



Charlottesville City Schools Program of Studies 2024-2025

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Introduction

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

With the beginning of the new semester, it is also time to start thinking about courses for the next school year. As a component of this process, a *Program of Studies* is made available to you and your student to provide an opportunity to consider the course offerings that might best suit your child's needs. In an effort to keep up with our electronic world, the Program of Studies will be posted on the Charlottesville City Schools website along with the Walker Upper Elementary, Buford Middle, and Charlottesville High websites under the *Program of Studies* link.

This Program of Studies identifies courses available in grades 6-12. Course offering may be limited by factors including, but not limited to, student interest and staff availability.

The program planning process will follow a seven-step approach (Buford / CHS):

1. **Programs of Studies:** These will be made available to parents and students to study and to make preliminary selections. Remember to select two alternate choices for electives. (January)
2. **Teacher Recommendations:** Teachers will enter recommendations for each student in the student database. (January)
3. **Course and Elective Presentations:** Students and parents will have an opportunity to contact representatives about course offerings and course selections. (January)
4. **Parent Input:** Following the curriculum fair, parents can make course recommendation requests (January, one week window)
5. **Classroom Presentations and Small Group Program Planning Sessions:** Counselors will visit English classes to explain the Program Planning Process, and to meet with students individually to review the teacher recommendations, their four-year plans, and their transcripts. (January – February)
6. **Courses selected** can be viewed on Powerschool.
7. **Schedule Adjustments:** Teachers, students, and parents with concerns about the courses selected may make appointments with counselors to make adjustments.

To ensure the best choice of courses, especially elective courses, all selections should be given the most thoughtful consideration. As the master schedule is designed around students' choices early in the process, alternate courses may not be available at a later date.

We are looking forward to a successful program planning season with your assistance.

Thank you for your attention to this letter and for your assistance in helping us plan for the next school year.

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General Information

Program Of Studies

This *Program of Studies* outlines courses and options of study from Walker Upper Elementary School, transitioning through Buford Middle School, and through Charlottesville High School. This *Program of Studies* provides an overview of Charlottesville City Schools' academic offerings (grades 6 -12) and career information to help students make wise curricular decisions that will benefit them academically and prepare them for future work and training in an increasingly technical world. Placement of students in most academic courses is based on individual achievement in prerequisite classes, needs, and interests. **Students are urged to read course descriptions carefully and select the level that best suits their achievement, needs, and interests in each subject.** The student, parent, school counselor, and teacher decide placement in a subject area or level of a subject cooperatively. This decision includes a thorough review of student progress, results of standardized test scores, passing necessary prerequisite classes and teacher evaluation of student performance on formative and summative assessments.

Scheduling Process And Requirements

Walker Upper Elementary School

The scheduling process at Walker begins with information from CCS elementary schools. In fifth and sixth grades, students complete a common course of study with elective class offerings in place for students to explore a variety of academic and nonacademic pursuits.

Buford Middle School

Students entering Buford select courses based on their abilities and interest to prepare to enter high school. Rigorous core courses are offered to all students as well as a rich selection of elective courses. In middle school, students are provided the opportunity to try elective courses that pique their interest. Students have the opportunity to earn high school credit in several elective and math courses.

Charlottesville High School

Students should select courses that best suit their abilities and interests based on a combination of logical and sequential courses of study. Students register for courses during small group and individual program planning sessions with their counselors to review selections and discuss future plans. All students must schedule seven courses, one for each period in the day, and two alternates. Some students may wish to select eight courses, one for each period in the day plus an early morning period. Exceptions to this policy are students enrolled in approved work/study programs. **Every attempt is made to offer appropriate courses of study for students. Some courses, however, may not be offered due to insufficient enrollment, and/or the lack of teacher availability.**

Drop / Add guidelines

Before and during the annual online course selection period, families are encouraged to participate in course planning nights and student planning meetings alongside their child's school counselor. It's essential for students and families to carefully assess diploma requirements, academic performance, educational, career, and personal objectives, teacher/counselor recommendations, skills, and interests. Thoughtful course selection is crucial for students to align their educational and career aspirations.

At Charlottesville City Schools, we advocate for students to conscientiously consider their course selections during the designated request period. We endeavor to design a master schedule that accommodates students' course preferences, contingent upon adequate student requests for each course. However, it's important to note that a course can only be offered if there is sufficient demand.

We discourage changes to course selections, especially once the academic year has commenced, as such modifications can disrupt a student's learning process. Instances warranting a course selection change include but are not limited to:

- A course is failed, and there is a need to retake the course again

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- A course requested in the selection process is not offered due to insufficient requests or availability of a certified instructor
- A course prerequisite has not been met by the student

"Drop/Add Period" refers to the timeframe within which students may request a change in their schedule by dropping a class and adding another to maintain a full class load. Requests are subject to approval on a case-by-case basis. Please note that some drop/add requests may not be approved due to specific scheduling constraints. It's important to highlight that drop requests resulting in a student having less than a full class load will not be accommodated.

Each year, a designated *drop/add* period will be published in the School Counseling Office.

- Course changes must occur by the tenth day of school or the designated date published.
- If changes occur within the allowed timeframe, the original course and the earned grade will not appear on the student's record.
- The only exception to this practice will be changes within the same academic discipline, or extenuating circumstances approved by an administrator.
- Courses dropped after the 10th day of school will be noted on a student's transcript and receive a grade of "W" (withdrawn). The grade of W is not factored into the GPA calculation.
- The *drop/add* date for Dual Enrollment (DE) or Virtual Virginia (VVA) courses is determined by the institution. Students dropping a DE or VVA course after the allowed drop date are responsible for the tuition fees at that institution.

Repeating a previously passed course:

Repeating a previously passed course is designed to meet the needs of students wanting to continue their learning but feel they may not have mastered the necessary foundations in a content area. After discussion with the school counselor and parent/guardian, the student may elect to re-enroll in a class along with a required, signed parent/guardian request. Please note that only one course may be repeated in an academic year.

Upon completion of the repeated course, both courses/grades will become a permanent part of the student's high school transcript with credit awarded only for the repeated course. For GPA calculations, only the repeated course will be included.

School Counselors

The School Counseling Department's policies, procedures, and curriculum are based on the American School Counseling Association's National Model of providing a planned, sequential, and comprehensive school counseling program. The school counseling standards defined in the ASCA model ensure a program that is integral to the school, proactive, and developmental in nature. Each student is assigned to a counselor based on the first letter of the student's last name in high school with the exception of English Second Language students, and by grade level in the middle grades. Counselors provide students with vocational and career information, college and financial aid advising, written recommendations and references, academic advising, and assistance with personal needs. In addition, they help students define goals that reflect personal interests and abilities. Students may see counselors by appointment or walk-in. Appointments may be made before school, between classes, at lunch, or after school. School Counselors may refer students for team consideration of needed supports through Charlottesville's Multi-Tiered System of Supports.

