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Guidance and Counseling Departments

The Guidance and Counseling Departments exist to provide assistance to all students in their pursuit of educational and career goals. In particular, counselors seek to help students develop an understanding of their abilities and interests and learn the skills necessary for responsible decision-making. In all areas they strive to maintain the focus of the school as well as address the needs of the individual student.

Every year each counselor schedules an individual conference among student, parent, and counselor to review academic achievement, discuss mutual concerns, and plan for the future. Counselors often assist teachers in assessing the needs and abilities of their students. College catalogs, computer data bases that provide extensive information on colleges, financial education and careers, scholarship information are among the resources available in the Guidance Office, The Guidance and Counseling Department encourages all members of the school community to utilize its services.

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We are proud to provide the 2018-2019 Course Description Guide. It is meant to assist students and parents in selecting specific courses and in planning a total high school program.

The decision to choose a course should be based on as much information as possible, and this guide is just the beginning. You should obtain input from your teachers and school counselors who will be instrumental in advising you of appropriate course content and difficulty. You should also become familiar with the requirements you need to fulfill in order to obtain a diploma at the end of your high school career.

This catalog not only contains courses that are required for graduation, but also courses that may help you decide on a course of study in college, or a path toward the world of work. We urge you to take an opportunity to explore all the different electives available to you so that you may look back on a well-rounded, provocative time in your life.

Of course there are times when you may wish to take a course that is unavailable to you, because it does not fit into your schedule, it is overenrolled or there is insufficient enrollment. If this occurs, students will be provided with an opportunity to select an alternative course, so we strongly suggest that you always choose a few alternate courses when you make your selections each year.

Where electives are subject to availability preference will be given to upperclassmen.

Commencement Goals

The success of every student in the Levittown Public Schools is defined by the attainment of five Commencement Goals as follows:

- ACHIEVES MASTERY IN ALL SUBJECT AREAS
- APPLIES PROBLEM SOLVING STRATEGIES
- COMMUNICATES AND WORKS WELL WITH OTHERS
- ENGAGES IN THE CHALLENGES OF LIFELONG LEARNING
- Respects self, others, and the environment

This course catalogue is not meant to contain a comprehensive review of District Policies, however, a summary of pertinent information is provided below. If further clarification is needed, please consult Board of Education policies which are available at www.levittownschools.com or in the main office of each school building.

Attendance

Excessive student absences can lead to a denial of credit and failing grades on a student's report card. See the Board of Education Policy #7110 for complete details.

Course Credit

A student who has passed a course may not repeat the course for credit or take a lower level course for credit (unless otherwise noted in these course descriptions). A student in grades 9 - 11 must carry a minimum of seven subjects plus physical education each semester. A student in grade 12 must carry a minimum of six subjects plus physical education each semester.

Prerequisites/Co-requisites

A student may not enroll in a course that requires a prerequisite or a co-requisite unless he or she has satisfied that prerequisite or received special permission.

Honors/Accelerated Courses

If a student does not maintain an 85 average or greater in an Honors/Accelerated course, a recommendation will be made to place the student in a Regents level class.

Absences for Regents Exam Administration

If a student misses the exam for whatever reason, a grade of zero (0) will be averaged into the course grade, unless there are extenuating circumstances, as follows:

- 1. Students who absent themselves from Regents exams for reasons such as vacation, oversleeping or other illegal rationale, will have a zero averaged into the course grade.
- 2. Students who miss Regents exams for reasons such as illness, death in the family, or other unavoidable circumstances, will have their cases reviewed. If, after review, the student is granted an exemption, the zero will not be averaged into the final course grade. However, the student must take the Regents exam at the next available opportunity in order to qualify for Regents credit.
 - a. If the student passes the course, even after the zero is averaged in, he or she still must take the Regents exam in order to qualify for Regents credit. The final course grade will not be recalculated to include the Regents exam when taken, but the zero previously recorded on the transcript will be replaced, as per current district policy. If a student fails a Regents course, he or she must repeat it for credit.

<u>Student Schedule Change Request Procedures</u> 2018-19 School Year

A student's course schedule is the result of careful planning involving students, parents, counselors, and staff. Course offerings, staffing decisions and textbook purchases are planned based on student course requests; therefore once a student's program is developed in the spring, changes are discouraged. Students and parents should consider their course selections carefully for the upcoming school year.

Requests for changes once the course selection process is over must follow the steps detailed below:

Requests for changes will not be considered for any of the following reasons:

- Change teachers
- Change lunch periods (unless supported by medical documentation)
- Change to a more convenient and/or desirable period
- Group friends together in the same class

Process for schedule changes:

- Student picks up Change of Placement form from his/her Guidance Counselor
- Parent contacts teacher and/or Guidance Counselor to discuss reasons for change.
- Teacher meets with student.
- Student returns form signed by parent to Guidance Counselor
- Form is routed to teacher and Assistant Principal for approval

Please note the following conditions of a course change:

- Changes will not be considered until the end of the fourth week of class.
- Students must remain in the original class until notified by their counselor.
- For a level change, the grade in progress will follow the student to the new class. (AP/Honors grades will be weighted according to the district's formula.)
- The last date to request a course change without a transcript notation of "WP" or "WF" will be:
 - For a full year course end of 2nd quarter
 - For a semester course end of 1st quarter for a fall class, or 3rd quarter for a spring class
- Requests to change elective classes will generally not be addressed.
- The student's schedule may have to be completely revised to accommodate the change.

Graduation Requirements

In order to earn a Levittown School District diploma, every student must earn a minimum of 27 credits in addition to meeting specific testing competencies. Only those students who successfully complete the diploma requirements will take part in the graduation exercises:

Required Core Courses	Local Diploma (for student with IEP's only)	Regents Diploma	Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation
English	4 credits 1 Regents Exam (55 or higher)	4 credits 1 Regents Exam (65 or higher)	4 credits 1 Regents Exam (65 or higher)
Social Studies	4 credits 2 Regents Exam* (55 or higher)	4 credits 2 Regents Exam* (65 or higher)	4 credits 2 Regents Exam* (65 or higher)
Mathematics	4 credits** 1 Regents Exam (55 or higher)	4 credits** 1 Regents Exam (65 or higher)	4 credits** 3 Regents Exams (65 or higher)
Science	3 credits 1 Regents Exam (55 or higher)	3 credits 1 Regents Exam (65 or higher)	3 credits 2 Regents Exams (65 or higher)
World Languages	1 credit	1 credit	3 credits
Physical Education	2 credits	2 credits	2 credits
Art and/or Music	1 credit	1 credit	1 credit
Health	0.5 credits	0.5 credits	0.5 credits
Electives	7.5 credits	7.5 credits	5.5 credits
TOTAL	27 credits	27 credits	27 credits

^{*} See options below for a the Multiple Pathways Diploma.

Please Note: Under the new "4+1" pathway assessment option, students must take and pass four required Regents Exams or Department-approved alternative assessments (one in each of the following subjects: English, Math, Science and Social Studies) and a comparably rigorous assessment for the fifth required exam to graduate. The fifth assessment required for graduation may include any one of the following assessments:

- Either an additional Regents assessment, or a Department approved alternative, in a different course in Social Studies or in English (Humanities Pathway); or
- One additional Regents Examination in a different course in Mathematics or Science or a Departmentapproved alternative (STEM Pathway); or
- A pathway assessment approved by the Commissioner in accordance with \$100.2(f)(2) of the Commissioner's regulations (which could include a Biliteracy [LOTE] Pathway); or
- A CTE pathway assessment, approved by the Commissioner in accordance with §100.2(mm), following successful completion of a CTE program approved pursuant to §100.5(d)(6) of the regulations (CTE Pathway); or
- An Arts pathway assessment approved by the Commissioner in accordance with

§100.2(mm) (Arts Pathway).

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE SCHEDULING PROCESS, PLEASE SEE OUR GUIDANCE PORTFOLIO ON THE DISTRICT WEBSITE.

^{**} This is a Levittown requirement. NYSED requires 3 credits of Mathematics. The 4th year of math may be substituted with a math-related class in technology, business, or science with the approval of the Principal and/or Asst. Supt. for Instruction.

Advanced Placement Courses

Students who are planning to enroll in Advanced Placement courses for the 2018-2019 school year should plan to take the AP exam. Students who do not take the AP exam will have their transcripts reflect their enrollment in an honors or Regents level of the course, not the Advanced Placement level. Students may begin taking AP courses in tenth grade. AP courses are listed by subject area at the beginning of each section. You may also click on the course to go directly to its description.

ART	Studio In Art	
BUSINESS	Computer Science-A Computer Science Principles	
ENGLISH	Capstone Seminar Capstone Research English Language English Literature	
MATHEMATICS	Calculus (AB) (BC)	
MUSIC	Music Theory	
SCIENCE	Biology Chemistry Environmental Science Physics I Physics II	
WORLD LANGUAGES	French Italian Spanish	
SOCIAL STUDIES	Economics European History Human Geography Psychology US Government and Politics US History World History	

The following courses enable students to earn college credit for coursework. College level courses are listed by subject area at the end of each section. Please check descriptions for availability at a particular school. Click on a course to go directly to its description

ART:

<u>Graphic Design I - LIU Post (3 credits)</u> Graphic Design II - LIU Post (6 credits)

BUSINESS:

Business Ownership and Marketing – SUNY Farmingdale (6 credits)

Intro to Business – LIU Post (3 credits)

Marketing Principles and Practices – LIU Post (3 credits)

Web Design II – SUNY Farmingdale (3 credits)

MATHEMATICS:

Finite Math - SUNY Farmingdale (3 credits)

PreCalculus Accelerated - SUNY Farmingdale (4 credits)

PreCalculus SUNY - Farmingdale (4 credits)

Probability & Statistics - SUNY Farmingdale (3 credits)

SCIENCE:

College Biology Molloy College (4 Credits)

TECHNOLOGY:

Architectural Drawing I - SUNY Farmingdale *with Architectural Drawing II (2 credits)

Architectural Drawing II-SUNY Farmingdale *with Architectural

Drawing 1 (2 credits)

Civil Engineering & Architecture (RIT) (3 credits) - Project Lead The Way

Computer Integrated Manufacturing (RIT) (3 credits) - Project Lead The Way

Design & Drawing (RIT) (3 credits) - Project Lead The Way

WORLD LANGUAGES:

French 4	Molloy College (6 credits)
Italian 4	Molloy College(6 credits)
Spanish 4	Molloy College(6 credits)
Spanish 4 Pre-AP	Molloy College (6 credits)
French 5	Molloy College (3 credits)
Italian 5	Molloy College (3 credits)
Spanish 5	Molloy College (3 credits)

Career and Technical Education: Articulation Agreements

Career & Technical Education is defined as all programs of instruction in the areas of Business, Family & Consumer Science, Technology Education, and Career and Technical Education. Students seeking a Career and Technical Education enhanced diploma must pass proficiency examinations in that sequence. All students seeking a Career and Technical sequence must complete one (1) unit of credit in "Career and Financial Management." Click on a course to go directly to its description.

Architectural Drafting	New England Institute of Technology (7credits) Island Drafting (\$4,500 tuition reimbursement) SUNY Delhi (9 credits) SUNY Alfred (8 credits)	
Automotive Technology	SUNY Delhi (8 credits) SUNY Alfred (waiver) Ohio Technical College (advanced placement) Lincoln Tech (up to 25% tuition) SUNY Alfred (waiver of first year requirements)	
Computer Animation	New England Institute of Technology (12 credits) New England Institute of Technology (7 credits) Briarcliffe College (6 credits) SUNY Alfred (6 credits) Bryant & Stratton College (9 credits)	
Cosmetology	LI Nail & Skin Care Institute (tuition reimbursement) Bryant and Stratton College (6 credits)	
Culinary Arts	SUNY Alfred (4 credits) SUNY Cobleskill (11 credits) Johnson and Wales Univ. (9 credits) Lincoln Culinary Institute (10.2 credits) Culinary Institute of America (waiver of course & scholarship)	
Electrical Technology	SUNY Alfred (6 credits) SUNY Delhi (7 credits) New England Institute Of Technology (19 credits) Lincoln Technical Institute (10% tuition reimbursement)	
Graphic Arts and Communication	Briarcliffe College (9 credits) New England Institute of Technology (3credits) SUNY Cobleskill (3-6 credits)	
Medical Assisting	Bryant and Stratton College (9credits) New England Institute of Technology (10 credits)	
Police Science	Briarcliffe College (3 credits) Bryant & Stratton College (9 credits) SUNY Farmingdale (3 credits)	

Diploma / Credential Requirements

The following chart outlines the diploma and credential requirements currently in effect. The chart is intended to provide an overview of the requirements and identify the student populations that have access to each type of diploma and non-diploma high school exiting credential. Websites are provided to offer specific regulatory requirements and more detailed information regarding the requirements for each diploma or credential.

Diploma Type	Available to	Requirements
Regents	All Student Populations	5 required Regents exams with a score of 65 or better as follows: 1 Math, 1 Science, ELA, Global History and Geography, US History and Government http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#regentsdiploma
Regents with Honors	All Student Populations	5 required Regents exams with a computed average score of 90 or better as follows: 1 Math, 1 Science, ELA, Global History and Geography, US History and Government http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#diplomaHonors
Regents with Advanced Designation	All Student Populations	A student must earn an additional 2 units of credit in LOTE or a 5 unit sequence in the Arts or CTE. These credits can be included in the 27 required credits. 8 required Regents exams with a score of 65 or better as follows: 3 Math, 2 Science, ELA, Global History and Geography, US History and Government; and either a locally developed Checkpoint B LOTE examination or a 5 unit sequence in the Arts or CTE http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#regentsAD
Regents with Advanced Designation with an annotation that denotes Mastery in Math	All Student Populations	Same criteria as Regents with Advanced Designation (see above) and, in addition, scores 85 or better on each of 3 Regents Examinations in Mathematics See 100.5(b)(7)(x) http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#regentsAD
Regents with Advanced Designation with an annotation that denotes Mastery in Science	All Student Populations	Same criteria as Regents with Advanced Designation (see above) and, in addition, scores 85 or better on each of 3 Regents Examinations in Science See 100.5(b)(7)(x) http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#regentsAD

Regents with Advanced Designation with Honors	All Student Populations	Same criteria as Regents with Advanced Designation (see above) and, in addition, has a computed average score of 90 or better on the Regents http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#diplomaHonors
d ir	Students with disabilities with an ndividualized education program	Low Pass Safety Net Option: 5 required Regents exams with a score of 55 or better as follows: 1 Math, 1 Science, 1 ELA, 1 Global History and Geography, 1 US History and Government; http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#assessment or
		Regents Competency Test (RCT) Safety Net Option for students entering grade 9 prior to September 2011: passing score on corresponding RCT if student does not achieve a score of 55 or higher on the Regents examination http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/publications/localdiplomaoptions-may2011.htm or
		Compensatory Safety Net Option: scores between 45-54 on one or more of the five required Regents exams, other than the English language arts (ELA) or mathematics exam, but compensates the low score with a score of 65 or higher on another required Regents exam. Note: a score of at least 55 must be earned on both the ELA and mathematics exams. A score of 65 or higher on a single examination may not be used to compensate for more than one examination for which a score of 45-54 is earned. http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/publications/safetynet-compensatoryoption.html
Local Diploma, Regents Diploma, Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation (with or without Honors), with a Career and Technical Education	All Student Populations	Completes all credit requirements as listed above for specific diploma types and completes an approved career and technical education program. Achieves a passing score on State assessments as listed above for specific diploma types and successfully completes the technical assessment designated for the particular approved career and technical education program which the student has completed.
Endorsement		http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#carteched

^{**} Please see note on Page 8 regarding "4 + 1" pathway option.

