the workplace.

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

**Professional Communications CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9165, HSES488

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

This one-semester course serves as a practical and hands-on guide for students seeking to familiarize themselves with the communication skills necessary in a professional setting. With 13 lessons organized into five units, including three Unit Activities, the course covers essential aspects of communication, such as the communication process, elements of effective communication, and common barriers. It focuses on developing reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills applicable to general communication needs. The course also emphasizes communication skills relevant to the business environment, including job interviews, group discussions, problem-solving, and the use of technology in communication.

**Psychology (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9080, HSBT9080D

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

The Psychology course begins with a look at basic social science skills including ethical decision-making and statistical evaluation. After a brief survey of careers in psychology, the student will explore the physical processes of the brain and body systems that shape sense and perception. The student will then study theories of development, personality, and conditioning. Next, students will explore mental processes behind thinking and memory, language acquisition, motivation, and emotions. Students will investigate the levels of consciousness and disorders leading to abnormal behavior. The course concludes with an examination of the individual and social behavior. Students will learn about stress, attitude formation, conflict resolution, conformity and obedience, altruism, and morality.

**Robotics I A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9179/HSED9180, HSES513/HSES514

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Robotics I, Semester A provides a comprehensive understanding of robotics through various concepts. It explores the evolution, applications, and career opportunities in robotics, emphasizing teamwork and essential employability skills. The course delves into Newton’s laws of motion, electricity, electronic circuits, Boolean algebra, and magnetism, demonstrating their relevance to robotics. Students learn safety procedures and construct a simple robot. In Robotics I, Semester B, students explore more advanced topics. The importance of project management and the engineering design process are discussed. The course highlights the use of software for robot control and guides students in creating a robotic arm. Ethics and laws related to robotics are explored, and students gain hands-on experience in programming a robot. Testing, maintenance, and creating a proposal for a robot are also covered in this course.

**Small Engine Repair (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT9081D

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

Small Engine Repair covers the fundamentals of small engine repair and servicing. After learning what makes two-cycle and four-cycle engines work, students in this course will get a hands-on, guided experience disassembling a small engine.

**Sociology (Bright Thinker-Licensed Course)**

HSBT9082D

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

This course is a study of the way groups act and think as a result of socialization. It also focuses on students’ roles in society and how they can personally make a difference.

**Sports and Entertainment Marketing CP (Online – Edmentum)**

HSED9047, HSES408

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Sports and Entertainment Marketing is intended to help students gain an insight into the field of sports, entertainment, and recreation marketing. This course covers fundamental concepts in sports, entertainment, and recreation marketing. It also covers essential skills related to advertising, sponsorship, and marketing campaigns. In addition, the course covers crucial workplace skills, such as teamwork and leadership skills.

**Sports & Entertainment Marketing (Bright Thinker)**

HSBT9083D

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In Sports and Entertainment Marketing, students will explore the foundational elements of marketing as they pertain to the sports and entertainment industries. Students will primarily focus on the sports market, but other entertainment industries are analyzed as well, including music, theater, and television. Sports and Entertainment Marketing will require students to practice targeted marketing and segmentation as they relate to entertainment. Students will engage in several projects, including developing a ticket sales strategy, planning game operations, creating event strategies, and making a sports press kit. Students will investigate the distribution of sports

and entertainment media, the fan experience, promotional plans, sponsorships and endorsements, as well as business ethics and sports legislation. By the end of this course, students will have an understanding of the career pathways and opportunities available in the sports and entertainment industries.



Video Game Design A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9085D/HSBT9086D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

Video Game Design is a course designed to help students develop skills for planning, designing, and completing development of an original video game. These skills include outlining and writing a game story, storyboarding, level and objectives design, game mechanics, and character design. Students are also exposed to development skills, including use of pseudocode, decisions, algorithms, collisions, and other programming functions, as well as graphics, animation, and sound. The student will become familiar with the use of suitable game engines for creating their working video game. The course includes discussion to help the student understand the history of video games, as well as their genres. This includes discussions of game theory to help students understand audience expectations, control, and other aspects of game design. Students will be required to create an original video game and submit it for critique. In addition, students will be involved in playing and critiquing the games of other students, as well as critiquing existing video games. The student will be required to create and understand the purpose of a Game Design Document (GDD), an industry standard.



Virtual Business (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9015, HSBT9015D

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

The Virtual Business course guides students through the basics of starting, operating, and managing an online company. This course is designed for students interested in starting a virtual business by creating a web presence, conducting online and offline marketing, examining and creating business contracts for online businesses, and exploring project-management systems. Students also explore bookkeeping processes, applicable legal business structures for a company, managing telecommuting employees, maintaining business records, and entrepreneurship. Virtual Business guides students through potential online career pathways by conducting various personality and career pathway assessments. Students conclude the course by applying learned skills to create a company, including a business plan, branding the business, and creating a website using common website builder tools.



Web Communications (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9087D

Credits: 5

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

In Web Communications, students learn how to be good digital citizens. Rights, responsibilities, and digital communication tools are explored. Students learn how to search and choose valid internet sources for research while gaining a deeper understanding of new technologies. Students dive into the history of the Web and how it has changed over time. Topics such as internet safety, security, and cyberbullying are also analyzed. Using the knowledge gained in the course, students write a web-hosted blog post with HTML coding elements. The course ends with the fundamentals of web design and a project in which students create a simple webpage.



Web Technologies A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

HSED9039/HSED9040, HSES372/HSES373

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

The first semester is intended as a practical, hands-on guide to help students understand the concepts of website design. This course guides students how to create a website using web technologies. This course will cover careers in web technology, uses of web technology, and emerging trends in web technology. It also covers principles of design and creation of graphics. In addition, the course covers Internet protocols, web development tools, and client-server processing. The course also covers web page creation using HTML and style sheets. Finally, the course covers website design and the web development process. The second semester is intended as a practical, hands-on guide to help students understand advanced concepts of website design and concepts related to desktop publishing and multimedia. This course covers the creation of desktop publishing and multimedia projects. It also covers legal and ethical issues related to the Internet and website design. In addition, this course covers web page creation using JavaScript. It also covers DHTML and XML. The course additionally covers how to gather requirements from the client, plan out website development, create a wireframe, and create and publish a website. Finally, the course covers web maintenance and web administration.



World Health Research A/B (Bright Thinker)

HSBT9088D/HSBT9089D

Credits: 10

9th–12th Grade

CSU/UC Approved for “G”

World Health Research introduces students to the various risk factors people face globally. The course shows how health outcomes in developed nations differ from those in developing nations. The course analyzes these trends, along with the origins of primary care. The course compares different organizations that identify and monitor global health threats. World Health Research allows students to explore specific research methods and design studies to understand world health problems and their impacts. The course also shows students the effects of infectious and chronic diseases across the globe, discussing emerging medical technologies and the response of the healthcare system. This course concludes with an analysis of ethical concerns regarding global health, the importance of clinical

trials, and ways to enact global change.



Electives – Pathways Trips

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes

Career Exploration at Blackbird Farm

HS9097

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Students will learn about multiple careers in the fields of construction, engineering, animal husbandry, marketing, farming, and design. Students will be able to communicate and set personal goals using language specific to CTE Pathways and standards. Students will reflect and be able to connect personal strengths to career opportunities in various CTE career industries.

Pathways: Black History and Culture

HS90197

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

In this Pathways Black History and Culture tour, students will explore multiple southern states and learn about black history from slavery till present day. Through the student's exploration of museums, historical sites, worksheets, workshops, and special speakers, group discussion/assignments, Pathways Black History and Culture Tour will allow students the opportunity to understand and explore the history of the black culture and the connection with current day events.

Pathways: Camp Blackbird

HS90202

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

In this Pathways Camp Blackbird program, students will be exploring and learning about the practices of teamwork, collaboration, critical thinking and self-reflection. The program will be a balanced mixture of experiential learning and hands on activities. During these program, the students will participate in a variety of activities such as, but not limited to; individual and group teambuilding, leadership development activities, garden/barn work and research, ropes course, archery, canoeing, etc.

Pathways: Camp Blackbird (5 day trip)

HS90224

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Pathways Camp Blackbird program, students will be exploring and learning about the practices of teamwork, collaboration, critical thinking and self-reflection. The program will be a balanced mixture of experiential learning and hands on activities. During these program, the students will participate in a variety of activities such as, but not limited to; individual and group teambuilding, leadership development activities, garden/barn work and research, ropes course, archery, canoeing, etc.

Pathways: China

HS90106

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

In this Pathways China program, students will be fully immersed in the Chinese culture as they explore multiple cities within China. This program will be balanced mixture of tours lead by highly qualified guides and hands-on activities. During this trip, the students will participate in a variety of activities such as, but not limited to, individual and group teambuilding, leadership development activities, historical and cultural tours, interactions/activities with people of different cultures and backgrounds and self-reflections.

Pathways: College Tour

HS90205

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 3

The goal of this course is to expose students to the college environment through firsthand experience. Students are given the opportunity to tour five California colleges over a four-day trip. The opportunity to experience the differences between Cal State, UC, and private schools while learning about university life, requirements, and the application process equips students with the knowledge to make important post-secondary decisions. Students are able to reflect on their experience through journaling, writing affirmation statements, goal statements, group discussion and reflective assignments. In addition, group activities, college campus tours, and Q & A sessions with college students all contribute to students being able to more vividly visualize their post-secondary goals.

Pathways: Crew

HS90206

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 3

The objective of the CREW scholarship program is to create a classroom in which students may take an active role in pursuing their college education. The topics covered include: California college systems, goal planning, entrance and placement exams, applications, financial aid, college course selection, budgets, interview preparation, and teamwork. The knowledge gained will come from attendance at monthly meetings, active participation, and successful completion of all assigned tasks. Additionally, students will leave feeling prepared, well informed and ready to begin college with confidence.

Pathways: Crew (9th and 10th grade)

HS90238

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

The objective of the CREW scholarship program is to create a classroom in which students may take an active role in pursuing their college education. The topics covered include: California college systems, goal planning, entrance and placement exams, applications, financial aid, college course selection, budgets, interview preparation, and teamwork. The knowledge gained will come from attendance at monthly meetings, active participation, and successful completion of all assigned tasks. Additionally, students will leave feeling prepared, well informed and ready to begin college with confidence.

Pathways: Crew (11th grade)

HS90239

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

The objective of the CREW scholarship program is to create a classroom in which students may take an active role in pursuing their college education. The topics covered include: California college systems, goal planning, entrance and placement exams, applications, financial aid, college course selection, budgets, interview preparation, and teamwork. The knowledge gained will come from attendance at monthly meetings, active participation, and successful completion of all assigned tasks. Additionally, students will leave feeling prepared, well informed and ready to begin college with confidence.

Pathways: CSI

HS90207

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Pathways CSI program, students will be exploring and learning about the history and significance of forensic science field. The class will be balanced mixture of social emotional learning, hands-on science labs and discussions/lectures from experts in the field. During the program, the students will participate in a variety of activities such as, but not limited to, individual and group teambuilding, science labs – (fingerprint analysis, blood splatter analysis, body decay analysis, etc, local tours/excursions related to the forensic science field (morgue, police department, labs, etc), lectures from forensic science professionals (detectives, arson experts, dentistry), self-reflections, CSI job exploration, museum visits and related tours/activities.

Pathways: Cuba

HS9047

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Students will explore Cuban culture, politics and history and compare and contrast the Cuban lifestyle with that of life in the U.S.

Pathways: East Coast College Tour

HS90208

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Pathways East Coast College Tour, students will explore multiple East Coast college campuses, admissions, and financial aid options. Through the student’s collection of schools attended, worksheets, workshops, and group discussion/assignments, Pathways East Coast College Tour will allow students the opportunity and resources to map out their future after graduation.

Pathways: HBCU College Tour

HS90209

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Pathways Historically Black Colleges and Universities College Tour, students will explore multiple HBCU college campuses, admissions, and financial aid options. Through the student’s collection of schools attended, worksheets, workshops, and group discussion/assignments, Pathways HBCU College Tour will allow students the opportunity and resources to map out their future after graduation.

Pathways: Ireland

HS90233

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

On Pathways Ireland students will discover why Ireland’s culture, geography and history has been capturing imaginations and inspiring writers for centuries. Not only will students see and experience incredible sights, they will also learn about the amazing history of the island’s economic and political powers. Through meeting local community members and Irish teenagers students will learn about Ireland’s history of internal and external conflict and the power of conflict resolution and communication. Students will come home with an appreciation of culture, history, and human connection and understanding.

Pathways: Italy

HS9050

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Students will explore Italian history and culture, exploring contextual clues found in existing art, architecture, crafts and music, and lifestyle.

Pathways: Mexico**HS90145**

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

In this Pathways Mexico program, students will be exploring and learning about the history and significance of US/Mexico relations and how that affects our trade economy. The class will be balanced mixture of social emotional learning and hands-on activities in county. During the program, the students will participate in a variety of activities such as, but not limited to, individual and group teambuilding, leadership development activities, learning about our trade economy, local tours/excursions, cultural immersion activities, self-reflection, various history lessons, museum/memorial visits, etc.

Pathways: Presidential Inauguration**HS90212**

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 3

In this edition of the Pathways DC – Presidential Inauguration program, students will explore our nation’s capital and experience the Presidential Inauguration. During this trip, the students will visit various historical sites and museums while witnessing an historic moment in our history. Students will discover how our political process shapes this country as the nation’s past, present and future unite. Students will also learn and research about our ever changing and evolving world of technology and media and what impact they have on our elections and political system.

Pathways: RMPR Leadership**HS8060**

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

The objective of the Rocky Mountain Pathways Work Study Program is to facilitate learning through experiencing life on a ranch. The topics covered include Native American history and traditions, animals of the ranch and Colorado, and history and landscape of Colorado. The skills developed include work and post-secondary skills, teambuilding, and problem-solving. This is accomplished through participation in work on the ranch, academic work, and experiential activities. Additionally, students will leave with an understanding of being a part of a community, their personal leadership, and a greater awareness of nature.

Pathways: Viking Adventure**HS90261**

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 5

Pathways Viking Adventure takes students on a journey through 3 Scandinavian countries. On our Viking Adventure students will learn about viking history in Sweden, Norway, and Denmark. Through hands-on experiences and curriculum students will learn about the unique history of the viking age. This course will cover viking tales, mythology, contributions to the world and the true meaning of the word viking. Through this course students will explore the concept of sacrifice, understand its importance in personal growth and relationships, and develop empathy and gratitude through reflection and discussion. Students will learn to practice self-compassion and cultivate a positive relationship with themselves. Students will also develop self-awareness and cultivate self-worth by composing a letter to themselves that celebrates their strengths, acknowledges their accomplishments, and affirms their inherent value and worthiness. This program will allow students to reflect on their experiences and personal growth during the trip, including challenges overcome, new perspectives gained, and connections made, and consider how these experiences contribute to their personal development and global citizenship.

Pathways: Virtual College Tour**HS90217**

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Virtual Pathways College Tour course, students will virtually explore college campuses, admissions, and financial aid options. Through various online tours, worksheets, workshops attended, and group assignments, Pathways College Tour allows students to map their future after high school graduation.

Pathways: Virtual CSI**HS90218**

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Virtual Pathways CSI program, students will be exploring and learning about the history and significance of forensic science field. The class will be balanced mixture of social emotional learning, hands-on science labs and discussions/lectures from experts in the field. During the program, the students will participate in a variety of activities such as, but not limited to, individual and group teambuilding, science labs – (fingerprint analysis, blood splatter analysis, body decay analysis, etc.), lectures from forensic science professionals (detectives, arson experts, dentistry), self-reflections, CSI job exploration.

Pathways: Virtual DC**HS90219**

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Virtual Pathways Washington DC program, students will learn about our nation’s capital. During the program, students will virtually explore various historical and influential sites while learning about the impact DC has had on our nation’s past, present and the impact it can have on our future. Students will partake in virtual tours and virtually visit monuments, museums and government buildings to learn about our government’s processes and students will identify how they can create their own impact on the world they live in.

Pathways: Virtual International*HS90220**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 3*

In this Pathways International program, students will virtually explore multiple countries from across the globe while learning about the food, culture and holiday customs that make each country unique. Students will partake in virtual cooking demonstrations, be introduced to culturally significant traditions, and have the opportunity to taste unique holiday flavors from around the world. At the end of this course each student will have the knowledge to compare and contrast how certain holidays are celebrated in each of the various countries, identify how these cultures and traditions are similar and different to those in America, and leave with interesting new recipes they can share with their friends and families.

Pathways: Virtual Mentorship*HS90221**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 3*

In this Virtual Pathways Mentorship Program, students will identify and develop key goals for their life and future as well as the steps needed to achieve them. During the program, students will explore and apply the concepts of self-empowerment, resilience, advocacy, social justice, stress management, self care, community and compassion. Students will learn healthy tools and techniques for processing their thoughts and feelings, build a support system through experiential connection, and virtually participate in service projects and community engagement projects. By the end of the program, students will know who their most influential mentors are, how to most effectively employ them as resources, and how to be mentors to others in their own lives.

Pathways: Virtual National Parks*HS90222**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 3*

In this Virtual Pathways National Parks program, students will be exploring and learning about the history and significance of U.S. National Parks, specifically the National Parks of the Western U.S. The class will be a balanced mixture of social emotional learning, hands-on science/nature labs, wilderness safety and prevention, history of native people and discussions/lectures from experts in the field. During the program, the students will participate in a variety of activities such as, but not limited to, individual and group team building, nature labs, animal/wildlife identification/protection, flora/fauna identification, fire safety, erosion, archaeology, lectures from wilderness professionals (firefighters, EMTs), self-reflections, and park/recreation job exploration.

Pathways: Virtual Service Learning*HS90223**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 3*

In this Pathways Virtual Service Learning Program, students will be given the opportunity to learn about the many ways to contribute through acts of service. This includes learning the process of starting up your own cause, contributing to an already established cause, and understanding the social emotional concepts of community concepts for both themselves and their communities. During this course, students will participate in group activities, discussions, various community service projects and have the opportunity to become CPR/First Aid certified.

Pathways: Washington DC*HS90214**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 3*

In this Pathways Washington DC program, students will explore our nation’s capitol. During the trip, students will visit various historical and influential sites while learning about the impact DC has had on our nation’s past, present and the impact it can have on our future. Students will partake in tours and visit monuments, museums and government buildings to learn about our government’s processes. Students will identify how they can create their own impact on the world they live in.

Pathways: WUE College Tour*HS90216**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 3*

In this Pathways Western Undergraduate Exchange College Tour, students will explore multiple WUE college campuses, admissions, and financial aid options. Through the student’s collection of schools attended, worksheets, workshops, and group discussion/assignments, Pathways WUE College Tour will allow students the opportunity and resources to map out their future after graduation.

Pathways: WWII*HS90131**9th–12th Grade**Credits: 5*

In this Pathways WWII program, students will be exploring and learning about the history and significance of second world war. The class will be balanced mixture of social emotional learning and hands-on activities in county. During the program, the students will participate in a variety of activities such as, but not limited to, individual and group teambuilding, leadership development activities, local tours/excursions, cultural immersion activities, self-reflection, various history lessons, history reenactments, museum/memorial visits, etc.



Electives – Workforce Skills Training

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes

Financial Literacy and Entrepreneurial Skills

HS90132, HSED9118

9th–12th Grade

Credits: 2

Students will learn about personal budgets, expense reports, bank accounts, investments, job finances, and job skills in unit 1. Students will learn about starting a business and create a business proposal in unit 2. The course will be hands-on and real-world applicable with examples of each major concept.

Section 15 — Middle School Courses



English – Core Classes

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



7th Grade English Language Arts A/B (Bright Thinker)

MSBT1001/MSBT1002, MSBT1001D/MSBT1002D

7th Grade

Credits: 10

In 7th grade Language arts students will learn and apply new skills in reading, writing, and oral communication. Students will consider the importance of establishing a purpose in reading and identifying themes. Reading assignments include short stories, myths, legends, true stories, and expository texts. Students will read and critique the historical novel *Chasing Lincoln's Killer*. Students will plan, draft, revise, proofread, edit, and publish a fictional narrative and an expository essay. Students will research reliable sources in order to create a research essay and accompanying multimedia presentation. Exploring the poetic devices of sensory and figurative language, students will create a poem of their own. Students will develop oral communication skills by preparing and presenting persuasive and instructional speeches. The course finishes with an investigation of communication in teamwork and collaboration.



8th Grade English Language Arts A/B (Bright Thinker)

MSBT1003/MSBT1004, MSBT1003D/MSBT1004D

8th Grade

Credits: 10

8th grade Language Arts will expand students' reading horizons and communication skills. Investigating narrative, epic, lyric, and free verse poetry, students will develop an appreciation for the sound, structure, and language of poetry. Students will better understand the elements of literature after reading O. Henry's "A Retrieved Reformation," Agatha Christie's *Murder on the Orient Express*, and William Gibson's *The Miracle Worker*. Writing projects include creating a personal narrative, a procedural text, and a multimedia research presentation. Students will examine various forms of media and learn to distinguish bias when evaluating a persuasive text. Presenting a persuasive speech, participating in a debate, and practicing formal and informal speaking and listening will enhance students' communication skills.