Walker Upper Elementary School

Walker Upper Elementary School serves all 5th and 6th graders in the Charlottesville City Schools, with an enrollment of approximately 620 students and 75 instructional staff members. Curriculum at Walker is based on the Virginia Standards of Learning and CCS Instructional Pacing, with engaging, hands-on instruction which emphasizes both mastery of academic skills and development of critical thinking.

Courses and programs at Walker serve as both a capstone for elementary education and preparation for secondary education. Extending the K-4 elementary model of courses without levels, Walker utilizes differentiated instruction, fluid student grouping, and targeted intervention to ensure effective teaching and learning. Services for Special Education as well classroom-integrated Gifted services and extension are in place to support learning and growth for all students. Walker offers a variety of elective course options including Band, Orchestra, Introduction to Engineering, Spanish, Visual Art, and Vocal/General Music.

Buford Middle School

Buford Middle School is the sole middle school, serving grades 7 and 8, for Charlottesville City Public Schools. Operating under our division's mission of **"Every Learner. Every Day. Everyone,"** Buford provides a middle school experience catered to the developmental needs of students as they progress through middle school. As students journey through this transitional time in their lives, it is imperative that we (Buford) create and maintain partnerships with parents and the community to ensure a successful middle school experience for all students. Buford employs differentiated instruction, flexible groupings, and targeted interventions to ensure teaching and learning. In addition to our academic programs, we offer after-school programming, consisting of clubs, academic tutoring, enrichment, and athletics.

Middle School Levels Of Study

High school level courses are available to students who are academically motivated and have demonstrated high levels of achievement.

Grade-level courses are designed to prepare students for college and other post-high school opportunities and are on grade level. All Grade-level courses are without additional notation (i.e.: Grade-level Science is noted as "Science").

The following high school credits are offered at Buford Middle School. Students taking and passing these classes will receive high school credit towards graduation requirements. Please note that only courses taken in Charlottesville City Schools will count for GPA calculation.

High School Credit Courses:

- Algebra I
- Geometry
- Spanish I
- Spanish II
- French I
- French II
- Latin I
- Latin II
- Engineering I
- Urban Farming I

Lugo-McGinness Academy

Lugo-McGinness Academy is a small, non-traditional academy that serves Charlottesville City Schools students in grades 8-12. Students may self-select or be referred for admission to the program. Students attending the academy are offered personalized learning through blended and face-to-face instruction and small class sizes. Lugo-McGinness Academy engages young adults to build a vision for their future through supportive relationships and meaningful mastery-based learning experiences.

Lugo-McGinness Academy operates with four core expectations: (1) Be Courageous; (2) Be Respectful; (3) Be Responsible; and (4) Be a Community Member. Along with curricular offerings and an academic program, the academy provides an equity-centered trauma-informed education to support and meet students' academic, social, and emotional needs.

Like Charlottesville High School, students enrolled at Lugo-McGinness Academy have the option to earn a Standard Diploma.

Academic services offered:

- Student voice and choice for educational goals
- Credit recovery
- Graduation acceleration
- Work experience/ vocational training
- Professional School Counseling
- High school diploma

Promotion Policy and Grade Classification

Grade 10: 5 credits (including English 9)

Grade 11: 10 credits (including English 9 and 10)

Grade 12: 15 credits (including English 9, 10, and 11)

Student support services offered:

- Post-Secondary Planning
- Licensed Clinical Social Emotional Counselor
- Enriched learning experiences through partnerships with community partners such as Wildrock, Uhuru, and UVA-YAL

Charlottesville High School

Charlottesville High School is the home of the Black Knights and is the only high school in the Charlottesville City Schools. Charlottesville High School services grades 9 through 12 with approximately 1400 students. Charlottesville High School is a comprehensive high school, offering a wide variety of electives and one of the state's widest selections of Advanced Placement courses. As the flagship school in the Charlottesville community, we celebrate the strengths found in our differences and foster a singular Black Knight identity.

High School Levels Of Study

There are four levels of study at the high school level, **Grade-level, Honors, Advanced Placement, and Dual Enrollment**. Students have the option of taking courses at any level while pursuing a high school diploma. When confirming course selection it is important to know the various levels of study as well as the student expectation for each level.

Honors (H), Advanced Placement (AP), Dual Enrollment (DE) – these courses are designed for highly motivated students who have demonstrated high level of achievement and who desire the challenge of college-level work while still in high school. Students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses are expected to take the AP examination in May. Dual Enrollment (DE) courses are designed for students who wish to earn college credit from Piedmont Virginia Community College (PVCC) and Virginia State University (VSU).

Grade-level - Grade-level courses are designed to prepare students for college and other post-high school opportunities and are on grade level. All grade-level courses are without additional notation (i.e. Grade-level Algebra II is noted as Algebra II)

Accepting Credit From Non-accredited Schools

The new standards of accreditation do not allow students who enter Charlottesville High School from a non-accredited school to receive credit from that school. “A secondary school shall accept credits received from other accredited secondary schools, including summer schools, special sessions, schools accredited through the Virginia Council for Private Education, and educational programs operated by the state” (8 VAC 20-131-60).

Accepting College Credit

Students must complete the *Request to Take a Non-CHS Course* Form and submit it to the building principal for approval in order to take college-level courses at local colleges and universities. Courses will only be added to the student’s transcript if they are replacing a course that is required for graduation.

AP or Advanced Placement Classes

AP classes are high school level classes where students can earn college credit based on scores that they receive on end-of-year AP tests. All AP tests are free of charge. Like honors classes, AP classes are rigorous and require a significant time commitment outside of class. It is recommended that 9th grade students **take no more than one AP class**, 10th grade students **take no more than two AP classes**, 11th grade students **take no more than four AP classes**, and that 12th grade students **take no more than five AP classes** within one year.

Electronic Device Expectations

Technology integration is a standard in classrooms throughout Charlottesville City Schools. The effective use of technology in instruction is vital in preparing our students for careers in a complex, interconnected world.

Summer Assignments

Students are expected to have a working knowledge of the content and skills learned in prerequisite courses on the first day of school. CHS recognizes that some students need support to maintain or add to their repertoire of knowledge and skills over the summer months. Individual courses may provide summer assignments that students are encouraged to use as a way to prepare for the rigors of courses the following year. Content covered and assessments given in class may refer to and depend on student understanding of the skills and/or content reinforced by summer assignments.

Maximum Credit

Students may earn up to eight (8), but not more than eight credits in a single school year. In extreme circumstances, the principal may grant a waiver to this rule.

Doubling Up

Most often, only seniors will be allowed to enroll in two sequential courses. Students who fail a course during the regular school year are expected to repeat that course during summer school.