Non-diploma High School Exiting Credentials		
Diploma Type	Available to	Requirements
Career Development and Occupational Studies Commencement Credential	Students with disabilities other than those who are assessed using the NYS Alternate Assessment (NYSSA)	Completes a career plan; demonstrates attainment of the commencement level Career Development and Occupational Studies (CDOS) learning standards in the area of career exploration and development, integrated learning and universal foundation skills; satisfactorily completes the equivalent of 2 units of study (216 hours) in Career and Technical Education coursework and work-based learning (including at least 54 hours of work-based learning); and has at least 1 completed employability profile; OR Student meets criteria for a national work readiness credential. Credential may be a supplement to a regular diploma, or, if the student is unable to meet diploma standards, the credential may be awarded as the student's exiting credential provided the student has attended school for not less than 12 years, excluding Kindergarten. http://www.regents.nysed.gov/meetings/2013Meetings/April2013/413p12accesa1Revised.pdf
Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential	Students w/ severe disabilities that are assessed using the NYS Alternate Assessment (NYSAA)	All students with severe disabilities who attend school for not less than 12 years, excluding Kindergarten exit with this credential which must be accompanied by a summary of the student's levels of achievement in academic and career development and occupational studies. http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/publications/SACCmemo.htm http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1006.html

The decision of the Superintendent shall be final and binding in all matters pertaining to pupil graduation and the meeting of requirements pertaining thereto.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENT:

In order to earn a NYS Regents diploma, a student must successfully complete at least one credit in visual arts and/or music, dance or theatre.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT STUDIO IN ART 816

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Credit: 1

Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation

The curriculum of AP Studio in Art will emulate that of the typical first year college foundation course. Focus will be placed on the portfolio requirements set by The College Board. The driving force in this course will be a body of work that focuses on an area of concentration tailored for each individual student. Students that elect to apply for AP credits will submit their portfolios in slide form in May. Slide preparation will be provided by the Art Department. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Studio In Art will show that the student took an accelerated level of the course, not an AP course.

ART PORTFOLIO 811

Credit: 1 Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation

Students will have the opportunity to further expand their creativity, technical ability, and visual sensitivity through the completion of a series of major projects using various media. Students will consult with their classroom teacher to discuss areas of focus and development specific to them. Students are to investigate art movements and develop a deeper understanding of the meaning behind works of art. Students develop technical skills in painting, anatomy, and three-point perspective. Work produced in this course will be developed into a digital portfolio. The students will learn the importance of photographing and digitally formatting the images to help prepare a portfolio for Advanced Placement courses or college entrance.

CERAMICS I 4000

Credit: 1 Open To: 9 - 12

This course offers an exploration of the properties of clay as related to pottery and ceramics. Students will learn various hand building techniques and the potter's wheel. Surface decoration techniques are widely explored.

CERAMICS II 4001

Credit: 1.0
Open To: 10 - 12
Prerequisites: Ceramics

Students will build upon the basic skills learned in ceramics and will be challenged to broaden the scope of their individual work/style. Students will gain an understanding of firing techniques, develop their wheel throwing techniques, understand the fine art of ceramics and hone their additive, subtractive, hand building and modeling techniques. Through the experimentation of traditional and non-traditional media, students will create functional as well as fine art ceramic pieces.

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY 820

Credit: 1

Open To: 11 - 12 Prerequisite: Photography

Through the use of the digital camera, students will expand their photo knowledge to create professional level work. While this course will build on the techniques learned in basic photography, studio and graphic design, the students will work at a more advanced level. They will explore the world of advertising, fashion, studio lighting and fine art photography.

DRAWING and PAINTING I 4002

Credit: 1 Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Design and Drawing, or Studio in Art, or Fashion/Interior Design

Though painting will be introduced, this course will emphasize various drawing techniques and materials. Emphasis on drawing from observation will be placed throughout the year. Students will be encouraged to explore, investigate and produce works of art from nature, still life, art history and imagination. Materials will include pencil, charcoal, pen-and-ink, and wash, among others. Students interested in honing their drawing skills and artistic talent should consider this course.

DRAWING and PAINTING II 4003

Credit:

Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Drawing and Painting I

Though drawing will be reinforced, this course will emphasize various painting techniques and media. Students will be encouraged to explore, investigate and produce works of art from nature, still life, art history and imagination. Media will include watercolors, acrylic and oil paints, glazes, ink and more. The exploration of color and its organizing principles will be taught. Students will be challenged to broaden the scope of their work to create original works of art.

FASHION ILLUSTRATION (Alternate Days) 828a

Note: This class alternates with Fashion Design

Credit: .5 Open To: 9-12

Students will learn to draw the fashion face and figure, explore drawing, painting, and pen and ink techniques in order to design clothing for men, women and children. Students will study clothing styles and by the end of the course, students will have developed their own personal style and fashion statement through their own work.

GRAPHIC DESIGN I (College Credit LIU Post-CGPH 7)

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Credit: 3

Open To: 10 - 12 Prerequisite: Studio in Art

Graphic Design provides higher-level skills and knowledge for students who wish to pursue a career in art and design. Building on beginning skills learned in introductory art courses, students master design elements and use traditional and computer technology. Students will be knowledgeable about the historical and current developments of graphic communication. Understanding the diverse roles and processes in the industry, students will work independently and in teams to create advertisements, brochures, periodicals, and packaging designs. Students will utilize problem-solving and interpersonal skills in the development of their artwork from thumbnail sketches to comprehensive layouts and printed documents.

GRAPHIC DESIGN II (College Credit LIU Post- CGPH 8 and CGPH 11)

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Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: Graphic Design I

Graphic Design II builds on elementary skills and techniques learned in Graphic Design I. Students will learn advanced applications like masking and 3D design. Students will become proficient in Adobe Illustrator and Photoshop. These programs will be used simultaneously for final production in *InDesign* to maximize professional output. Students will work individually and as part of a creative team to simulate the roles of professionals in the industry.

PHOTOGRAPHY I 4006

Credit: 1 Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Design and Drawing, Studio in Art, or Fashion/Interior Design

This is a foundation course in photography that covers the fundamentals and techniques of black and white photography and the proper use of darkroom techniques associated with processing film and enlarging prints. Students are encouraged to have their own cameras to complete outside assignments. However, there are cameras available for students to borrow.

PHOTOGRAPHY II 4007

Credit: 1 Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: Photography I

Advanced Photography is a course designed to allow students to explore alternative techniques and methods in order to express themselves photographically. Students will sharpen their visual perception and become more aware of their environment by means of personal interpretation of subject matter. Some techniques that will be explored are Polaroid manipulation, emulsion transfers, image transfers, sepia/color toning, hand coloring, and computer application, Adobe Photoshop.

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PHOTOGRAPHY III 827

Credit: 1 Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation

This course offers art students the opportunity to further expand their technical ability, creativity, and visual sensitivity through the completion of a series of projects. These projects are decided upon by the student with teacher guidance. Students may choose to work with traditional photographic methods and/or alternative processes, including digital cameras and computer enhancement software. Student work should reflect their understanding of specific photographers or styles of photography. The photographs produced in this course will help fill a portfolio for college entrance.

STUDIO IN ART 806 STUDIO IN ART A (Alternate Days) 807a Credit: 1 STUDIO IN ART B (Alternate Days) 809a

Open To: 9 - 12

Credit: .5 Open To: 9-12

This course is an introduction to the fundamentals of drawing, painting, sculpture, and art history. Students will learn the elements and principles of design while exploring different media, various techniques, and the influence of art history. At the completion of this course students will have developed a strong foundation in art should they desire to enroll in additional art courses.

STUDIO IN CRAFTS (Alternate Days) 822*a*

Credit: .5 Open To: 9-12

This foundation course is recommended for students with an interest in three dimensional design. Though 2D design may be incorporated, students will design craft art forms using materials such as wood, plaster, wax, wire and clay. Students will explore cultural and historical art influences and its impact within their own work. This course is an excellent pre-requisite for other 3D classes- Ceramics, Ceramics II and Sculpture.

STUDIO LIGHTING (Alternate Days) 4008a

Credit: .5 Open to: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: Photography I

An advanced studio photography course utilizing both film and digital cameras to study lighting techniques and processes in order to produce a well-rounded two dimensional portfolio.

STUDIO IN MEDIA 848

Credit: 1 Open to: 9-12

This is a digital media visual arts foundation course. Students will learn about the elements of art and principles of design through a foundation of different media: graphic design, darkroom and digital photography, animation, and video.

STUDIO IN SCULPTURE 803

Credit: 1

Open to: 10 - 12 Prerequisites: Studio in Art

Through experimentation with traditional and non-traditional media, sculpture students will create sculptures using additive, subtractive, and modeling techniques. Students will use their knowledge of basic 3-dimensional form and building techniques to expand upon their individual style and broaden the scope of their work. Projects will encompass 2-D as well as 3-D applications.

BUSINESS/COMPUTER SCIENCE

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COMPUTER SCIENCE-A 509

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Credit: 1

Open To: 11-12

Prerequisite: Instructor approval required

This course is equivalent to a first semester college-level Computer Science course. Problem solving and algorithm design will be emphasized. Basic computer programming concepts of input, output, conditionals, looping, functions, sorting, searching, advanced data structures and object oriented programming with classes will be covered. The programming language used will be Java. College credit may be received for grades of three or higher on the Advanced Placement examination taken in May. All students enrolled in this class are expected to take the College Board AP exam. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Computer Science-A will show that the student took an accelerated level of the course, not an AP course.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COMPUTER SCIENCE PRINCIPLES 522

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Credit: 1 Open To: 11-12

Prerequisite: Instructor approval required

This course introduces students to the foundational concepts of computer science and challenges them to explore how computing and technology can impact the world. With a unique focus on creative problem solving and real-world applications, AP Computer Science Principles prepares students for college and career. College credit may be received for grades of three or higher on the Advanced Placement examination taken in May. All students enrolled in this class are expected to take the College Board AP exam. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Computer Science Principles will show that the student took an accelerated level of the course, not an AP course.

APP INVENTOR (Alternate Days) 523a

Credit: .5

Open To: 9-12 Alt days/Full Year

Never coded but want to learn how to build apps? Then you've come to the right place. This course starts at the very beginning and then will walk you through building progressively more complex apps. You'll learn how to build many types of apps and you'll learn programming concepts and terminology.

COMPUTER PROGRAMMING I 511

Credit: 1

Open To: 9 - 12

Students are introduced to computer programming, logic and techniques using the RealBasic language. Emphasis is placed on developing skills in problem analysis by means of computer programming. Using mathematical computation and technological knowledge, students will explore ways to design and create applications through activities and projects.

COMPUTER PROGRAMMING II 512

Credit: 1

Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Computer Programming I

This course introduces the programming language, Java, while expanding on the RealBasic program. Students will learn to solve problems through calculations, parameters, and multi-dimensional arrays. Projects will be assigned throughout the course.

COMPUTER APPLICATIONS (Alternate Days) 517a

Credit: .5 Open To: 9 - 12

The objective of this course is to provide students with computer skills that will be useful in high school, college, and throughout their lives. Students will be provided a hands-on opportunity, utilizing desktop computers and tablets, to explore some of the modern computer software productivity tools used in the business world through Microsoft Office. Students become familiar with the manipulation of data through the use of Word, PowerPoint and Excel. Additionally, students will learn effective Internet search strategies and how to evaluate the veracity and authenticity of web content.

INTRODUCTION TO CYBERSECURITY 525 (NEW)

Credit: 1

Open to: 10 - 12

In this course, students will learn about malware, viruses, social engineering and data security, among other topics. Protecting personal devices and information, as well as defending government and corporate networks, will also be discussed. Exploring cybersecurity basics with students can introduce them to the possibility of a well-paying career choice, while also teaching them how to keep their data safer online. In addition, students can learn the difference between ethical and unethical hacking.

DESKTOP PUBLISHING (Alternate Days) 551a

Credit: .5 Open To: 9-12

This course is designed for students as an introduction to state-of-the-art, professional-level computer applications used in the publication field. Students will gain marketable skills by learning Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, and InDesign to create top-quality printed materials such as playbills, brochures, newsletters and advertisements. Students will learn how to create and import graphics, scan images, manipulate fonts and use special graphic effects to produce professional business documents.

DIGITAL MEDIA PRODUCTION 1 562

Credit: 1

Open To: 10 - 12

In this course students will learn how to edit digital video, add music and sound effects, text, and transitions. Students will use industry software including Adobe Premiere and Adobe Creative Suite. The latest technology will be used to compile professional quality videos. Projects will include: documentaries, highlight films, music videos, conversion videos and school projects.

DIGITAL MEDIA PRODUCTION 2 566

Credit:

Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: Digital Media 1

Digital Media Productions 2 is offered to all juniors and seniors interested in continuing their exploration in the field of video editing and media production. Students will have the opportunity to enhance their editing skills through a variety of video projects and assignments. This course is perfect for those students who want a hands-on experience in the world of digital editing and movie making.

FASHION MARKETING (Alternate Days) 524a

Credit: .5 Open To: 9 - 12

Fashion Marketing addresses the retail, marketing, manufacturing and distribution needs of fashion merchandising. This class allows students to study trends and consumer behavior while developing necessary skills in marketing, managing, and organizing a fashion retail factory. Focus areas for this class include fashion history and design, manufacturing and sales, as well as providing a foundation in the evolution of the apparel industry. Students will explore consumer behavior and its role in driving fashion trends and purchasing patterns. Activities include visual display design, catalogue design, marketing, and advertising. This class will examine the role that New York City has in the industry as the fashion capital of the world. Field trips will be used to enhance the curriculum.

PERSONAL MONEY MANAGEMENT (Alternate Days) 519a

Credit: .5 Open To: 9-12

This course is designed to help students prepare themselves for living in the modern world. Students will explore and investigate, utilizing both desktop computers and tablets, different careers and educational requirements and will acquire the skills necessary to develop financial responsibility, manage finances, understand the use of credit and the incurrence of debt, and understand basic principles of saving and investing. Students will understand the basics of business organization, current workplace issues and will compete in the Stock Market Game while exploring the world of finance and the fast-paced environment of Wall Street.

SENIOR EXPERIENCE (Alternate Days) 515a

Credit: .5 Open To 12

This course is designed to help seniors plan their future college/career path through research and exploration activities. It will assist seniors in determining what colleges and careers are best suited for them through class activities, which will include self-assessment and college major/career research. Students in this class will learn how to write a resume, gain interview skills, understand the job search process and how to communicate effectively. Students will be responsible for finding an on-site job shadowing experience. The course will culminate in a presentation based on the student's work experience.

SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT MARKETING 518

Credit: 1

Open To: 10 - 12

This course is designed to introduce students to the concepts of marketing by relating them specifically to the exciting and fast-paced worlds of business, sports, and entertainment. Marketing principles will be studied and applied to the advertising, promotion, publicity, and marketing research of sporting events. Students will learn about the marketing of products related to sports; including clothing, equipment, automobiles, food products, movies and television programming. This course will be enriched with a field trip to a local sports arena or stadium.