English 7 A/B, English 7 A/B (EL), English 7 A/B (Alt)

MS107A/MS107B, MS1150/MS1151, MS1152/MS1153

7th Grade

Credits: 10

This course exposes students to fictional stories and nonfiction texts, both print and digital. This course enhances students' ability to comprehend, develop, and analyze the content of the reading assignments. It exposes students to author's intent and literature concepts. Each lesson develops and increases students' fluency and vocabulary. Grammar skills are introduced and practiced regularly, helping students implement the new skills into their own writing. A fictional novel that accompanies this course stimulates imagination and creativity. In each unit, students have many opportunities to incorporate what they have learned into their writing. This course addresses Common Core State Standards of English/Language Arts: Reading Literature, Reading Informational Texts, Writing, Speaking and Listening, and Language.

English 7 A/B (2024)

MS1190/MS1191

7th Grade

Credits: 10

In this English 7 course, students will learn valuable reading comprehension, critical thinking, and writing skills through reading of fictional and non-fictional reading materials. Each workbook focuses on deepening a student's understanding of a literary genre, concept, or skill. In Semester A, the student will begin with an overview of literary analysis, where he or she is introduced to themes, plot, making inferences, and more. He or she then moves into characterization and imagery (descriptive language, character types and development, etc.), features of a thematic narrative (dialogue, foreshadowing, etc.), enhanced writing techniques (figurative language, connotation vs. denotation, etc.), and the art of persuasion (arguments and counterarguments, providing evidence, etc.). In Semester B, the student will dive into the features of poetry (rhyme, rhythm, poetic forms, etc.), allegory and fables (symbolism, allusion, etc.), nonfiction (credible sources, structure of nonfiction works, etc.), understanding historical context (looking at root words, etc.), and a comparative media study (looking between the course novel and a media adaptation). Each unit is carefully crafted to scaffold and support the student's learning. Within the unit, the lessons provide students the foundations for growth via teaching of relevant vocabulary, grammar and punctuation rules, background context, guided practice, performance tasks, checks for understanding, and

more. A novel also accompanies this course to provide students an opportunity to independently engage with a complex text.



English 7 A/B (Online – Edmentum)

MSED1009/MSED1010, MSES175/MSES176

7th Grade

Credits: 10

English 7 integrates the study of writing and literature through the examination of a variety of genres. Students identify the elements of composition in the reading selections to understand their function and effect on the reader. Practice is provided in narrative and expository writing. Topics include comparison and contrast, persuasion, and cause and effect essays, as well as descriptive and figurative language. Lessons are supplemented with vocabulary development, grammar, and syntax exercises, along with an introduction to verbal phrases and research tools.

English 8 A/B, English 8 A/B (EL), English 8 A/B (Alt)

MS108A/MS108B, MS1154/MS1155, MS1156/MS1157

8th Grade

Credits: 10

This course exposes students to fictional and nonfiction texts, both print and digital. Students enhance their ability to comprehend, develop, and analyze their reading assignments. It exposes students to author's intent and literature concepts. Each lesson develops and increases students' fluency and vocabulary. Grammar skills are introduced and practiced regularly as students implement the new skills into their own writing. A fictional novel accompanies this course and stimulates imagination and creativity. In each unit, students have many opportunities to incorporate what they have learned into their writing. This course addresses Common Core State Standards of English/Language Arts: Reading Literature, Reading Informational Texts, Writing, Speaking and Listening, and Language.

English 8 A/B (2024)

MS1192/MS1193

7th Grade

Credits: 10

In this English 8 course, students will learn to deepen their literary analysis, writing, and comprehension skills through a series of study of various fictional and non-fictional reading works. Each workbook is designed to scaffold and support the student's learning along the way through lessons centering on vocabulary, grammar and punctuation, background context, guided practice, checks for understanding, and more. In Semester A, the student will explore an author's craft with creating suspense (use of diction, setting details, point of view, etc.), research skills (identifying credible sources, outlining key points, citing sources, etc.), creating and presenting findings via a presentation (learning elements of multimedia presentations, rhetorical devices, appeal types, etc.), the features of a drama (stage directions, dialogue types, etc.), and a comparative media study (evaluating the advantages and disadvantages of different media formats - print vs. movie, etc.). In Semester B, students dive into the components of a science fiction work (its features, active vs. passive voice, sensory details, etc.), analyzing persuasive speeches (diction, speech structure and organization, literary devices, author's reasoning, etc.), oral tradition of folktales (its purpose, themes, character study, etc.), research into the historical background of a text (what a story and its background reveals about the people of the time, quoting research, presenting findings, etc.), and studying a Shakespearean play (understanding Shakespeare and his contributions to literature, identifying the elements of a sonnet and tragedy and comedy, iambic pentameter, etc.). A novel also accompanies this course to provide a student an opportunity to independently engage with a complex text.



English 8 A/B (Online – Edmentum)

MSED1011/MSED1012, MSES01/MSES02

8th Grade

Credits: 10

In English 8, students explore various forms of literary writing, including diaries, memoirs, informative essays, and fictional narratives. The course enhances writing skills through the study of persuasive writing techniques. Students analyze and compare literary pieces across different mediums, including drama, and engage in dramatic readings of poetry while learning multimedia presentation skills. The latter part of the course focuses on analyzing informational texts to gain insights into the history of the Civil War. Students also analyze literary works to deepen their understanding of elements such as point of view, conflict, theme, structure, and setting.

English – Electives

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



Basic Writing Skills (Online – Edmentum)

MSED9122

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

This course focuses on the fundamentals of grammar and sentence construction. Students will explore various techniques to enhance their writing abilities, such as organizing ideas and structuring their compositions effectively. Each unit of the course progressively builds upon the foundational grammar and writing skills covered in the previous units. By the end of the course, students will have the ability to compose coherent paragraphs that adhere to the conventions of English grammar. Additionally, students will acquire knowledge in pre-planning writing tasks, including brainstorming and outlining strategies.

Critical Literacy

MS65CL

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

Students will gain reading and writing skills through the acquisition of new thinking skills, including Metacognition, Active Reading Strategies, Mind Mapping, Think-Alouds, personal and critical oral responses and reading. In addition, students will complete an independent reading assignment from the California Approved Book List that is at the student's reading level. The culminating projects will be a Book Talk and Book Review, as well as a Literary Autobiography, all of which will demonstrate the students' growth over the course of the class.

**English Language Development ELD Newcomer A/B (Online – iLit)**

MS1143/MS1144

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

This course intends to equip students for life in and out of the classroom with developing beginning English skills. Focused on building basic communication and literacy skills in English, newcomer students are initially assessed to determine what knowledge of English a student may already have, if any. The curriculum is adjusted to meet those individual linguistic needs in teaching: phonics and phonemic awareness, oral language, fluency, grammar structures, writing construction, and reading comprehension. iLit for Newcomers serves as the foundation for all subsequent courses in high school that involve reading, analyzing and writing, providing students with the tools and strategies needed to develop effective communication skills.

English Readiness A/B

MS10RA/MS10RB

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5–10

English Readiness is a standards-based modular course designed to remediate the student on English/Language Arts standards. These modules, based on the twenty ELA power standards as identified by the Charter School, can be assigned as needed where the instructor is able to detect a deficiency with a student's particular skill set. Each module focuses on one or two standards and will greatly increase the student's ability to comprehend and master each standard. All work is done in the workbook with some use of the Internet to reinforce certain concepts. A student can complete 5 modules per semester and can complete each module only once.

Introduction to Grammar

MS1015

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

Intro to Grammar is designed to familiarize the student with the fundamentals of grammar, usage, and mechanics. Students will be exposed to and learn to master parts of speech, sentence structure, phrases and clauses, modifiers, and punctuation. Students will also learn the functions of verb tenses, direct and indirect objects, and object complements. This course will help to teach students how to become better writers through numerous exercises that increase their knowledge and skills of certain grammar and mechanical concepts.

Poetry

MS1022

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

Poetry offers a comprehensive study of the poetic form, elements of poetry, key literary genres, poem types, and influential poets throughout the ages. Students will develop their ability to read and analyze poetry and decipher all varieties of poetic language. They will explore the historical origins of poetry in the English language that incorporates poets of the British Isles as well as North America. Students will write down a poetry log throughout the course where they can express their personal opinions about the poems they read. They will be able to write a thoughtful critical essay by the end of the semester that will demand the ability to incorporate their poetry learning into a detailed analysis of a poem or poetry subject.

Reading Fiction

MS10RF

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

This course involves the study of five novels: "The Westing Game," "The Catcher in the Rye," "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," "The House of the Scorpion," and "To Kill a Mockingbird." Each unit focuses on significant events within each novel that influence the development of characters, themes, and settings. Additionally, students will explore the relevance of the novel's themes to their own lives, fostering personal connections and deeper understanding.



Math – Core Classes

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



7th Grade Mathematics A/B (Bright Thinker)

MSBT2001/MSBT2002, MSBT2001D/MSBT2002D

7th Grade

Credits: 10

This course reviews many concepts of mathematics, and it introduces new concepts of graphing and financial information. Students work with sets and subsets, rational and irrational numbers, and exponents. Other topics include order of operations, additive inverses, and a thorough treatment of decimals. Algebraic concepts include ratios, rates, proportions, equations, and inequalities. Geometry concepts include triangles, circles, and circumferences. Students are taught graphing concepts such as plotting in different forms. Probability is covered, as well as financial topics, including interest, taxes, and budgeting.



8th Grade Mathematics A/B (Bright Thinker)

MSBT2003/MSBT2004, MSBT2003D/MSBT2004D

8th Grade

Credits: 10

This course emphasizes the application of mathematics to real-life scenarios, helping the student to build skills in problem solving. Its topics include expressions, equations, relationships, proportions, geometric shapes, measurements, and the use of information. Emphasis is given to the interpretation and creation of graphs and charts that express, describe, and apply data. Students are also given instruction in finance, especially in the area of personal financial literacy. This course ensures that students have mastered the basic skills needed to enter high school mathematics courses.

Algebra 1 A/B

MS2040/HS2041

7th-8th Grade

Credits: 10

Aligned to Common Core Standards, this course will introduce students to and promote mastery of algebraic concepts such as using data to derive linear equations, solving systems of linear equations, examining rates of change problems with their related graphs, problems with exponents, and quadratic functions. Students will use application problems to gain a better understanding of how algebraic concepts apply in a real-world environment. In addition, students will periodically review other important mathematical topics such as formulas from geometry, measurement conversions, calculating probabilities, and hypothesis testing.

Algebra 1A-1/1A-2, 1B-1/1B-2 (2-year course)

MS2IA1/MS2IA2, MS2IB1/MS2IB2

7th-8th Grade

Credits: 20

The extended 2-year Algebra course offers a comprehensive exploration of fundamental Algebra concepts. The course begins with a thorough review, ensuring a solid understanding of key principles such as variables, exponents, properties of real numbers, and solving linear equations and inequalities. Students then progress to mastering the graphing of linear equations and inequalities in two variables, as well as determining slopes and equations of lines. In the subsequent phase, students delve into subtracting, multiplying, and dividing polynomials, along with exploring concepts like the quotient rule and scientific notation. The focus then shifts to factoring, encompassing both the understanding of factoring techniques and their practical applications in real-world scenarios. The course further equips students with the ability to manipulate rational expressions, navigate complex fractions, solve rational equations, and comprehend direct and indirect variations. Students also engage in solving linear equations, reinforcing their problem-solving skills. As the course progresses, students undertake a comprehensive review of graphing, emphasizing key terms and line equations. The units cover a range of topics, including the application of linear systems, solving linear inequalities, equations, inequalities, and absolute value. The course culminates in the study of graphing quadratic equations and functions, providing students with a solid foundation in this essential area of Algebra.

Basic Math A/B

MS2020/MS2021

7th-8th Grade

Credits: 10

This math prepares students for success in the Pre-Algebra program. Basic Math begins with a review of basic operations such as addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. It then delves into factorizations, fractions, and fractional notations. Students also experience an understanding of order of operations, decimal notation, and estimation. Basic Math concludes with an emphasis on ratio and proportion and their geometric application.

Geometry A/B

MS2038/MS2039

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

The ultimate goal of this course to extend students' prior learning from middle school geometry to more formal geometric proofs that use rigid motions and their precise definitions, the study to figures on the Euclidean Plane, the connection of algebraic function to geometry, and the study of trigonometry concerning right triangles and circles. Students will also engage in Common Core Mathematical Practices.

Integrated Math 1 A/B**MS2081/2082**

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

In Integrated Math 1A, students begin their study by exploring one-variable statistics. They gather and display data, and interpret statistical results. From here, students transition to expanding their understanding of linear equations, inequalities, and systems. They write rearrange, evaluate, and solve equations and inequalities fluently; explain or validate their reasoning; use multiple representations to model relationships and constraints; write and graph equations in different forms; and reason abstractly about real-world situations. Finally, students study two-variable statistics. They create scatter plots and their lines of best fit, use residuals and the correlation coefficient, interpret data, and differentiate between correlation and causation. In Integrated Math 1B, students begin with the study of functions. They represent, interpret, and communicate about functions – using function notation, domain and range, average rate of change, and other features of their graphs – focusing their studies on linear and exponential functions. Then, the course shifts focus from algebra topics to geometric ones. Students complete constructions, rigorously define rigid motions, and prove other assertions, such as the Triangle Angle Sum Theorem. They use these definitions and structures prove theorems about angle relationships and triangle congruence. Finally, students apply these theorems to prove results about other figures, such as isosceles triangles or figures on the coordinate plane.

**Integrated Math 1 A/B (Online – Edmentum)****MSED2013/MSED2014**

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

In this course, students will perform operations on algebraic expressions; learn to solve problems with single variable expressions, equations, and inequalities; write equations in two variables to represent linear relationships and graph equations on the coordinate plane; use systems of equations to solve problems of optimization and other word problems; and study properties of linear and exponential functions and model real-world scenarios using their function notation. Students will learn to combine, translate, and transform functions; create, analyze, and communicate information using various data plots; study basic geometric definitions and perform transformations in two dimensions; extend their learning of rigid transformations to understand the definition of congruence; and prove theorems and solve problems using geometric constructions. These course objectives are based on the Common Core State Standards Initiative and on a modern understanding of student learning in mathematics.

Math 7 A/B, Math 7 A/B (EL), Math 7/8 (Alt)**MS2503/MS2504, MS2510/MS2511, MS2512/MS2513**

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

Math 7A is a Common Core aligned math course. Designed to prepare students for high school mathematics, Math 7A covers an array of math genres including the number system, expressions, equations, functions, statistics and probability. Students will formulate and reason about expressions and equations, including modeling an association in bivariate data with a linear equation and solving linear equations and systems of linear equations. Students will grasp the concept of a function and use functions to describe quantitative relationships. Students will achieve these learning goals by making sense of problems, persevering in solving problems, reasoning abstractly and quantitatively, constructing viable arguments, critiquing the reasoning of others, modeling with mathematics, using appropriate tools strategically, attending to precision, looking for and making use of structure, in addition to looking for and expressing regularity in repeated reasoning. Math 7B is a Common Core aligned math course. Designed to prepare students for high school mathematics, Math 7B covers an array of math genres including the number system, expressions, equations, functions, statistics and probability. Students will formulate and reason about expressions and equations, including modeling an association in bivariate data with a linear equation and solving linear equations and systems of linear equations. Students will grasp the concept of a function and use functions to describe quantitative relationships. Students will achieve these learning goals by making sense of problems, persevering in solving problems, reasoning abstractly and quantitatively, constructing viable arguments, critiquing the reasoning of others, modeling with mathematics, using appropriate tools strategically, attending to precision, looking for and making use of structure, in addition to looking for and expressing regularity in repeated reasoning.

Math 8 A/B, Math A/B (EL), Math A/B (Alt)**MS2032/MS2033, MS2514/MS2515, MS2516/MS2517**

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

Math 8A is a Common Core aligned math course. Designed to prepare students for high school mathematics, Math 8A covers an array of math genres including the number system, expressions, equations, functions, statistics and probability. Students will formulate and reason about expressions and equations, including modeling an association in bivariate data with a linear equation and solving linear equations and systems of linear equations. Students will grasp the concept of a function and use functions to describe quantitative relationships. Students will achieve these learning goals by making sense of problems, persevering in solving problems, reasoning abstractly and quantitatively, constructing viable arguments, critiquing the reasoning of others, modeling with mathematics, using appropriate tools strategically, attending to precision, looking for and making use of structure, in addition to looking for and

expressing regularity in repeated reasoning. Math 8B is a Common Core aligned math course. Designed to prepare students for high school mathematics, Math 8B covers an array of math genres including the number system, expressions, equations, and geometry. Students will formulate and reason about expressions and equations. Students will analyze two- and three-dimensional space and figures using distance, angle, similarity, and congruence. Additionally, students will understand and apply the Pythagorean Theorem. Students will achieve these learning goals by making sense of problems, persevering in solving problems, reasoning abstractly and quantitatively, constructing viable arguments, critiquing the reasoning of others, modeling with mathematics, using appropriate tools strategically, attending to precision, looking for and making use of structure, in addition to looking for and expressing regularity in repeated reasoning.



Math 7 A/B (Online – Edmentum)

MS2009/MS2010, MS2193/MS2194

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

Mathematics is the study of the patterns around us. Using the tools in the course, students will learn more about how to solve problems using expressions and equations. When students understand how to work with numbers in equations, and how to manipulate equations, they can more easily solve problems you encounter in everyday life. In the second semester, students will learn more about geometry statistics, and probability. Geometry is a branch of mathematics that uses formal methods of thinking to show relationships between points, lines, surfaces, and solids. Statistics and probability are closely related subjects. In statistics, students will practice collecting and analyzing numerical data to make decisions. Probability is the study of the likelihood that an event will occur. Knowing more about these three disciplines will help you solve problems students may encounter every day.



Math 8 A/B (Online – Edmentum)

MS2011/MS2012, MS228/MS229

8th Grade

Credits: 10

In Math 8, students explore transformations, solve linear equations, and tackle real-world challenges with two equations. The course also covers functions, enhancing problem-solving skills for everyday situations.

Personal Finance

MS20PF

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

Personal Finance is a real-world application for basic math skills that will cover a wide range of topics. This course will give students a basic understanding of personal finance management by covering topics such as gross pay, net pay, taxes, budgeting, and types of bank accounts. Students will also learn how to shop by comparing base price, unit price, and net price. In addition, this course shows students how interest can be used for the consumer (in the case of savings) or against them (in the case of credit card debt). Students will also gain an understanding of the monetary considerations when buying a house or car.

Pre-Algebra A/B

MS2028/MS2029

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

Pre-Algebra A helps to build students' foundational skills for entry into the Algebra course. Pre-Algebra A begins with a review of integers and the order of operations. Students are then introduced to variables and simple equations as well as solving application problems. Emphasis is then placed on solving problems with fractions with application to basic geometry. Pre-Algebra A concludes with solutions of decimal problems.

Math – Electives

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



Accounting A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

MS2482/MS2483

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

This course is intended to help students familiarize themselves with the basics of accounting and accounting functions specific to different kinds of businesses. This course covers the fundamentals of bookkeeping and financial statements. It also covers career opportunities and the key government regulations in the accounting field.

Math Readiness A/B/C/D

MS2M01/MS2M02/MS2M03/MS2M04

7th–8th Grade

Prerequisite: Teacher approval

Credits: 5-20

Math Readiness is a standards and concepts-based modular course designed to remediate the student on various levels of math standards. These modules are designed to be assigned as needed where the instructor is able to detect a deficiency with a student's

particular skill set. Each module focuses on one or two math concepts and will greatly increase the student's ability to comprehend and master each concept. All work is done in the workbook with some use of the Internet to reinforce certain concepts. A student can complete 5 modules per semester and can complete each module only once.



Social Science – Core Classes

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



7th Ancient World History A/B (Bright Thinker)

MSBT3001/MSBT3002, MSBT3001D/MSBT3002D

7th Grade

Credits: 10

7th grade Ancient W. History course introduces students to basic geography of the continents, including boundaries, rivers, and landforms. Students are introduced to the early history of people groups, including civilizations in Mesopotamia, Egypt, and China, and the foundations of western civilization: ancient Greece and Rome. The languages, art, literature, societies, and way of life of these cultures are covered. The rise and fall of world kingdoms is discussed, ending with the fall of Rome in 476. Further studies into subsequent civilizations include the Byzantine Empire, rise of nations, and events in the world through the Renaissance and Reformation. Information is presented concerning the rise of many different world cultures.



8th United States History A/B (Bright Thinker)

MSBT3003/MSBT3004, MSBT3003D/MSBT3004D

8th Grade

Credits: 10

8th grade U.S. History employs an integrative approach to the teaching of U.S. history with an emphasis on geography, government, economics, culture, science, and technology. Students will learn how early explorations and development of the first colonies led to the union of 13 states as one nation. Students will examine and analyze important founding documents including the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution. A survey of the events will reveal how Americans embraced the idea of Manifest Destiny and expanded the nation across North America. Students will follow and analyze the complex issues leading up to the American Civil War. The course concludes with a look at post-war issues.

US History 7-8 A/B, US History 7-8 A/B (EL), US History 7-8 A/B (Alt)

MS3005/MS3006, MS3530/MS3531, MS3532/MS3533

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

This course will familiarize students with the beginnings of America and how the United States began to develop as a nation. It will cover the discovery of the New World through European exploration and the race to establish settlements in America. Students will learn how the English colonies were established and how they interacted with the Native Americans. The course will discuss the Great Awakening and the Enlightenment and how these ideals affected the development of the colonies. Students will understand the basic rights of a free person as expressed in the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. The second half of the course will discuss the rise of America following the Revolutionary War and how the Articles of Confederation failed and the Constitution succeeded. The course will discuss the concept of manifest destiny and how it affected American policy for decades (e.g. Louisiana Purchase, Gadsden Purchase, Seward's Folly). Students will learn how industrial growth in the North affected the slave system in the South and how this created tension between the two, leading to the Civil War. This course will also explore the expansion west, the wars that came with this expansion, and the resulting gold rush in various western states. This course will also discuss the spirit of reform, how it affected the lives of women, children, African Americans, Native Americans, and immigrants alike. Overall, the course will describe how the United States rapidly developed into a legitimate world power.