NCAA Division I Academic Eligibility Requirements:

If you are planning to enter a Division I college, in order to be classified as a “qualifier,” you are required to:

- Graduate from high school.
- Successfully complete a core curriculum of at least 16 academic courses as follows:
English – 4 years
Mathematics – 3 years (at or above the level of Algebra I)

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Natural or physical science – 2 years (including at least one laboratory science)

Social Science – 2 years

English, mathematics, natural or physical science – 1 additional year

Additional academic courses in any of the above areas or world language, computer science, philosophy, or non-doctrinal religion – 4 years

- Have a core-course grade point average (based on a maximum of 4.00) and combined score on the SAT verbal and math sections or a sum score on the ACT based on the qualifier index scale. Please refer to the NCAA Guide for additional information on Division I, II, and III, and for partial qualifier requirements. Below is a partial list of the Division I qualifier Index. See your counselor for details and clearinghouse applications.

Core GPA	ACT	SAT
2.5 and above	68	820
2.25	77	920
2.0	86	1010

Graduation Requirements

Information regarding Virginia Graduation Requirements can be found at the Virginia Department of Education website: <https://www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/graduation/standard.shtml>

Alternatives To The Standard Or Advanced Studies Diplomas

Applied Studies Diploma

The Applied Studies Diploma is a diploma option available to students identified as having a disability who complete the requirements of their Individualized Education program (IEP). The Applied Studies Diploma is not equivalent to a Standard Diploma and may not qualify a child for higher education, federal financial aid, and some employment opportunities. The IEP team will determine IEP goals that the student must achieve in order to obtain their diploma. .

Students qualify for the Applied Studies Diploma upon successful completion of a combination of academic and vocational experiences. Students will acquire marketable skills and demonstrate the ability to maintain competitive employment as specified in their individually designed IEP. Students seeking an Applied Studies Diploma will have schedules in accordance with their IEP and their final credit completion will be individualized. Students with IEPs may stay in high school up until the age of 22.

Individual Student Alternative Education Plan (ISAEP)

This program, housed at the CATEC, provides students with an alternative program for high school completion. Students completing this program will receive a GED, as well as demonstrate mastery of the Virginia Workplace Readiness skills. For more details, contact the counseling department.

CHS / PVCC Dual Degree Programs

Charlottesville High School is proud to have a strong partnership with Piedmont Virginia Community College (PVCC). As part of our partnership, CHS and PVCC offer Dual Degree Programs in Computer Science, Engineering, General Studies, Physical and Natural Sciences, Specialization in Biotechnology, and Computer Network Support Technologies. This section details the options students will follow to earn an advanced High School Diploma from CHS and an Associate's Degree or Career Studies Certificate from PVCC. Students should apply to one of these programs at the end of the 9th grade year. Prior to enrollment in the Dual Enrollment course, students must apply to Piedmont Virginia Community college, receive a passing score in English and/or Math in the Virginia Placement Test (VPT) or PSAT/SAT/ACT score, and receive permission from guardian and principal to take the college level course.

Because there are a variety of ways to earn credits, students and their families will meet with the students' school counselors in addition to the Career Coach to create an individualized program. Sample student schedules that can be used as a starting point when creating an individual plan for a student are linked below.

[Link](#) to view a sample for Associate of Science Degree - General Studies

There are a number of ways to earn credits toward an Associate Degree and Career Studies Certificate. Options include:
1.) taking Dual Enrollment (DE) courses at CHS,

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- 2.) taking courses at PVCC on campus,
- 3.) taking courses at PVCC on-line, and
- 4.) earning credit by making a 3 or higher on AP exam (see [PVCC Transfer Credit](#) for AP Scores.)

Early College Degree Options

Associate of Science Degree – Computer Science

The associate of science curriculum in computer science is designed for those who plan to transfer to four-year college or university to complete a baccalaureate degree program in computer science. The curriculum emphasizes the study of the science of computing and the use of computing in a scientific setting. (PVCC [link](#) to degree requirements)

Associate of Science Degree – Engineering

The associate of science curriculum in engineering is designed for those who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university to complete a baccalaureate degree program in engineering. (PVCC [link](#) to degree requirements)

Associate of Science Degree-General Studies

The associate of science curriculum in general studies is designed for those planning to transfer to a four year college to complete a baccalaureate degree but do not wish to focus on a particular area of study. (PVCC [link](#) to degree requirements)

Associate of Science Degree – Physical and Natural Sciences, Specialization in Biotechnology

The associate of science in physical and natural sciences is designed for persons who are interested in a pre-professional or scientific program and who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university to complete a baccalaureate degree. (PVCC [link](#) to degree requirements)

Career Studies Certificate-Computer Network Support Technologies

The Career Studies Certificate in Computer and Network Support Technologies is designed to provide students with a beginning foundation in computer science, electronics, and computer and networking support disciplines. The career studies certificate also facilitates the transition into the computer science, electronics or IST associate degree programs, if the student chooses to continue their studies at the College. (PVCC [link](#) to degree requirements)

College Credit Options

College And University Course Enrollment / Dual Credit

The University of Virginia and Piedmont Virginia Community College occasionally allow accelerated high school students to enroll in courses at their institutions during the regular academic year. In general, these special students have exceeded the offerings of the high school in a particular discipline, e.g., completed AP Calculus BC in the junior year and wish to continue studying mathematics beyond that level. The credit from the college is only placed on the Charlottesville High school transcript when it is used to satisfy a graduation requirement. A student enrolled in a dual credit course must follow the college guidelines for course credit. Prior to admission to the community college, the student must take community college placement tests. Prior to registration, a student must receive permission from his or her counselor, and the principal, and must complete an application provided by the college. Application materials are available in the Counseling Department. All charges for tuition, books, labs, and supplies are the responsibility of the student. Students must supply their own transportation to and from the college. Students are strongly encouraged to consider all of the curricular and co-curricular offerings available at CHS before enrolling in a course at the University of Virginia or at Piedmont Virginia Community College.

Articulation Course Agreement

The articulation agreement is a formal written document between the high school and community college that identifies specific course competencies that must be successfully completed in order for the student to receive credit for the course at the community college. The course is offered at the high school during the regular day. Acceptance by the community college for successfully completing an articulated course does not mean that the course will transfer to any other institution of higher learning. Prior to admission to Piedmont Virginia Community College, the student must take the community college placement tests.

Dual Enrollment

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PVCC and Virginia State University (Rising STARS) Dual Enrollment program allows eligible high school students to earn college and high school credits simultaneously. Students can save money toward higher education since dual enrollment classes in high schools are offered at no cost to the student. A student enrolled in a dual enrollment course must follow the community college guideline for course credit. The course will be identified on the transcript as a college level course. The student will receive a letter grade. Teachers must meet Southern Association of Colleges and Schools educational and professional preparation requirements.

Prior to enrollment in the Dual Enrollment course, students must apply to Piedmont Virginia Community college, receive a passing score in English and/or Math in the Virginia Placement Test (VPT) or PSAT/SAT/ACT score, and receive permission from guardian and principal to take the college level course.

Admission Criteria for Dual Enrollment courses

PVCC's [English and Mathematics Placement](#) document.

For more information, contact your CHS school counselor, CHS Career Coach, or PVCC's Dual Enrollment Coordinator at 434-961-5484.