TELEVISION AND VIDEO BROADCASTING 163 (NEW)

Credit: 1

Open To: 11 - 12

If you ever wanted to work in the Film or Television industry – this course is for you. This exciting course prepares students for positions in front of the camera, as well as in behind the scenes production. Students learn on professional equipment in MacArthur's Broadcast Studio. They also gain experience with industry standard video editing software. Students work in collaborative teams to produce projects using cameras, while learning the basics of studio and field production, lighting and sound. Projects include different types of feature stories, including: Human Interest; Entertainment; News; Arts and Sports.

TRIAL LAW 543

Credit: 1

Open To: 10 - 12

This course is designed for students to investigate the foundations of our trial system. Throughout the year, students will research our court system and perform mock trials for hands-on-experience. The mock trial preparation will provide an introduction to the major components of a trial: opening statements, direct and cross examinations and closing arguments. This course of study will develop his or her public speaking skills, gain poise and confidence, and become familiar with the operation of our court system.

TRIAL LAW 2: CRIMINAL LAW 542

Credit: 1

Open To: 11 - 12Prerequisite: Trial Law 1

This course is designed for students with an interest in law and its related careers. The criminal justice system is based upon an organization of laws and a system of rights. This class considers the definitions and development of criminal law, criminal procedure and criminal rights. Students examine and analyze criminal law, expanding their understanding of mock trial procedures utilized in courtroom simulations.

WEB DESIGN I 560

Credit: 1 Open To: 9 - 12

Students will learn to explore the Internet and obtain information for reports, projects, and personal use. Students will develop website pages using the basics of Hypertext Markup Language (HTML), the language of the World Wide Web. Students will also explore DreamWeaver software to create web pages that integrate word processing, graphics, and photographs as well as other layout techniques.

COLLEGE LEVEL COURSE(S) IN BUSINESS

BUSINESS OWNERSHIP AND MARKETING (SUNY Farmingdale) 546

Credit: 1 (HS), 6 (SUNY Farmingdale)

Open To: 10 - 12

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This course will allow future entrepreneurs to learn about various forms of business organizations and how they enter domestic and global markets. All phases of business are discussed to prepare students to design a business plan. Students will see this business plan through from inception to implementation as they build their company through virtual business software.

INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS (LIU POST) 545

Credit: 1 (HS), 3 (LIU Post)

Open To: 11 - 12

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This college-level course examines the role of business in American Society and the interrelationships between business, government, labor, and society at large. General areas of study center on the foundation of business, management, marketing activities, finance and financial services Students will analyze and relate theory to current events.

MARKETING PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES (LIU POST) 4016

Credit: 1 (HS), 3 (LIU Post)

Open To: 11 - 12

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This college level course will provide students with a survey of the field of marketing, with particular emphasis on segmentation and target marketing, differential advantage product life cycles, positioning, marketing mix decisions and product development. The role of marketing in the organization and in society is examined and analyzed. Discover the elements of successful advertising, the way in which it is developed and the means by which it is delivered to the public. Case histories are used throughout the course. This course is offered alternating years.

WEB DESIGN II (SUNY Farmingdale) 561

Credit: 1 (HS), 3 (SUNY Farmingdale)

Open To: 10 - 12

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This college level course will allow students who completed Web Design I to expand and develop career skills in this growing field. This is a hands-on, project-based course that involves students in the development and design of multiple websites. Students will explore and master advanced features in web design software such as Adobe DreamWeaver and Adobe Flash to address the latest web development practices.

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Gerald R. Claps Career and Technical Center (GC Tech)

All students enrolled in a two year Career and Technical Education (CTE Program) will receive credit for Career and Financial Management, Technical Writing and Integrated Math. Successful completion of the program will total 8 credits.

AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY 1 754 AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY 2 756

Credit: 4 (Each Level)

Open To: 11 - 12

This two-year National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF) and Automotive Youth Educational Systems (AYES) approved program provides students with theory and practical skills in the automotive industry, such as steering and suspension systems, engine performance, electrical wiring, brake systems, and inspections. Students will be afforded the opportunity to work on customer vehicles in our licensed inspection and repair station while using the latest diagnostic equipment on today's complex vehicles.

Articulation Agreements: Lincoln Tech – Advanced Placement

Ohio Technical College - Advanced Placement

SUNY Delhi - 8 credits

New England Institute of Technology - 2 credits SUNY Alfred- Waiver of 1st year Requirements

COMPUTER ANIMATION 1 718 COMPUTER ANIMATION 2 719

Credit: 4 (Each Level)

Open To: 11 - 12

This program will teach animation skills and the fundamentals of powerful software packages like Autodesk Maya and Adobe Photoshop. Students will build and develop mastery with 2D and 3D drawing techniques using both traditional drawing skills and computer-aided drafting. Students will simulate characters in motion and body language making creations come to life! Through their coursework, students will begin to build a professional portfolio of their work. Students will have opportunities to compete at a variety of venues including film festivals and media shows. Guest speakers and professionals in the field will share their expertise and guidance regarding college and career choices for students. Students develop the skills to meet the demands and explore the opportunities that exist in the real world.

Articulation Agreement: Bryant & Stratton College - 9 credits

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT 723

Credit: 4
Open to: 11-12

This course will teach students basic construction design using computer systems and the practical skills needed to enter the workforce. In addition, the course will prepare students to pursue a future career in Construction Management. Students will be introduced to: construction electricity, plumbing, carpentry, masonry, and will also learn the proper ways to handle and use different power and hand tools. Students will obtain an Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) certification in the second year as well as workbased learning opportunities.

COSMETOLOGY 1 730 COSMETOLOGY 2 732

Credit: 4 (Each Level)

Open To: 11 - 12

Students learn the practical and theoretical skills necessary for employment in major salons and spas. Instruction focuses on hair, nails and skin allowing students opportunities to provide complete service to future clients. This course also provides students the required 1,000 hours of training to apply for the New York State Board Masters Cosmetology License. Practical knowledge is applied as students work in our salon clinic. Students provide services for senior citizens and charity based events interacting with our new receptionist software utilized by industry professionals.

Articulation Agreement: Bryant & Stratton College- 6 credits

CULINARY ARTS 1 762 CULINARY ARTS 2 764

Credit: 4 (Each Level)

Open To: 11 - 12

Students are instructed in the fundamentals of cooking, baking, and wait staff/hospitality. Culinary menu planning, food science, health and safety procedures are major components of this two year course. In addition, our program has implemented a new iPad Point of Sale System where students learn employment ready skills for wait staff/hospitality service. Students practice skills on a daily basis in the school's modern commercial kitchen/bakery and can earn the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation's five-year ServSafe certification.

Articulation Agreements: Johnson & Wales University - 9 credits

SUNY Alfred- 4 credits SUNY Cobleskill- 11 credits

Culinary Institute of America - Merit Scholarships/Waiver

ELECTRICAL TECHNOLOGY 1 774
ELECTRICAL TECHNOLOGY 2 775

Credit: 4 (Each Level)

Open To: 11 - 12

This program provides in-depth instruction and hands-on experience with residential and basic commercial wiring. Students will learn electrical theory, safety, alternative energy power sources, electrical code standards and how to properly prepare diagrams/blueprints for live electrical work. Students will become proficient in commercial three-phase theory, motors/generators, pipe bending/installation and knowledgeable in the National Electric Code (NEC). In the second year of the course, students have the opportunity to earn the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) certification as well as work-based learning opportunities.

Articulation Agreements: Lincoln Technical Institute Advanced Placement

New England Institute of Technology - 4 Credits

SUNY Alfred- 6 credits

Electrical Training Center – Scholarship/Tuition

Discount

GRAPHIC ARTS/PRINTING 1 722 GRAPHIC ARTS/PRINTING 2 724

Credit: 4 (Each Level)

Open To: 11 - 12

This course teaches students the art of the graphic printing industry. Students will learn to communicate visually using their creativity and knowledge base of design, color, and text. Students will communicate ideas and concepts through print and electronic media. The program emphasizes creativity, visualization and critical thinking to help students generate technologically appropriate, functional and aesthetically pleasing graphic design. Students will develop knowledge and skills in typesetting, plate making and book binding using state-of-the-art printing equipment to produce logos, brochures, catalogs and various mailings. Guest speakers and field trips will afford students career and post-secondary opportunities in traditional print and design fields.

Articulation Agreement: New England Institute of Technology- 3 credits

SUNY Cobleskill - 3-6 credits

LANDSCAPE DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT I 725

Credit: 4
Open to: 11-12

Landscape Designers plan and design land areas for parks, recreational facilities, private homes, campuses and other open spaces. With an understanding of color theory, texture, balance, and proportion in conjunction with a strong background in horticulture, students will learn how to create harmonious and functional outdoor spaces. Students will perform site analyses of current plant-life, soil conditions, lighting, views and architectural styles of surrounding structures. Students will complete professional presentations, oversee projects and visit on-site locations to gain knowledge and experience in the areas of Landscape Architecture and/or Design. Students will have access to on-site greenhouse and real world landscaping opportunities throughout the district. Some classes will be held outside.

MEDICAL ASSISTING 1 769 MEDICAL ASSISTING 2 770

Credit: 4 (Each Level)

Open To: 11 - 12

Medical Assisting is one of the fastest growing fields in the United States. Students will acquire skills through hands on learning experiences in the areas of: vital signs, blood pressure, instrument identification and EKG machines. Students will be instructed in anatomy, physiology, nutrition, sterilization, patient care, and preparation. Students will become familiar with medical billing and coding, and medical terminology, affording students the ability to make informed decisions about the medical profession. Frequent visits by medical professionals and guest speakers compliment the course and provide unique learning opportunities for students. Second year students will participate in a unique learning experience in a supervised internship at the Nassau University Medical Center.

Articulation Agreements: New England Institute of Technology - 10 credits

Mercy College – 6 credits

POLICE SCIENCE/ EMT 1 780 POLICE SCIENCE/ EMT 2 781

Credit: 4 (Each Level)

Open To: 11 - 12

This two-year course is designed for students interested in a career in public safety, such as police, emergency medical services, emergency management and fire rescue. The course will cover criminal law, criminal procedure law, search, seizure and arrest, surveillance, crime scene investigation, forensics and disorder control. The Federal Emergency Management Agency Weapons of Mass Destruction and Incident Command is also included. In the second year, students are given the NYS Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) course. In addition, the Public Safety Telecommunicator (dispatcher) course is taught, which includes certification by the Association of Public Safety officials. The New York State pre-assignment Security Guard course will also be taught as part of the program.

Articulation Agreement: Bryant & Stratton College- 9 credits

New England Institute of Technology – 8 credits

GC TECH INTEGRATED ACADEMIC CREDITS

INTEGRATED MATHEMATICS/APPLIED MATHEMATICS – (2 year course)

717/709

Credit: 1

Open To: 11-12

Offered exclusively through the Gerald R. Claps Career and Technical Center, this Mathematics course concentrates on the MST skills necessary to be successful in the workplace and a college setting. Students concentrate on required mathematical skills in their CTE area. Students are required to take a mid-term and final examination and complete a comprehensive project. Credit is granted upon successful completion of this two-year course.

BUSINESS AND TECHNICAL COMPOSITION AND COMMUNICATION

(2 year course) 716/707

Credit: 1 Open To: 11-12

Offered exclusively through the Gerald R. Claps Career and Technical Center, this English course concentrates on the ELA skills necessary to be successful in the workplace and a college setting. Students concentrate on writing skills in their CTE area. Students leave with a professional portfolio, which includes a cover letter, resume and reference list as well as past exemplary projects/work. Moreover, students are required to take a mid-term and final examination and complete a comprehensive project. Credit is granted upon successful completion of this two-year course.

BOCES BARRY TECH / LIHSA

Credit: Varies Open To: 11-12

Students interested in attending career programs at BOCES Barry Tech or the Long Island High School for the Arts for areas not offered at the high schools must express interest to their school counselor and submit a written request to the Department of Instruction no later than December 20th of their sophomore or junior year. The written request should include their activity sheet highlighting previous experience in the area they wish to pursue. The request should also include a written description detailing the reasons why attending the program is necessary for their future aspirations. Not all students will be accepted. All decisions related to attendance at Barry Tech and/or LIHSA will be made by the Department of Instruction. Students will be notified of these placement decisions in writing no later than February 1st. Additional auditions or applications may be required.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENT:

In order to earn a NYS Regents diploma, students must successfully pass the English Regents examination and complete four credits in English as follows: English 9, English 10, English 11, and a choice of English 12 courses. In order to meet Levittown Public Schools District's graduation requirements, students must also successfully complete an interdisciplinary research paper.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENGLISH-LANGUAGE/COMPOSITION

128C

Credit: 1 Open To: 11

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Prerequisites: English 10 Pre-AP OR English 10 R with Teacher

Recommendation, completion of Summer Assignment

NCAA Core Course

The AP Language and Composition course involves an intense concentration on language use and literature study and will enhance the ability to use grammatical conventions both appropriately and with sophistication. Stylistic writing is fostered by studying and developing the following: a wide range of vocabulary used appropriately and effectively, a variety of sentence structures and techniques to increase coherence, constructive critiques of peers' writing, prewriting strategies and critical reading of fiction and non-fiction literature. Students will be prepared for and take the Advanced Placement Language and Composition Examination and the Regents Examination if necessary. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Language/Composition will show that the student took an accelerated level of this course, not an AP course. This course fulfills the English III requirement.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENGLISH-LITERATURE/COMPOSITION 127

Credit: 1
Open To: 12

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Prerequisites: AP English: Language and Composition OR English 11R with

Teacher Recommendation, completion of Summer Assignment

NCAA Core Course

This course is open to 12th grade students with proven ability in reading and writing skills. The course involves students in both the study of literature and the study and practice of writing. By carefully reading and analyzing a wide range of quality literary works, students will sharpen their awareness of language and their understanding of the writer's craft. Students will develop critical standards for the independent appreciation of any literary work and increase their sensitivity to literature as a shared experience. Writing assignments will focus on critical analysis of literature and include essays in exposition and argument. The desired goals of the writing aspect of the course are honest and effective use of language and the ability to organize ideas in a clear, coherent and persuasive way. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Literature/Composition will show that the student took an accelerated level of this course, not an AP course. This course fulfills the English 12 requirement.

ENGLISH (continued)

ENGLISH 10-ADVANCED PLACEMENT CAPSTONE SEMINAR 106

Credit: 1 Open To: 10

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This course is an innovative diploma program from the College Board that equips students with the independent research, collaborative teamwork, and communication skills that are increasingly valued by colleges. In AP Seminar, students investigate real-world issues from multiple perspectives, gathering and analyzing information from various sources in order to develop credible and valid evidence-based arguments. This program aims to empower students by providing opportunities for them to practice disciplined and scholarly research skills while exploring relevant topics that appeal to their interests and curiosity. This course is a prerequisite for AP Research that will be offered in the 12th grade year. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Capstone examination at the conclusion of this course will show that the student took an accelerated level of this course, not an AP course.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CAPSTONE RESEARCH 130

Credit: 1 Open to: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: Completion of AP Capstone Seminar including the end-of-course

exam and all required performance tasks and teacher

recommendation

This course allows students to deeply explore an academic topic, problem, or issue of individual interest. Through this exploration, students design, plan, and conduct a yearlong investigation to address a research question. Students will further develop their skills acquired in the AP Seminar course by learning research methodology, employing ethical research practices, and accessing, analyzing, and synthesizing information. Using a process and reflection portfolio, students document their inquiry processes, communication with their teachers and expert advisers, and reflections on their thought processes. Students will present and defend the topic of inquiry/research question, approach, and findings or product to a panel.