US History 8 A/B (2024)

MS3540/MS3541

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

The first semester of the US History 8 course focuses on developing a deep understanding of how the United States of America came to be. Students will move from the birth of the nation via the American Revolution to the modern developments due to the Industrial Revolution. They will also dive into the defining moments, figures, and texts that are core to our nation's identity now. In the second semester of US History 8 Students delve into various aspects of American history from the early 19th century to the mid-1800s, examining divergent paths and challenges encountered by people in the West and South. They also explore efforts to abolish slavery and uphold the principles of the Declaration of Independence, as well as the multifaceted causes, pivotal events, and far-reaching outcomes of the Civil War. Additionally, students analyze the nature and enduring impacts of Reconstruction, along with the profound transformations in the American economy and society prompted by the Industrial Revolution.



US History 8 A/B (Online – Edmentum)

MSED3011/MSED3012, MSES166/MSES167

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

In U.S. History 8 Semester 1, students will learn about the process of historical inquiry, and review the events and principles behind the founding of the United States. Students will explore timelines to gain an understanding of how events link to each other and analyze historical documents for a firsthand sense of how events unfolded. They will also gather evidence from relevant documents and historical texts in order to develop credible explanations of events in US history. In the second semester, students will learn about major events that took place in American history. They will analyze the importance of the Louisiana Purchase, the War of 1812, industrialization, and the Monroe era. They will then examine the Jacksonian era, the impact of westward expansion, the reform movements of the mid-1800s, the abolitionist movement, and the Civil War. Lastly, they will analyze the factors that led to the Civil War, how the war impacted the United States, and explore the Reconstruction period.

World History 7 A/B, CC World History 7 A/B, CC World History 7 A/B (EL), CC World History 7 A/B (Alt)

MS3008/MS3009, MS3018/MS3019, MS3534/MS3535, MS3536/MS3537

7th Grade

Credits: 10

In this course, students will survey the social, cultural, political, economic, and technological changes that occurred in Europe, Africa, and Asia from the medieval period into early modern times (500 C.E. to 1789 C.E.). In World History 7A, content that will be covered include: the Fall of the Roman Empire, Medieval Europe, rise of Islam, sub-Saharan Africa, and Medieval China. In World History 7B, content that will be covered include: Medieval Japan, Meso-America, the Renaissance, the Reformation, Scientific Revolution and the Enlightenment period.



World History 7 A/B (Online – Edmentum)

MSED3009/MSED3010, MSES168/MSES169

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

In World History 7, Semester 1, students will learn about major historical events that took place around the world. They will trace the development of early humans, be introduced to the Neolithic Revolution, study the development of early civilizations of the Middle East and North Africa, analyze the development and characteristics of early civilizations of India and China, explore the origins and beliefs of Hinduism and Buddhism. Lastly, they will learn about the later civilizations of the Mediterranean and the Middle East. In World History 7, Semester 2, students will learn about the developments and characteristics of classical civilizations in Asia and the Americas, trace the development of classical Greece and Rome, analyze the development and characteristics of the early medieval period., learn about the growth of civilizations in Africa and Asia during the late medieval period, and lastly, analyze the transformation of western Europe during the late Middle Ages.

Social Science – Electives

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes

American Dreamers A/B

MSAD01/MSAD02

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

This course details the lives and times of some of the most famous Americans of the 20th Century. Students will learn about various historical figures from public service, sports, arts and entertainment, business, and science and medicine. The student will explore the life of each person and learn how their dreams, their successes, and their failures helped to invigorate, inspire, and advance the American Dream during different phases of the 20th century.

History of the Ancient World

MS8502

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

This course explores the major civilizations of ancient history and makes connections to how their beliefs and customs affect the modern world. The class begins with prehistory and the beginnings of man and continues through all of the fall of Rome. The focus of this course includes the ancient civilizations of The Fertile Crescent and Mesopotamia, Egypt & Nubia, India, China, Greece, and Rome.

Latin American History

MS30LH

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

This course emphasizes the development of the three Latin American regions. Students will study Central America, the Caribbean, and South America. They will learn about each area's geography, culture, climate, history, and tradition. Students will cover some countries in detail and learn how political systems and ideals have shaped its history.

We the People

MS8012

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

This course is designed to look at the history of the LGBT movement. Students will explore major milestones in the movement including Stonewall, the AIDS epidemic, Proposition 8 and current events affecting the LGBT community. Students will explore how individuals as well as organizations played a role in the visibility and progress of the movement. Students explore the movement through a variety of resources, including books, online resources and videos. Students will complete a book review on a memoir they

will read throughout the course and an injustice project that relates to a hardship they have or someone they know has faced in their lifetime.

World Geography A/B

MS3521/MS3522

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

This course will give students an overview of the geography of the world. It will give them an understanding of the latitude and longitude, as well as help them develop their map skills. It will allow them to understand the different regions of the world, and how geography affects them. It will cover climate, population, cultures, religions, languages, and economic systems.

**World Geography A/B (Online – Edmentum)**

MSES171/MSES172

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

In an increasingly interconnected world, equipping students to develop a better understanding of our global neighbors is critical to ensuring that they are college and career ready. These semester-long courses empower students to increase their knowledge of the world in which they live and how its diverse geographies shape the international community. Semester A units begin with an overview of the physical world and the tools necessary to exploring it effectively. Subsequent units survey each continent and its physical characteristics and engage students and encourage them to develop a global perspective.



Science – Core Classes

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



7th Grade Science A/B (Bright Thinker)

MSBT4001/MSBT4002, MSBT4001D/MSBT4002D

7th Grade

Credits: 10

The 7th Grade Science course will deepen students' understanding of life science. The course begins with the basic building blocks of life—cells. A unit on genetics will challenge students to investigate how DNA, genes, and proteins affect reproduction. Students will learn about different life processes and the importance of water, nitrogen, and carbon cycles. Students will analyze the effect of climate and weather on life and the environment. An investigation into human body systems, including the skeletal, respiratory, and immune systems, precedes the concluding unit on ecology where students will learn how living things interact with their environments. Throughout the course, there are lab investigations to reinforce science concepts and skills.



8th Grade Science A/B (Bright Thinker)

MSBT4003/MSBT4003, MSBT4004D/MSBT4004D

8th Grade

Credits: 10

8th Grade Science will challenge students with an integrated study of earth, physical, and biological sciences. Students will analyze the relationship between the Earth, Sun, and Moon. Students will better understand the changing earth as they survey physical processes, such as erosion and weathering, and the characteristics of rocks and minerals. A unit on oceanography will introduce students to the geological, chemical, and biological aspects of the ocean. Students will consider the fundamentals of matter and energy along with the application of energy, force, and motion in physics. Units on plant and animal biology will introduce students to the importance of habitats and earth cycles in sustaining life. The course concludes with a look at the human impact on the earth. Throughout the course, there are lab investigations to reinforce science concepts and skills.

Integrated Science 7 A/B

MS4020/MS4021

7th Grade

Credits: 10

This middle school science course will investigate the basics of chemistry, focusing on the structure of atoms and molecules, chemical reactions, and the conservation of matter. It also delves into Earth's history through the fossil record and examines the impact of human population growth and resource consumption on Earth's systems. Alongside reading in your workbook and reader, you will be reading a selection of texts that will enhance your understanding of the fascinating world of chemistry, Earth's history, and its intricate systems.

Integrated Science 8 A/B

MS4022/MS4023

7th Grade

Credits: 10

The 8th-grade integrated science course offers a comprehensive exploration of key scientific concepts aligned with NGSS standards. Students delve into the fascinating realms of heredity and adaptation, waves, electromagnetic forces, gravity, kinetic science, and planetary science. Beginning with an introduction to scientific inquiry, students learn to formulate hypotheses, design experiments, and analyze data. They then explore the history of life, genetics, and the principles of waves, including light waves and communication. The course delves into electromagnetism, gravitational forces, acceleration, and the Earth's role as a system, emphasizing the interconnectedness of Earth's spheres and its relationship with the sun. Through hands-on experiments, investigations, and projects, students develop critical thinking skills and a deeper understanding of the natural world around them.

Life Science 7 A/B, Life Science 7 A/B (EL), Life Science 7 A/B (Alt)

MS4003/MS4004, MS4007/MS4008, MS4009/MS4010

7th Grade

Credits: 10

In this course students will learn about the scientific method, cells, basic characteristics and needs of all organisms, the organization of living things into kingdoms, genetics, plant and animal life, and the development and function of organ systems in animals, especially humans. Students will also explore ecological principles including biomes, food chains and webs, and evolution. This course will include both text study and virtual laboratory experiences using CD-ROMs and the Internet.



Electives – World Language

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



Spanish 1 A/B (Online – Edmentum)

MSES212/MSES213

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

In Spanish 1, students will be introduced to various common communication situations, including exchanging names and greetings, describing people based on physical and personality traits, and discussing family members and aspects of social life. They will begin by learning basic sentence structures and grammatical tools, enabling them to listen, speak, read, and write in Spanish while internalizing new vocabulary and grammar concepts. Throughout the course, students will also explore different regions of the Spanish-speaking world through the experiences of central characters in each unit. As students progress in their Spanish studies, they will continue to build upon the knowledge and cultural understanding gained, laying a strong foundation for further language learning.



Electives – Physical Education

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes

Physical Education 7 A/B

MS501A/MS501B

7th Grade

Credits: 10

This course is an elective program that allows students to select activities that will familiarize them with activities suitable for lifelong recreation and physical fitness. Students must perform at least thirty minutes of an activity for it to count and no more than two hours may be claimed per day. A total of 50 hours must be performed to complete the course. The course also requires the completion of a research report and ten summaries of sport- or nutrition-related articles. This course can only be taken once a semester.

Physical Education 8 A/B

MS502A/MS502B

8th Grade

Credits: 10

This course is an elective program that allows students to select activities that will familiarize them with activities suitable for lifelong recreation and physical fitness. Students must perform at least thirty minutes of an activity for it to count and no more than two hours may be claimed per day. A total of 50 hours must be performed to complete the course. The course also requires the completion of a research report and ten summaries of sport- or nutrition-related articles. This course can only be taken once a semester.



Electives – Health

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



7th and 8th Grade Health A/B (Bright Thinker)

MSBT7000/MSBT7001, MSBT7000D/MSBT7001D

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

This course is designed to give middle school students the information they need to have health for a lifetime. This includes how to make good decisions about health. Issues covered include eating disorders, stress-related emotional disorders, coping with stress, peer pressure, relationships, as well as use and misuse of prescription, illegal, and OCT drugs. Adolescence and puberty are presented. The course also presents safety and first aid, including first on-scene responses such as CPR, choking rescue, and use of an AED. Students are given instruction on avoiding danger, abuse, and violence. This discussion includes information about gangs and weapons. Students are given tools to enhance their own social skills and improve their outlook for personal and community health. They are taught the importance of respect for themselves and others, including preventing bullying behavior. Students are exposed to long-term strategies and goal setting, as well as career information and outlooks in health-related industries.

Food and Nutrition

MS8033

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

This course will discuss health issues and concerns of students. Students will examine topics such as the impact and influence of food choices and practices of good nutrition, Dietary Guidelines for Americans, the impact and importance of calories, the dangers, effects, and treatments of eating disorders, safety issues, and basic first aid in the kitchen. Students will also explore the different parts of any given recipe, which includes language and the methods of measuring out ingredients. Students will expand on the notion of creating a meal that has appeal, limited to resources available to students, and the luxury of convenience foods. Students will learn smart shopping, shopping with a plan, creating a shopping list, ways to save money, reading the labels on the food products, and understanding the Universal Product Code. They will also discuss food groups and the four food groups from the Food Pyramid Guide. Students will also study the types of dairy products, cultured products, frozen dairy desserts, cheeses, and butter. Lastly, the students will discuss and explore how to buy, store, prepare, and cook meats, fish, poultry, and desserts.

Health 7-8 A/B

MS7030/MS7031

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

In this course, students define the health triangle which includes an analysis of physical, emotional, and social health. Students will also define the elements of communication including refusal skills and conflict resolution. This course allows students to understand the value of setting goals as well as analyze factors that influence self-concept. Also explored are the various methods of stress management. Mild emphasis is placed on the assortment of family structures which exist in our society. Students will also explore the ways and importance of personal hygiene as well as the basics of nutritional needs of the human body. It concludes with the creation and implementation of a planned diet with a focus on good menu choices, as well as a discussion about the components of fitness. MS Health has been updated to include required instruction concerning the California Healthy Youth Act and HIV/AIDS prevention education. This course now contains instruction on the nature of HIV/AIDS, methods of transmission, strategies to reduce the risk of HIV infection, and social and public health issues related to HIV/AIDS. The course provides students with medically accurate knowledge and skills necessary to protect his/her sexual and reproductive health from sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and unplanned pregnancy. In addition, MS Health encourages students to develop healthy attitudes about their growth and development, gender roles, and sexual orientation.



Electives – Visual and Performing Arts

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes

**Art (Bright Thinker)**

MSBT6000D

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

The study of Middle School Art integrates visual literacy skills using critical thinking, imagination, and the senses to explore the world through the use of elements of art and principles of design. The student explores ideas from life experiences about self, peers, family, and community and uses the imagination to integrate them into original works of art. Creative expression is emphasized throughout the course as numerous works of art will be created using several art mediums such as drawings, paintings, prints, sculptures, modeled forms, fiber works, mixed media, installation work, digital art, and photography. Historical and cultural relevance in art is explored while analyzing styles, historical periods, and a variety of cultures. The course explores critical evaluation and response to the artworks of the student and others. The course concludes with an exploration of available art and career opportunities along with the creation of a professional art portfolio showcasing the work created throughout the course.

Arts & Crafts A/B

MSAC01/MSAC02

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

Arts and Crafts A begins by focusing on the elements of art and the color wheel. Students eventually progress to learning about the principles of art and how to apply them to various works of art. Students will learn about various artists and their crafts and will mimic some of the art styles by creating artwork of their own throughout each unit. Students will learn how to critically analyze various pieces of famous artwork. By the end of the last unit, the student will have gathered a portfolio of artwork which they will share with their instructor for evaluation. Arts and Crafts B is more about the imagination of arts and crafts. Students will learn about various artists and their crafts, and students will mimic some of the art styles by creating artwork of their own throughout each unit. Students will learn how to critically analyze various pieces of famous artwork. By the end of the last unit, students will have gathered a portfolio of artwork which they will share with their instructor for evaluation.

Basic Drawing

MS6005

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

This course explores a variety of drawing techniques in sequential order of complexity. Skill-building emphasis is on mastering basic drawing shapes and developing creative thinking through imaginative expression. In addition, students learn to translate the world around them through perceptive, believable drawings.

Cartooning

MS6016

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

This course consists of a sequence of drawing exercises giving students the opportunity to explore the art and craft of cartooning and develop creative solutions for the many inherent challenges of the art form. By the end of the course, students will have a notebook filled with original drawings of cartoon characters and the magical worlds they live in as well as hundreds of ideas for developing more. Note: This course is particularly designed for students who really enjoy drawing.

**Music (Bright Thinker)**

MSBT6001D

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

Taking a more classical approach, the study of music in middle school teaches students the instruments of the orchestra and the classical voice ranges with exemplary performance examples. Students will also learn how to notate musical scores, sight-read using solfège and Curwen hand signs, and critically compare art music performances. Students enrolled in the middle school music course will understand the difference between a genre and a style and the parts of sonata form. The middle school music course also introduces a more expansive world view of music with entertaining and interactive tools for learning.

**Theater (Bright Thinker)**

MSBT6002D

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

In Middle School Theater, students incorporate the study of theater, dialog, music, and dance to offer unique experiences that help students explore realities, relationships, and ideas. The foundations of theater include inquiry and understanding, creative expression, historical and cultural relevance, and critical evaluation and response. Through these foundations, students develop a perception of self, human relationships, and the world using elements of drama and conventions of theater. Through projects and exercises, students communicate in a dramatic form, engage in artistic thinking, build positive self-concepts, relate interpersonally, and integrate knowledge with other content areas in a relevant manner. Through the study of historical and cultural relevance, students increase their understanding of heritage and traditions in theater and the diversity of world cultures as expressed in theater. Through critical evaluation and response, students develop the ability to appreciate and evaluate live theater.



Electives – Life Skills

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



Academic Success (Online – Edmentum)

MSES355

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 3

This elective course is intended as a practical, hands-on guide to help students improve study habits and enhance their prospects for academic success, now and in the future. The orientation section of this course prepares students to be successful in an online environment.

Basic Study Skills

MS1024

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

Basic Study Skills is a course designed to enhance the study skills of students. After completion of this course, students will be able to set goals for themselves, manage their time well, take effective notes, and prepare for exams. The student will also learn the vital components for a research paper (e.g. gathering resources, citing work, and proofreading) as they create one themselves.



College & Career Explorations A/B (Bright Thinker)

MSBT8000/MSBT8001

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

Embark on a journey of self-discovery and career planning with our “Career and College Explorations” course. This lifelong pursuit of understanding “Who am I?” and “What am I meant to do with my life?” will be explored as students use decision-making and problem-solving skills for individual career and academic planning. They will integrate knowledge from various disciplines to make informed decisions about their future college and career plans. This plan will help students explore high-demand career paths and align their goals. The course also offers deep insights into career clusters, labor market research, job-seeking skills, and employment document creation, all with the aim of building a strong foundation for success in high school and future careers.

Career Opportunities

MS8019

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

The Career Opportunities course will assist students in the process of identifying possible career paths by investigating and exploring ten different career clusters. Students will analyze and reflect on their strengths and interests as they explore these careers. By completing some real-world projects related to these careers, students will apply both academic and work-based skills. The course assessment will include the completion of activities, reflection journal entries, study guide questions and unit tests. Career Opportunities is a five-unit elective consisting of 25 lessons.

Character Education

MS8042

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

Character Education is a 5-unit small group instruction class that introduces students to the character traits most important to success in our unique school model. Traits of grit, responsibility, optimism, and gratitude are explored, as well as personal reflection on mindsets and experiences that will guarantee students more success in the future. Upon completion of this course, students will be able to: 1) identify examples of people displaying/not displaying the key character traits 2) strengthen a work ethic that is influenced by the ability to ask questions when needed by a teacher with whom they have a positive relationship 3) learn to take personal responsibility for content mastery by finishing assignments to the best of their ability in a timely manner 4) engage in a process where they apply self-reflection and the specific character traits to their personal growth 5) apply to the concept of grit to their response to challenges, school work, and goals for the future 6) apply the concept of responsibility to self-control, integrity, personal choices, and locus of control 7) apply the concept of gratitude to fully engage in their lives and antidote to living in a state of scarcity and negativity and 8) apply the concept of optimism to the concept of malleable intelligence, a belief in self-efficacy and hope for the future.

Independent Living

MS8008

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

The Independent Living course explores the challenges individuals may encounter when living independently. Students will explore topics such as housing decisions, self-sufficiency in terms of food, and cultivating a fulfilling lifestyle. The course emphasizes the

importance of personal responsibility, decision-making skills, and understanding financial and career choices. Students will also gain essential knowledge in areas such as childcare, money management, civic responsibility, basic sewing techniques, and culinary skills. This course equips students with the necessary tools and knowledge to navigate the demands of independent living successfully.



Literacy Advancement A/B (Online – Achieve 3000)

MSES274/MSES275

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

Literacy Advancement is a class that utilizes the Achieve 3000 program that offers differentiated instruction tailored to each student's Lexile reading level to improve their core literacy skills, and content-area knowledge. Students follow a simple 5-Step Literacy Routine that improves vocabulary, comprehension, and reading fluency as well as writing skills. During the Literacy Routine, students receive reading materials and follow-up activities that are precisely matched to their learning abilities. Each one of the five steps will aid in enhancing the students essay writing skills while incorporating the use of technology. The goal is to provide support and help to increase the student's literacy skills and comprehension, test-taking skills, and technology skills.



Literacy Empowerment A/B (Online – Achieve 3000)

MSES297/MSES298

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

Literacy Empowerment is a class that utilizes the Achieve 3000 program that offers differentiated instruction tailored to each student's Lexile reading level to improve their core literacy skills, and content-area knowledge. Students follow a simple 5-Step Literacy Routine that improves vocabulary, comprehension, and reading fluency as well as writing skills. During the Literacy Routine, students receive reading materials and follow-up activities that are precisely matched to their learning abilities. Each one of the five steps will aid in enhancing the students essay writing skills while incorporating the use of technology. The goal is to provide support and help to increase the student's literacy skills and comprehension, test-taking skills, and technology skills.

My Language Arts Path A/B/C/D/E/F

MS90181/MS90182/MS90183/MS90184/MS90185/MS90186

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5-30

My Language Arts Path is a digital course that is a part of the Edmentum Learning platform. Utilizing diagnostic data, the program creates a unique learning path that targets each students' specific instructional level, academic needs, and growth goals. The coursework includes individualized tutorials, practice, mastery quizzes, and progress checks. Students complete a set of skills to earn a unit. The goal is to provide support and help to increase student's language arts, testing, and technology skills.