Virginia State University (VSU) Rising STAR Program

In a partnership with VSU, CCS offers the Rising STAR Program for students interested in the teaching profession. The Rising STAR Program is a Dual Enrollment CTE program & pathway consisting of classes that prepare students to enter the field of education by completing VSU's Foundation of Education I & II courses while in high school. Qualified students may also be eligible for VSU's Guaranteed Admissions Program and access to the possibility of college scholarships. Please contact your student's counselor for more information.

Governor's Early College Scholars Program

To qualify for the Early College Scholars program, a student must have a "B" average or better, be pursuing an Advanced Studies or Advanced Technical diploma, and complete at least 15 transferable college credits while enrolled in high school. The Governor's Early College Scholars Agreement must be signed by the student and their parent or legal guardian and returned to the School Counseling office prior to January of the student's senior year. College credits can be earned through Advanced Placement, Dual Enrollment, Dual Credit, and/or Tech Prep courses. Most often, one high school credit equals 3-8 college credits, depending on the course. Students who meet the terms of the agreement are recognized as Early College Scholars and receive a certificate of recognition from the Governor of Virginia. For more information, see: http://www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/graduation/early_college_scholars/index.shtml

Dual Enrollment Class	High School Credit	College Course Name	College Course Code	College Credits
01_1160_4 DE English 12	1 English credit	College Composition I College Composition II	ENG 111 ENG 112	3 credits 3 credits
04_2440_4 DE U.S. Government	1 Social Studies credit	U.S. Government I U.S. Government II	PLS 211 PLS 212	3 credits 3 credits
04_2421_4 DE Intro to Criminal Law	1 Elective credit	Introduction to Criminal Law	ADJ 130	3 credits
03_4269_4 DE Environmental Science (not offered 2018-19)	1 Science credit	Biology of Environment	BIO 107	4 credits
02_3230_4 DE Pre-Calculus/Applied Calculus	1 Math credit	Pre-Calculus I, Applied Calculus I	MTH 163 MTH 271	3 credits 3 credits
04_2500_4 DE Principles of Sociology	1 Elective credit	Principles of Sociology Social Problems	SOC 200 SOC 268	3 credits 3 credits

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14_8452_4 DE Engineering 3	1 CTE credit	Introduction To Engineering	EGR 120	2 credits
14_8453_4 DE Engineering 4	1 CTE credit	Engineering Graphics	EGR 115	3 credits
14_8941_4 DE Engineering Capstone	1 CTE credit	Engineering Graphics		3 credits
16_0116_4 DE College Success Skills	0.5 Elective Credit	College Success Skills	SDV 100	1 credit
14_9062_4 DE Teachers For Tomorrow I	1 CTE Credit	Educational Foundations I	EDUC 201	3 credits
14_9072_4 DE TEachers for Tomorrow II	1 CTE Credit	Educational Foundations II	EDUC 202	3 credits

Career Planning

Career Pathways

Students should choose a career path that blends their values, interests and abilities, and which leads to the achievement of personal, educational and career goals (this process is supported through Naviance). The selection of a career path is a cooperative effort that involves the student, parents, teachers and counselors. Students are not locked into a path or program of study but are encouraged to explore all available opportunities.

A career path outlines the high school courses required for a standard diploma, recommends career and technical studies electives, and shows related community college and college programs leading to successful career entry and advancement.

The selection of a career pathway is a cooperative effort involving the student, parents, teachers and counselors. For more information about the Career Planning, please refer to the following websites:

- Virginia Wizard: <https://www.vawizard.org/wizard/home>
- Virginia Career View: <http://www.vaview.vt.edu/> (**GREAT FOR K-8**)
- Dept. of Education Career Resources and RU Ready: http://www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/career_technical/career_clusters/index.shtml

Jobs for Virginia Graduates (JVG) is incorporated as a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization with the purpose of serving Virginia’s most disadvantaged and at-risk youth in graduating high school and transitioning from school to work. Building on the Jobs for America’s Graduates (JAG) national model, and led by a public/private sector Board of Directors with the Department of Education, JVG is one of the state’s initiatives for reducing the dropout rate and improving school-to-work transition. JVG functions through Virginia’s public school system, and in concert with state employment programs.

Key Elements:

- Employability skills curriculum featuring core competencies based instruction – including units on career planning and decision making, job seeking, job retention, basic academics, leadership and self-development, and personal skills.
- Virginia Career Association – a motivational student organization that fosters the development of personal responsibility, leadership, decision making, and assertiveness skills and provides recognition for positive achievement.
- Job development and placement – meaningful job opportunities with advancement potential are matched with job-ready, motivated graduates involved in the JVG program.
- Post-graduation follow-up – graduates and their employers are provided twelve months of follow-up assistance to facilitate students’ successful transition into the labor market and/or post-secondary education.
- An active partnership between government, labor, and business organizations, educational institutions, and the community

Career Clusters

Career Clusters help students investigate careers and design their courses of study to advance their career goals. For this reason, Virginia has adopted the nationally accepted structure of career clusters, career pathways and sample career specialties or occupations.

A Career Cluster is a grouping of occupations and broad industries based on commonalities. Within each career cluster, there are multiple career pathways that represent a common set of skills and knowledge, both academic and technical, necessary to pursue a full range of career opportunities within that pathway – ranging from entry level to management, including technical and professional career specialties. Based on the skill sets taught, all CTE courses are aligned with one or more career clusters and career pathways. More information and resources can be found on the VDOE website: [Career Clusters](#)

Career and Technical Education Sequential Electives (as identified by the Virginia DOE) and Program Completer Options for Charlottesville High School and the Charlottesville Area Technical Education Center are identified and listed within this program planning guide under Career and Technical Education.

Alternative Learning Opportunities and Releases

Independent Study

All Independent Study Requests must be submitted **prior to the start of school**, with no exceptions. Independent study provides students with the opportunity to pursue a program of collaborative design between student and teacher. Before beginning an independent study, students must submit a Request for In-School Independent Study to their school counselor that includes the objectives, plan of study, frequency of sponsoring teacher supervision, the expected culminating project or goal, and the resources to be utilized, all of which should be developed with the sponsoring teacher. The following people must approve the Independent Study Request: sponsoring teacher, that teacher's Department Chairperson, the School Counselor, the Counseling Department Chairperson, and the Principal. Both the student and parent/guardian must also sign off on the proposed Independent Study. The following regulations apply to independent study: Required academic subjects may not be completed in an independent study; a student may enroll in only one independent study per year; once approved, these courses appear on the student's transcript as "Independent Study." Independent study courses are graded pass/fail only and are not calculated in the student's grade point average.

Summer School

Summer school courses are offered for enrichment, acceleration, and earning credit for courses not passed during the regular school year. Students who fail courses during the school year are **expected to attend summer school**. Depending on the subject, summer school courses may be available at CHS or online. The summer session may vary depending on the course, and a fee is charged for initial credit courses.