ENGLISH 12 - COLLEGE PREP WRITING 161 (NEW)

Credit: 1 Open to: 12

Prerequisite: 11th Grade English

NCAA Core Course

The goal of this course is to provide superior composition instruction that exceeds the minimal standards set by the State and prepare students for the writing demands of the most selective colleges. In the College Prep Writing portion of this full year course, students practice genres of writing such as exposition, argument, description and narration. Students will learn effective prewriting and revision strategies and employ an increasingly apt vocabulary to write insightfully to a variety of audiences for a variety of purposes, including the college essay for college application. The second half of this course will allow students to explore the format of various works of fiction and nonfiction, including short stories, poetry, dramatic dialogue, screen plays, etc. Close analysis of each work will culminate in students writing original works in various genres to be included in a digital portfolio of their own written work.

ENGLISH 12 – MONSTERS AND HEROES IN LITERATURE 162

Credit: 1 Open To: 12

Prerequisite: 11th Grade English

NCAA Core Course

This full year course will begin with the exploration of the portrayal of monsters based on the work of David Gilmore, from the earliest appearance of story monsters to contemporary monsters of today. Students will then compare the various hero/heroic archetypes based on Joseph Campbell's theory of the hero's journey across diverse literary genres. Students will track the evolution of the monster and the hero and explore ways in which they both have evolved over time through literature. Students will read, write and analyze various monsters and heroes in an attempt to understand why all cultures need and love monsters and heroes.

ENGLISH 9 R 104

Credit: 1
Open To: 9
NCAA Core Course

Students enrolled in this course are provided with a comprehensive program designed to impart the elements of essay organization as well as clarity of expression. The literature portion of the course includes a study of the novel, short story, lyric and narrative poetry, and works of fiction and nonfiction. Vocabulary skills are developed in conjunction with composition and literature. In addition, listening skills are addressed. District-wide midterm and final examinations have been developed for this course.

ENGLISH 9 RX 105

Credit: 1
Open To: 9
NCAA Core Course

Students enrolled in this course are provided with a comprehensive program designed to impart the elements of paragraph organization as well as clarity of expression. The literature portion of the course includes a study of the novel, short story, lyric and narrative poetry, and works of nonfiction. Vocabulary skills are developed in conjunction with composition and literature. District-wide midterm and final examinations have been developed for this course. English 9RX is the same as English 9R, except that additional support will be provided to reinforce the skills necessary to prepare for the Regents examination in grade 11. If this additional support is necessary, students' Middle School Teacher/Guidance Counselor will recommend them for this program.

ENGLISH 9 HONORS 103

Credit: 1
Open To: 9
NCAA Core Course

This course is designed to cover all content and skill areas of 9R with a heavier emphasis on critical thinking, careful reading and fluency of language. It utilizes supplemental materials designed to challenge students to recognize authors' techniques, and to develop an appreciation for said techniques. The emphasis on writing, the use of more challenging texts, and the focus on developing more advanced critical thinking skills distinguish this course from 9R.

ENGLISH 10 R 110

Credit: 1 Open To: 10

NCAA Core Course

The composition portion of this course emphasizes the construction of clear and concise essays, themes, letters, and reports. Vocabulary development, sentence structure, usage, and listening skills are essential aspects of this course, as are effective oral communication and public speaking. Literature study includes the characteristics of various genres: short story, novel, essay, drama, lyric and narrative poetry. District-wide midterm and final examinations have been developed for this course.

ENGLISH 10 PRE-ADVANCED PLACEMENT 122

Credit: 1 Open To: 10

NCAA Core Course

This course is designed to place students in an Advanced Placement track for eleventh and twelfth grades. The class will cover all content and skill areas of 10R with a heavier emphasis on critical thinking, careful reading and fluency of language. It utilizes supplemental materials designed to challenge students to recognize authors' techniques, and to develop an appreciation for said techniques. The emphasis on writing, the use of more challenging texts, and the focus on developing more advanced critical thinking skills distinguish this course from 10R. Because of the advanced level of curriculum, students enrolled in this course will take the English Regents Exam in June in lieu of a district final.

ENGLISH 10 RX 111

Credit: 1
Open To: 10
NCAA Core Course

Students enrolled in this course are provided with a comprehensive program designed to impart the elements of essay organization as well as clarity of expression. The literature portion of the course includes a study of the novel, short story, lyric and narrative poetry, and works of nonfiction. Vocabulary skills are developed in conjunction with composition and literature. District-wide midterm and final examinations have been developed for this course. English 10RX is the same as English 10R, except that additional support will be provided to reinforce the skills necessary to prepare for the Regents examination in grade 11. If this additional support is necessary, students' Teacher/Guidance Counselor will recommend them for this program.

ENGLISH 11 R 116C

Credit: 1
Open to: 11
NCAA Core Course

The composition portion of this course emphasizes the skills of mature written expression through extensive study of sentence and paragraph structure, essay development, and theme organization. Maturity of thought, sound organization, economy of words, and variety of expression are taught and practiced, particularly in expository and critical writing assignments. Vocabulary study is regular and extensive. The literature program is a study of American prose, poetry, and drama from colonial times to the present, with emphasis on the understanding and appreciation of literary types, themes, and style, as well as the historical context in which the selections were written. The New York State Regents examination will be given in June.

ENGLISH 11 RX 117C

Credit: 1 Open To: 11 NCAA Core Course

The composition portion of this course emphasizes the skills of mature written expression through extensive study of sentence and paragraph structure, essay development, and theme organization. Maturity of thought, sound organization, economy of words, and variety of expression are taught and practiced, particularly in expository and critical writing assignments. Vocabulary study is regular and extensive. The literature program is a study of American prose, poetry, and drama from colonial times to the present, with emphasis on the understanding and appreciation of literary types, themes, and style. The New York State Regents examination will be given in June.

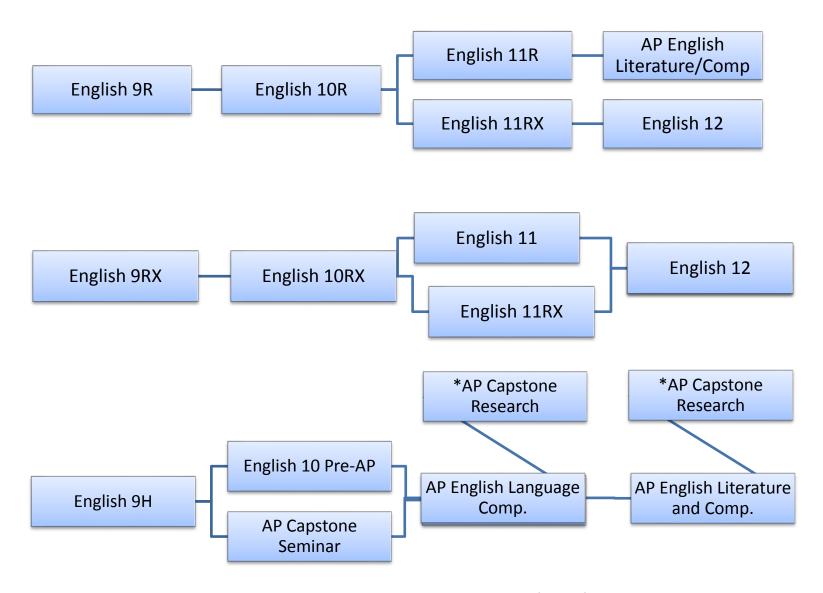
RESEARCH SKILLS 140

Credit: .5 Open To: .11 – 12

NCAA Core Course

Research Skills is designed for seniors intending to pursue post-secondary education. Students will have an opportunity to learn research and word processing skills, which will be implemented in completing several research projects including a term paper. Intensive instruction is given in all phases of term papers, including note taking, outlining, footnoting, and the mechanics of composing research papers. A majority of class time is spent in library research, preparation of assignments under teacher supervision, and teacher-student conferences. It is expected that each student will devote considerable time outside of class to the reading and research necessary to complete each assignment.

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^{*}AP Capstone students have the choice to take AP Capstone Research in either the 11th or 12th grade.

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES

CHILD DEVELOPMENT I (Alternate Days) 795a

Credit: .5 Open To: 9 - 12

This course provides students with a knowledge base and practical experience in child development from the prenatal period through preschool for application to his or her present role as a family member, as a future parent, and/or in a career. Students will learn through the engagement of project-based assignments. Major units of study include: children and parenting, prenatal development, infant growth and development, toddler and preschool development and careers in child care.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT II 800

Credit: 1

Open To: 10-12

Student will have the opportunity to observe children through field trips to various preschools and elementary schools. Topics include: the role of the early childhood educator, child-centered education, early childhood programs, positive guidance, characteristics of the pre-school child and curriculum planning. This course provides a foundation for a pursuit in various career areas involving children. This course is offered alternating years.

CULINARY ARTS 789

Credit: 1 Open To: 9 - 12

This comprehensive course in food and nutrition is designed to provide students with the skills and techniques necessary for the preparation of a variety of foods. Course content includes nutrition awareness, meal management, preparation of foods and career exploration.

FASHION DESIGN (Alternate Days) 790a

Note: This class alternates with Fashion Illustration

Credit: .5 Open To: 9-12

This course is an introduction to fashion and clothing construction skills. Students will sew their own garments, evaluate the quality of ready to wear clothing and explore fashion design principles. Clothing care, textiles, consumerism and careers will be integral parts of the course. Successful completion of both *Fashion Illustration* and *Fashion Design* will satisfy the minimum art requirement for graduation.

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES (continued)

FOOD INVESTIGATIONS (Alternate Days) 784a

Credit: .5 Open To: 9 - 12

Students will cook, bake, experiment and taste a variety of foods. Using scientific methods students will solve problems by conducting food experiments to describe chemical reactions that occur during the cooking/baking process. Why does popcorn pop? What is a food scientist? Is this a real profession? Take this interactive class and find out the answers to these questions and more!

INTERIOR DESIGN (Alternate Days) 785a

Credit: .5 Open To: 9 - 12

Through hands on experience, students will learn elements and principles of design as they relate to architecture and interior decorating. Students will learn the essential components of interior design and create a final plan for an interior space. The course will highlight decorating trends, lifestyles, types of dwellings, units of color, furniture styles and career exploration.

INTERNATIONAL CUISINE 786

Credit: 1 Open to: 9-12

Students will learn about the cultures and cuisine of different regions of the world. Students will work in lab groups to create and sample cuisines from these regions. For those students who may be interested in pursuing a culinary career, this course would provide a foundation in knife skills, food preparation, and presentation. Visits from culinary professionals and college presenters will be part of the course. This course is offered alternating years.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENT:

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In order to earn a NYS Regents diploma in the Levittown School District, you must successfully complete four credits in Mathematics AND pass the Algebra I Regents exam. In order to earn a NYS Regents diploma with Advanced Designation, you must successfully complete four credits in Mathematics AND satisfy one of the three requirements for a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation as specified on page seven.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CALCULUS AB 238

Credit: 1 Open To: 12

Prerequisites: PreCalculus, Teacher Recommendation

NCAA Core Course

This rigorous calculus course includes an alternating day lab and is equivalent to one semester of a college calculus course. Topics include: limits, continuity, differential calculus and applications, and integral calculus and applications. Concepts of the derivative and integral are based on a practical, rather than a theoretical basis. Therefore, this class is recommended for a strong mathematics student. Proficiency will be measured by class work, problem solving, homework, comprehensive examinations, and a midterm. This course prepares students for the AP Examination in Calculus AB. Students are expected to take the Advanced Placement examination in May. College credit may be obtained by scoring well on the Advanced Placement examination. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Calculus AB will show that the student took an accelerated level of the course, not an AP course.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CALCULUS BC 241

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Credit: 1 Open To: 12

Prerequisites: PreCalculus Accelerated, Teacher Recommendation

NCAA Core Course

AP Calculus BC is considerably more rigorous than AP Calculus AB and is equivalent to two semesters of college calculus. This course includes an alternating day lab. In addition to the topics covered in AP Calculus AB, vector functions, parametrically defined functions, integration by parts, integration by partial fractions, and sequences and series are included in AP Calculus BC. Therefore, this course is recommended for a very strong mathematics student. Proficiency will be measured by class work, problem solving, homework, comprehensive examinations, and a midterm examination. This course prepares students for the AP Examination in Calculus BC. Students are expected to take the Advanced Placement examination in May. College credit may be obtained by scoring well on the Advanced Placement examination. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Calculus BC will show that the student took an accelerated level of the course, not an AP course.

ALGEBRA I 257

Credit: 1 Open to: 9 - 12

Prerequisite: Mathematics 8

NCAA Core Course

Algebra I provides tools and ways of thinking that are necessary for solving problems in many disciplines, such as science, business, social sciences, fine arts and technology. This course will assist students in developing skills and processes to be applied using various techniques to successfully solve problems in a variety of settings. Students will take the New York State Algebra I Regents examination in June.

ALGEBRA II 227

Credit: 1 Open To: 10-12

Prerequisites: Algebra I and Geometry averages ≥ 75 plus both Regents exams

NCAA Core Course

Algebra II is the third course in the mathematics sequence, following Algebra I and Geometry. In this course students will explore a wide variety of topics including polynomial, rational and radical relationships as well as functions, trigonometry and data analysis. Students will take the New York State Algebra II Regents exam in June.

ALGEBRA II ESSENTIALS 220

Credit: 1
Open to: 11

Prerequisite: Algebra I, Algebra I Regents, Geometry Regents, Geometry Regents

and Teacher Recommendation

This course is designed for students who need additional development of higher level algebra skills in order to be successful in the future study of Regents level Algebra II. This course is recommended for those students interested in pursuing a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation whose final averages in the Algebra I and Geometry courses are less than 75. This is not an NCAA approved course.

ALGEBRA II HONORS 233

Credit: 1 Open To: 10

Prerequisites: Algebra I Accelerated, Algebra I Regents, Geometry Honors,

Geometry Regents

NCAA Core Course

This course maintains the high level of course work expected in the honors program. It is the third course in the mathematics sequence, following Algebra I Accelerated and Geometry Honors. In this course students will explore a wide variety of topics including polynomial, rational and radical relationships as well as functions, trigonometry and data analysis. Students will take the New York State Algebra II Regents exam in June.

GEOMETRY 313

Credit: 1
Open to: 9-12

Prerequisite: Algebra I, Algebra I Regents

NCAA Core Course

This course employs an integrated approach to the study of geometric relationships. Integrating synthetic, transformational, and coordinate approaches to geometry, students will justify geometric relationships and properties of geometric figures. A major emphasis of this course is to allow students to investigate geometric situations. Students will take the New York State Geometry Regents examination in June.

GEOMETRY ESSENTIALS 221

Credit:

Open to: 10, 11, and 12

Prerequisite: Algebra I and Teacher Recommendation

This course is designed for students who need additional development of basic algebra skills in order to be successful in the future study of Regents level Geometry. The first half of the course will focus on the reinforcement of algebra concepts and the second half will focus on the introduction of geometry concepts through algebraic applications. This course is mandatory for any student who has not passed the Algebra I Regents exam and recommended for any student whose final average in the Algebra I course is less than 70. A final examination will be given at the end of the course. This is not an NCAA approved course.