My Learning Path I

MS90122

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 3

My Learning Path I utilizes a series of interactive assessments to measure core academic skills, as well as personal strengths and career interests. Through a series of written, interview, and research activities, students connect with resources supporting their academic and career interests. After assessing and reflecting on areas of strength and challenge, students create a personalized academic plan and portfolio presentation; aligned with their identified career interests and personal goals. Students also develop computer-based test-taking and technology skills, as well as digital media creation and distribution skills.

My Math Path A/B/C/D/E/F

MS90169/MS90170/MS90171/MS90172/MS90173/MS90174

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5-30

My Math Path is a digital course that is a part of the Edmentum Learning platform. Utilizing diagnostic data, the program creates a unique learning path that targets each students' specific instructional level, academic needs, and growth goals. The coursework includes individualized tutorials, practice, mastery quizzes, and progress checks. Students complete a set of skills to earn a unit. The goal is to provide support and help to increase student's math, testing, and technology skills.

My Reading Path A/B/C/D/E/F

MS90175/MS90176/MS90177/MS90178/MS90179/MS90180

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5-30

My Reading Path is a digital course that is a part of the Edmentum Learning platform. Utilizing diagnostic data, the program creates a unique learning path that targets each students' specific instructional level, academic needs, and growth goals. The coursework includes individualized tutorials, practice, mastery quizzes, and progress checks. Students complete a set of skills to earn a unit. The goal is to provide support and help to increase student's reading, testing, and technology skills.

New Student Seminar

MS9053

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 2

The course will help new students transition from their previous school to the new learning environment. The course will prepare students for the blended learning model and meet the social and academics challenges they may encounter over the ensuing years. Giving student's time and support to adjust to our school's culture and expectations will create a more cohesive, prepared and

academically motivated student. Students will build rapport with teachers and staff with the purpose of making the student feels comfortable in asking questions and seeking support. It is the school's belief that students are more likely to succeed academically when they are in a caring and supportive learning community.

Student Assistant 7 A/B

MS9023/MS9024

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

Student Assistants serve teachers and other staff members by providing clerical and instructional assistance in the centers. Teacher permission is required and students must complete training as required by the Director of Educational Operations. Students who fall behind in their regular school work will need to take a break from this course until their other studies have improved. Student Assistants must demonstrate responsibility, maturity and integrity in their relations with adults and other students. Students will earn 5 credits upon completion of 60 hours of work during each semester.

Student Assistant 8 A/B

MS9025/MS9026

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

Student Assistants serve teachers and other staff members by providing clerical and instructional assistance in the centers. Teacher permission is required and students must complete training as required by the Director of Educational Operations. Students who fall behind in their regular school work will need to take a break from this course until their other studies have improved. Student Assistants must demonstrate responsibility, maturity and integrity in their relations with adults and other students. Students will earn 5 credits upon completion of 60 hours of work during each semester.

Tech In Testing

MS90112

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

Students taking the Tech in Testing class will be prepared with skills and strategies for test-taking. They will be exposed to Universal Tools, online features, Equation Editors, virtual manipulatives, and technology enhanced items. During content-specific units, students will become familiar with the format of questions in regards to the power standards for English and Math.

Technology Literacy A/B

MS90133/MS90134

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 10

Technology Literacy A offers students a comprehensive, interactive tour through Google's G Suite applications. Students will be given multiple opportunities to display creativity using Google tools including Drive, Docs, Slides, Gmail and Meet. Throughout the course, students will also be learning about and practicing good Digital Citizenship. Technology Literacy B offers students a comprehensive, interactive tour through Google's G Suite applications. Students will be given multiple opportunities to display creativity using Google tools including Sheets, Forms, Sites, and Maps. At the completion of this course, students will be prepared to successfully complete Google's G Suite industry certification examination.



Electives – General

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes



Applied Medical Terminology A/B CP (Online – Edmentum)

7th–8th Grade

MSES484/MSES485

Credits: 10

Built on the same sound pedagogy and proven course design methodologies as all of the Edmentum courses, Medical Terminology helps students understand the structure and meaning of medical terms and identify medical terminology associated with various body systems. Students will learn about the history of medical terminology and identify the basic components of medical terms. They will learn about various medical abbreviations, acronyms, and symbols used in health care. Additionally, they will discuss the structure, planes, and cavities of the human body and their respective positions. Students learn about the structure and functions of each body system. They will identify the medical terminology related to various diseases, disorders, medical procedures, and treatment for each system and they will explore health science specializations related to each body system. Finally, students learn about the structure and functions of each body system. They will identify the medical terminology related to various diseases, disorders, medical procedures, and treatment for each system. Additionally, they will explore health science specializations related to each body system.

Independent Project 1A/1B

MS9090/MS9091/HS9095/HS9096

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5-10

This course allows teachers to create a unique curriculum aligned with standards and addressing multiple disciplines. Teachers collaborate with their principal to develop a course proposal, ensuring it meets educational goals. The course emphasizes integrating various subjects and encourages cross-curricular learning. Teachers have the flexibility to incorporate academic domains based on their expertise and objectives.



Electives – Pathways Trips

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes

Career Exploration at Blackbird Farm

MS9097

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

Students will learn about multiple careers in the fields of construction, engineering, animal husbandry, marketing, farming, and design. Students will be able to communicate and set personal goals using language specific to CTE Pathways and standards. Students will reflect and be able to connect personal strengths to career opportunities in various CTE career industries.

Pathways: CSI

MS90207

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Pathways CSI program, students will be exploring and learning about the history and significance of forensic science field. The class will be balanced mixture of social emotional learning, hands on science labs and discussions/lectures from experts in the field. During the program, the students will participate in a variety of activities such as, but not limited to; individual and group teambuilding, science labs – finger print analysis, blood splatter analysis, body decay analysis, etc, local tours/excursions related to the forensic science field (morgue, police department, labs, etc), lectures from forensic science professionals (detectives, arson experts, dentistry), self-reflections, CSI job exploration, museum visits and related tours/activities.

Pathways: Rocky Mountain Ranch

MS90213

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 3

The objective of the Rocky Mountain Pathways Work Study Program is to facilitate learning through experiencing life on a ranch. The topics covered include: Native American history and traditions, animals of the ranch and Colorado, and history and landscape of Colorado. The skills developed include work and post-secondary skills, teambuilding, and problem-solving. This is accomplished through participation in work on the ranch, academic work, and experiential activities. Additionally, students will leave with an understanding of being a part of a community, their personal leadership, and a greater awareness of nature.

Pathways: Viking Adventure

MS90261

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 5

Pathways Viking Adventure takes students on a journey through 3 Scandinavian countries. On our Viking Adventure students will learn about viking history in Sweden, Norway, and Denmark. Through hands-on experiences and curriculum students will learn about the unique history of the viking age. This course will cover viking tales, mythology, contributions to the world and the true meaning of the word viking. Through this course students will explore the concept of sacrifice, understand its importance in personal growth and relationships, and develop empathy and gratitude through reflection and discussion. Students will learn to practice self-compassion and cultivate a positive relationship with themselves. Students will also develop self-awareness and cultivate self-worth by composing a letter to themselves that celebrates their strengths, acknowledges their accomplishments, and affirms their inherent value and worthiness. This program will allow students to reflect on their experiences and personal growth during the trip, including challenges overcome, new perspectives gained, and connections made, and consider how these experiences contribute to their personal development and global citizenship.

Pathways: Washington DC JR High

MS90215

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 3

During this Pathways Washington DC Jr High program, student will have the opportunity to explore our nation’s capital. Throughout this trip, students visit various historical sites while learning the history and impact DC has had on our nation’s past, present and future. Students will participate in numerous tours, visit monuments, museums and government buildings. During the trip, students will learn about our government’s process and students will be able to identify how they can create their own impact on the world we live in.

Pathways: Virtual CSI

MS90218

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Virtual Pathways CSI program, students will be exploring and learning about the history and significance of forensic science field. The class will be balanced mixture of social emotional learning, hands on science labs and discussions/lectures from experts in the field. During the program, the students will participate in a variety of activities such as, but not limited to; individual and group teambuilding, science labs – finger print analysis, blood splatter analysis, body decay analysis, etc.), lectures from forensic science professionals (detectives, arson experts, dentistry), self-reflections, CSI job exploration.

Pathways: Virtual DC

MS90219

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Virtual Pathways Washington DC program, students will learn about our nation’s capital. During the program, students will virtually explore various historical and influential sites while learning about the impact DC has had on our nation’s past, present and the impact it can have on our future. Students will partake in virtual tours and virtually visit monuments, museums and government buildings to learn about our government’s processes and students will identify how they can create their own impact on the world they live in.

Pathways: Virtual International

MS90220

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Pathways International program, students will virtually explore multiple countries from across the globe while learning about the food, culture and holiday customs that make each country unique. Students will partake in virtual cooking demonstrations, be introduced to culturally significant traditions, and have the opportunity to taste unique holiday flavors from around the world. At the end of this course each student will have the knowledge to compare and contrast how certain holidays are celebrated in each of the various countries, identify how these cultures and traditions are similar and different to those in America, and leave with interesting new recipes they can share with their friends and families.

Pathways: Virtual Mentorship

MS90221

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Virtual Pathways Mentorship Program, students will identify and develop key goals for their life and future as well as the steps needed to achieve them. During the program, students will explore and apply the concepts of self-empowerment, resilience, advocacy, social justice, stress management, self care, community and compassion. Students will learn healthy tools and techniques for processing their thoughts and feelings, build a support system through experiential connection, and virtually participate in service projects and community engagement projects. By the end of the program, students will know who their most influential mentors are, how to most effectively employ them as resources, and how to be mentors to others in their own lives.

Pathways: Virtual National Parks

MS90222

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Virtual Pathways National Parks program, students will be exploring and learning about the history and significance of U.S. National Parks, specifically the National Parks of the Western U.S. The class will be a balanced mixture of social emotional learning, hands on science/nature labs, wilderness safety and prevention, history of native people and discussions/lectures from experts in the field. During the program, the students will participate in a variety of activities such as, but not limited to; individual and group team building, nature labs, animal/wildlife identification/protection, flora/fauna identification, fire safety, erosion, archaeology, lectures from wilderness professionals (firefighters, EMTs), self-reflections, park/recreation job exploration.

Pathways: Virtual Service Learning

MS90223

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 3

In this Pathways Virtual Service Learning Program, students will be given the opportunity to learn about the many ways to contribute through acts of service. This includes learning the process of starting up your own cause, contributing to an already established cause, and understanding the social emotional concepts of community concepts for both themselves and their communities. During this course, students will participate in group activities, discussions, various community service projects and have the opportunity to become CPR/First Aid Certified.



Electives – Workforce Skills Training

Students may be required to attend a small group instruction class while taking any of the following classes

Financial Literacy and Entrepreneurial Skills

MS90132, MSED9118

7th–8th Grade

Credits: 2

Students will learn about personal budgets, expense reports, bank accounts, investments, job finances, and job skills in unit 1. Students will learn about starting a business and create a business proposal in unit 2. The course will be hands-on and real-world applicable with examples of each major concept.



Section 16 — Additional Resources

OFY-Duarte Community Resources

EMERGENCY:

911

Local Police/Sheriff: _____

Local Fire Station: _____

Emergency Radio Station: _____

LA County Emergency Operations Center:
(323) 980-2240

Red Cross Emergency:
(888) 737-4306

Principal: _____

Child Abuse Hotline: _____

Rape & Sexual Assault Hotline: _____

California Youth Crisis Line (24 hours)
(800) 843-5200

Suicide Prevention Crisis Line (24 hours)
(800) 273-8255

HIV & STD Testing (free & confidential)
(800) TEST-580

CA HIV & AIDS Hotline
(800) 367-2347

National Runaway Switchboard
(800) 621-4000

Teen Dating Abuse Hotline
(866)331-9474

Local Homeless Shelter: _____

Local Free/Low-cost Clinic: _____

Student Safety Procedures

In any situation, remain calm and follow the directions of the center staff.

FIRE

- Remain calm
- Exit as calmly and as quickly as possible
- Do not stop to take any items. Items are replaceable... you are not!
- If the room is filled with smoke, crawl on the floor. Smoke rises to the top of the room
- If you need to exit through another room, touch the door first. If it is hot, find another way out
- Use windows to exit if needed
- Inform a staff member if another person needs assistance
- Follow the staff's directions
- Do not leave the center without authorization from your teacher

EARTHQUAKE


- Take cover under the closest table or desk
- Cover your neck and head with your hands and arms
- Keep your back toward any glass
- When the shaking stops, follow the staff's directions to exit
- Inform a staff member if another person needs assistance
- Do not leave the center without authorization from your teacher

FIGHT IN THE CENTER

- Do not become involved
- Do not try to break it up or step in between the parties who are fighting
- Keep as far away from the fight as possible

PERSON WITH A WEAPON

- Follow all directions
 - Do not anger or irritate the suspect
 - Do not turn on radios, TVs, or computers
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Section 17 — Appendix

Appendix A – School IDs

School IDs are issued to OFY-Duarte students upon enrollment and are updated annually. School IDs should be worn at all times while on any OFY-Duarte campus and at all school sponsored events. School IDs may also be required to participate in any Experiential Learning trip. Students who have lost their ID or have not received a School ID should see their Center Coordinator for a new School ID.

Appendix B – Disclosure of Information

OFY-Duarte generally does not provide information to the general public regarding its students, but may do so when it is in furtherance of OFY-Duarte's education programs and does not constitute a harmful invasion of privacy in violation of applicable law, such as FERPA (e.g., sharing student directory information for athletic events). OFY-Duarte is required to disclose names, addresses, and telephone numbers of OFY-Duarte students to military recruiters upon request, subject to a parent's/guardian's request that OFY-Duarte not disclose such information. If you do not wish for your child's name, address and/or telephone number to be disclosed to military recruiters without your prior written consent, you may opt out of this automatic selective service reporting by filling out and providing OFY-Duarte with a Selective Service Disclosure Opt Out Form, which is available through a teacher or post-secondary counselor.

In addition, OFY-Duarte periodically provides information to parents/guardians regarding their students' school performance, including information pertaining to students who have attained 18 years of age. Students age 18 years of age or older may opt out of such disclosure by filling out and providing OFY-Duarte with a Parental Disclosure Opt Out Form, which is available through a teacher or post-secondary counselor.

Appendix C – Visitor Registration Procedure

The Governing Board of OFY-Duarte has adopted the following policy regarding entry into the charter school's resource centers and contact with students by Visitors (defined below) during school hours.

General Policy

The charter school is committed to providing a safe and secure learning environment for students and staff. Entry into the resource centers by Visitors may be granted on a conditional basis. The charter school may deny or revoke entry to any Visitor for reasons including, but not limited to, if the Principal (or designee) reasonably concludes that the Visitor's presence or acts would: disrupt and/or interfere with the normal operation of school activities; result in damage to property; or result in the distribution or use of a controlled substance. Entry into the charter school's resource centers by Visitors will be monitored at all times. All Visitors must check-in with the security guard (or designated school personnel) and present proof of identity in order to access the charter school's resource centers. A record of all Visitors to the resource centers will be maintained by the Charter School. The Principal, or designee, is responsible for developing additional processes and procedures in accordance with this policy.

Definitions

- Visitor – Individuals who are not employees of or students at the charter school, who seek entry into the charter school's resource centers during school hours, and who as a result of such entry, may be in direct contact with the charter school's students. "Visitor" includes Guests, Vendors and Service Providers.
- Guest – A one-day Visitor to the resource center including but not limited to parents, legal guardians, and guest speakers.
- Vendor – A vendor or supplier that the charter school has contracted with to provide goods and services directly to the Charter School (not to students) including but not limited to copy machine repair, IT hardware repair, and facilities maintenance.
- Service Provider – A service provider that the charter school has contracted with to provide ongoing services directly to the charter school's students including but not limited to NPA/Special Education services providers and workforce partners.
- Proof of Identity – Proof of identity includes a photo ID such as a state identification card, driver's license, US passport or passport card, US military card, military dependent's ID card, permanent resident card, certificate of citizenship, certificate of naturalization, employment authorization document that includes a photograph, consular identification card, municipal identification card, community-based identification

card, foreign passport, foreign driver's license, or charter school issued ID Cards (defined herein below).

- "When a photo ID is not available, proof of identity may also include other identifying documents, such as a birth certificate, and the security guard (or designated school personnel) based on their knowledge of the person and situation, may make a determination as to whether to allow entry or refuse access to the resource center."

Policy and Procedures by Type of Visitor

1. Visits by Guests

Guests must check-in with the security guard (or designated school personnel) and provide their first name, last name, date of birth, reason for their visit, and Proof of Identity when checking in for entry to the resource center. Proof of Identity will not be required if the Guest's visit is only limited to dropping off or picking up items at the school office.

Guests who are allowed entry into the resource center will be issued a badge, sticker or other marker that clearly identifies them as a Visitor ("Visitor's Badge"). The Visitor's Badge must be worn at all times while inside the resource center.

Upon completion of the visit, Guests must check-out with the security guard (or designated school personnel) and surrender the Visitor's Badge.

Any Guest found on school grounds who is not wearing a Visitor's Badge will be escorted to the security guard (or designated school personnel) immediately.

2. Visits by Vendors

Vendors must check-in with the security guard (or designated school personnel) and provide their first name, last name, date of birth, reason for their visit and Proof of Identity when checking in for entry to the resource center. Proof of Identity will not be required if the Vendor's visit is only limited to dropping off or picking up items at the school office.

Vendors who are allowed entry into the resource center will be issued a Visitor's Badge. The Visitor's Badge must be worn at all times while inside the resource center.

Vendors are prohibited from interacting with the charter school's students outside of the immediate supervision and control of the student's parents or guardian or a charter school employee.

3. Visits by Service Providers

Service Providers must check in with the security guard (or designated school personnel) and provide their first name, last name, reason for their visit and Proof of Identity when checking in for entry to the resource

center. Proof of Identity will not be required if the Service Provider's visit is only limited to dropping off or picking up items at the school office.

- Service Providers with ID Cards – The charter school may issue identification cards (“ID Cards”) to Service Provider employees who regularly provide ongoing services to the charter school’s students. Service Providers who have been issued ID Cards may provide their ID Cards as Proof of Identity when checking in for entry. ID Cards may be worn instead of a Visitor’s Badge and must be worn at all times while inside the resource center.
- Service Providers without ID Cards – Service Providers who have not been issued ID Cards must provide Proof of Identity when checking in for entry. Service Providers who are allowed entry into the resource center will be issued a Visitor’s Badge. The Visitor’s Badge must be worn at all times while inside the resource center.
- TB Risk Assessment – To the extent required by the charter school’s charter petition and applicable law, Service Providers must ensure that any of its employees who will have prolonged contact with students undergo a tuberculosis risk assessment and/or testing before providing any services.
- Criminal Background Check – Service Providers shall ensure that its employees who interact with the charter school’s students, outside of the immediate supervision and control of the student’s parents or guardian or a school employee, complete and clear a criminal background check through the Department of Justice as required by Education Code section 45125.1 prior to their interaction with the charter school’s students. Service Providers shall request and monitor subsequent arrest notices and conviction information regarding its employees and shall not allow employees who have been convicted of a violent felony (as defined in Penal Code section 667.5(c)) or serious felony (as defined in Penal Code section 1192.7) from interacting with the charter school’s students.
- AB 506 Mandated Reporter Training – If Service Provider is a “youth service organization” as defined in Business and Professions Code section 18975, then Service Provider shall comply with the requirements of Assembly Bill 506 (2021) including but not limited to ensuring that Service Provider’s administrators, employees and regular volunteers complete training in child abuse and neglect identification and child abuse and neglect reporting.

name, date of birth, and photo for comparison with a national database of registered sex offenders and any custom databases set up by the charter school. Additional information will not be stored. Any data gathered during this process will not be shared or communicated outside of the charter school if the Visitor has a legitimate reason for entering the resource center except to the extent necessary to implement this policy or to inform Service Providers that an alternate employee must be sent to provide services to students.

Visitor Management System

If the Charter School utilizes a visitor management or screening software system, such as Raptor, or chooses to do so in the future, the system will scan the Visitor’s

Appendix D – Service Animal Policy

Overview

Options for Youth Duarte Charter School prohibits pets from being present in learning centers or at school events for health and safety reasons. However, to comply with applicable law, including the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) and California Civil Code Sections 54.1 and 54.2. OFY-Duarte provides reasonable modifications to its policies, practices or procedures when necessary to accommodate people with disabilities and acknowledges that individuals with a disability may be accompanied by a guide, signal or service dog, especially trained for that purpose, in public places, including schools.

This policy does not extend to employees, except as otherwise provided. Employees who seek to use a service animal as a reasonable accommodation for a disability must submit their request to the Principal and follow any additional procedures provided for in the Employee Handbook, if applicable.

Definitions

As used throughout this Policy, the following definitions shall apply:

- “Disability” means any mental or physical disability as defined in Government Code Section 12926.
- “Principal” shall mean school Principal or their designee.
- “Service Animal” means a dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability including a guide dog, signal dog or service dog as defined in Civil Code Section 54.1. Other species of animal, even if domestic and trained, are not service animals, except in some cases a miniature horse. The work or tasks performed by a service animal must be directly related to the individual’s disability. Service animals are working animals and are not pets. The crime deterrent effects of an animal’s presence and the provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship do not constitute work or tasks for the purposes of this definition.