Educational Release

Students who are enrolled in classes outside of the Charlottesville City Schools may be granted Educational Release with permission from the school counselor, principal, and associate superintendent. This will be indicated in a student's schedule as "Educational Release."

Senior Release

Seniors (12th graders) in good standing, who have completed most graduation requirements and are on track for graduation, can apply for "Senior Release." A parent, counselor, and the principal must all agree to granting a "Senior Release."

Junior/Senior Internship Program

This program is designed to support a student's long-range education and career goals and provides the opportunity to experience "first-hand" a particular career or career field by interning with professionals in the community. Students enhance their academic, technical and workplace readiness skills as well as become more informed about certain career field expectations and requirements before entering college and/or the workforce.

Employment Releases

Students who have a documented job and can provide pay stubs as proof are allowed one to two periods of work release in the afternoon.

Work Based Learning: Cooperative Education Program

Students in the Co-op Work Release Program earn a credit for their supervised retail job experience. Students enrolled in this course are required to have a job and retain the job for the entire school year.

Co-requisite: Must also be enrolled in a Marketing Course or Economics and Personal Finance

Virtual Instruction

The Charlottesville City School Division offers a high-quality, rigorous, and engaging virtual education program to students in grades 9-12. Students may choose to take an online course as part of their regular course load or in addition to a traditional seven-period day. Courses are available anytime, so students are able to complete coursework before, during, or after the regular school day.

CHS Online Instruction

CHS Online Instruction is designed to meet the needs of students at Charlottesville High School through online learning experiences. Through a variety of courses at the general, honors, and Advanced Placement levels, students are able to satisfy diploma requirements through individually paced online learning. Enrollment in the program is contingent upon priority level; through an application process with a school counselor, priority is assigned based on enrollment purpose including completion of verified credits, credit recovery for courses in which the students previously failed to earn credit, Advanced Placement coursework not otherwise offered at CHS, and credit recovery for concurrently enrolled classes. Successful students in the program exhibit consistently high individual learning skills, strong personal motivation, and the ability to work independently.

Virtual Courses that may be offered at Charlottesville High School

01_1130_3 English 9

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 9

Prerequisite: Completion of English 8

Assessment(s): Final exam (teacher created)

Description: This English class will focus on writing skills, vocabulary, reading comprehension, and oral communication skills. This course includes both independent and guided reading assignments, substantive essay practice, grammar instruction, and class discussions.

01_1140_3 English 10

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 10

Prerequisite: Completion of English 9

Assessment(s): SOL Test - Writing

Description: This course will help students prepare for the SOL test, develop their writing skills, and practice for the SAT. Students will read and write extensively and will prepare for the rigors of post-high school education and the working world.

01_1150_3 English 11

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 11

Prerequisite: Completion of English 10

Assessment(s): SOL Test - Reading

Description: In this course students prepare for the SOL test in reading, write various persuasive essays, and enhance their reading comprehension. This course is designed for students who have an interest in either college or the working world.

01_1160_3 English 12

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: Completion of English 11

Assessment(s): Final Exam (teacher created)

Description: This course will focus on college applications, understanding and analyzing British literature, and essay writing. Students will polish their writing skills to prepare for college or the working world and will learn about different career choices.

01_1171_3 Creative Writing I/II

Credit: 0.5 English Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

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Assessment(s): Final Exam

Description: This course is designed for students with a special interest in writing who wish to share their work with peer revision groups, to enter their writing to contests, and to write in a variety of genres.

04_2210H_3 World Geography Honors

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 9,10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): SOL

Description: World Geography is the study of people, places and the environments with a focus on world regions. Students will learn about the world's population and cultural characteristics, landforms climates, economic development, migration and settlement patterns. In this online course, students will gain an understanding of interdependent world in which they live through media-rich interactivities, videos, collaborative discussions, hands-on applications, and real-world projects.

04_2216_3 World History II

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 10

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): SOL Test - World History II

Description: Starting with the European Renaissance and ending with contemporary issues, this world history course emphasizes both Western and non-Western civilizations. All instruction for this course will be delivered in a virtual online environment with assessments administered in a traditional and supervised setting.

04_2360_3 Virginia and United States History

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 11

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): SOL Test - US and VA History

Description: This course emphasizes American history from colonial times to the present. Students will have opportunities to work with secondary and primary sources, refine essay writing skills, and complete long-term projects.

04_2440_3 Virginia and United States Government

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): Final Exam (teacher created)

Description: The Grade-level US Government course focuses on the three branches of government, elections, civil rights and civil liberties, foreign and domestic policy, and citizenship. Emphasis is placed on the decision-making process and the importance of informed citizenship.

02_3130_3 Algebra I

Credit: 1 Math Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11

Prerequisite: Pre-Algebra

Assessment(s): SOL Test - Algebra I

Description: This course provides the foundation for all higher mathematics Topics covered include solving equations and inequalities, equations of lines, systems of equations, polynomial functions, and basic data analysis.

02_3135_3 Algebra II

Credit: 1 Math Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Geometry

Assessment(s): SOL Test - Algebra II

Description: This course reviews algebraic skills while introducing students to higher-level algebra concepts. Topics covered include: function notation, sequences and series, polynomial, radical, rational, and exponential functions.

02_3143_3 Geometry

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Credit: 1 Math Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Algebra I
Assessment(s): SOL Test - Geometry
Description: This course covers the traditional topics of plane and solid geometry including the study of points, lines, planes, angles, polygons, circles, and polyhedrons. Deductive reasoning is stressed and taught through applications.

03_4250_3 Oceanography

Credit: 1 Science Credit
Grade: 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Completion of Earth Science or Biology
Assessment(s): Final Exam (teacher created)
Description: Oceanography is a discipline of science that records and describes the features of the oceans. In this online course, students gain an understanding of oceanography through media-rich interactivities, videos, collaborative discussions, hands-on applications, scientific investigations, and real-world projects.

03_4260_3 Astronomy

Credit: 1 Science Credit
Grade: 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Completion of Earth Science or Biology
Assessment(s): Final Exam (teacher created)
Description: What makes a star shine? For how long will the Sun keep shining? What are black holes and how can they form? Students will gain an understanding of stars including tools used to explore stars, and recent discoveries about how stars are formed and exist.

03_4310_3 Biology

Credit: 1 Science Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Pass Earth Science, Environmental Science or 8th Grade Physical Science
Assessment(s): SOL Test - Biology
Description: This is a comprehensive introductory course designed for disciplined and academically motivated students. Emphasis will be placed on developing the skills necessary for further science study.

03_4410_3 Chemistry

Credit: 1 Science Credit
Grade: 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in AFDA (Algebra Functions and Data Analysis) or higher
Assessment(s): SOL Test - Chemistry
Description: This course is an accelerated, comprehensive, college-preparatory coverage of chemistry. It is highly recommended for college-bound students and a must for science related careers. Success in chemistry will not only depend on the student's science retention, but also in their mathematical and computational reasoning.