GEOMETRY HONORS 201

Credit: 1
Open to: 9

Prerequisite: Algebra I Accelerated, Algebra I Regents

NCAA Core Course

This is a high level course that employs an integrated approach to the study of geometric relationships. Integrating synthetic, transformational, and coordinate approaches to geometry, students will justify geometric relationships and properties of geometric figures. A major emphasis of this course is to allow students to investigate geometric situations. Students will take the New York State Geometry Regents examination in June.

COLLEGE ALGEBRA 1 (Fall semester only) 298

Credit: 0.5 Open To: 12

Prerequisites: Completion of two mathematics courses including Algebra 1

NCAA Core Course

This course is designed to prepare students for the study of college level mathematics and to provide students with the skills needed to pass college level placement tests in mathematics. Topics include number theory, set theory, logic, polynomial operations, the Cartesian plane, solving linear and quadratic equations and transformations in the coordinate plane. A final examination will be given at the end of the course.

COLLEGE ALGEBRA 2 (Spring semester only) 299

Credit: 0.5 Open To: 12

Prerequisites: Completion of two mathematics courses including Integrated

Algebra/Algebra 1 NCAA Core Course

This course is designed to prepare students for the study of college level mathematics and to provide students with the skills needed to pass college level placement tests in mathematics. Topics include functions and their graphs, systems of equations/inequalities, rational expressions, irrational and complex numbers, geometry and statistics. A final examination will be given at the end of the course.

FINANCIAL ALGEBRA 1 (Fall semester only) 295

Credit: 0.5 Open To: 11

Prerequisites: Completion of two mathematics courses including Algebra 1

NCAA Core Course

This course combines algebraic and graphical approaches to mathematics with business and personal finance applications. Project-based learning, problem solving and real-world applications will center on the following topics: mathematical modeling for business, the stock market, banking services, consumer credit and automobile ownership. A final examination will be given at the end of the course.

FINANCIAL ALGEBRA 2 (Spring semester only) 297

Credit: 0.5 Open To: 11

Prerequisites: Completion of two mathematics courses including Algebra 1

NCAA Core Course

This course combines algebraic and graphical approaches to mathematics with business and personal finance applications. Project-based learning, problem solving and real-world applications will center on the following topics: employment, income taxes, independent living, planning for retirement and preparing a budget. A final examination will be given at the end of the course.

INTRODUCTION TO STATISTICS 164 (NEW)

Credit: 1 Open to: 11-12

Prerequisites: Completion of three credits in Mathematics

This course is an introduction to the study of probability and statistics. It will include elements of statistics such as measures of central tendencies, measures of dispersion, correlation, probability and sampling distributions, normal distribution and the normal curve, testing hypotheses and estimating parameters. Proficiency will be measured by class work, problem solving activities, tests, midterm exam and a final examination.

COLLEGE LEVEL COURSES IN MATHEMATICS:

FINITE MATHEMATICS (SUNY Farmingdale) 271

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Credit: 1 (HS); 3 (SUNY-Farmingdale)

Open To: 12

Prerequisites: Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II averages > 75 plus all Regents

exams

NCAA Core Course

This course is recommended for students who would like to earn college credit for their Mathematics course. Two separate grades will be given for the course: a high school grade and a college grade. This course introduces students to the study of matrix algebra and to its applications in such areas as cryptography, input-output analysis, linear programming, Markov chains and game theory.

PRECALCULUS FOR COLLEGE CREDIT HONORS (SUNY Farmingdale) 203

Credit: 1 (HS); 4 (SUNY-Farmingdale)

Open To: 11 - 12

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Prerequisite: Algebra II Honors average ≥ 85

NCAA Core Course

This course is recommended for students who would like to continue in the accelerated program. The course is a high level survey course with topics on functions and relations, theory of equations, analytic geometry, theory of limits and an introduction to calculus.

PRECALCULUS FOR COLLEGE CREDIT (SUNY Farmingdale) 230

Credit: 1(HS); 4 (SUNY-Farmingdale)

Open To: 11 - 12

Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II averages ≥ 80 plus all Regents

exams

NCAA Core Course

Prerequisite:

This course is recommended for students who have successfully completed Algebra II and who have passed the Algebra II Regents examination at the mastery level. Students enrolled in this course will receive dual credit from the high school and a local college. This course is a high level survey with topics on functions and relations, and an introduction to the study of calculus.

PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS FOR COLLEGE CREDIT-SUNY Farmingdale

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Credit: 1 (HS); 3 (SUNY-Farmingdale))

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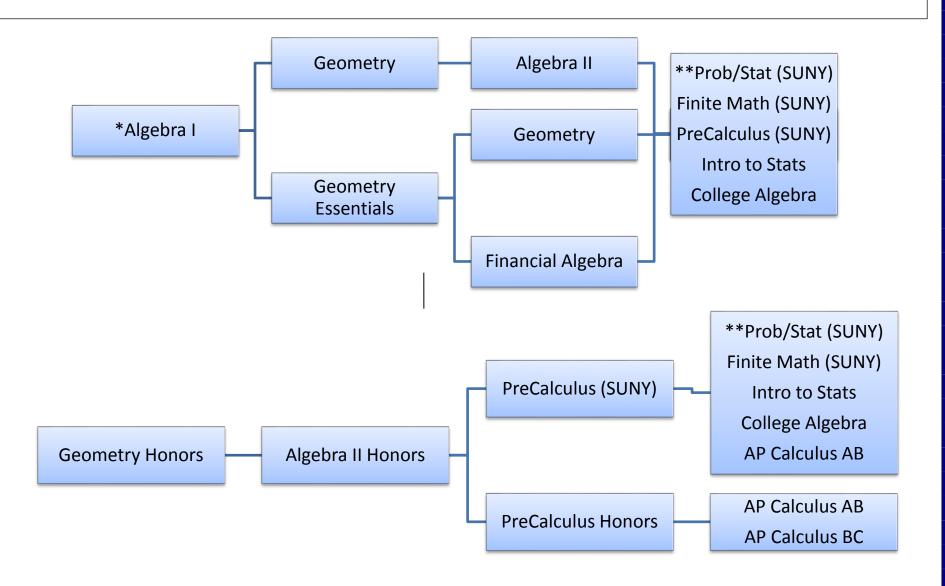
Open To: 12

Prerequisites: Algebra II plus Regents exam

NCAA Core Course

The course is an introduction to probability and statistics theory. It will include the study of random variables, probability and sampling distributions. Statistics, testing hypothesis and estimating parameters will also be topics covered in this curriculum. Proficiency will be measured by class work, problem solving, homework, comprehensive examinations and a final examination.

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^{*}Students entering Algebra I in Grade 9 who are in need of AIS services will be scheduled for an additional alternate day lab period.

** See Course Catalog descriptions for course prerequisites.

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GRADUATION REQUIREMENT:

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In order to earn a NYS Regents diploma, a student must successfully complete one credit in visual arts and/or music or theatre

ADVANCED PLACEMENT MUSIC THEORY 842

Credit: 1 Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Music Theory 1 OR Placement Test Given by an Instructor

Advanced Placement Music Theory is a continuation of the development of skills acquired in Music Theory: aural identification, written identification, sight singing, compositional technique, and analytical technique. The course is designed to prepare students to take the AP Music Theory examination in May. After the examination is completed, acquired skills will be applied to work on a project(s) in arranging, transcribing, orchestrating, and/or composing. Exercises in listening, writing, creating, and analyzing will be assigned to foster development of these skills. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Music Theory will show that the student took an accelerated level of this course, not an AP course. This course is offered alternating years.

Performance Groups - BAND/ CHORUS / ORCHESTRA

The following performing groups pursue the art of playing a musical instrument or singing in an ensemble while also improving individual performing skills. These courses cover a broad variety of musical literature that will be read, rehearsed, and/or performed by each group. Public performances are the culmination of some of the selections prepared. The student in the performing group may also be eligible for nomination to All-County, the Long Island String Festival (string instrument players only), All-State, and All-Eastern performing organizations. The work requirements include learning about music and how to play the instrument or sing through home practice, class participation, and the preparation of assigned materials. There may be performance tests on the assigned material. Students are required to attend a weekly lesson on a rotating basis. Participation beyond the school day (sometimes involving evening and/or weekend activities) is required for students joining these groups. In addition, band students are required to participate in noncompetitive marching band and all of its activities. Students enrolling in these groups, in order to maintain membership and/or receive credit, must be prepared to make a commitment to all of the activities of the group. Therefore, students considering enrolling in one of these courses should familiarize themselves with the requirements. Weekly rotational pull-out lessons required.

CONCERT CHOIR 836

Credit: 1

Open To: 9-12 Pending implementation of Mixed Chorus, a second chorus divided by

grade level(s) to ensure the proper balance of voices.

Prerequisite: Audition and/or Previous Participation

CONCERT BAND 867

Credit:

Open To: 9 - 12 OR Pending Implementation of Symphonic Band, a second band

divided by grade level(s) to ensure the proper balance of instruments.

Prerequisite: Audition and/or Previous Participation

SYMPHONIC BAND 866

Credit: 1

Open To: Pending Enrollment and implementation of the second band (see above).

Prerequisite: Audition and/or Previous Participation

ORCHESTRA 833

Credit: 1

Open To: 9 - 12 OR Pending Implementation of String Orchestra, a second orchestra

divided by grade level(s) to ensure proper balance of instruments.

Prerequisite: Audition and/or Previous Participation

STRING ORCHESTRA 831

Credit: 1

Open To: Pending Enrollment and implementation of second orchestra (see above)

Prerequisite: Audition and/or Previous Participation

DANCE 875

Credit: 1 Open To: 9-12

This course exposes beginners to a variety of dance styles while allowing more advanced students to expand their abilities. Dance styles explored include Ballet, Modern, Jazz, Tap, period dance, and movement of various cultures. Testing may be written, performance, and/or the critiquing of others. Recitals are after school hours. Participation beyond the school day (including evening and/or weekend activities) is required for students to receive credit and/or remain enrolled in this group. Students must be prepared to make a commitment to all the activities of the group. Appropriate clothing is required and character shoes, or other appropriate dance shoes, are recommended.

ELECTRONIC MUSIC LAB I 858

Credit: 1

Open To: 9 - 12*

ELECTRONIC MUSIC LAB II 861

Credit: 1

Open to: 10 -12

Prerequisite: Electronic Music Lab I

Electronic Music Lab 1 and 2 are designed for students who wish to gain a working knowledge of electronic music through the use of computers, software, synthesizers and other electronic devices. Electronic Music Lab I covers the principles of sound production, recording, acoustics and sound synthesis. Previous knowledge of electronics is not required. Electronic equipment used in this class will be supplied. Students will be required to perform or demonstrate the projects they have been working on for the teacher in class. Students will have exams on items discussed and will be evaluated on their projects. This course uses "Music In Our Lives" as a model and students will be required to develop an independent final project.

ELECTRONIC MUSIC LAB IA 852a

Credit: .5

Open To: 9-12 (Alt. Day)

Electronic Music Lab 1, 1A and 2 are designed for students who wish to gain a working knowledge of electronic music through the use of computers, software, synthesizers and other electronic devices. Electronic Music Lab I covers the principles of sound production, recording, acoustics and sound synthesis. Previous knowledge of electronics is not required. Electronic equipment used in this class will be supplied. Students will be required to perform or demonstrate the projects they have been working on for the teacher in class. Students will have exams on items discussed and will be evaluated on their projects. This course uses "Music In Our Lives" as a model and students will be required to develop an independent final project.

GUITAR I	843	GUITAR 1	II 846	GUITAR	III 849	GUITAR	V 847
Credit:	1	Credit:	1	Credit:	1	Credit:	1
Open To:	9 - 12*	Open To:	10 - 12*	Open To:	10 - 12	Open To:	11 - 12
Prerequisite	: None	Guitar 1 or	audition	Guitar 2 or	audition	Guitar 3 or	audition

Using "Music in Our Lives" as a model, these guitar courses are designed to meet the needs of the guitar student and will equip the student with the ability to read musical notation and to develop facility on the fingerboard by playing songs and chords. Areas of study will include listening to and analyzing all styles of guitar music, performing, composing and in using technology. Students do not need to own their own guitar, as guitars are available for use in school. Students will be required to perform for the teacher on a weekly or bi-weekly basis, take written exams and develop an independent project. These courses may include performances beyond the school day.

^{*} Preference will be given to upper classmen.

JAZZ ENSEMBLE 876a Credit: .5

Open To: 9 - 12
Prerequisite: Audition

Corequisite: Band Except for Non Band Instruments

Students in the Jazz Ensemble will be offered the opportunity to enhance their education in music and develop their abilities as players through rehearsals and performances of jazz ensemble repertoire. In addition, portions of the course are devoted to the development of the skills associated with improvisation and the history of the uniquely American art form known as Jazz. Selections are made based upon auditions and the aptitude shown by a student as well as the instrumentation needs of the ensemble. Students taking the course for credit are graded based upon class participation, which includes attendance, class preparation, and periodic evaluations of their playing. At the end of the school year, students seeking credit will take a final examination, containing both written questions and/or a performance portion. A final project may be assigned. Participation in the Jazz Ensemble involves rehearsals and performances, which may take place after school and/or on weekends. Students are required to attend all rehearsals and performances in order to maintain membership and receive academic credit, if applicable, for their participation in the course. Additional remedial instruction may be required as necessary.

MUSIC THEORY 1 840

Credit: 1
Open To: 9 - 12

Prerequisite: General Knowledge of Music and Ability to Read Music

Music Theory 1 seeks to explore music theory and study the "building blocks" of musical composition. Students will focus on basic chord progressions and structure, major, minor, and modal scales, the ability to identify scales, intervals and chords by sight and sound, sight singing, basic four-part harmonic structure and composition techniques, and other areas. Students will be expected to develop, through classwork, homework, and practice, the aural, visual, and vocal assignments that will be given to assess mastery and development of skills. Tests will be given involving aural, written, and vocal skills in order to evaluate the degree to which these skills are being mastered and/or developed. This course is offered alternating years.

 PIANO I
 839/839a
 PIANO II
 838/838a
 PIANO III
 832/832a

 Credit:
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Open To: 9-12 Open to: 10-12 Open to: 10-12 Prerequisite: None Piano I or audition Piano II or audition

Using the New York State's "Music In Our Lives" guide as a model, the piano course is designed to meet the needs of the piano student and will equip the student with the ability to read musical notation and to develop facility on the keyboard by playing compositions. Areas of study will include: listening to and analyzing all styles of piano music, performing, music history, composing and using technology. Students will be required to perform for the teacher on a weekly or bi-weekly basis, take written exams and develop an independent project.

THEATRE WORKSHOP 1 870 PERFORMING THEATRE 873

Credit: 1 Credit: 1
Open To: 9 – 12 Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Theatre Workshop 1 and/or audition

These courses give exposure to skills relating to dramatic and musical performance. These areas include voice production, body movement, dance, speech, singing, poise, expression, self-confidence and all aspects of stagecraft. Students prepare work in all of the abovementioned areas. Testing may be written, performance, and/or the critiquing of others. This course may include performances beyond the school day.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

GRADUATION REQUIREMENT:

In order to earn a NYS Regents diploma, you must successfully complete two credits of Physical Education and one-half credit of Health.