Examples of work or tasks include, but are not limited to:

- Assisting individuals who are blind or have low vision with navigation and other tasks.
- Alerting individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing to the presence of people or sounds.
- Providing minimal protection or rescue work.
- Pulling a wheelchair.
- Assisting an individual during a seizure.
- Alerting individuals to the presence of allergens.
- Retrieving items such as medicine.
- Providing physical support and assistance with balance and stability to individuals with mobility disabilities.
- Helping individuals with psychiatric and neurological disabilities by preventing or interrupting impulsive or destructive behaviors.

Service Animal Clearance Procedure

Initial Inquiry

Visitors or pupils who wish to bring a service animal to school or to school events as a reasonable accommodation for a disability may be asked the following and are encouraged to provide this information in advance:

- Whether the animal is required for a disability, in the event the disability is not readily apparent.
- A description of the work or task to be performed by the animal, in the event the work or tasks are not readily apparent.

Staff will not require documentation, such as proof that the animal has been certified, trained, or licensed as a service animal and will not inquire into the nature or extent of the handler’s disability.

Review and Approval

The Principal will confirm that the animal meets the definition of a service animal and will create a record of the service animal, including any related documentation. Allergies and fear of dogs are not valid reasons for denying access or refusing service to people using service animals. The Principal may authorize reasonable accommodations to anyone who has allergies, asthma or other health conditions that may be aggravated by the service animal’s presence.

Responsibilities of the Service Animal Handler

- Individuals who bring service animals on campus have the following responsibilities:
- Service animals should be kept clean and in good health and must be housebroken (i.e., trained so that, absent illness or accident, the animal controls its waste elimination).
- The handler must be in full control of the service animal at all times. The care and supervision of the service animal is the sole responsibility of its handler.
- The service animal must have a harness, leash or other tether, unless the handler is unable due to disability or if use would interfere with the animals’ safe, effective work or tasks.
- The service animal should wear a harness, cape or other marker that identifies the service animal in working status.
- The service animal should have an owner’s identification tag.
- The handler must clean up, remove and dispose of the service animal’s waste and carry sufficient equipment for that purpose.
- The handler must assume liability for any harm or injury caused by the service animal to persons and/or property.
- The handler is solely responsible for ensuring that the animal is licensed, registered and vaccinated in compliance with applicable state and local laws, regulations and ordinances.

Grounds for Removal of a Service Animal

The Principal or Assistant Principal may ask for the removal of a service animal from the school or school events under the following circumstances:

- The service animal is out of control and the animal's handler does not take effective action to control it.
- The service animal is not housebroken.
- The service animal's presence would pose a "direct threat" to the health or safety of others. In determining whether a direct threat exists, the Principal or Assistant Principal will make an individualized assessment, based on reasonable judgement that relies on current medical knowledge or on the best available objective evidence, to ascertain: the nature, duration and severity of risk; the probability that the potential injury will actually occur; and whether reasonable modifications of policies, practices, procedures or the provision of auxiliary aids or services will mitigate the risk.

Prior to removal, the Principal or Assistant Principal will seek to determine whether the service animal's behavior was a reasonable response to a provocation or injury. When an individual's service animal is removed, he/she shall be given an opportunity to participate in the school service, program or activity without the service animal present.

Disclaimers

Any persons knowingly and fraudulently representing themselves through either verbal or written notice to be the owner or trainer of a service animal shall be guilty of a misdemeanor per Penal Code 365.7.

Appendix E – Student Initiated Group Policy

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to offer an overview of the law and operational guidelines for student-initiated non-curricular student groups (“Student Groups”) at Options for Youth Duarte (“School”). A Student Group is any group formed by students whose activities are not directly related to the body of courses offered by the School, e.g. a chess club, baking club. This policy does not apply to curricular and School sponsored and organized groups, such as Associated Student Body.

Overview

The School believes student groups have countless benefits for students including exposure to new interests, enhancing school spirit and providing students with a sense of belonging.

The School has created a limited open forum for Student Groups. Under the Equal Access Act (20U.S.C §§ 4071-74), all Student Groups shall be given equal access to meet on School premises during non-instructional time without regard to their religious, political, philosophical, or other speech content. A Student Group’s meetings, ideas, and activities are not sponsored or endorsed in any way by the School.

The School shall not deny equal access or a fair opportunity to meet, or otherwise discriminate against, any group officially affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America, or with any other youth group listed as a patriotic society in Title 36 of the United States Code, for reasons based on the membership or leadership criteria or oath of allegiance to God and country. (20 U.S.C. § 7905)

Requirements for Student Group Recognition

Students who wish to create a Student Group must first submit a written proposal to the Principal or Assistant Principal in order to gain group recognition. The written proposal must include the following:

1. Proposed Student Group Name
2. Student Contacts
3. Statement of the Student Group’s purpose, goals, and activities;
4. Name(s) of any School staff member interested in supervising meetings (if any);
5. Any other information that will help the Principal better understand the Student Group

School Approval

The Board delegates to the Principal the authority to approve a Student Group or designate another School official to approve a Student Group (e.g., Assistant Principal). Before granting a request to create a Student Group, the Principal or designee may request additional information. Student Groups must be authorized by the Principal or designee in accordance with this policy before

meeting on School grounds.

Scheduling and Supervision

Once the School approves the Student Group, the Principal or Assistant Principal will provide dates and times of available meeting spaces during non-instructional hours for the Student Group to select. Each student group must adhere to their scheduled meeting time and place. Meetings must take place during non-instructional hours and must be supervised as set forth below. Throughout the school year, the Student Group may make additional requests for meeting space. Student Groups shall be given equal access to meeting space, school equipment, and supplies.

Students shall leave the meeting place in a clean, orderly, and secure condition after their meetings.

If the Student Group desires, the School may be able to provide support so meetings can be held virtually during non-instructional hours.

Student Group meetings shall entail no expenditure of public funds beyond the incidental cost of providing the meeting space. (20 U.S.C. § 4071)

The Principal or designee may deny the use of facilities to any Student Group that he/she believes will materially and substantially interfere with the orderly conduct of educational activities within the school. (20 U.S.C. § 4071)

Student Group meetings must be supervised by a School staff member in a non-participatory fashion.

Limitations of Student Group Meetings:

- Student Group meetings or events may not interfere with the orderly conduct of the school day or School facility.
- Students must be enrolled at the School to participate in a Student Group.
- Nonschool persons may not conduct, control or regularly attend Student Group meetings.
- School staff must supervise School Group meetings. This supervision must be custodial in nature rather than participatory.
 - A School employee may refuse to attend a Student Group meeting if the content of the speech at the meeting is contrary to the employee’s beliefs. (20 U.S.C. § 4071)
- There shall be no sponsorship of the Student Group meeting by the School or staff. The term “sponsorship” means that School staff are promoting, leading, or participating in a meeting. The assignment of a School employee to a meeting for supervision purposes shall not constitute sponsorship of the meeting.
- While School staff cannot curtail or otherwise control School Group meeting content, students should not use School facilities to publish or otherwise disseminate:

- Matter that is obscene to minors or libelous under the law;
- Matter which incites students so as to create a clear and present danger of the imminent commission of unlawful acts or of the substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the School;
- Material which expresses or advocates racial, ethnic, gender or religious prejudice.
- Students shall behave appropriately, treat others with mutual respect, and comply with behavior rules in the Student Handbook during School Group meetings.
- Student Groups are prohibited from conducting fundraising activities at any location.

Curriculum-Related Student Organizations

If the Principal or designee determines a Student Group meets any of the following conditions, the group is considered a “Curriculum-Related Student Organization” and not a “Student Group” for purposes of this policy:

- Student Group’s subject matter is taught or will soon be taught in a regular course;
- Student Group’s subject matter concerns the body of courses as a whole;
- Participation is required for a particular course; or
- Participation results in academic credit

Unlike non-curricular Student Groups, Curriculum-Related Student Organizations may be sponsored by the School. Curriculum-Related Student Organizations may receive leadership, direction and support from School staff beyond just providing a meeting place during non-instructional time.

The Principal or designee may assign a staff adviser for any Curriculum-Related Student Organization, who will be responsible for ensuring the organization’s activities are aligned to the School’s goals and objectives and providing supervision and leadership of the group.

Appendix F – Wellness Policy

OFY-Duarte has established a School Wellness Policy in collaboration with the Charter School’s Wellness Committee, School Site Council and stakeholders within the Charter School Community. This policy describes the meal program and wellness support available on-site, outlines the Charter School’s Wellness Goals and the metrics used for evaluation of the Wellness Program. The final policy, program evaluation data and periodic updates are available on the School website.

Appendix G – Mental Health

Mental health services are available at the school center. Students or parents/guardians may access mental health services, including but not limited to crisis intervention and counseling, by contacting the Assistant Principal

This information is provided to students and parents or guardians twice each school year via this Student Handbook or the OFY-Duarte website.

Appendix H – Suicide Prevention Policy

OFY-Duarte is committed to providing a safe, civil and secure school environment. This includes responding immediately and appropriately to a student expressing or exhibiting suicidal ideation or behaviors and to follow-up in the aftermath of a death by suicide. School personnel, parents/guardians and students are instrumental in helping to save lives by identifying students at-risk and linking them to essential school and community mental health resources.

OFY-Duarte’s governing board has adopted a policy on suicide prevention that put procedures in place to prevent, assess the risk of, intervene in, and respond to suicide in order to protect the health and well-being of the charter school’s students. To review a copy of OFY-Duarte’s policy on suicide prevention, please visit your student’s center or the school website.

If you need immediate assistance due to a life-threatening situation, call 911. Assistance is also available by reaching out to the Suicide Prevention Crisis Line (24 hours) at 1(800) 273-8255. This phone number is located on the backside of all Student ID cards.

Appendix I – Immunization Policy

To protect the well-being of all students, families, and staff and to limit the spread of communicable diseases, OFY-Duarte follows federal and state laws and cooperates with local public health agencies to assure proper immunization of all enrolled students against preventable disease. Each student enrolling in OFY-Duarte for the first time shall have an immunization record from any authorized private or public health care provider, confirming that the student has received all immunizations as required by law.

Medical Exemptions:

Students may be exempt from immunization requirements if they have a valid medical exemption. Medical exemptions can be permanent or temporary based on a licensed physician's findings (M.D. or D.O.). All medical exemptions must be issued electronically through the California Immunization Registry – Medical Exemption (CAIR-ME) utilizing a standard form.

All medical exemptions issued before January 1, 2020 continue to be valid except as explained below:

- Parents of students with existing medical exemptions will need to submit a new exemption when the student begins a new "grade span." Here, that means when a student enrolls into 7th grade. Students who were at least in 7th grade before January 1, 2020 with a properly submitted permanent medical exemption to OFY-Duarte (provided before January 1, 2020) can finish secondary school without submitting a new medical exemption.
- The only existing medical exemptions that may be revoked are those that were written by a physician subject to disciplinary action by the Medical Board of California or the Osteopathic Medical Board of California.

All medical exemptions must be reviewed and receive confirmation of validity prior to enrollment by the school designee. Please contact your school nurse with any questions.

Independent Study:

Students will not be required to complete immunizations for entry if they attend an independent study program with no classroom-based instruction. However, an immunization record is still required for these students because schools must maintain and report records of immunizations for all students. Virtual/Online students without complete immunizations will not be allowed to attend any school-sanctioned events that require presence in school or in a public place with other students such as field trips or sports.

Serving Students with Exceptional Needs:

Students who have an individualized education program (IEP) should continue to receive all necessary services identified in their IEP regardless of their vaccination status.

Enrolling Homeless and Foster Youth:

OFY-Duarte will enroll new students who are McKinney-Vento students (homeless) or foster children even if their immunization records are missing or unavailable at the time of enrollment. The school will provide the student's guardians with information on vaccinations needed and work with the student's family and/or foster family to ensure the student receives necessary vaccinations.

Conditional Enrollment:

Any student seeking admission may be admitted conditionally if either of the following applies:

1. The student has commenced receiving doses of all immunizations required for the student's age or grade and is not currently due for any doses at the time of admission. Remaining dose(s) are due based on interval timing. For more information about conditional enrollment requirements please see: laws conditional admission (ca.gov) at <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/School/laws-conditional.aspx>
2. A valid statement of Temporary Medical Exemption is submitted with immunization records for required shots not exempted. The student must complete all the required immunizations or obtain a new valid medical exemption when the temporary exemption terminates. Remaining dose(s) are due based on interval timing.

OFY-Duarte shall review the records for conditional entrants at least every thirty (30) days until all required immunizations are received and their records updated. The Charter School will inform the parent or guardian of the remaining required doses until all required immunizations are received or an exemption is filed. The student must be excluded from attending if immunization records are not completed by the deadlines. Parents / guardians will be provided with written notice prior to disenrollment in accordance with the school's charter and applicable law.

Additional information regarding Immunization Requirements can be found at:

- Immunization Requirements - Health Services & School Nursing (CA Dept of Education) at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/immunization.asp>

Appendix J – Title IX Policy

OFY-Duarte Title IX Sex-Based Nondiscrimination Policy and Grievance Procedures

Purpose and Overview

OFY-Duarte (“School”) does not discriminate on the basis of sex and prohibits sex discrimination in any education program or activity that it operates, including in admission and employment, as required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (“Title IX”), a federal law. Discrimination on the basis of sex is also a violation of California state laws and a violation of this Policy. School considers sex-based discrimination to be a major offense which can result in discipline of students and employees, including and up to expulsion of students and/or termination of employees.

This Title IX Sex-Based Nondiscrimination Policy and Grievance Procedures (“Policy”) provides a grievance process for the prompt and equitable resolution of complaints made by students, employees, or other individuals who are participating in or attempting to participate in the School’s education program or activity, or by the School’s Title IX Coordinator, alleging any action that would be prohibited by Title IX.

Discrimination on the basis of sex (also called sex-based discrimination or sex discrimination) under Title IX includes discrimination on the basis of sex stereotypes, sex characteristics, pregnancy or related conditions, sexual orientation, and gender identity. Sex-based harassment is a form of sex discrimination prohibited by Title IX and means sexual harassment and other harassment on the basis of sex as defined in 34 C.F.R. § 106.2 and Section I of the Grievance Procedures below.

California Legal Requirements

Under California law, Education Code section 230, harassment and other discrimination on the basis of sex include, but are not limited to, the following: exclusion of a person or persons from participation in, denial of the benefits of, or subjection to harassment or other discrimination in, any academic, extracurricular, research, occupational training, or other program or activity; and exclusion from participation in, or denial of equivalent opportunity in, athletic programs. The full definition of discrimination and harassment based on sex from Education Code section 230 can be found here: http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=EDC§ionNum=230.

The definitions of discrimination on the basis of sex under California law (state law) and under Title IX (federal law) overlap in some areas. Complaints alleging unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying based on gender, sex, gender identity or expression, or sexual orientation are eligible to be investigated pursuant to

School’s Uniform Complaint Procedures pursuant to state law. However, complaints alleging conduct that constitutes sex discrimination under Title IX, including a complaint of retaliation interfering with any right or privilege secured by Title IX, are investigated under the Title IX Grievance Procedures set forth herein. School prohibits retaliation, including peer retaliation, against anyone who files a discrimination complaint or any participant (or anyone who refuses to participate) in the complaint investigation process.

Sex Equity in Education Act Statement

Students have all the rights set forth in Education Code section 221.8 (as applicable to School’s programs). This includes the right to fair and equitable treatment, the right to a school environment without discrimination on the basis of sex, and the right to be provided with an equitable opportunity to participate in all academic extracurricular activities. The description of all rights set forth in Education Code section 221.8 can be found here:

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=EDC§ionNum=221.8.

For more information about Gender Equity/Title IX, please visit the following CDE website: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/eo/genequitytitleix.asp>.

Title IX Grievance Procedures for Sex Discrimination

I. Scope of Title IX

These Title IX grievance procedures apply only to *complaints* (defined in Section IV below) alleging *sex discrimination*, including *sex-based harassment*, in the School’s education programs or activities.

Sex discrimination includes discrimination on the basis of sex stereotypes, sex characteristics, pregnancy or related conditions, sexual orientation, and gender identity.

Sex-based harassment is a form of sex discrimination and means sexual harassment and other harassment on the basis of sex, including:

1. *Quid pro quo harassment*, defined as an employee, agent, or other person authorized by School to provide an aid, benefit, or service under School’s education program or activity explicitly or impliedly conditioning the provision of such an aid, benefit, or service on a person’s participation in unwelcome sexual conduct.
2. *Hostile environment harassment*, defined as unwelcome sex-based conduct that, based on the totality of the circumstances, is subjectively and objectively offensive and is so severe or pervasive that it limits or denies a person’s ability to participate in or benefit from School’s education program or activity (i.e., creates a

hostile environment). Whether a hostile environment has been created is a fact-specific inquiry that includes consideration of the following:

- a. The degree to which the conduct affected the complainant's ability to access School's education program or activity;
 - b. The type, frequency, and duration of the conduct;
 - c. The parties' ages, roles within School's education program or activity, previous interactions, and other factors about each party that may be relevant to evaluating the effects of the conduct;
 - d. The location of the conduct and the context in which the conduct occurred; and
 - e. Any other sex-based harassment in School's education program or activity.
3. *Specific offenses*, including sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, or stalking as those terms are defined in 34 C.F.R. § 106.2.

II. Title IX Roles

School has designated the following individual as its Title IX Coordinator to coordinate School's compliance with Title IX, including coordination of the investigation and resolution of complaints of sex discrimination as outlined in this Policy:

Jeff Moreno
Assistant Principal of Instructional Operations
16030 Amar Rd., City of Industry, CA 91744
uniformcomplaint-OFYD@propelcmg.org
(626) 961-3044

The Title IX Coordinator may designate other individual(s) to fulfill all or part of their duties, but the Title IX Coordinator identified above retains ultimate oversight to ensure School's consistent compliance with Title IX. The Title IX Coordinator is also responsible for monitoring School's education program or activity for barriers to reporting information about conduct that reasonably may constitute sex discrimination under Title IX, and taking steps reasonably calculated to address such barriers.

In addition to the Title IX Coordinator, the following Title IX roles are involved in the grievance process to address complaints:

- *Investigator*: The individual responsible for gathering all evidence related to the complaint.
- *Decisionmaker*: The individual responsible for evaluating evidence in order to determine whether sex discrimination occurred. The Decisionmaker may be the same person as the Title IX Coordinator and/or Investigator.
- *Title IX Appeals Officer*: If applicable, this individual is responsible for evaluating an appeal of a dismissal of a complaint or an appeal of the final determination. The Title IX Appeals Officer cannot be any individual involved in the dismissal of the complaint or the investigation of the complaint.

All Title IX roles (i.e., Title IX Coordinator(s) and any designee(s), Investigator(s), Decisionmaker(s), Appeals Officer(s), and any person who facilitates an informal resolution process), as well as all School employees, will receive annual training in accordance with Title IX requirements. Any person designated as a Title IX Coordinator, Investigator, Decisionmaker or Appeals Officer must not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against complainants or respondents generally or an individual complainant or respondent.

III. Reporting Information About Conduct that May Constitute Sex Discrimination

School requires all employees to notify the Title IX Coordinator and Human Resources when the employee has information about conduct that reasonably may constitute sex discrimination under Title IX. In addition, any other individual (e.g., a student, volunteer, or parent/guardian of a student) should report conduct that reasonably may constitute sex discrimination directly to the Title IX Coordinator, or to any other available School employee who shall immediately inform the Title IX Coordinator. Reports of information can be made in person, by mail, by telephone, by electronic mail, or by any other means that result in the Title IX Coordinator receiving the information.

IV. Complaints of Sex Discrimination

A *complaint* is an oral or written request that School investigate and make a determination about alleged discrimination under Title IX. School encourages the use of the enclosed Title IX Complaint Form.

The following persons have a right to make a complaint of sex discrimination, requesting that the School investigate and make a determination about alleged discrimination under Title IX:

- A *complainant*, meaning a student, employee, or other person who was participating or attempting to participate in the School's education program or activity, who is alleged to have been subjected to conduct that could constitute sex discrimination under Title IX;
- The Title IX Coordinator after making the determination described in 34 C.F.R. § 106.44(f)(1)(v); or
- With respect to complaints of sex discrimination other than sex-based harassment, any student, employee, or any other person who was participating or attempting to participate in the School's education program or activity at the time of the alleged sex discrimination.

When a complaint is initiated, the person who is alleged to have violated the School's prohibition on sex discrimination is referred to as the *respondent*.