03_4410_3 Physics

Credit: 1 Science Credit
Grade: 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Successful completion of 1 verified science credit and completion of Algebra I and Geometry and completion of or concurrent enrollment in Algebra II
Assessment(s): Final Exam (teacher created)
Description: Physics is an introduction to and investigation of the elegant and predictable laws that govern our universe. This course requires moderate math skills and participation in laboratory experiences. Laboratory and special projects involve work outside of class.

05_7320_3 Health Education 9

Credit: 0.5 Health Credit
Grade: 9
Prerequisite: none
Assessment(s): Final Exam (teacher created)

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Description: This course is taken concurrently with Physical Education 9. Health focuses on awareness and consequences of risky behavior, drug intervention, overall wellness, family life, and identification of a healthy lifestyle for themselves and their community.

05_7425_3 Health Education 10

Credit: 0.5 Health Credit

Grade: 10

Prerequisite: none

Assessment(s): Final Exam (teacher created)

Description: Students in this course will convert health/wellness, and their behaviors that reflect a conceptual understanding of the issues associated with maintaining good personal health. They serve the community through the practice of health-enhancing behaviors that promote wellness throughout life.

The driver's education classroom instruction component is taught in the Health 10 classes during the first nine weeks session of school. Driver education class is designed to help unlicensed driver's become familiar with the basis of vehicle control and the rules of the road so that they can successfully pass the test required to obtain a Virginia driver's license. Students must be present for 36 hours of classroom instruction, complete a 45 hour parent/teen driving log, hold learner's permit 9 months from the day they receive the permit. Early morning and virtual classes have limited enrollment. Students enrolled in virtual Health 10 will take the Driver Education component online through VADETS. Driver education is not a graduation requirement but is a requirement to get your license if you are under the age of 18 in Virginia.

14_8140_3 Fashion Marketing Virtual

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Certifications: National Retail Federation Certification in Customer Service

Note: Students enrolled in this course who have a job and work approx. 10-15 hours per week, can earn an additional 1 credit for their supervised work experience through the Work Based Learning: Marketing Co-op Program.

Description: Students who are interested in the business and marketing of fashion will study the history of fashion, color psychology, fashion cycles, trends vs. fads, branding, visual merchandising and advertising. Students will use simulations to develop their critical thinking skills while managing a virtual retail store.

14_8125_3 Digital Marketing Virtual

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: none

Certifications: National Retail Federation Certification in Customer Service

Note: Students enrolled in this course who have a job and work approx. 10-15 hours per week, can earn an additional 1 credit for their supervised work experience through the Work Based Learning: Marketing Co-op Program.

Description: This course is for students who aspire to work within or create a business that can operate on the Internet. Students gain knowledge of e-tailing, global business, marketing research, advertising, e-commerce, and website design. Students will use simulations to develop their critical thinking skills while managing a virtual retail store.

14_8403_3 Technology Foundations

Credit: 1 elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 112

Prerequisite: none

Assessment(s): Final Exam (teacher created)

Description: This is an online course where students explore technological systems that focus on Communication, Construction, Manufacturing, Energy, Power and Transportation. Student research technology related careers and learn by a mixture of hands on projects, computer related skills and problem solving activities. All students participate in Technology Student Association (TSA) and practice workplace safety.

06_6120H_3 Economics and Personal Finance - Honors

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 11, 12

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Prerequisite: none

Assessment(s): *W!SE Financial Literacy Certification*

Description: Learn how to make financial decisions related to budgeting, banking, credit, insurance, spending, taxes, investing, buying/renting a home and vehicle. Develop an understanding of basic economic structures and the global economy. Use simulations to practice navigating the financial decisions of a virtual life.

14_6121_3 Finance

Credit: 0.5 CTE Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Must be enrolled in AP Microeconomics and /or AP Macroeconomics

Assessment(s): *W!SE Financial Literacy Certification*

Description: Learn how to make financial decisions related to budgeting, banking, credit, insurance, spending, taxes, investing, buying/renting a home and vehicle. Use simulations to practice navigating the financial decisions of a virtual life.

07_5990_3 Virtual American Sign Language

Credit: 1 World Language

Grade: 9-12

Prerequisite: None

Assessments: Exam

Description: ASL I is an online introduction to American Sign Language and the hearing-impaired community. Students will learn basic vocabulary, grammar, sentence structure, and cultural foundations of ASL. Students will begin to learn to express themselves through signing by using: concrete ideas, fingerspelling and grammar. Using age appropriate activities, students develop the ability to perform the tasks of the novice language learner. CHS's ASL class is offered online.

WALK - Credit Recovery and Alternative Learning Program

WALK is a Credit Recovery Program and Alternative Learning Program that is intended for the following groups of students (in this order of priority):

1. 4th year students who would not graduate on time without the recovery of additional credits.
2. 3rd year students who have been retained and may not graduate on time without the recovery of credits.
3. 3rd year students who have failed courses and are trying to catch up so that on-time graduation does not become a concern.

It is expected that students in WALK will still be attending the majority of their classes in mainstream courses. Students can be referred for the program by a teacher, administrator, parent, counselor, or by self-referral.

WALK runs from 9:05 a.m. – 3:50 p.m., Monday through Friday. Courses are taken on-line. The courses are self-paced and usually take a number of weeks to complete. Attendance will be taken, and students are expected to notify the program supervisor if they will be absent. Students with excessive absences or discipline issues will be removed from the program.

The following steps should be followed in requesting approval to enroll in WALK:

1. WALK referral form completed by school counselor.
2. Referral approved by WALK program coordinator and Principal or designee.
3. Agreement of student and parent to enroll in program
4. The school counselor will notify the WALK supervisor and change the class schedule.

English

The English program is designed to help students learn to write and speak clearly and effectively, to think critically and analytically, and to read and examine literature from a variety of genres and cultures. In the English classroom, you will discover the world of literature, refine your writing, and polish your oral communication skills. Proficiency in reading, writing, listening, speaking, and research skills enables students to gain information and to use knowledge to make meaningful connections between their lives and their academic disciplines.

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01_1109_0 English/Language Arts 6

Grade: 6

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): Reading SOL Test

Description: Sixth grade English/Language Arts curriculum goals begin with the English Standards of Learning. The program encompasses reading, writing, research, communication and multimodal literacies. Reading includes fiction, non-fiction, and poetry.

Buford Middle School Course Offerings

01_1110_0 Language Arts 7

Grade: 7

Prerequisite: Completion of English 6

Assessment(s): Reading SOL Test

Description: Using the Standards of Learning as its foundation, this course will continue to develop student skills in reading writing, research, communication and multimodal literacies. Reading includes fiction, non-fiction, poetry, and drama.

01_1120_0 Language Arts 8

Grade: 8

Prerequisite: Completion of English 7

Assessment(s): SOL Tests (8th Grade Reading and Integrated Reading-Writing)

Description: Using the Standards of Learning, students will continue to develop critical and creative thinking, problem solving, and communication. Students will be reading classical and contemporary fiction, poetry, narrative nonfiction, and drama. In eighth grade, there will be an increased emphasis on nonfiction reading, and students will analyze authors' craft, perspective, and purpose..