CPR/FIRST AID AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE 903

Credit: .5

Open to: 10 - 12

This course will prepare you for carrying out emergency action principles and will grant you certification if you successfully meet the standards required by the certifying agency. The purpose of this course is to train students to respond appropriately to emergency situations. The course content and activities will prepare you to better recognize emergencies, make first aid decisions and provide care with little or no first aid supplies and equipment. This course teaches the skills you will need to manage emergency situations until emergency medical services personnel arrive and take over.

COMPETITIVE SPORTS 907aMF

Credit: .5 Open To: 10-12

Prerequisite: Freshman Physical Education; Teacher Recommendation

Students in the course must be able to attain proficiency in at least four sport areas. Skill instruction is advanced with performance drills requiring an above-average level of fitness and ability to attain advanced level of game play. During the 1st and 4th quarters, students traditional will involved in sports and their role advanced player. During the 2nd and 3rd quarter, students will have an opportunity to participate in non-player roles including coaching, officiating, and tournament planning. Students will work with physical education teachers within the regular class in these roles. In this regard, the course will continue the sports education model and prepare students for the roles they will assume as parents and members of families, neighborhoods and communities. Actual sport activities will vary depending on the availability of the facility and rotation of different sports. Students must be self-directed, mature and must have demonstrated success in the regular physical education class.

Fall: Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Floor Hockey Spring: Team Handball, Softball, Indoor Soccer

PHYSICAL EDUCATION (continued)

HEALTH EDUCATION 391/392a

Credit: .5 Open To: 10 - 12

This course is required for graduation. The Health curriculum is concerned with the physical, mental, emotional and social health of the individual student. This course includes a study of oneself: personality and personality traits, emotions and their relationship to the body and reactions to the problem of living in today's world. Types of mental illness and their treatment are also discussed. A strong emphasis is placed on the effects of drugs, alcohol and smoking. Students also study nutrition, relationships, disease and first aid. A final examination is given.

INTRODUCTION TO SPORTS MEDICINE & ATHLETIC TRAINING 904/904a

Credit: .5 S/A Open to: 11-12

Prerequisite: CPR & AED

Through classroom engagement and hands-on experience, students will become familiar with the concepts relevant to sports medicine. Students will learn to prevent, treat and evaluate athletic injuries and maintain an efficient, professional athletic training facility.

OUTDOOR EDUCATION 914

Credit: .5 Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation/Good Standing in Prior PE courses

This course will help students gain personal self-confidence while participating in various outdoor activities. Students will also learn to develop trust among themselves through participation, communication, problem solving, trust building, risk taking and cooperation. Throughout the course students will be exposed to activities that are outside the regular physical education curriculum. Field trips will be offered during the course for an additional fee. Please note this course is an elective and does not meet the Physical Education requirement. High elements of Adventure Curriculum, The Burma Bridge and the Zip Line will be introduced this year.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION (continued)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION 901af/901am

Credit: .5 Open To: 9 - 12

The goals of the Physical Education program are consistent with the total school curriculum. Physical Education's unique contribution lies in the area of education through the use of physical activity as the instrument in the development of (1) organic growth, (2) sound moral ideas through intensive participation under proper leadership, (3) psychological development, including emotional stability resulting from stimulating physical and social experiences, (4) safety skills, and (5) recreational skills that have a distinct function as hobbies for leisure time hours. At the conclusion of their senior year, students will be required to submit a senior wellness paper

PHYSICAL EDUCATION – ADAPTIVE 909a

Credit: .5 Open To: 9 - 12

Prerequisite: Prior Approval

This course meets the requirement of physical education. Enrollment in this class is for those students who have a medical condition and are unable to participate in a regular physical education class. The activities offered in this class are developmentally appropriate to the physical capacity of each individual student.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION BOOTCAMP/CROSSFIT 905a

Credit: .5 Open To: 10-12

Prerequisite: Successful completion of one year of High School Physical Education

with passing grade. Teacher recommendation.

Through classroom and hands-on practice, students will learn and practice proper lifting, spotting techniques as well as ways to develop new and exciting ways to train. This class will cover Olympic style lifting, speed and agility methods and development of a personalized strength and conditioning program.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION (continued)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION – SPECIAL (Division Avenue only) 913a

Credit: .5 Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation

Individuals enrolled in this class will be working with the Career Development students within the building. Students will be required to assist teachers with the various activities that are taught during each unit. They will also learn how to break down the various activities according to the particular needs of each student.

SPIN CLASS 906a

Credit: .5 Open To: 11-12

This course is designed to give students the opportunity to improve cardio-respiration, endurance, strength and flexibility through spinning. Each week students will be lead through various spinning routines, participate in flexibility activities and take part in strength training. Students will also be exposed to standards 1 & 2 of the New York physical education & health standards.

PERSONAL WELLNESS 394a (NEW)

Credit: .5 Open To: 9-12

A course designed to make the student aware of stress and how it can impact his/her quality of life. It will provide methods for identifying stressors and strategies to effectively manage them. Students will be able to construct a personalized life style management program.

WEIGHT TRAINING 902a

Credit: .5 Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation/Good Standing in Prior PE courses

The purpose of this course is to teach students the basic principles of strength training while incorporating proper nutrition. Students will learn the various forms of strength training such as resistance training, machine/free weight training, plyometrics and core training. Students will learn and apply the principles and techniques related to strength in order to design a personalized workout program. This is an elective course and does not meet students' physical education requirement for graduation.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENT:

In order to earn a NYS Regents diploma, you must successfully complete three credits in Science. At least one must be in the life sciences; at least one must be in the physical sciences; the third credit may be either life sciences or physical sciences AND you must pass one Science regents exam. In order to earn a NYS Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation, you must pass an additional Science regents exam.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT BIOLOGY 312

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Credit:

Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisites: Earth Science, Living Environment, Chemistry, completion of

Summer Assignment, Teacher Recommendation

NCAA Core Course

This is a second level Biology course. Through lectures, seminars, and individual investigations, the course develops a basic core of biological knowledge in the areas of biochemistry, cytology, histology, vertebrate physiology, genetics evolution and ecology. The students are introduced to basic laboratory skills (the use of analytical balance, pipetting, volumetric measurement, microscopic techniques). The development of research skills, the ability to produce a well-organized scientific paper and give oral seminars on current biological topics is stressed. This course meets for two periods daily (laboratory and lecture). A midterm and final examination are given. Students are encouraged to take the advanced placement exam for college credit. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Biology will show that the student took an accelerated level of the course, not an AP course.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CHEMISTRY 318

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Credit: 1 Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisites: Earth Science, Living Environment, Chemistry, Algebra I,

Geometry, Algebra 2/Trigonometry and Teacher Recommendation

NCAA Core Course

This is a second level Chemistry course. After reviewing the basic concepts learned in regents Chemistry, the student will study in depth; the nature of matter, atomic structure, chemical bonding, stoichiometry, solutions, kinetics and equilibrium and electrochemistry. Laboratory is an integral part of the course, including both qualitative and quantitative investigations. The latter third of the year is devoted almost completely to laboratory work with the study of qualitative analysis. A midterm and final examination are given. Students are encouraged to take the advanced placement exam for college credit. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Chemistry will show that the student took an accelerated level of the course, not an AP course.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

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Credit: 1

Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisites: Living Environment, Algebra I, Geometry, Teacher

Recommendation, and completion of Summer Assignment

NCAA Core Course

This course is a cross disciplinary course, incorporating elements of study from biology, chemistry, geography, oceanography and earth science as well as environmental studies. It is a rigorous course that stresses scientific principles and analysis and includes a laboratory component. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Environmental Science will show that the student took an accelerated level of the course, not an AP course.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PHYSICS I 324

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Credit: 1

Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisites: Algebra 2/Trigonometry, Chemistry

NCAA Core Course

AP Physics 1 is equivalent to a first semester introductory college-level algebra-based physics course. Students will explore concepts such as Newtonian mechanics, fluid mechanics, thermodynamics, electricity, magnetism, waves, optics and atomic and nuclear physics. In addition they will build critical thinking skills through inquiry-based, laboratory investigations that explore these physics concepts. Students will be expected to complete extensive student centered laboratory reports. All students will take the Physics 1 Advanced Placement exam in May as well as the Physical Setting/Physics regents examination in June. The course meets for two periods each day. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Physics I will show that the student took an accelerated level of this course, not an AP course

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PHYSICS II 326

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Credit: 1
Open to: 12

Prerequisite: Physics I

NCAA Core Course

AP Physics II is equivalent to a college-level algebra-based physics course. There is an emphasis on problem solving and laboratory skills. Students will be expected to complete extensive student centered laboratory reports. Students explore principles of fluids, thermodynamics, electricity, magnetism, optics and topics in modern physics. The course is based on seven Big Ideas, which encompass core scientific principles, theories, and processes that cut across traditional boundaries and provide a broad way of thinking about the physical world. All students will take the Physics II Advanced Placement exam in May. The course meets for lecture one period each day with an alternating day lab period. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Physics II will show that the student took an accelerated level of this course, not an AP course

FORENSICS I 329

Credit: .5 Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisites: Passing Grades in Earth Science and Living Environment as well as

on the Regents exam. Seniors may be exempted from these

prerequisites.

NCAA Core Course

Forensic I is an introductory course that will study and use of basic scientific concepts and technologies related to solving crime. Through the study of forensic scientific techniques, students are given the opportunity to explore and further understand how basic scientific concepts apply to the field of criminalistics. This course will include topics such as: introduction, crime scene, physical evidence, fingerprints, DNA, serial killers, microscopes, hairs and fibers.

FORENSICS II 327

Credit: .5 Open to: 10 - 12

Prerequisites: Forensics I, Passing grades in Earth Science and Living Environment,

as well as on the Regents exam. Seniors may be exempted from these

prerequisites.

NCAA Core Course

Forensics II will cover the topics in criminalistics that were not covered in the introduction to Forensics. These topics include: toxicology, serology, ballistics and firearms, arson and explosives, organic and inorganic analysis, document and handwriting analysis and anthropology.

LIVING ENVIRONMENT ACCELERATED 307

Credit: 1
Open to: 9

Prerequisites: Earth Science Accelerated and Teacher Recommendation

NCAA Core Course

The content of this accelerated course is essentially the same as that of enriched Living Environment R. Additional topics will prepare students for the SAT II Subject Test in Biology. Some independent study is required. Laboratory work is an integral part of the course. Experiments serve to demonstrate and reinforce the biological principles studied. Students will take a midterm examination in January and a Regents examination in June. Thirty laboratory credits are required to take the regents. This course has an alternating day laboratory.

LIVING ENVIRONMENT R 306

Credit: 1
Open to: 9
NCAA Core Course

In this course students explore the complex universe through the study of Biology and the nature of life. Cells are studied as the units of life, and the role of instruments in augmenting advances of knowledge is covered. Plants and animals are studied and related to their environment. Similarities and differences in organisms and reasons for such are discussed in terms of present day theories in genetics and evolution. Laboratory is an integral part of this course. Students will take a midterm examination in January and a Regents examination in June. Thirty laboratory credits are required to take the regents. This course has an alternating day laboratory.

MARINE SCIENCE (BIOLOGY) 331

Credit: .5 Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisites: Passing Grade on at Least Two Regents Examinations in Science.

Seniors may be exempted from these prerequisites.

NCAA Core Course

This course will serve as a survey of biotic responses to ecological challenges in different aquatic realms. Controls of diversity and trophic structure in the marine ecosystem, historical aspects of marine realms, productivity in the oceans, plankton, soft-bottom communities, intertidal habitats, coral reefs, deep-sea environments and the effects of pollution in the ocean are discussed.

PHYSICAL SETTING/ CHEMISTRY ACCELERATED 315

Credit:

Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisites: Living Environment Accelerated, Algebra 1, Geometry, and

Teacher Recommendation

NCAA Core Course

The content of this accelerated course is essentially the same as that of an enriched Chemistry R with greater mathematical rigor. Additional topics will prepare students for the SAT II Subject Test in Chemistry. Some independent study is required. Students will take a midterm examination in January and a Regents examination in June. Laboratory is an integral part of the course. Investigations serve to demonstrate and reinforce the chemical principles studied. Thirty laboratory credits are required to take the regents. This course has an alternating day laboratory.

PHYSICAL SETTING/ CHEMISTRY R 314

Credit: 1

Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisites: Living Environment, Algebra 1, and Geometry recommended

NCAA Core Course

This course is recommended for the college bound and technically oriented student. It is a key part of the firm scientific foundation needed in today's technological world. Chemistry examines matter, its composition, its structure and the changes it undergoes. This diversity of information is unified through the study of atomic theory, the periodic table and chemical bonding. Further interactions of matter are explored as the student learns about matter and energy, kinetics and equilibrium, acid-base theory, electrochemistry and organic chemistry. Throughout this course, the student will see how these abstract chemical principles explain phenomena encountered in many of his/her daily activities. Students will take a midterm examination in January and a Regents examination in June. Laboratory is an integral part of the course. Investigations serve to demonstrate and reinforce the chemical principles studied. Thirty laboratory credits are required to take the regents. This course has an alternating day laboratory.

PHYSICAL SETTING/ CHEMISTRY R-2 (DOUBLE PERIOD) 319

Credit:

Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisites: Living Environment, Algebra 1, Geometry,

and Teacher Recommendation

NCAA Core Course

This course is recommended for the college bound student who wishes to take Chemistry in an everyday double period format. It is a key part of the firm scientific foundation needed in today's technological world. Chemistry examines matter, its composition, its structure and the changes it undergoes. This diversity of information is unified through the study of atomic theory, the periodic table and chemical bonding. Further interactions of matter are explored as the student learns about matter and energy, kinetics and equilibrium, acid-base theory, electrochemistry and organic chemistry. Throughout this course, the student will see how these abstract chemical principles explain phenomena encountered in many of his/her daily activities. Students will take a midterm examination in January and a Regents examination in June. Laboratory is an integral part of the course. Investigations serve to demonstrate and reinforce the chemical principles studied. Thirty laboratory credits are required to take the regents.

PHYSICAL SETTING/EARTH SCIENCE ACCELERATED 2485

Credit: 1 Open To: 9

Prerequisites: Living Environment Accelerated and Teacher Recommendation

NCAA Core Course

This course introduces our students to many aspects of ecology, astronomy, and meteorology. It is another building block in the scientific foundation needed in our technological world. The approach in this course is one in which the scientific methods of observation and problem solving are utilized. The students will use laboratory equipment, graph and interpret data, and solve mathematical problems. Topics such as plate tectonics, pollution, geologic history, meteorology, and astronomy, will be covered as well as the Solar System, earthquakes/volcanoes, coastal environment, glacial activity, oceanography, and weather. Students will take a midterm examination in January and a Regents examination in June. Thirty laboratory credits are required to take the regents. This course has an alternating day laboratory.

PHYSICAL SETTING/ EARTH SCIENCE R 302

Credit: 1

Open to: 9 - 10

NCAA Core Course

This course introduces our students to many aspects of ecology, astronomy, and meteorology. It is another building block in the scientific foundation needed in our technological world. The approach in this course is one in which the scientific methods of observation and problem solving are utilized. The students will use laboratory equipment, graph and interpret data, and solve mathematical problems. Topics such as plate tectonics, pollution, geologic history, meteorology, and astronomy, will be covered as well as the Solar System, earthquakes/volcanoes, coastal environment, glacial activity, oceanography, and weather. Students will take a midterm examination in January and a Regents examination in June. Thirty laboratory credits are required to take the regents. This course has an alternating day laboratory.