V. School's Initial Response to Conduct that May Constitute Sex Discrimination

When the Title IX Coordinator is notified of conduct that

reasonably may constitute sex discrimination under Title IX, the Title IX Coordinator (or designee(s)) will take the following actions. These actions are taken regardless of whether a complaint is initiated:

1. Treat the complainant and respondent equitably.
2. Contact complainant to offer and coordinate *supportive measures*.
 - a. *Supportive measures* means individualized measures to protect the complainant’s safety, and/or to restore or preserve access to their School education program or activity. Supportive measures are offered as appropriate, as reasonably available, and without unreasonably burdening a complainant or respondent. Supportive measures are not punitive or disciplinary. The School will not disclose information about supportive measures to persons other than the person to whom they apply, unless necessary, subject to the exceptions in 34 C.F.R. § 106.44(j)(1)-(5).
 - b. Supportive measures may include, but are not limited to: counseling; extensions of deadlines and other course-related adjustments; campus escort services; increased security and monitoring of certain areas of the campus; restrictions on contact applied to one or more parties; administrative leave or leaves of absence; changes in class, work, or extracurricular or any other activity, regardless of whether there is or is not a comparable alternative; and training and education programs related to sex-based harassment.¹
 - c. If a complaint has been initiated, the Title IX Coordinator will offer, coordinate and maintain records of, supportive measures, as appropriate, for both complainant and respondent; and consult with HR when applicable.
3. Determine whether there is a need for *emergency removal*.
 - a. *Emergency removal* allows the Title IX Coordinator to determine, based on the facts, that the respondent needs to be removed from the educational program or activity to prevent any further sex discrimination and/or maintain the safety of students, staff, or other persons. Emergency removal requires the Title IX Coordinator to:
 - i. Perform an individualized safety and risk analysis; notify and consult with HR if applicable
 - ii. Make a determination that there is an imminent and serious threat to the health or safety of a complainant or any students, employees, or other persons arising from the allegations of sex discrimination that justifies the removal; and

- iii. Provide the respondent with notice and an opportunity to challenge the decision immediately following the removal.
- b. If the respondent is a student, the School is subject to applicable laws and school policies regarding involuntary removals, suspensions, and expulsions, including laws regarding students with disabilities.²
4. Notify the complainant, or if the complainant is unknown, the individual who reported the conduct, of the School’s grievance procedures and informal resolution process.
5. Take other appropriate prompt and effective steps to ensure that sex discrimination does not continue or recur within the School’s education program or activity.

If a complaint is made, the Title IX Coordinator will initiate the grievance procedures (or informal resolution process if available and appropriate and requested by all parties) and notify the respondent of the School’s grievance procedures and informal resolution process. If the complainant or respondent is a student with a disability, the Title IX Coordinator will consult with one or more of the student’s IEP team members to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (“IDEA”).

In the absence of a complaint or the withdrawal of any or all of the allegations in a complaint, and in the absence or termination of an informal resolution process, the Title IX Coordinator will determine whether it is appropriate to initiate a complaint of sex discrimination themselves based on the factors in 34 C.F.R. § 106.44(f)(1)(v). If the Title IX Coordinator themselves initiates a complaint, they will notify the complainant prior to doing so and appropriately address reasonable concerns about the complainant’s safety or the safety of others, including by providing supportive measures.

VI. Evaluation of Complaint; Informal Resolution Process

If a complaint is made, the Title IX Coordinator will determine whether it raises allegations that fall within the definition of sex discrimination under Title IX.

School may consolidate multiple complaints where the allegations of sex discrimination arise out of the same facts or circumstances.

At any time after a complaint has been filed, but before reaching a determination regarding the allegation, the

1 The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for implementing the supportive measures. If a party believes that the supportive measures provided are inconsistent with the requirements under Title IX, or if circumstances change materially, the party may seek review of the supportive measures from an appropriate and impartial School employee designated by the Title IX Coordinator. The impartial employee must be someone other than the employee who made the challenged decision. The impartial employee shall have the authority to modify or reverse the decision.

2 If the respondent is an employee, respondent may be placed on administrative leave during the complaint investigation without following the emergency removal process described above.

School may offer an *informal resolution* process (such as restorative justice or mediation) to the complainant and respondent.³ Participation in informal resolution is voluntary. Before initiation of an informal resolution process, School will provide written notice to the parties as required under 34 C.F.R. § 106.44(k)(3). The facilitator for the informal resolution process must not be the same person as the Investigator or the Decisionmaker.

VII. Dismissal of Complaint

Under certain circumstances, a complaint may be dismissed by the Title IX Coordinator. The Title IX Coordinator will endeavor to make this determination no more than **ten (10) school days** from the date the complaint is made. A complaint may be dismissed for any of the following reasons:

1. School is unable to identify the respondent after taking reasonable steps to do so;
2. The respondent is not participating in School's education program or activity and is not employed by School;
3. The complainant voluntarily withdraws any or all of the allegations in the complaint, the Title IX Coordinator declines to initiate a complaint under 34 CFR section 106.44(f)(1)(v), and School determines that, without the complainant's withdrawn allegations, the conduct that remains alleged in the complaint, if any, would not constitute sex discrimination under Title IX even if proven; or
4. School determines the conduct alleged in the complaint, even if proven, would not constitute sex discrimination under Title IX. Prior to dismissing the complaint under this paragraph, School must make reasonable efforts to clarify the allegations with the complainant.

Written Notice of Dismissal: If the Title IX Coordinator dismisses the complaint, they must notify the complainant of the basis for the dismissal and that the dismissal may be appealed in accordance with the procedures described in the "Appeals" section below. If the respondent was already notified of the allegations, the Title IX Coordinator must also promptly notify the respondent of the dismissal, the basis for the dismissal, and that the dismissal may be appealed.

Alternative Resolution Procedure: If the Title IX Coordinator determines another School procedure (e.g., Uniform Complaint Procedures) is the appropriate grievance procedure for the complainant's allegation(s), the written notice shall state School's intent to investigate the complaint through that grievance procedure.

VIII. Investigation and Written Decision

If the Title IX Coordinator does not dismiss the complaint, School will follow the below investigation process and issue a Written Decision. School will endeavor to complete

its investigation and issue a Written Decision within **sixty (60) school days of receipt of the complaint**. The timelines provided herein may be extended by School for good cause and with notice to the parties stating the reason for the delay.

The School presumes that the respondent is not responsible for the alleged sex discrimination until a determination is made at the conclusion of the grievance process.

Throughout the below process, the School will take reasonable steps to protect the privacy of the parties and witnesses, so long as such steps do not restrict the ability of the parties to obtain and present evidence, including by speaking to witnesses, consult with their family members, confidential resources, or advisors, or otherwise prepare for or participate in the grievance process.

1. Send Written Notice of Complaint

The Title IX Coordinator must provide the parties (complainant and respondent) with a Notice of Complaint. The Title IX Coordinator will endeavor to provide this Notice within **ten (10) school days of receipt of the complaint**. The Notice shall include: (1) a copy of this Policy; (2) a description of the allegations potentially constituting sex discrimination with sufficient details known at the time, including, but not limited to, the identities of the parties, alleged conduct, and date(s) and location(s) of the alleged conduct; (3) a statement that retaliation is prohibited; (4) a statement that the parties are entitled to an equal opportunity to access the relevant and not otherwise impermissible evidence or an accurate description of the evidence; and (5) a statement that if the parties are provided a description of the evidence, the parties are entitled to an equal opportunity to access to the relevant and not otherwise impermissible evidence upon request.

2. Investigator Conducts Investigation

The Investigator will gather and review evidence related to the allegations. This can include, but is not limited to, interviewing parties or witnesses and assessing their credibility, as well as reviewing relevant evidence. The Investigator will exclude (i.e., will not access, consider, disclose, or otherwise use) impermissible evidence under 34 C.F.R. § 106.45(b)(7). The burden is on the School to conduct an investigation that gathers sufficient evidence to determine whether sex discrimination occurred. The Investigator will provide an equal opportunity for the parties to present fact witnesses and other inculpatory and exculpatory evidence that is relevant and not otherwise impermissible.

3. Investigator Provides Parties Equal Opportunity to Review Gathered Evidence

The Investigator will provide both the complainant and respondent with an equal opportunity to review the

³ The informal resolution process is not available where the complainant alleges that an employee engaged in sex-based harassment of a student or when such process would conflict with federal, state, or local law.

relevant (and not otherwise impermissible) evidence, either by providing the evidence itself or a description of the evidence as described in 34 C.F.R. § 106.45(f) (4). The parties will have a period of at least **ten (10) school days** to review and respond to the evidence. The Investigator will remind the parties that any information about another party, witness, or other individual obtained solely through the grievance process is confidential and any unauthorized disclosures are prohibited.

4. Decisionmaker Issues Written Decision

The Decisionmaker will objectively evaluate all relevant evidence, including both inculpatory and exculpatory evidence, and will endeavor to issue the Written Decision within **sixty (60) school days from the receipt of the complaint**. If the Decisionmaker is not the same person as the Investigator, the Decisionmaker will, at this point in the process, be able to question parties and witnesses to adequately assess a party's or witness's credibility, to the extent credibility is both in dispute and relevant to evaluating one or more allegations of sex discrimination. Credibility determinations must not be based on a person's status as a complainant, respondent, or witness. The Decisionmaker will issue a Written Decision to both parties simultaneously. The Decisionmaker uses the "preponderance of evidence" standard (i.e., it is more likely than not that the respondent committed the alleged conduct). If the Decisionmaker is not persuaded under the applicable standard that sex discrimination occurred, whatever the quantity of the evidence is, the Decisionmaker must not determine that sex discrimination occurred. The Written Decision will include all of the following:

- a. The Decisionmaker's determination whether sex discrimination occurred under Title IX;
- b. The rationale for such determination; and
- c. The School's procedures and permissible bases for a party to appeal the decision.

5. Remedies

If School determines that sex discrimination occurred, School will provide remedies to the complainant and other persons whose equal access to School's education program or activity was limited or denied by the sex discrimination, as appropriate. This may include supportive measures. The Title IX Coordinator must also take other appropriate prompt and effective steps to ensure that sex discrimination does not continue or recur within School's education program or activity.

Remedies for sex-based harassment may also include, but are not limited to: transfer from a class; parent/student conference(s); positive behavior support; warnings; detention; and/or formal discipline, such as suspension and expulsion, including notification to complainant of any such disciplinary sanctions. When an employee is found to have committed sex-based harassment, School will take appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including termination, in accordance

with School's policies and as permitted by law.

IX. Appeals

Either party may appeal School's Written Decision, or its dismissal of a complaint or any allegation in the complaint, within **five (5) school days of the decision**. An appeal may be made on any of the following grounds:

1. A procedural irregularity affected the outcome;
2. New evidence that would change the outcome and that was not reasonably available when the determination whether sex-based harassment occurred or dismissal was made; or
3. The Title IX Coordinator, Investigator, or Decisionmaker had a conflict of interest or bias for or against complainants or respondents generally or the individual complainant or respondent that would change the outcome.

Upon receipt of an appeal, School will provide a written notification to the other party about the appeal that gives both parties a reasonable, equal opportunity to submit a written statement in support of/challenging the appeal.

The Title IX Appeals Officer (not Decisionmaker or Investigator) shall issue a written decision of appeal, including the rationale for the result, to both parties. The Title IX Appeals Officer will endeavor to issue their decision within **thirty (30) school days from the receipt of the appeal**.

X. Record Keeping

School will maintain the following records for a period of seven (7) years:

1. For each complaint of sex discrimination, records documenting the informal resolution process and/or investigation, and the resulting outcome;
2. For each notification the Title IX Coordinator receives of information about conduct that reasonably may constitute sex discrimination under Title IX, records documenting the actions the School took to meet its obligations under Section V of this Policy; and
3. All Title IX training materials.

Title IX Complaint Form

Instructions: This form can be completed to request that OFY-Duarte ("School") investigate and make a determination about alleged discrimination under Title IX. Please complete the information below. Should you need additional space or would like to provide documentation to support the allegations in the complaint, you can attach those to this complaint form. If you have any questions, please contact School's Title IX Coordinator listed below.

Contact Information and Complainant's (Victim) Information

Full Name of Person Filing the Complaint: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Complainant's (Victim) Full Name (if different from above): _____

Respondent's (Accused) Information

Respondent's Full Name: _____
Is the accused a School student? No Yes
If yes, what is the student's grade and relation to complainant: _____
Is the accused a School staff member? No Yes
If yes, what is the staff member's relation to the complainant (e.g., teacher)? _____
If no, what is the accused's affiliation to School? _____

Details of Complaint

Date of the Alleged Incident(s): _____ Location of Alleged Incident(s): _____
Please describe the facts underlying your complaint. Provide details such as the names of those involved, the dates of the incident(s), whether witnesses were present and the names of any witnesses, etc. Please provide any details which you feel might be helpful to a complaint investigator.

Did the sex discrimination occur at School or during a School activity? If so, please describe:

Did this incident interfere with your ability to access or participate in School programs or activities? If so, please describe: _____

List the individuals involved in the relevant incident(s):

List any witnesses to the incident(s):

Acknowledgements

By submitting this form to the School Title IX Coordinator, I wish to initiate School's Title IX Grievance Procedures.
Signature of Complainant: _____ Date: _____

Once you have completed this form, please submit it to the Title IX Coordinator:
Jeff Moreno, Assistant Principal of Instructional Operations
16030 Amar Rd., City of Industry, CA 91744
email: uniformcomplaint-OFYD@propelcmg.org
(626) 961-3044

Appendix K – Academic Honesty

OFY-Duarte is strongly committed to nurturing academic excellence, truth, responsibility, and integrity. Our independent study program expects all students to maintain a high standard of ethics in their academic pursuits. Academic dishonesty is considered a serious matter and will not be tolerated.

Academic dishonesty (in course work, on examinations, or in other academically-related activities) includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Copying from another student or knowingly allowing another to copy
- Using unauthorized materials and/or technologies
- Plagiarizing work – the intentional or accidental appropriation of another’s writings or ideas and the unacknowledged incorporation of that work, in full or in part, in one’s own written work – including electronic media such as the Internet
- Counterfeit work, including turning in as one’s own work that which was created, researched, or produced by another
- Theft or the altering of grades, records (written or electronic), and/or teaching materials (written or electronic)

Any student found to have broken the academic honesty policy is subject to any or all of the following consequences:

- Immediate removal from the course(s) where the infraction occurred (without replacement) and possible failure of the course
- A meeting with the teacher and/or administrator
- Other discipline as determined by OFY-Duarte in its sole discretion (e.g., rescind privileges to attend student events).

Definitions of Academic Dishonesty

Cheating or Violations of Testing Procedures are recognized as deliberately seeking one’s own gain in academic, extracurricular, or other school work in order to (or with the intent to) gain an unfair advantage including, but not limited to, the following:

Unauthorized exchange of information during a test or while others are taking a test

- Copying from others during a test or examination
- Using unauthorized materials (electronically on calculators, cell phones or crib notes) to complete an examination or assignment,
- Copying parts of an exam and giving it to other students who have to take the test
- Changing, altering, or being an accessory to changing or altering a grade on a test, assignment, or project
- Violating any other specific procedures specified by the teacher
- Unpermitted collaboration on assigned work, or work submitted by any student, including, but not limited to, papers, projects, products, lab reports, other reports, and homework

- Creating a disadvantage for another student by hoarding or by sabotaging materials or resources
- Unauthorized prior knowledge and/or use of tests, quizzes, midterms, finals, or other assignments
- Having another individual take a test or prepare an assignment, or assist in the test or assignment without approval

To Lie or Commit a Fraud: To make a statement one knows is false, with the intent to deceive or with disregard for the truth; to give a false impression. Lies can be made verbally, in writing, or by gestures that are intended to convey a false impression or understanding. With regard to academic performance, conduct that constitutes lying includes, but is not limited to, cases illustrated by the following examples:

1. Fabrication of data or information (i.e., making it up)
2. Citation of information not taken from the source indicated. This may include incorrect documentation of secondary source materials; e.g., using the bibliographic information from a source instead of going to the original source yourself,
3. Listing sources in a bibliography not used in the academic exercise,
4. Submission in a paper or other academic exercise of false or fictitious data, or deliberate and knowing concealment or distortion of the true nature, origin, or function of such data,
5. Submitting as your own any academic exercises prepared totally or in part by another
6. Forgery of signature on documents for school record
7. Changing a grade or attendance record in a teacher’s grade book or in the attendance records
8. Making statements that you know or reasonably should know have caused a false impression or understanding to have been created, and failing to correct the false impression or misunderstanding

Stealing: encompasses taking or appropriating without the right or permission to do so and with the intent to keep or improperly use the school work or materials of another student or the instructional materials of a teacher. Some examples are stealing copies of tests or quizzes, illegitimately accessing the teacher’s answer key for tests or quizzes, stealing the teacher’s edition of the textbook, stealing another student’s homework, notes, or handouts.

Other examples of inappropriate behavior include:

- **Multiple Submissions:** Submitting substantial portions of any academic exercise more than once without prior authorization and approval of the teacher.
- **Complicity:** Facilitating any of the above actions or performing work that another student then presents as their own work (e.g., copying someone’s homework or allowing someone to copy homework).
- **Interference:** Interfering with the ability of a fellow student to perform their assignments (e.g., stealing notes or tearing pages out of books).

- Plagiarism: The copying of language, structure, programming, computer code, ideas, and/or thoughts of another and passing off the same as one's own original work, or attempts thereof. Such acts include, but are not limited to, having a parent or another person write an essay (including the purchase of works online) or do a project which is then submitted as one's own work; failing to use proper documentation and bibliography.

Responsibilities of Student and Staff

Each STUDENT will maintain and support academic integrity by:

- completing all assigned work, activities and tests in an honorable way that avoids all cheating, lying, and stealing.
- understanding the school-wide Academic Honesty Policy.
- clarifying with the instructor anything that may be unclear about an assignment, with respect to how the Academic Honesty Policy may apply to it.
- maintaining records of research notes, outlines, rough drafts and reference works to validate individual effort.
- seeking supplemental assistance from teachers, parents or peers to understand lessons and assignments.

Each TEACHER will:

- present the Honor Policy to students.
- support the school's core values that prioritizes student learning over letter grades.
- teach the process of learning and creating academic products while providing sufficient time for products to be competed.
- be accessible outside of class for students to seek help with questions and other learning needs.
- maintain the integrity of the evaluation/testing process (use multiple forms, seek responses that require thinking and not just facts, provide sufficient spacing of students, maintain supervision).
- explain the use of permissible study aids - including tutors - in coursework.
- check student papers for plagiarism.
- report to supervisors (e.g., Assistant Principal or Principal) any violations of the Honor Policy that are serious enough to have incurred discipline, and following through on the consequences authorized by the supervisors after administrative review.

Each PARENT/GUARDIAN will:

- review and understand the Honor Policy and guidelines for individual teachers' classes.
 - communicate your support for the school's core values and Academic Honesty Policy and discuss with your student their opinion of academic integrity and its relevance to their education.
 - support the imposition of consequences if the Academic Honesty Policy is violated and discuss with your student the value of maintaining academic integrity.
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Appendix L – Student Conduct & Expectations

Students are expected to conform to the customary rules of conduct and the normal modes of operation of the facility in which the learning center is located. They will also act in accordance with the following behavior expectations in following all written and verbal agreements:

1. Be courteous and respectful to others
2. Respect the property of others
3. Be prepared to learn at all times
4. Follow learning center's written discipline policy

Smoking is not allowed in the vicinity of the learning center. Furthermore, all cellular phones are to be turned off while in attendance at the learning center. The teachers and staff of the learning center will be on hand at all times to monitor student behavior. If a problem arises, the teacher will contact the student's family and may request a parent/guardian and teacher conference to discuss the matter.

Appendix M – Transportation Safety Plan

Transportation Policy

This policy outlines the transportation services offered by the School and explains the School's compliance with applicable laws and rules pertaining to school transportation.

The school provides transportation to students when required by law (e.g., when the Charter School is the school of origin for a homeless youth), and may offer transportation for certain activities, which may include, but are not limited to:

- Athletic Events including team practices, games and tournaments
- ASB related events
- Educational Field Trips which include local, out-of-state and international destinations
- Graduation
- Homecoming, Prom and other school dances
- Senior Socials
- CTE courses

The methods in which students are transported by the school may include, but are not limited to:

- Bus
- Shuttle
- Passenger van
- Rideshare service
- Walking, and
- Airplane

The school does not provide student transportation in staff personal vehicles.

Students who obtain transportation to school field trips or events in a personal vehicle do so at their own risk, and must be pre arranged with the school if determined appropriate by the Principal.

Students, guests and parents participating in school field trips or excursions waive all claims against the school for injury, accident, illness, or death occurring during or by reason of the field trip or excursion, pursuant to California Education Code section 35330(d), which includes injuries sustained during transportation. Students, guests and parents may be required to sign a release waiving any claims prior to using school sponsored transportation.

Transportation Safety Plan

The school offers students transportation to and from school-related functions through contracted services with external transportation companies. This transportation safety plan identifies applicable requirements under Education Code Section 39831.3, for a school that provides transportation in a "school pupil activity bus," as defined under Education Code Section 39830.1. A current copy of this Transportation plan shall be made available upon request to an officer of the Department of the California

Highway Patrol.

During school sponsored transport, students are bound by all rules and standards of conduct established by the school (including those set forth in this Transportation Safety Plan), by the driver and/or transportation company, and by school provided chaperones. Students transported by bus shall be under the authority of, and responsible directly to, the driver, and the driver shall be responsible for the orderly conduct of the students during transport. Continued disorderly conduct or persistent refusal to submit to the authority of the driver or school provided chaperones, shall be sufficient reason for a student to be denied transportation. However, a bus driver shall not require any student to leave the bus enroute between home and school or other destinations

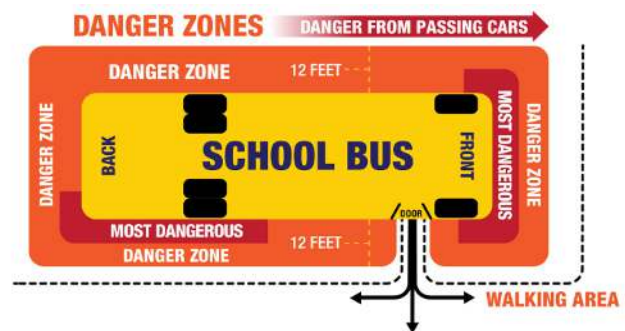
Students will receive at least one warning prior to suspension of transportation privileges, except in an emergency or as needed for health and safety. Students whose transportation privileges are suspended shall be provided with written notice setting forth the reasons for the suspension and the duration of the suspension. Students who engage in misconduct during transportation may also be subject to discipline consistent with school policies.