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01_1130_0 English 9

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 9

Prerequisite: Completion of English 8

Assessment(s): Final exam (teacher created)

Description: This English class will focus on writing skills, vocabulary, reading comprehension, research, and oral communication skills. This course includes both independent and guided reading assignments, substantive essay practice, grammar instruction, and class discussions. *This course may be offered on a semester or yearly basis in order to fulfill credit recovery for some students.*

01_1130H_0 English 9 Honors

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 9

Prerequisite: Completion of English 8

Assessment(s): Final exam (teacher created)

Description: This honors class is open to all ninth graders. All students will participate in rigorous reading and writing activities. In ninth grade, students continue to build upon skills previously learned in earlier grades. There is a continued emphasis on reading comprehension by comparing fiction and nonfiction texts. In fiction texts, students will apply knowledge of literary terms and analyze a variety of genres. In ninth grade there will be an increased emphasis on nonfiction reading, and students will make inferences and draw conclusions using explicit and implied textual evidence. The student will continue to expand vocabulary using the structural analysis of roots and affixes to understand complex words. The student will also plan, draft, revise, and edit while writing in a variety of forms with an emphasis on analysis and persuasion while defending a position using counterclaims, reasons and evidence from credible sources. Students will analyze and interpret the social, commercial, and/or political motives behind media messages. Students will use multimodal tools to create presentations both independently and in small groups. The student will apply research techniques to analyze information gathered from diverse sources by identifying misconceptions, and possible bias citing both quoted and paraphrased information using either MLA or APA style. Students will continue to work in collaborative groups assisting with setting rules and working toward consensus.

01_1140_0 English 10

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 10

Prerequisite: Completion of English 9 or English 9 Honors

Assessment(s): SOL Writing PBA

Description: In this course students will prepare for the SOL test in writing as well as work in developing their reading comprehension and communication skills. Students will prepare for the rigors of post-high school education and the working world. *This course may be offered on a semester or yearly basis in order to fulfill credit recovery for some students.*

01_1140H_0 English 10 Honors

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 10

Prerequisite: Completion of English 9 or English 9 Honors

Assessment(s): SOL Writing PBA

Description: In tenth grade, students continue to build upon skills learned in earlier grades. There is a sustained emphasis on reading comprehension by comparing fiction and nonfiction texts. Students will analyze the cultural and social function and universal themes of fictional texts from different cultures. Tenth grade students will analyze and synthesize information from nonfiction texts to solve problems, answer questions, and generate new knowledge. The student will continue development of vocabulary, with attention to connotations, idioms, classical allusions, and figurative language. The student will continue to use the writing process to write/compose with an emphasis on persuasion and analysis while showing relationships among claims, reasons, and evidence from reliable sources. The student will create media messages and analyze the cause and effect relationships between mass media coverage and public opinion trends. Students will continue to use multimodal tools to create presentations both independently and in small groups. The student will continue to build research skills presenting information gathered from diverse sources, identifying misconceptions and possible bias while crediting sources using MLA or APA style. The tenth-grade student will continue to become a skilled communicator, working both independently and in collaborative groups while presenting alternate views and working toward common goals.

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01_1150_0 English 11

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 11

Prerequisite: Completion of English 10 or English 10 Honors

Assessment(s): SOL Test - End of Course Reading SOL

Description: In this course students prepare for the SOL tests in reading as well as work on developing their writing and communication skills. This course is designed for students who have an interest in either post secondary education or the working world. This course may be offered on a semester or yearly basis in order to fulfill credit recovery for some students.

01_1150H_0 English 11 Honors

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 11

Prerequisite: Completion of English 10 or English 10 Honors

Assessment(s): SOL Test - End of Course Reading SOL and Writing PBA

Description: In eleventh grade, there is a sustained emphasis on reading comprehension of fiction and nonfiction texts. Students will conduct comparative analyses of multiple texts that address the same topic to determine how authors reach similar or different conclusions. The students will examine and analyze fiction texts by American authors describing the contributions of other cultures and identifying prevalent themes and characterizations, which are reflective of American history and culture. The student will continue development of vocabulary, with attention to connotations, idioms, classical allusions, and figurative language. The grade-eleven student will continue to use the writing process to write/compose with an emphasis on persuasion/argumentation for multiple purposes and audiences to create focused, organized, and coherent writing. The student will create media messages and analyze the cause and effect relationships between mass media coverage and public opinion trends. Students will create persuasive multimodal presentations that address alternative perspectives. The student will produce a research product synthesizing information from primary and secondary sources while maintaining ethical and legal guidelines for gathering and using information. The eleventh-grade student continues to build communication skills working both independently and in collaborative groups. Students will continue to demonstrate the ability to work within collaborative groups while presenting alternate views and working toward common goals.

01_1150X_0 English 11 (Fall)

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 11

Prerequisite: Completion of English 10 or English 10 - Honors and counselor recommendation

Assessment(s): SOL Test - End of Course Reading SOL

Description: In this course students prepare for the SOL tests in reading as well as work on developing their writing and communication skills. This course is designed for students who have an interest in either post secondary education or the working world. NOTE: This class will meet using the semester block model. *This course may be offered on a semester or yearly basis in order to fulfill credit recovery for some students.*

01_1196_1 AP English Language and Composition

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 11

Prerequisite: High level of achievement in English 10 or English 10 Honors

Assessments: AP Exam and SOL Writing PBA

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: This course is designed to challenge the highly-motivated student who wishes to experience college-level work while still in high school. Students will become skilled readers of prose written in a variety of periods, genres, and contexts, and will write in a variety of modes and for a variety of purposes. Students should be interested in studying and writing various kinds of analytical or persuasive essays on nonliterary topics.

01_1160_0 English 12 / English 12 Honors

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: Completion of English 11 or English 11 Honors

Assessment(s): Final Exam (teacher created)

Description: In twelfth grade, there is a sustained emphasis on reading comprehension of fiction and nonfiction texts. Students will review multiple texts to identify and evaluate resources to make decisions and solve problems. The students

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will examine and analyze fiction texts by British authors evaluating how authors use key elements to contribute to meaning and interpreting how themes are connected across texts. The student will continue development of vocabulary, with attention to connotations, idioms, classical allusions, and figurative language. The grade-twelve student will continue to use the writing process to write/compose with an emphasis on persuasion/argumentation for multiple purposes and audiences to create focused, organized, and coherent writing. Students will write to a standard acceptable to both the workplace and to postsecondary education. The student will create media messages and analyze the cause and effect relationships between mass media coverage and public opinion trends. Students will create persuasive/argumentative multimodal presentations both independently and in collaborative groups. The student will produce a research product synthesizing information from primary and secondary sources while maintaining ethical and legal guidelines for gathering and using information. Students will continue to demonstrate the ability to work within diverse teams and collaborative groups working toward common goals.