PHYSICAL SETTING/ PHYSICS R 322

Credit: 1

Open To: 11 - 12

Pre/co-requisites: Earth Science, Living Environment, Chemistry R, Algebra

II/Trigonometry

NCAA Core Course

This course consists of the study of matter, energy and the effects of energy on matter. It is recommended for students who desire to attend college or technical school. It completes the scientific foundation needed in our technological world. Areas covered include mechanics, heat, light, sound, electricity, electronics and nuclear energy. The fundamental principles in each area and their mathematical relationships are studied through lecture, teacher demonstrations and student experimentation. Students will see that physics and physics problems are present in the real, everyday world. Students will take a midterm examination in January and a Regents examination in June. Laboratory is an integral part of the course. Thirty laboratory credits are required to take the regents. This course has an alternating day laboratory.

SCIENCE OF NATURAL DISASTERS 332

Credit: .5

Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisites: Passing grades in Earth Science and Living Environment as well as

on the Regents exams. Seniors may be exempt from this

requirement.

NCAA Core Course

This course focuses on an investigative exploration of significant geological and biological hazards impacting the earth. There will be an emphasis on volcanoes, earthquakes, hurricanes, tornadoes, pollution, tsunamis and floods. Emergency preparedness and readiness to respond to a natural disaster crisis will be stressed within a discussion of the geological and biological processes governing each type of disaster. This course can be used to fulfill students' graduation requirement of three years of science for a Regents diploma or an Advanced Regents diploma. Students must have successfully completed two years of Regents science for admission to the course.

SCIENCE RESEARCH I (Alternate Days) 333a

Credit: .5

Open To: 9 - 10

This is an introductory research class that is designed to expose students to research techniques. This course is designed to help develop effective research skills and abilities. The overall goal of the course it to prepare students to conduct advanced research projects if they move forward in the program. Students will also have the opportunity to compete in various science competitions.

SCIENCE RESEARCH II (Alternate Days) 334a

Credit: .5

Open To: 10, 11, or 12

Prerequisites: Research I (Minimal final average of 90) and Teacher

Recommendation

The Science Research program provides students with the first opportunity for in-depth study and individual instruction in the principles and methods of scientific research: from the initial acquisition of a specialized field, through the recognition and evaluation of questions, the framing of hypotheses, the design of experiments and sampling, the collection, analysis and interpretation of data, and the reporting of results. The overall goal of this course is for students to prepare to compete in various science competitions including Intel.

COLLEGE LEVEL COURSES IN SCIENCE:

COLLEGE BIOLOGY TBD

Credit: 1 (HS); 4 (Molloy)

Open To: 11-12

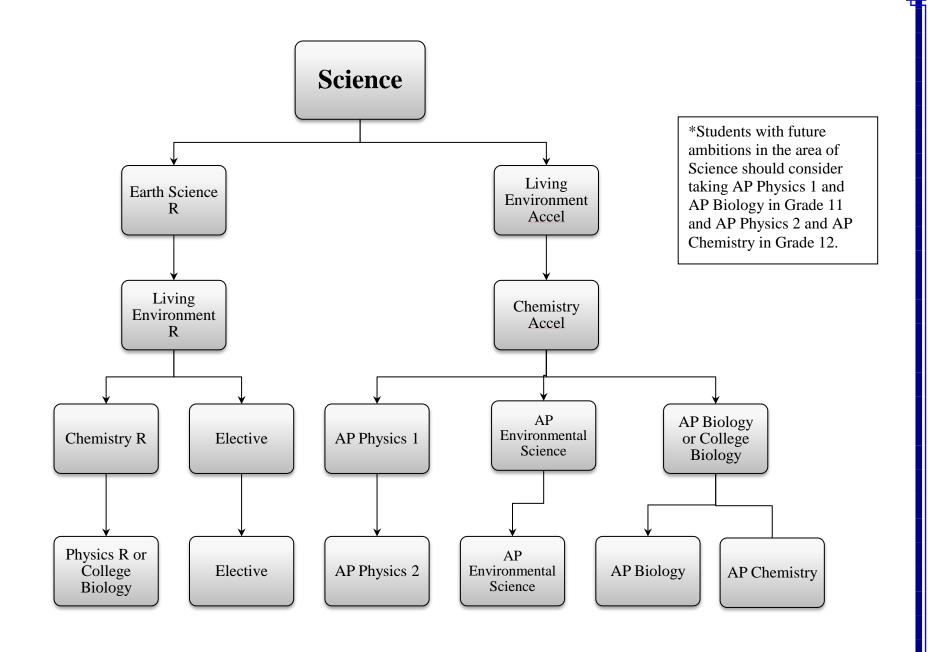
Prerequisites: Earth Science, Living Environment, Chemistry, Summer

Assignment & Teacher Recommendation

NCAA Core Course

This course is recommended for students who would like to earn college credit in science. It includes a study of basic biological mechanisms at the cellular and molecular level. Covers the organization of cells, cellular energy, metabolism, cellular reproduction, genetics, evolution, biological diversity, principles of organ systems in plants and animals, and an introduction to ecology. Students that attain a C or better in the course will earn 4 credits through Molloy College.

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GRADUATION REQUIREMENT:

In order to earn a NYS Regents diploma, you must successfully complete four credits in Social Studies as follows: Global History and Geography I, Global History and Geography II, US History and Government, Participation in Government (or an alternative approved course) and Economics AND you must pass the Regents exams in Global History and Geography and US History and Government.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT US GOVERNMENT & POLITICS/ ACCELERATED ECONOMICS 460/420

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(These two courses must be taken together)

Credit: .5 Credit: .5 Open To: 11 - 12 Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisites: United States History and Government, Teacher Recommendation and

completion of summer assignment.

NCAA Core Course

AP US Government and Politics prepares students to take the Advanced Placement exam in May. The course requires an understanding of the constitutional structure of American government; the political beliefs and actions of its citizens, political parties and pressure groups; the institutions and policies of the government; the working of the three branches; the development of civil liberties; and the economic policies of the United States. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP examination in US Government and Politics will show that the student took an accelerated level of this course, not an AP course.

In Accelerated Economics, basic concepts such as scarcity, productivity, capitalism, interdependence and the business cycle will be stressed together with a program to develop a rational decision-making process related to various economic topics. This training will help our students to function more effectively and intelligently as citizens and participants in the United States and world economies. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in US Government & Politics/Accelerated Economics will show that the student took an accelerated level of the course, not an AP course.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT HUMAN GEOGRAPHY/ ACCELERATED ECONOMICS 423/420

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(These two courses must be taken together)

Credit: .5 Credit: .5 Open To: 10-12 Open to: 10-12

Prerequisites: Global History and Geography I or 9 Pre-AP World History,

Teacher Recommendation

NCAA Core Course

AP Human Geography allows students to learn about world population issues, border disputes, and international conflicts. In addition, students are exposed to economic theories and models as well as world religions and the origins and diffusion of languages. They also study urban development, industrialization, and city planning. Overall, AP Human Geography students will explore topics ranging from farming to pandemic disease. This course satisfies the NY State Government course requirement and may be taken in lieu of the 12th grade government requirement. In Accelerated Economics, basic concepts such as scarcity, productivity, capitalism, interdependence and the business cycle will be stressed together with a program to develop a rational decision-making process related to various economic topics. This training will help our students to function more effectively and intelligently as citizens and participants in the United States and world economies. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Human Geography will show that the student took an accelerated level of this course, not an AP course.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT ECONOMICS 428/419 (MACROECONOMICS)/ACCELERATED GOVERNMENT

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(These two courses must be taken together)

Credit: .5 Credit: .5 Open To: 11 - 12 Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisites: United States History and Government, Teacher Recommendation and

completion of summer project.

NCAA Core Course

AP Macroeconomics prepares students to take the Advanced Placement exam in May. It is a college level course that focuses on the principles that apply to an economic system as a whole. Emphasis is placed on the study of national income and price determination, economic performance measures, economic growth and international economics. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination will show that the student took an accelerated level of this course, not an AP course. In Accelerated Government, the focus is on participation in government. This course will stress interaction between the citizen and his or her government. Basic civic values and analytical concepts will be developed and reinforced. Students will study how and why political decisions are made which will lead them into actual participation in political decision-making. In May, students will take an AP examination in Macroeconomics. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Economics/Accelerated Government will show that the student took an accelerated level of this course, not an AP course.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT UNITED STATES HISTORY 425

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Credit: 1

Open To: 11- 12

Prerequisites: Global History and Geography II, Teacher Recommendation and

completion of summer assignment

NCAA Core Course

This course prepares students for the examination in American History. It is a college level course, covering American History and Government from 1607 to the present. Students will study the political, economic, social, literary and cultural history of the United States. Students will develop skills in utilizing primary sources as well as secondary source materials. Students take the examination in AP American History at the end of this course. Students selected for this course will be required to complete a considerable number of independent assignments and research to prepare for the eleventh grade Regents examination in US History and Government. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP examination in American History will show that the student took an accelerated level of this course, not an AP course.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EUROPEAN HISTORY 426

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Credit:

Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisites: Global History and Geography II, Teacher Recommendation

NCAA Core Course

This is a challenging course that examines the history of Western Europe from the time of the High Renaissance (1490) until the present day. Students will be expected to interpret primary sources for bias and point of view. Secondary historical sources will also be examined. The political, social, economic, and cultural consequences of major epochs will be studied. These include the Renaissance, Reformation, Age of Exploration, Rise of Nation-States, Wars of Religion, the Enlightenment, the French Revolution, the Industrial Revolution, the Age of Imperialism, the World Wars, the Cold War, and the breakup of the Soviet bloc. The Advanced Placement test will be taken in May. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Exam will reflect that the student took an honors level course. This course is offered alternating years.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PSYCHOLOGY 328

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Credit: 1

Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Living Environment R/ACL, Global History and Geography II,

Teacher Recommendation

NCAA Core Course

This course is designed to introduce students to the systematic and scientific study of behavior and mental processes of human beings and other animals. Students are exposed to the psychological facts, principles, and phenomena associated with each of the major subfields of psychology. The course will develop a basic core of knowledge in the areas of consciousness, learning, biopsychology, sensation, perception, cognition, motivation, emotion, development, personality, abnormal psychology, and social psychology. Students will also explore the methods psychologists use in their science and their practice. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in Psychology will show that the student took an accelerated level of this course, not an AP course.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT WORLD HISTORY 427

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Credit: 1

Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisites: Global History I or 9 ACL, Teacher Recommendation and

completion of summer assignment

NCAA Core Course

This course begins with "Foundations," an introduction to the course that focuses on setting the historical and geographical context. The past ten thousand years of the global experience is examined, with relevant factual knowledge in conjunction with leading interpretative issues and types of historical evidence. Periodization forms the organizing principle for dealing with change and continuity from the year 10,000 BCE to the present. Six themes receive approximately equal attention throughout the course and serve as unifying threads: the impact of interaction among major societies, the relationship of change and continuity across the world history periods, the impact of technology and demography on people and the environment, systems of social structure and gender structure, cultural and intellectual developments among and within societies, and the changes in functions and structures of states and in attitudes toward states and political identities. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in World History will show that the student took an accelerated level of this course, not an AP course.

CURRENT LEGAL ISSUES 433

Credit: .5 Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: Global History and Geography II

NCAA Core Course

This is a course designed for students interested in law, government and politics. It examines a wide range of contemporary issues subject to Constitutional interpretation, enhancing student understanding of the Constitution and the role of the courts. Students discuss and analyze topics including freedom of speech, affirmative action, the death penalty, gun control, civil rights, abortion, privacy issues, drug testing, bias in the media and students' rights. This course satisfies the NY State Government course requirement and may be taken in lieu of the 12th grade government requirement.

ECONOMICS R 422

Credit: .5 Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: United States History and Government

NCAA Core Course

Basic concepts such as scarcity, productivity, capitalism, interdependence and the business cycle will be stressed together with a program to develop a rational decision-making process related to various economic topics. This training will help our students to function more effectively and intelligently as citizens and participants in the United States and world economies. There is a district-wide final examination for this course.

ETHICS 453

Credit: .5 Open To: 10 – 12

Prerequisite: Global History I

This course will explore the history of moral tradition and the nature of moral reasoning. It will consider the question of "How to Live" based on different moral perspectives. The moral dilemmas we face as a society will be addressed in the following areas: business, health care, medical practices, crime and everyday life decisions. This course fully supports the commencement goals of Levittown Schools, in particular the goal of respecting yourself, respecting others and respecting the environment. This course will encourage students to think critically about problems and topics that are part of everyday life, both personally and as a society. This course is offered alternating years.

FACING HISTORY AND OURSELVES: An examination of racism and genocide 464

Credit: .5 Open To: 10 - 12

NCAA core Course

The purpose of this course is to foster understanding of the historical elements of the human rights movement and the significance of international human rights laws and humanitarian action in the 20th and 21st century. We will examine the roles that the international community (nation-states, the United Nations, and civil society) play in protecting human rights. Human rights issues such as genocide, ethnic conflict, child soldiers, women's rights, human trafficking, political inequalities, and poverty will be studied. Furthermore this course will look at various case studies involving human rights issues, and specific individuals who have actively worked to improve conditions related to basic rights. This course satisfies the NY State Government course requirement and may be taken in lieu of the 12th grade government requirement.

GLOBAL HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY I Pre-Advanced Placement World History

Credit: 1 Open To: 9

Prerequisite: Social Studies 8

NCAA Core Course

This course is designed to provide challenging material for the accelerated level student. It is a chronological examination of world history from prehistory until the mid-18th century. Many facets of culture are studied, including religion, geography, economics, political science, anthropology, history, sociology, and archaeology. Major culture regions are covered, specifically East Asia, South Asia, the Middle East, sub-Saharan Africa, Latin America, Eastern Europe, and Western Europe. Many social studies skills are developed in this course, including critical thinking, analyzing primary sources, media research and essay writing. This course provides the foundation for Advanced Placement World History, to be taken during sophomore year.

GLOBAL HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY I R (Social Studies 9 R) 404

Credit: 1
Open To: 9
NCAA Core Course

This course is a study of world history from prehistory until the mid-18th century. Many facets of culture are examined, including religion, geography, economics, political science, anthropology, history, sociology and archaeology. Major culture regions are covered, specifically East Asia, South Asia, the Middle East, sub-Saharan Africa, Latin America, Eastern Europe, and Western Europe. Many social studies skills are developed in this course, including critical thinking, analyzing primary sources, media research and essay writing. This course comprises the first year of the two year sequence in Global History and Geography.

GLOBAL HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY II R (Social Studies 10R) 410

Credit: 1 Open To: 10

Prerequisite: Global History and Geography I R

NCAA Core Course

This course provides a chronological study of world history from 1750 to the present. Many facets of society are examined including religion, geography, anthropology, history, political science, sociology, and economics. The world's major culture regions are studied. These include East Asia, South Asia, the Middle East, sub-Saharan Africa, Latin America, Eastern Europe and Western Europe. The skills necessary for success on the Regents exam are emphasized including critical thinking, analyzing documents and writing essays. The New York State Global History Regents is given in June.