At all times while students are being transported in a bus, at least one (1) school provided chaperone shall be present in the bus. Chaperones will be adults with the appropriate medical and/or background clearances, and will be selected in accordance with school policies and procedures. The school provided chaperones shall check the inside of the bus, visually inspecting on and around each seat, for any students asleep or hiding after unloading. When all the school provided chaperones disembark from the bus for any reason, the chaperones shall be satisfied that there are no students on board before leaving the bus.

General Loading/Unloading Procedures

The School Bus Danger Zone

Students should be aware of the School Bus Danger Zones when boarding and exiting school sponsored bus transportation. The danger zones extend 12 feet from the front, sides and rear of the bus. Passengers must wait no less than 12 feet from the curb and may only cross roadways no less than 12 feet in front of the bus.



Procedures for Boarding School Sponsored Transportation (Ground Travel)

- Students should only enter designated vehicles when instructed by school chaperones.
- Students will wait at least twelve (12) feet back from the edge of the curb or roadway.
- Students will wait in a line forming away from the edge of the curb or roadway.
- Students will wait for the vehicles to come to a complete stop and will not approach the vehicle until the front door is opened.
- Students will enter the vehicle one at a time in an orderly manner in compliance with provided instructions.
- Chaperones will be responsible for the loading of any supplies and or equipment into designated storage areas of the vehicle as identified by the driver.
- Chaperones will perform a roll call and headcount prior to departure to verify the number and identity of each passenger.
- Passenger Restraint Systems will be used by all passengers when the vehicle is equipped.

Procedures for Exiting School Sponsored Transportation (Ground Travel)

- Students will remain seated until the vehicle comes to a complete stop and the door is opened. Students shall not stand while the vehicle is in motion.
- Students will exit the vehicle one at a time beginning with the front of the vehicle in an orderly manner in compliance with provided instructions.
- Students will wait for chaperone instructions in a designated area at least 12 feet away from the curb or roadway.
- Chaperones will be responsible for unloading of any supplies and or equipment from storage areas of the vehicle.
- Chaperones will perform a walk through and visual inspection of the inside of the vehicle to ensure there are passengers left in the vehicle.
- Chaperones will perform a roll call and headcount upon exit to ensure all passengers have safely exited the vehicle.
- Personal items of any sort should not be left in school sponsored transportation.

School Responsibilities

- The School will determine the appropriate method of transportation and vehicle type required for each trip depending on the activity and group size.
- The School will determine the appropriate number of chaperones required for each trip depending on the activity and group size.
- The school will identify if any passengers will require special needs equipment or escort during school sponsored transportation.
- There will be no fewer than 1 chaperone on board each bus that is transporting students at all times.

Chaperone Responsibilities

- Chaperones will ensure that this Safety Plan is available in print and kept on hand during the duration of any trip.
- Chaperones will ensure that a printed copy of the sign-in sheet or roster as well as a copy of the current student emergency cards are kept on hand during the duration of any trip. Rosters should include cell phone numbers of passengers whenever possible.
- Chaperones will perform roll-call upon boarding school sponsored transportation
- Chaperones will perform a head count of all passengers at any stop where passengers exit the vehicle. If the head count is off at any point, roll must be called to identify any missing passengers.
- Chaperones should exchange contact information with the driver prior to departure of any school sponsored transportation.
- Chaperones should confirm the scheduled route and return pick-up times with the driver prior to the departure of each trip.

**Vehicles and drivers may change between stops.*

Passenger Rules While on School Sponsored Transportation

All students are required to:

- Comply with all student disciplines policies.
- Arrive at the designated pick-up location on time.
- Refrain from transporting hazardous or destructive objects of any kinds such as, glass objects or containers, sharp or pointed objects, skate boards, razor scooters or bikes. Sports equipment should be properly secured in designated storage areas
- Respect the rights and property of others on the bus and at the bus stop.
- Avoid all fighting and rough play while on the vehicle, or while boarding or exiting the vehicle .
- Always enter and leave the vehicle through the entrance door except in emergencies.
- Keep all parts of the body inside the vehicle.
- Keep windows closed unless otherwise instructed by the driver.
- Not use profane language, obscene gestures, create excessive, or unnecessary noise.
- Not damage or deface any part of the bus, tamper with the radio, bus controls, emergency exits or other equipment, shoot at or throw away objects inside or outside of the bus, or in any way endanger the safety of others.
- Keep the vehicle free from litter.
- Be courteous and respectful to the driver, other students, and passersby.
- Obey the request of the chaperone and driver, give proper identification when requested.
- Always cross in front of the vehicle when it is necessary to cross the street.

Procedure When Stopped in Area Without Traffic Area or Traffic Control Signal

When the bus is stopped on a highway or private road for the purpose of loading or unloading students, at a location where traffic is not controlled by a traffic officer or official traffic control signal, the bus driver shall do all of the following:

1. Escort all students in grades 7-8, inclusive, who need to cross the highway or private road upon which the bus is stopped. The driver shall use an approved hand-held "STOP" sign while escorting all students.
2. Require all students who need to cross the highway or private road upon which the bus is stopped to walk in front of the bus as they cross.
3. Ensure that all students who need to cross the highway or private road upon which the bus is stopped have crossed safely, and that all other students and pedestrians are a safe distance from the bus before setting the bus in motion.

Mechanical Breakdown

When school sponsored transportation is disabled due to a mechanical failure and students are aboard that require transportation, the relief vehicle should drive to the front of and pull in line with and as close to the disabled vehicle as possible. The drivers of both vehicles should activate the hazard lights prior to the unloading and loading of passengers. Chaperones should immediately notify their Principal of any mechanical breakdown as soon as possible.

Procedure for Vehicle Incidents/Collisions

- In the event of a bus incident/collision, the driver and/or chaperone shall immediately secure the bus and notify the appropriate authorities (911) of the incident. CHP/local police department and transportation company dispatch to be contacted.
- The chaperones will immediately notify the School Principal of the event. The Principal will notify the CMO by contacting the Director of Schools.
- Dispatch will contact CHP and request emergency medical services if any pupils are injured. The School will notify parents or guardians of any injured student.
- Students should be released by the local authorities officer investigating the scene.
- (After securing everyone's safety, the chaperone shall report the incident using the digital incident report form within 24 hours of said incident.)

Bus Evacuation & Safety Instruction

All students who are provided school sponsored transport shall receive instruction in emergency procedures and passenger safety. The school shall provide this instruction at the start of each school year and at necessary times throughout the year. This instruction includes passenger conduct, bus evacuation, crossing roadways, proper loading and unloading and red light escorts. As part of the instruction students will exit the bus through the emergency exit door. Prior to departure on

field trips, the driver shall give safety instructions which include the location of emergency exits and the location and use of emergency equipment.

Safety Tips

- Stand in lines or a group facing traffic so you can see the vehicle approaching. Stand back 12 feet from where the vehicle will stop. Do not approach the vehicle until the driver opens the door.
- When loading at a school, follow the directions of the driver and/or chaperone. Stand back the required 12 feet until the driver opens the bus door. Remember, there may be several buses to watch out for, not just your own.
- Never leave personal belongings in school sponsored transportation.
- Never run to a school sponsored vehicle, always walk.
- Service animals cannot be transported without proper documentation and prior written notice. School policies and procedures need to be followed prior to transport accompanied by a service animal.
- When waiting for the vehicle in a car, be sure your car is not parked in the bus loading/unloading zone. Make sure that you are out of the car, waiting at the stop, prior to the bus arriving.

Appendix N – Laptop Restitution Policy

Policy

California law states that a parent or guardian of a minor is liable to a school for all property loaned to and failed to be returned, or willfully damaged by a minor. The liability shall not exceed \$25,900 in 2024, adjusted annually for inflation. In addition, it authorizes schools, after affording the student due process rights, to withhold the grades, diploma, and transcripts of a student until the student or parent/guardian pays for the lost or damaged school property (e.g., textbooks, library books, computers, devices, shop materials, physical education clothes, and sports equipment). Teachers and other employees, under the direction of the principal, are held responsible for the care of school's property, equipment, materials, and supplies, particularly such property as is located in the room or rooms to which they are assigned.

A. Overview

It is the policy of OFY-Duarte to seek restitution when a student, among other things, willfully cuts, defaces, or otherwise damage any school property, or loses or fails to return school property loaned to the student. This includes but is not limited to, installing unauthorized software applications, modifying, adding or deleting school software or any alteration to the configuration of any and all IT computing devices and peripherals - such as laptops and other devices. The parent/guardian is liable for such damages, not exceeding the limit set forth above, increased annually for inflation. In cases of the above types of loss or damage, the school must attempt to identify the student(s) responsible and the amount of the loss in accordance with the procedures as outlined in this policy.

In the case of theft or vandalism, the school administrator can consult with police to determine any criminal justice recourse and the Charter School's Discipline Policy for possible disciplinary action. If a criminal case is filed, the courts may order restitution upon successful prosecution. In cases where no criminal charges are filed, the school is responsible for the collection of damages from the student and parent/guardian.

The authority to withhold grades, diploma, or official transcripts applies only to situations where the student, parent or guardian has requested a copy of the student's records. When a student transfers to another K-12 school, the student's permanent record must be sent to the requesting K-12 school. If the student transfers to a K-12 school, a copy of the student's permanent record must be sent to the requesting district. The permanent record, or copy, must be sent even though there may be charges or fees owed by the student, parent, or guardian. In such cases, upon sending the permanent student record to the new (receiving) school, the new school shall be notified of the restitution debt so that the new school may likewise withhold the grades, diploma, or transcripts.

B. Procedures: Responsibilities of the School – Policy Implementation

1. The school shall make use of the inventory system that clearly identifies the student and type of school property issued to the student. No student shall have grades, diploma, or official transcripts withheld in the absence of satisfactory evidence of an accounting (inventory) system for school property.
2. At the time of enrollment or at the beginning of each school year, the school shall notify the student and parent or guardian of the school's policies regarding the parents' or guardians' financial responsibility for school property that is not returned or where the student causes damage to school property. Parents are notified via this Student Handbook.
3. The school shall implement a restitution process by which students are afforded the opportunity to return the missing property or pay for the damages. Schools may initiate a payment process. Upon completion of the restitution process, the debt is discharged and any withheld grades, diploma, or official transcripts of the student shall be released and the full privileges of participation in school activities shall be restored.
4. The school shall adopt the due process procedure listed below that allows the parent/guardian or student an opportunity to review, discuss, and respond to the imposition of any fees or charges resulting from this policy.
 - a. The parent or guardian shall be informed in writing immediately after any alleged loss which gives rise to an obligation under applicable law and policy.
 - i. The parent or guardian may first be allowed to present information on behalf of the student, during a conference at the school, as to the reasons why a fee should not be imposed; or
 - ii. A student may write a 500-word explanation to the school to present information as to why the laptop is unable to be returned and a fee should not be imposed.
 - iii. After reviewing any information provided by the parent/ guardian and or students, the principal/ designee shall decide whether or not to withhold grades, diploma, or official transcripts and/ or impose the fee for damages. The parent/ guardian and student shall be notified in writing of the decision. The decision of the principal is final. There is no appeal beyond the school level.
5. Upon receiving notification of the school's decision, the parent or guardian may, if necessary, pay the outstanding obligation via money order or cashier's check, payable to the Charter School, with a notation that shows what the payment is for. If the student and parent are unable to pay for the damages or return

the property, the school will provide a program of voluntary work in lieu of the payment of monetary damages.

6. Upon receiving payment or upon the completion of the voluntary work, the student's grades, diploma, and/or official transcripts shall be released and the debt discharged.

Appendix O – Discipline Policy

Due Process Statement

OFY-Duarte shall provide for the fair treatment of students facing suspension and expulsion by affording them due process rights. Rules regarding suspension and expulsion shall be revised periodically as required by any changes in OFY-Duarte policy, regulation, or law.

In all cases OFY-Duarte disciplinary policies shall afford students due process. To this end, OFY-Duarte's Board shall develop rules and regulations governing the procedures by which students may be suspended or expelled. OFY-Duarte's Principal or designee shall notify staff, students and parents/guardians about OFY-Duarte's disciplinary policy, including policies governing student suspensions and expulsions. Students and their parents or guardians will be notified in writing at the time of enrollment.

In the event of an expulsion, students recommended for expulsion will be entitled to written notice of the grounds for their proposed removal and will be given a full due process hearing in regard to the proposed expulsion. Parents or guardians will also be given written notice in advance of such hearing so that they may attend. OFY-Duarte will maintain a record of the notice and of the hearing. The student will also be entitled to appeal a decision to expel such student, pursuant to the appeal procedures established by the Board.

Suspension and Expulsion Policy and Procedure

This Pupil Suspension and Expulsion Policy has been established in order to promote learning and protect the safety and well-being of all students at the Charter School. In creating this policy, the Charter School has reviewed Education Code Section 48900 et seq. which describes the non-charter schools' list of offenses and procedures to establish its list of offenses and procedures for suspensions and expulsions. The language that follows closely mirrors the language of Education Code Section 48900 et seq. The Charter School is committed to annual review of policies and procedures surrounding suspensions and expulsions and, as necessary, modification of the lists of offenses for which students are subject to suspension or expulsion.

When the policy is violated, it may be necessary to suspend or expel a student from regular classroom instruction. This policy shall serve as the Charter School's policy and procedures for student suspension and expulsion and it may be amended from time to time without the need to amend the charter so long as the amendments comport with legal requirements. Charter School staff shall enforce disciplinary rules and procedures fairly and consistently among all students. This policy and its procedure will be printed and distributed as part of the Student Handbook and will clearly describe discipline expectations.

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary

measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of or willfully causing the infliction of physical pain on a student. For purposes of the policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to school property.

The Charter School administration shall ensure that students and their parents/guardians are notified in writing upon enrollment of all discipline policies and procedures. The notice shall state that this policy is available on request at each resource center.

Suspended or expelled students shall be excluded from all school and school-related activities unless otherwise agreed during the period of suspension or expulsion.

A student identified as an individual with disabilities or for whom the Charter School has a basis of knowledge of a suspected disability pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 ("IDEA") or who is qualified for services under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 ("Section 504") is subject to the same grounds for suspension and expulsion and is accorded the same due process procedures applicable to general education students except when federal and state law mandates additional or different procedures. The Charter School will follow all applicable federal and state laws including but not limited to the California Education Code, when imposing any form of discipline on a student identified as an individual with disabilities or for whom the Charter School has a basis of knowledge of a suspected disability or who is otherwise qualified for such services or protections in accordance with due process for such students

No student shall be involuntarily removed by the Charter School for any reason unless the parent or guardian of the student has been provided written notice of intent to remove the student no less than five school days before the effective date of the action.

The written notice shall be in the native language of the student or the student's parent or guardian or, if the student is a homeless child or youth, or a foster child or youth, in the native language of the homeless or foster child's pupil's educational rights holder. In the case of a foster child or youth, the written notice shall also be provided to the foster child's attorney and county social worker. If the student is an Indian child, as defined in Section 224.1 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, the written notice shall also be provided to the Indian child's tribal social worker and, if applicable, county social worker. The written notice shall inform the student, the student's parent or guardian, the homeless child's educational rights holder, the foster child's educational rights holder, attorney, and county social worker, or

the Indian child's tribal social worker and, if applicable, county social worker of the right to initiate the procedures specified in Education Code Section 47605(c)(5)(J)(ii) before the effective date of the action. If the pupil's parent, guardian, or the homeless child's educational rights holder, the foster child's educational rights holder, attorney, or county social worker, or the Indian child's tribal social worker or, if applicable, county social worker initiates the procedures specified in Education Code Section 47605(c)(5)(J)(ii), the student shall remain enrolled and shall not be removed until the charter school issues a final decision. For purposes of this clause, "involuntarily removed" includes disenrolled, dismissed, transferred, or terminated, but does not include suspensions specified in Sections 47605(c)(5)(J)(i)-(ii) of the Education Code. A foster child's educational rights holder, attorney, and county social worker and an Indian child's tribal social worker, and if applicable, county social worker shall have the same rights a parent or guardian of a child has to receive a suspension notice, expulsion notice, manifestation determination notice, involuntary transfer notice, and other documents and related information.

Before disenrolling a student, OFY-Duarte shall provide the student the CDE notice required under Education Code section 47605(e)(4)(D).

A. Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion of Students

A student may be suspended or expelled for prohibited misconduct if the act is related to school activity or school attendance occurring at any time including but not limited to: a) while on school grounds; b) while going to or coming from school; c) during the lunch period, whether on or off the school campus; d) during, going to, or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

B. Enumerated Offenses

1. Discretionary Suspension Offenses. Students may be suspended for any of the following acts when it is determined the pupil:

- a) Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person.
- b) Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except self-defense.
- c) Unlawfully possessed, used, sold or otherwise furnished, or was under the influence of any controlled substance, as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053- 11058, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind.
- d) Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance,

alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.

- e) Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
- f) Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property, which includes but is not limited to, electronic files and databases.
- g) Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property, which includes but is not limited to, electronic files and databases.
- h) Possessed or used tobacco or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including but not limited to cigars, cigarettes, electronic cigarettes, vaporizers, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets and betel. This section does not prohibit the use of their own prescription products by a pupil.
- i) Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
- j) Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.
- k) Knowingly received stolen school property or private property, which includes but is not limited to, electronic files and databases.
- l) Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
- m) Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committed a sexual battery as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.
- n) Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.
- o) Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
- p) Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" means a method of initiation or preinitiation into a pupil organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or

disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this section, “hazing” does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.

q) Made terroristic threats against school personnel or volunteers and/or a student or group of students and/or school property, which includes but is not limited to, electronic files and databases. For purposes of this section, “terroristic threat” shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that

person reasonably to be in sustained fear for their own safety or for their immediate family’s safety, or for the protection of school property, which includes but is not limited to, electronic files and databases, or the personal property of the person threatened or their immediate family.

r) Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual’s academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

s) Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

t) Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated school personnel or volunteers and/or a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading the rights of either school personnel or volunteers and/or student(s) by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

u) Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.

1) “Bullying” means any severe or pervasive physical

or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a student or group of students which would be deemed hate violence or harassment, threats, or intimidation, which are directed toward one or more students that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:

- i. Placing a reasonable student (defined as a student, including, but is not limited to, a student with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of their age, or for a person of their age with the student’s exceptional needs) or students in fear of harm to that student’s or those students’ person or property.
- ii. Causing a reasonable student to experience a substantially detrimental effect on their physical or mental health.
- iii. Causing a reasonable student to experience substantial interference with their academic performance.
- iv. Causing a reasonable student to experience substantial interference with their ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges

provided by the Charter School.

2) “Electronic Act” means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

- i. A message, text, sound, video, or image.
- ii. A post on a social network Internet Web site including, but not limited

to:

(a) Posting to or creating a burn page. A “burn page” means an Internet Web site created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects as listed in subparagraph (1) above.

(b) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. “Credible impersonation” means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated.

(c) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in subparagraph (1) above. “False profile” means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.

iii. An act of cyber sexual bullying.

(a) For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of

an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described above, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act.

(b) For purposes of this clause, “cyber sexual bullying” does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school sanctioned activities.

3) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (1) and (2) above, an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the Internet or is currently posted on the Internet.

v) A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury

shall be subject to discipline pursuant to subdivision (1) (a)- (b).

w) Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Principal or designee’s concurrence.

2. Non-Discretionary Suspension Offenses: Students must be suspended and recommended for expulsion for any of the following acts when it is determined the pupil:

a) Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any firearm, explosive, or other dangerous object unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Principal or designee’s concurrence.

3. Discretionary Expellable Offenses: Students may be recommended for expulsion for any of the following acts when it is determined the pupil:

a) Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person.

b) Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except self-defense.

c) Unlawfully possessed, used, sold or otherwise furnished, or was under the influence of any controlled substance, as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053- 11058, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind.

d) Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code Sections 11053-11058, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid substance or material and represented same as controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or intoxicant.

e) Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.

f) Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property, which includes but is not limited to, electronic files and databases.

g) Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property, which includes but is not limited to, electronic files and databases.

h) Possessed or used tobacco or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including but not limited to cigars, cigarettes, electronic cigarettes, vaporizers, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets and betel. This section does not prohibit the use of their own prescription products by a pupil.

i) Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.

j) Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.

k) Knowingly received stolen school property or private property, which includes but is not limited to, electronic files and databases.

l) Possessed an imitation firearm, i.e.: a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.

m) Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code Sections 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a or 289, or committed a sexual battery as defined in Penal Code Section 243.4.

n) Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness.

o) Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.

p) Engaged in, or attempted to engage in hazing. For the purposes of this subdivision, “hazing” means a method of initiation or preinitiation into a pupil organization or

body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this section, “hazing” does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.

q) Made terroristic threats against school officials and/or school property, which includes but is not limited to, electronic files and databases. For purposes of this section, “terroristic threat” shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the

person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for their own safety or for their immediate family’s safety, or for the protection of school property, which includes but is not limited to, electronic files and databases, or the personal property of the person threatened or their immediate family.

r) Committed sexual harassment, as defined in Education Code Section 212.5. For the purposes of this section, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual’s academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

s) Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233 of the Education Code. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

t) Intentionally harassed, threatened or intimidated school personnel or volunteers and/or a student or group of students to the extent of having the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting class work, creating substantial disorder and invading the rights of either school personnel or volunteers and/or student(s) by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment. This section shall apply to pupils in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive.

u) Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.