GOVERNMENT R 421

Credit: .5 Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: United States History and Government

NCAA Core Course

This is a half-year course that examines the practical functions of various levels of government. Students will learn how the federal system works and the interrelationship among town, county, state, and national governments. An emphasis is placed on the importance of active participation by an informed citizenry. There is a district-wide final examination for this course.

HISTORY OF THE PRESIDENCY 4022

Credit: .5
Open To: 11 - 12
Prerequisite: U.S. History

NCAA Core Course

This course will enhance student understanding of the United States Government, specifically the Executive Branch. Students will examine the process utilized for electing the President, and analyze the efficacy of this procedure. Each of America's 44 Presidents will be discussed, along with the achievements and critical decisions of their administrations. The many roles and responsibilities of the President will be analyzed, as well as the limitations on Executive power. Basic civil values and analytical concepts will be reinforced. This course satisfies the NY State Government course requirement and may be taken in lieu of the 12th grade government requirement.

NEW YORK CITY 451

Credit: .5 Open to: .11 - 12

This course will focus on the historical and modern development of New York City. Through the study of New York City's geography, demographics, diverse culture, economy, political system, and current social issues, students will gain valuable knowledge about this great cosmopolitan resource. Students will have the opportunity to participate in field trips and experience what the city has to offer first hand. These trips will allow students to navigate Mass Transit, experience different neighborhoods, and see historical sites and buildings. This course is offered alternating years.

PHILOSOPHY 452

Credit: .5 Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Global History and Geography II

NCAA Core Course

This course will highlight and investigate a person's view of himself/herself and his/her relationship with the world. Major philosophical questions will be discussed in the light of various philosophical schools of thought. Important philosophers to be examined include: Socrates, Plato, Aristotle, Confucius, Kant, Hume, Nietzsche, Heidegger, Rousseau, Huxley, and James. This course is offered alternating years.

PSYCHOLOGY 432

Credit: .5 Open To: 10 - 12

NCAA Core Course

The focus of this course is human behavior and the mind. Topics include personality development, abnormal behavior, therapy, and learning styles. Throughout the course attention is given to career opportunities in the field of psychology. Psychology is a half-year course that culminates with a final examination or a project based assignment.

SOCIOLOGY 430

Credit: .5 Open To: 10 - 12

NCAA Core Course

This course studies people and their relationship to society. This is achieved through research and the study of social institutions, both past and present. Students examine many contemporary topics such as crime, poverty, justice, bias, and societal norms. There is a final examination or a project based assignment at the end of this half-year course. This course is offered alternating years.

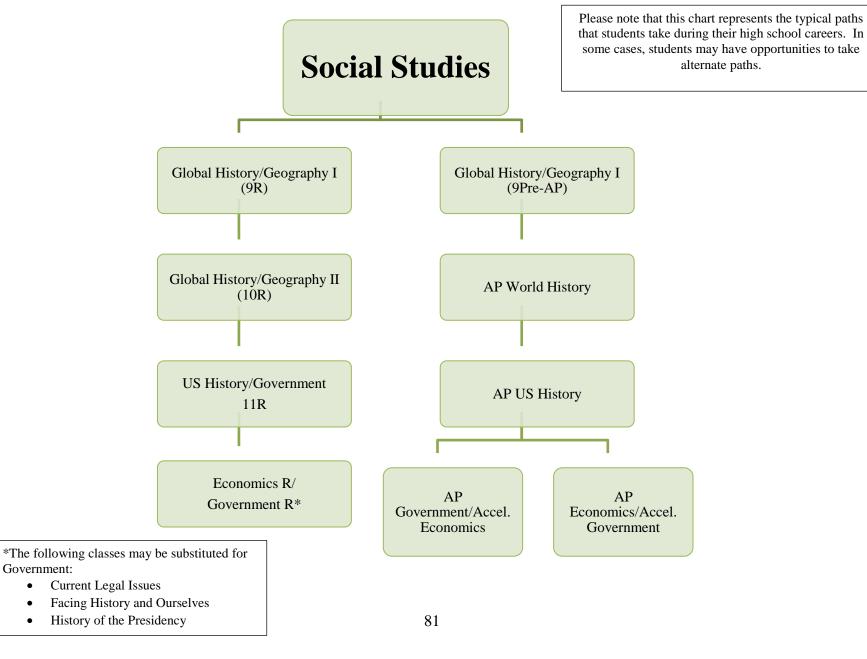
UNITED STATES HISTORY AND GOVERNMENT R (Social Studies 11 R) 416

Credit: 1 Open To: 11

Prerequisite: Global History and Geography IIR

NCAA Core Course

This course centers on United States History and Government from the Colonial Era to the current day. Main topics include the study of government as it relates to historical events, American business, industry, labor and other developments that impact the United States' domestic and foreign relations. Students are challenged to develop analytical skills that foster a deeper understanding of American history, while enhancing key academic competencies such as persuasive essay writing and examination of sources. The United States History Regents examination is given in June.



Government:

TECHNOLOGY

ARCHITECTURAL DRAWING I – (College Credit-SUNY Farmingdale-CON 111

with Architectural Drawing II) 712

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Credit: 1

Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Design & Drawing

This course is directed to the principles and practices related to Architectural Drafting. Planning designs for residential and commercial areas as well as spatial relationships of floor plans, elevations, and architectural renderings will be explored. The study of building codes, and cost estimates of construction are also integral parts of the course. Students will use their CAD experience from the Design and Drawing course to complete some of the projects.

ARCHITECTURAL DRAWING II - (College Credit-SUNY Farmingdale-CON 121

*with Architectural Drawing I) 4023

Credit: 1 Open To: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: Architectural Drawing I

Students enrolled in this course will link the knowledge and skills learned during their experiences from Architectural Drawing I. They will analyze architectural design from conceptualization to realization of the structure. Students will investigate the relationship of the building site, technology, materials, function and environmental impact during the design process. The integration of auto CAD and three-dimensional models will be used to design a complete building.

CIVIL ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE - Project Lead The Way 721

(College Credit RIT)

Credit: 1 (HS), 3 (RIT)

Open to: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: PLTW – Design & Drawing

This course can lead to college credit through Rochester Institute of Technology. In this PLTW course students engage in open-ended problem solving, learn and apply the engineering design process, and use the same industry-leading technology and software as are used in the world's top companies. Students will work in design teams, construct physical models, and develop residential and commercial properties using state-of-the-art 3D software.

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COMPUTER INTEGRATED MANUFACTURING – Project Lead The Way 689

(College Credit RIT)

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Credit: 1 (HS), 3 (RIT)

Open to: 9-12

Prerequisite: PLTW Design & Drawing

This course can lead to college credit through the Rochester Institute of Technology. Manufactured items are part of everyday life, yet most students have not been introduced to the high tech, innovative nature of modern manufacturing. This course illuminates the opportunities related to understanding manufacturing. At the same time, it teaches students about manufacturing processes, product design, robotics and automation.

DESIGN & DRAWING – Project Lead The Way 699 (College Credit RIT)

Credit: 1 (HS), 3 (RIT)

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Open To: 9-12

DESIGN & DRAWING A (Alternate Days) 697a
DESIGN & DRAWING B (Alternate Days) 698a

Credit: .5 Open to: 9-12

This course can lead to college credit through the Rochester Institute of Technology (full year only). Through hands-on projects, students apply engineering standards and document their work. Students use industry standard 3D modeling software to help them design solutions to solve proposed problems. This is a great starter course for all students interested in engineering, architecture, and drafting. Students will use traditional and computer aided drafting (CAD) while exploring new and exciting design problems. Successful completion of this course satisfies the NYS graduation requirement in art.

• Students who take this course can elect to take the Autodesk Inventor Certification Exam

The certification credentials are for anyone seeking to validate their knowledge of Autodesk software. The design and visualization industries are competitive environments, where only the best stand out. Anyone who uses Autodesk software for professional reasons can benefit from the program by emphasizing their skills and knowledge with an official certification from Autodesk.

TECHNOLOGY (continued)

ROBOTICS I 714

Credit: 1

Open To: 9 - 12

This program is designed to teach the fundamentals of electricity and robotics. The students will be introduced to safety, construction, power, energy, AC and DC circuitry, home applications, and communications systems. The exploration of robotics will include research and design, problem-solving, and practical applications. The students will acquire knowledge and skill in these areas through academic and hands-on experience. Grades will be based on written exams and performance evaluation.

ROBOTICS II 715

Credit: 1 Open To: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Electrical Circuitry and Robotics I

This course builds upon the foundations of level I. Through academic and hands-on experiences, students will explore more complicated design problems and communication systems. This course will concentrate on building robots and robotic equipment.

TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH LAB (Alternate Days) 704a

Note: This class alternates with Science Research

Credit: .5 Open To: 11-12

Technology Research Lab is a project-based laboratory technology course. Students will be able to apply and expand previous science and/or technology content knowledge toward engaging in open-minded, student-centered investigations that are designed to answer testable questions. Students will participate in various competitions, practice ethics, think critically, investigate ideas, analyze and evaluate data, and communicate results within the standards of a science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) classroom model.

WORLD LANGUAGES

GRADUATION REQUIREMENT:

In order to earn a NYS Regents Diploma you must complete at least one credit in World Languages and pass the Checkpoint A local exam. In order to earn a NYS Regents diploma with Advanced Designation, you must successfully complete two credits in World Languages AND you must pass the Checkpoint B local exam in that language.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT FRENCH 605 ADVANCED PLACEMENT ITALIAN 635 ADVANCED PLACEMENT SPANISH 615

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Credit: 1 (HS); 3 (Molloy College)

Open To: 12

Prerequisite: Language 4, 4 Pre AP

NCAA Core Course

Depending on the students enrolled each year, the AP level classes can consist of either a survey of specific authors or an intensive and comprehensive expansion of all four language skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Both are recommended for those students who have acquired proficiency in the basic skills, are able to read critically, discuss perceptively, and express written opinions and reactions well. Students achieving a grade of 3 or above can receive varying credit (from 4 - 6 credits) at most colleges or universities as well as advanced standing in the language. The AP courses prepare students for either the AP literature exam or the AP language exam. Transcripts of students who do not take the AP Examination in French, Italian or Spanish will show that the student took an academic level of this course, not an AP course.

SPANISH IR 621

Credit: 1
Open To: 9
NCAA Core Course

Language 1R leads to the Checkpoint A local exam at the end of 8th grade. Students who pass the Checkpoint A Exam will earn one High School credit. Ninth graders and above are not required to take the Checkpoint A local exam. The course focuses on everyday communication skills including aural comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. In addition to functioning successfully in a language other than their own, students gain awareness of and appreciation for another culture. Examination is based primarily on the ability to communicate in the target language in a variety of everyday situations and settings as outlined by the NY State syllabus. For ninth graders, successful completion of the course results in one credit.

FRENCH 2R 602 ITALIAN 2R 632 SPANISH 2R 612

Credit: 1 Open To: 9

Prerequisite: Language 1R

NCAA Core Course

Students in language 2R will be expanding upon topics addressed in Language 1R. The emphasis will be on improving the degree of accuracy and scope of their ability to communicate. Cultural authenticity will continue to play a significant role. Once again, evaluation will be based upon successful communication in the target language, with a district-wide midterm and final examination. All four skills are addressed with an increased emphasis on reading and writing.

FRENCH 3R 603 ITALIAN 3R 633 SPANISH 3R 613

Credit: 1 Open To: 10

Prerequisite: Language 2R

NCAA Core Course

A continuation of language 2R culminating in the Checkpoint B Local Examination. Students who successfully complete a language level 3 course and pass the Local Language examination satisfy the requirements for the Levittown Advanced Regents Diploma.

SPANISH 3 HONORS 622

Credit: 1 Open To: 10

Prerequisite: Language 2R (Teacher Recommendation)

NCAA Core Course

This course is designed to provide challenging language communication skills for the honors level student. A continuation of language 2R topics with an increased emphasis on advanced accurate speaking, listening, reading and writing skills, the course culminates in the Checkpoint B Local Examination.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE LEVEL I 600

Credit: 1 Open To: 9-12

Corequisite: Spanish, Italian or French

The purpose of this course is to introduce students to American Sign Language, the 4th most used language in the United States. This is an overview of American Sign Language (ASL), its basic vocabulary, structure, syntax and grammar. Students will focus on mastering the basics of fingerspelling, numbers, colors, facial grammar and sentence structure; students will also learn conversational/cultural behaviors necessary to hold a beginning-level conversation in ASL, with deaf/hard-of-hearing native users of the language. Introductory information about deaf culture will also be presented, along with deaf humor, to provide students with a broad picture of language and culture.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE LEVEL II 611

Credit: 1
Open To: 10-12

Prerequisite: American Sign Language Level I

This is the second course in the American Sign Language series. Students will continue to develop ASL communication skills -receptive (listening) and expressive (speaking) - with vocabulary and grammar in a cultural context. American Deaf culture and history will be expanded upon with an emphasis on making comparisons and connections to one's own culture. Course instruction and activities are primarily in ASL.

COLLEGE LEVEL COURSES IN WORLD LANGUAGES

FRENCH 4 Molloy College 604 ITALIAN 4 Molloy College 634 SPANISH 4 Molloy College 614

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Credit: 1 (HS); 6 (Molloy College)

Open To:

Prerequisites: Language 3R

NCAA Core Course

This course is available to those students who have successfully completed the Checkpoint B course of study. Students in the full year French, Spanish, and Italian courses may elect to earn six college credits through the Molloy College Long Island High School Program for a nominal tuition fee. The course content has two primary focuses. One is the introduction, usage, and mastery of more advanced grammatical structures. The second is a comprehensive and broad based exposure to reading including: literary excerpts, magazine articles, essays, advertisements, and other current materials. All four language skills are addressed.

SPANISH 4 PRE-AP(Molloy College) 624

Credit: 1 (HS); 6 (Molloy)

Open To:

Prerequisite: Language 3H or Teacher Recommendation

NCAA Core Course

This course is available to those students who have successfully completed the language 3 Honors Checkpoint B Course of study. Students may elect to earn six college credits through the Molloy College Long Island High School Program for a nominal tuition fee. The course content is an introduction to AP Language communication skills and grammatical structures. This course will also prepare students for the SAT II Subject Test in Spanish.

LOTE - FRENCH V FOR COLLEGE CREDIT 630

Credit: 1 (HS); 3 (Molloy College)

Open To: 12

Prerequisite: French 4

This course integrates and enhances all four language skills: Listening, speaking, reading, and writing while exploring cultural diversity. A strong emphasis is based on culture, customs and civilizations. Films, television programs, literature and cookbooks will be presented to develop a greater global understanding of target-language culture.

LOTE - ITALIAN V FOR COLLEGE CREDIT 629

Credit: 1 (HS); 3 (Molloy College)

Open To: 12 Prerequisite: Italian 4

NCAA Core Course

This course integrates and enhances all four language skills: Listening, speaking, reading, and writing while exploring cultural diversity. A strong emphasis is based on culture, customs and civilizations. Films, television programs, literature and cookbooks will be presented to develop a greater global understanding of target-language culture.

LOTE - SPANISH V FOR COLLEGE CREDIT 628

Credit: 1(HS); 3 (Molloy College)

Open To: 12

Prerequisite: Spanish 4

NCAA Core Course

This course integrates and enhances all four language skills: Listening, speaking, reading, and writing while exploring cultural diversity. A strong emphasis is based on culture, customs and civilizations. Films, television programs, literature and cookbooks will be presented to develop a greater global understanding of target-language culture.