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victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to subdivision (3) (a)- (b).

w) Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any knife unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Principal or designee’s concurrence.

4. Non-Discretionary Expellable Offenses: Students must be recommended for expulsion for any of the following acts when it is determined pursuant to the procedures below that the pupil:

a) Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any firearm, explosive, or other dangerous object unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the Principal or designee’s concurrence.

If it is determined by the Administrative Panel and/or the Board of Directors that a student has brought a firearm or destructive device, as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code, on to campus or to have possessed a firearm or dangerous device on campus, the student shall be expelled for one year, pursuant to the Federal Gun Free Schools Act of 1994. In such instances, the pupil shall be provided due process rights of notice and a hearing as required in this policy.

The term “firearm” means (A) any weapon (including a starter gun) which will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive; (B) the frame or receiver of any such weapon; (C) any

firearm muffler or firearm silencer; or (D) any destructive device. Such term does not include an antique firearm.

The term “destructive device” means (A) any explosive, incendiary, or poison gas, including but not limited to: (i) bomb, (ii) grenade, (iii) rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces, (iv) missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than one-quarter ounce, (v) mine, or (vi) device similar to any of the devices described in the preceding clauses.

C. Suspension Procedure

Suspensions shall be initiated according to the following procedures:

1. Conference

Suspension shall be preceded, if possible, by a conference conducted by the Principal or the Principal’s designee with the student and, whenever practical, the teacher, supervisor or Charter School employee who referred the student to the Principal or designee.

The conference may be omitted if the Principal or designee determines that an emergency situation exists. An “emergency situation” involves a clear and present danger to the lives, safety or health of students or Charter School personnel. If a student is suspended without this conference, both the parent/guardian and student shall be notified of the student’s right to return to school for the purpose of a conference. This conference shall be held within two school days, unless the parent/guardian or student waives this right or the student is physically unable to attend for any reason including, but not limited to, incarceration or hospitalization.

At the conference, the pupil shall be informed of the reason for the disciplinary action and the evidence against them and shall be given the opportunity to present their version and evidence in their defense, in accordance with Education Code Section 47605(c)(5)(J)(i). No penalties may be imposed on a pupil for failure of the pupil’s parent or guardian to attend a conference with Charter School officials. Reinstatement of the suspended pupil shall not be contingent upon attendance by the pupil’s parent or guardian at the conference.

2. Notice to Parents/Guardians

At the time of the suspension, an administrator or designee shall make a reasonable effort to contact the parent/guardian by telephone or in person. Whenever a student is suspended, the parent/guardian shall be notified in writing of the suspension and the date of return following suspension. This notice shall state the specific offense committed by the student. In addition, the notice may also state the date and time when the student may return to school. If Charter School officials wish to ask the parent/guardian to confer regarding matters pertinent to the

suspension, the notice may request that the parent/guardian respond to such requests without delay.

3. Suspension Time Limits/Recommendation for Expulsion

Suspensions, when not including a recommendation for expulsion, shall not exceed five (5) consecutive school days per suspension. Upon a recommendation of expulsion by the Principal or Principal's designee, the pupil and the pupil's parent/guardian or representative will be invited to a conference to determine if the suspension for the pupil should be extended pending an expulsion hearing. In such instances when the Charter School has determined a suspension period shall be extended, such extension shall be made only after a conference is held with the pupil or the pupil's parents, unless the pupil and the pupil's parents fail to attend the conference.

This determination will be made by the Principal or designee upon either of the following: 1) the pupil's presence will be disruptive to the education process; or 2) the pupil poses a threat or danger to others. Upon either determination, the pupil's suspension will be extended pending the results of an expulsion hearing.

D. Authority to Expel

As required by Education Code Section 47605(c)(5)(J) (ii), students recommended for expulsion are entitled to a hearing adjudicated by a neutral officer to determine whether the student should be expelled. The procedures herein provide for such a hearing and the notice of said hearing, as required by law.

A student may be expelled by the neutral and impartial Administrative Panel, to be assigned by the Board President as needed. The Administrative Panel shall consist of at least three members who are certificated and not a teacher of the pupil. The Administrative Panel shall be presided over by a designated hearing chairperson. The Administrative Panel may expel any student found to have committed an expellable offense.

E. Expulsion Procedures

Students recommended for expulsion are entitled to a hearing to determine whether the student should be expelled. Unless postponed for good cause, the hearing shall be held within thirty (30) school days after the Principal or designee determines that the pupil has committed an expellable offense.

The hearing shall be held in closed session (complying with all pupil confidentiality rules under FERPA) unless the pupil makes a written request for a public hearing in open session at least three (3) days prior to the date of the scheduled hearing.

Written notice of the hearing shall be forwarded to the

student and the student's parent/guardian at least ten (10) calendar days before the date of the hearing. Upon mailing the notice, it shall be deemed served upon the pupil.

The notice shall include:

1. The date and place of the expulsion hearing;
2. A statement of the specific facts, charges and offenses upon which the proposed expulsion is based;
3. A copy of the Charter School's disciplinary rules which relate to the alleged violation;
4. Notification of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to provide information about the student's status at the Charter School to any other school district or school to which the student seeks enrollment;
5. The opportunity for the student and/or the student's parent/guardian to appear in person or to employ and be represented by counsel or a non-attorney advisor;
6. The right to inspect and obtain copies of all documents to be used at the hearing;
7. The opportunity to confront and question all witnesses who testify at the hearing;
8. The opportunity to question all evidence presented and to present oral and documentary evidence on the student's behalf including witnesses.

F. Special Procedures for Expulsion Hearings Involving Sexual Assault or Battery Offenses

The Charter School may, upon a finding of good cause, determine that the disclosure of either the identity of the witness or the testimony of that witness at the hearing, or both, would subject the witness to an unreasonable risk of psychological or physical harm. Upon this determination, the testimony of the witness may be presented at the hearing in the form of sworn declarations that shall be examined only by the Administrative Panel. Copies of these sworn declarations, edited to delete the name and identity of the witness, shall be made available to the pupil.

1. The complaining witness in any sexual assault or battery case must be provided with a copy of the applicable disciplinary rules and advised of his/her right to (a) receive five days' notice of his/her scheduled testimony, (b) have up to two (2) adult support persons of his/her choosing present in the hearing at the time he/she testifies, which may include a parent, guardian, or legal counsel, and (c) elect to have the hearing closed while testifying.
2. The Charter School must also provide the victim a room separate from the hearing room for the complaining witness' use prior to and during breaks in testimony.
3. At the discretion of the Administrative Panel, the complaining witness shall be allowed periods of relief from examination and cross-examination during which they may leave the hearing room.
4. The Administrative Panel may also arrange the seating within the hearing room to facilitate a less intimidating environment for the complaining witness.

5. The Administrative Panel may also limit time for taking the testimony of the complaining witness to the hours he/she is normally in school, if there is no good cause to take the testimony during other hours.

6. Prior to a complaining witness testifying, the support persons must be admonished that the hearing is confidential. Nothing in the law precludes the Administrative Panel from removing a support person whom the presiding person finds is disrupting the hearing. The Administrative Panel may permit any one of the support persons for the complaining witness to accompany them to the witness stand.

7. If one or both of the support persons is also a witness, the Charter School must present evidence that the witness' presence is both desired by the witness and will be helpful to the Charter School. The Administrative Panel

shall permit the witness to stay unless it is established that there is a substantial risk that the testimony of the complaining witness would be influenced by the support person, in which case the presiding official shall admonish the support person or persons not to prompt, sway, or influence the witness in any way. Nothing shall preclude the presiding officer from exercising their discretion to remove a person from the hearing whom they believes is prompting, swaying, or influencing the witness.

8. The testimony of the support person shall be presented before the testimony of the complaining witness and the complaining witness shall be excluded from the courtroom during that testimony.

9. Especially for charges involving sexual assault or battery, if the hearing is to be conducted in public at the request of the pupil being expelled, the complaining witness shall have the right to have his/her testimony heard in a closed session when testifying at a public meeting would threaten serious psychological harm to the complaining witness and there are no alternative procedures to avoid the threatened harm. The alternative procedures may include videotaped depositions or contemporaneous examination in another place communicated to the hearing room by means of closed-circuit television.

10. Evidence of specific instances of a complaining witness' prior sexual conduct is presumed inadmissible and shall not be heard absent a determination by the Administrative Panel that extraordinary circumstances exist requiring the evidence be heard. Before such a determination regarding extraordinary circumstance can be made, the witness shall be provided notice and an opportunity to present opposition to the introduction of the evidence. In the hearing on the admissibility of the evidence, the complaining witness shall be entitled to be represented by a parent, legal counsel, or other support person. Reputation or opinion evidence regarding the sexual behavior of the complaining witness is not

admissible for any purpose.

G. Record of Hearing

A record of the hearing shall be made and may be maintained by any means, including electronic recording, as long as a reasonably accurate and complete written transcription of the proceedings can be made.

H. Presentation of Evidence

While technical rules of evidence do not apply to expulsion hearings, evidence may be admitted and used as proof only if it is the kind of evidence on which reasonable persons can rely in the conduct of serious affairs. A decision by the Administrative Panel to expel must be supported by substantial evidence that the student committed an expellable offense. Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence at the hearing. Except as otherwise provided herein, no decision to expel shall be based solely on hearsay, except as otherwise provided herein.

Sworn declarations may be admitted as testimony from witnesses of whom the Administrative Panel determines that disclosure of their identity or testimony at the hearing may subject them to unreasonable risk of physical or psychological harm.

If, due to a written request by the expelled pupil, the hearing is held at a public meeting, and the charge is committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery as defined in Education Code Section 48900, a complaining witness shall have the right to have their testimony heard in a session closed to the public.

The decision of the Administrative Panel shall be in the form of written findings of fact subsequently provided to the Board. The final decision by the Administrative Panel shall be made within ten (10) school days following the conclusion of the hearing. The decision of the Administrative Panel is final.

If the Administrative Panel decides not to expel, the pupil shall immediately be returned to his/ her educational program.

I. Written Notice to Expel

The Principal or designee, following a decision of the Administrative Panel to expel, shall send written notice of the decision to expel, including the findings of fact, to the student or parent/guardian. This notice shall also include the following: (a) Notice of the specific offense committed by the student; and (b) Notice of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to inform any new district in which the student seeks to enroll of the student's status with the Charter School.

The Principal or designee shall send a copy of the written notice of the decision to expel to the authorizer. This notice

shall include the following: (a) The student’s name; and (b) The specific expellable offense committed by the student.

J. Disciplinary Records

The Charter School shall maintain records of all student suspensions and expulsions at the Charter School. Such records shall be made available to the authorizer upon request.

K. No Right to Appeal

The pupil shall have no right of appeal from expulsion from the Charter School as the Administrative Panel’s decision to expel shall be final.

L. Expelled Pupils/Alternative Education

Parents/guardians of pupils who are expelled shall be responsible for seeking alternative education programs including, but not limited to, programs within the County. The Charter School shall work cooperatively with parents/guardians as requested by parents/guardians or by the school district of residence to assist with locating alternative placements during expulsion.

M. Rehabilitation Plans

Students who are expelled from the Charter School shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by the Board at the time of the expulsion order, which may include, but is not limited to, periodic review as well as assessment at the time of review for readmission.

The rehabilitation plan should include a date not later than one year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may reapply to the Charter School for readmission.

N. Readmission

The decision to readmit a pupil or to admit a previously expelled pupil from the Charter School or another school district, or charter school, or private school shall be in the sole discretion of the Principal following a meeting with the pupil and parent/guardian or representative to determine whether the pupil has successfully completed the rehabilitation plan and to determine whether the pupil poses a threat to others or will be disruptive to the school environment. The pupil’s readmission is also contingent upon the Charter School’s capacity at the time the student seeks readmission.

O. Special Procedures for the Consideration of Suspension and Expulsion of Students with Disabilities

1. Notification of SELPA

The Charter School shall immediately notify the SELPA and coordinate the procedures in this policy with the SELPA of the discipline of any student with a disability or student who the Charter School would be deemed to have knowledge that the student had a disability.

2. Services During Suspension

Students suspended for more than ten (10) school days in a school year shall continue to receive services so as to enable the student to continue to participate in the general education curriculum, although in another setting (which could constitute a change of placement and the student’s IEP would reflect this change), and to progress toward meeting the goals set out in the child’s IEP/504 Plan; and receive, as appropriate, a functional behavioral assessment

and behavioral intervention services and modifications, that are designed to address the behavior violation so that it does not recur. These services may be provided in an interim alternative educational setting.

3. Procedural Safeguards/Manifestation Determination

Within ten (10) school days of a recommendation for expulsion or any decision to change the placement of a child with a disability because of a violation of a code of student conduct, the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team shall review all relevant information in the student’s file, including the child’s IEP/504 Plan, any teacher observations, and any relevant information provided by the parents to determine:

- a. If the conduct in question was caused by, or had a direct and substantial relationship to, the child’s disability; or
- b. If the conduct in question was the direct result of the local educational agency’s failure to implement the IEP/504 Plan.

If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team determine that either of the above is applicable for the child, the conduct shall be determined to be a manifestation of the child’s disability.

If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team make the determination that the conduct was a manifestation of the child’s disability, the IEP/504 Team shall:

- a. Conduct a functional behavioral assessment and implement a behavioral intervention plan for such child, provided that the Charter School had not conducted such assessment prior to such determination before the behavior that resulted in a change in placement;
- b. If a behavioral intervention plan has been developed, review the behavioral intervention plan if the

child already has such a behavioral intervention plan, and modify it, as necessary, to address the behavior; and

c. Return the child to the placement from which the child was removed, unless the parent and the Charter School agree to a change of placement as part of the modification of the behavioral intervention plan.

If the Charter School, the parent, and relevant members of the IEP/504 Team determine that the behavior was not a manifestation of the student's disability and that the conduct in question was not a direct result of the failure to implement the IEP/504 Plan, then the Charter School may apply the relevant disciplinary procedures to children with disabilities in the same manner and for the same duration as the procedures would be applied to students without disabilities.

4. Due Process Appeals

The parent of a child with a disability who disagrees with any decision regarding placement, or the manifestation determination, or the Charter School believes that maintaining the current placement of the child is substantially likely to result in injury to the child or to others, may request an expedited administrative hearing through the Special Education Unit of the Office of Administrative Hearings or by utilizing the dispute provisions of the 504 Policy and Procedures.

When an appeal relating to the placement of the student or the manifestation determination has been requested by either the parent or the Charter School, the student shall remain in the interim alternative educational setting pending the decision of the hearing officer in accordance with state and federal law, including 20 U.S.C. Section 1415(k), until the expiration of the forty-five (45) day time period provided for in an interim alternative educational setting, unless the parent and the Charter School agree otherwise.

In accordance with 20 U.S.C. Section 1415(k)(3), if a parent/guardian disagrees with any decision regarding placement, or the manifestation determination, or if the Charter School believes that maintaining the current placement of the child is substantially likely to result in

injury to the child or to others, the parent/guardian or Charter School may request a hearing.

In such an appeal, a hearing officer may: (1) return a child with a disability to the placement from which the child was removed; or (2) order a change in placement of a child with a disability to an appropriate interim alternative educational setting for not more than 45 school days if the hearing officer determines that maintaining the current placement of such child is substantially likely to result in injury to the child or to others.

5. Special Circumstances

Charter School personnel may consider any unique circumstances on a case-by-case basis when determining whether to order a change in placement for a child with a disability who violates a code of student conduct.

The Principal or designee may remove a student to an interim alternative educational setting for not more than forty-five (45) school days without regard to whether the behavior is determined to be a manifestation of the student's disability in cases where a student:

a. Carries or possesses a weapon, as defined in 18 U.S.C. Section 930, to or at school, on school premises, or to or at a school function;

b. Knowingly possesses or uses illegal drugs, or sells or solicits the sale of a controlled substance, while at school, on school premises, or at a school function; or

c. Has inflicted serious bodily injury, as defined by 20 U.S.C. Section 1415(k)(7)(D), upon a person while at school, on school premises, or at a school function.

6. Interim Alternative Educational Setting

The student's interim alternative educational setting shall be determined by the student's IEP/504 Team.

7. Procedures for Students Not Yet Eligible for Special Education Services

A student who has not been identified as an individual with disabilities pursuant to IDEA and who has violated the Charter School's disciplinary procedures may assert the procedural safeguards granted under this administrative regulation only if the Charter School had knowledge that the student was disabled before the behavior occurred.

The Charter School shall be deemed to have knowledge that the student had a disability if one of the following conditions exists:

a. The parent/guardian has expressed concern in writing, or orally if the parent/guardian does not know how to write or has a disability that prevents a written statement, to Charter School supervisory or administrative personnel, or to one of the child's teachers, that the student is in need of special education or related services.

b. The parent has requested an evaluation of the child.

c. The child's teacher, or other Charter School personnel, has expressed specific concerns about a pattern of behavior demonstrated by the child, directly to the director of special education or to other Charter School supervisory personnel.

If the Charter School knew or should have known the student had a disability under any of the three (3) circumstances described above, the student may assert any of the protections available to IDEA-eligible children with disabilities, including the right to stay- put.

If the Charter School had no basis for knowledge of the student's disability, it shall proceed with the proposed discipline. The Charter School shall conduct an expedited evaluation if requested by the parents; however the student shall remain in the education placement determined by the Charter School pending the results of the evaluations.

The Charter School shall not be deemed to have knowledge that the student had a disability if the parent has not allowed an evaluation, refused services, or if the student has been evaluated and determined to not be eligible.

Appendix P – Work Permits

Minors employed in the state of California must have a Permit to Employ and Work (commonly referred to as a “work permit”) pursuant to Labor Code section 1299 and Education Code section 49160. OFY-Duarte (“School”) may issue work permits for pupils ages 14-17 in accordance with Education Code sections 49110-49120. This includes any pupils who have not yet graduated from high school or have not received a certificate of proficiency. Pupils who wish to obtain a work permit are subject to the School requirements as noted below.

Eligibility Considerations and Request for Work Permit:

In order to be eligible for a work permit, pupils must:

- Be in good academic and behavioral standing:
 - Pupils must submit no less than four units of coursework each academic month for the school year.
 - Students must abide by all safety and behavior rules and expectations outlined in the Student Handbook as well as all established school site and/or classroom rules.
- Provide Evidence of Sufficient Age: If the School determines school records do not provide sufficient evidence of age, the pupils shall provide other evidence of age such as certificate of birth, baptism certificate, or passport. When there are no available official documents, the School may accept an affidavit by the parent or legal guardian to prove the student is of age.
- Submit a Statement of Intent to Employ a Minor and Request for a Work Permit-Certificate of Age (CDE Form B1-1) completed by the student, parent/guardian and employer.
- Pupils must submit the required documents to the Career Pathways Coordinator or the Assistant Principal.

Hours Restrictions:

The pupil’s work schedule in the Statement of Intent to Employ a Minor and Request for a Work Permit-Certificate of Age form must comply with legal requirements. The relevant requirements can be found in the California Department of Labor Standards Enforcement Child Labors Pamphlet which can be found using the following link at <https://www.dir.ca.gov/dlse/ChildLaborLawPamphlet.pdf>.

School Officials Responsible for Approving Work Permits:

The Board hereby designates the Principal as a school official with the same authority of the chief executive officer to approve work permits under Education Code section 49110(b)(2). The Principal or Designee is responsible for approving a request for a work permit. A “Designee” must either: (1) have a services credential with a specialization in pupil personnel services; (2) be a certificated work experience education teacher; (3) or coordinator authorized by the Principal. The Principal has discretion to designate another school official who does not meet these criteria if the Principal or Designee are unavailable and a delay in

issuing a permit would jeopardize the ability of the pupil to secure work (Education Code section 49110).

The Principal shall complete a Letter of Authorization to delegate the authority to approve work permits to other school officials. Any school official who approves work permits shall have working knowledge of the California labor laws and regulations as they relate to minors and have previously submitted State of Intent for Self-Certification for Permit to Employ and Work (CDE Form B1-8).

If the Principal or Designee approves a request for a work permit, the student will be issued a Permit to Employ and Work (CDE Form B1-4). It is solely within the School’s discretion to determine whether a minor, who is still subject to the state’s compulsory education law, may obtain a work permit and, therefore, be employed to work.

Monitoring Student Progress, Revocation, and Expiration:

The Principal or Designee shall routinely inspect the attendance and coursework of pupils possessing work permits to ensure adequate academic progress is achieved. Pupils must remain in good academic and behavioral standing in order to maintain their work permit.

The Principal or Designee may revoke a student’s work permit at any time if they determine that the employment is disrupting the student’s education, a condition of the permit is not being met, or if the student is performing work in violation of the law.

Permits issued during the school year expire five days after the opening of the next succeeding school year and must be renewed. (Education Code section 49118.) Each permit shall authorize work for a specific employer. Whenever a student changes employers, he/she shall request a new permit.

Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA) Consideration:

As a WIOA exclusive partner, the School will take measures to ensure work permits are granted in an expedited fashion to facilitate both referrals to WIOA partners and increase student’s exposure to the workforce.

Government Employment Consideration:

In accordance with Education Code section 49120, the School shall not deny a work permit request on the basis of a pupil’s grades, grade point average, or school attendance if the pupil is applying for a work permit in order to participate in a government-administered employment and training program that will occur during the regular summer recess or a vacation of the school that the pupil attends.