01_1160X_0 English 12 (Spring)

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: Completion of English 11 and counselor recommendation

Assessment(s): Final Exam (teacher created)

Description: This course will focus on college applications, understanding and analyzing British literature, and essay writing. Students will polish their writing skills to prepare for post-secondary education or the working world and will learn about different career choices. NOTE: This class will meet using the semester block model.

01_1160_4 Dual Enrollment (DE) English 12

Credit: 1 English Credit; 6 community college credits

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: High level of achievement in English 11, English 11 Honors or AP English Language and Composition and Passing score on the PVCC Virginia Placement Test (VPT) or PSAT/SAT/ACT scores.

Assessment(s): Final Exam

Description: Dual Enrollment English 12 is a college-level freshman composition class which combines the use of PVCC curriculum and textbooks with the study of British literature. Dual Enrollment English 12 helps students develop writing ability for study, work, and other areas of writing based on experience, observation, research, and reading of selected literature. The course guides students in learning writing as a process of understanding audience and purpose, exploring ideas and information, composing, revising, and editing.. It supports writing by integrating experiences in thinking, reading, listening, and speaking.

01_1195_1 AP English Literature and Composition

Credit: 1 English Credit

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: High level of achievement in English 11, English 11 Honors or AP English Language and Composition

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: This course is designed to challenge the highly-motivated student who wishes to experience college-level work while still in high school. Students read and analyze British literature from the eighth century to the present. Students should be interested in studying literature of various periods and genres and using this wide reading knowledge in discussion of literary topics.

01_1301_0 Public Speaking I

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): Final Exam (Teacher Created)

Description: In this course, students will develop increased comfort with public speech and will gain practice in the art of speaking to entertain, inform, and persuade. Students will obtain skills that will help them in areas ranging from classroom presentations, to large group public addresses, to college and job interviews.

01_1302_0 Public Speaking II

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

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Grade: 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Public Speaking I
Assessment(s): Final Exam (Teacher Created)
Description: Students will build on their previous Public Speaking experiences by engaging in lengthier and more complex speeches in the areas of informative speaking, persuasion, entertainment, extemporaneous speech, and debate. They will post speaking videos to CHS YouTube and will give regular speeches outside of the classroom.

01_1171_0 Creative Writing I

Credit: 0.5 Elective Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: None
Assessment(s): Final Exam (Teacher Created)
Description: This course is designed for students with a special interest in writing who wish to share their work with peer revision groups, to enter their writing to contests and literary magazines, and to write in a variety of genres.

01_1172_0 Creative Writing II

Credit: 0.5 Elective Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: None
Assessment(s): Final Exam (Teacher Created)
Description: This course is designed for students with a special interest in writing who wish to share their writing with peer revision groups, to enter their writing to contests, to edit the lit magazine, and to write in a variety of genres.

1171_3 Creative Writing III (fall)

1171_4 Creative Writing IV (spring)

Credit: 0.5 Elective Credit per course
Grade: 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Completion of Creative Writing I/II
Assessment(s): Final Exam (Teacher Created)
Description: Course builds on elements from Creative Writing I/II, with an increased emphasis on editing and publishing their own work as well as student work in our school publication Graffiti. Students will continue to develop skills in the genres of short story, poetry, and script-writing and will be introduced to the novel from a writer's perspective. Students will also complete a year-long, themed project utilizing one or more genres, with the option of self-publication upon completion.

01_1200_0 Knight Time Review Digital Newspaper Production

Credit: 1 Elective Credit
Grade: 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: none
Description: Students in this course are responsible for the production and maintenance of an online news site, augmented with print editions of the paper at least once a semester. Students learn the steps of news organization financing, publicity, analytics, writing, editing, layout, photography, and publication.

01_1222_0 Yearbook Publication I

Credit: 1 Elective Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: No prerequisite, however interested students should demonstrate an interest in journalistic writing, online publication, digital layout design and/or photography.
Enrollment: Limited to 20 students
Description: Students in the introductory yearbook course learn the required elements of yearbook production including basic photography, videography, advertising design and layout, fundamental business techniques, online publication production, and journalistic writing. This course is a prerequisite for Yearbook Publication II and Yearbook Publication III.

01_1223_0 Yearbook Publication II

Credit: 1 Elective Credit
Grade: 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Yearbook Publication I; Recommendation of yearbook advisor.
Required: Commitment and ability to attend events outside of normal school hours. Ability to work independently and as a team.

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Enrollment: Limited to 20 students

Description: Students in this course are responsible for the production of the Charlottesville High School Yearbook, The Chain. Students are responsible for designing and selling ads, managing the business of the yearbook class, photographing school related events, designing online publications and spreads, videography, and journalistic writing related to the yearbook. Students in this course may serve in leadership roles within the class.

01_1224_0 Yearbook Publication III

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Yearbook Publication I; Recommendation of yearbook advisor.

Required: Commitment and ability to attend events outside of normal school hours. Ability to work independently and as a team.

Enrollment: Limited to 20 students

Description: Students in this course are responsible for the production of the Charlottesville High School Yearbook, The Chain. This course is for junior and senior level publication staff members. Students are required to fill an Editor's position or take a leadership role on the publication staff.

Health and Physical Education

Health and Physical Education are critical for building habits for lifelong success and wellness. Health and Physical Education are sequential courses taught in grades 9 and 10. To earn a diploma from a Virginia high school, students must earn credit for Health and Physical Education 9 and Health and Physical Education 10 in addition to other high school graduation requirements.

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05_7111_0 Physical Education 6

Grade: 6
Prerequisite: None

Description: In sixth grade the student will use personal fitness data to improve physical fitness, develop their decision-making skills in physical activities, identify and seek opportunities in school and in the community for physical activities, and will demonstrate competence in modified versions of various game/sport, rhythmic, and recreational activities.

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05_7120_0 Health and Physical Education 7

05_7120_5 Health and Physical Education 7 - Morning / Afternoon (limited enrollment)

Grade: 7
Requirements: Daily participation with acceptable gym attire (T-shirt, athletic shorts, sweatpants, sweatshirts and athletic shoes)

Description: Students rotate between Health and PE instruction. Health curriculum addresses the main components for healthy living. Technology is heavily incorporated in the lessons and assessments. Physical education focuses on improving the five components of fitness as well as movement and social emotional competencies

05_7200_0 Health and Physical Education 8

05_7200_5 Health and Physical Education 8 - Morning / Afternoon (limited enrollment)

Grade: 8
Required: Daily participation with acceptable gym attire (T-shirt, athletic shorts, sweatpants, sweatshirts and athletic shoes)

Description: Health curriculum concentrates on increasing students' awareness of the requirements for becoming a healthy and productive adult. Technology is heavily incorporated in the lessons and there is an end of year project using their school issued devices. Physical education classes work on fitness goal setting and improving their five components of fitness.

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05_7320_0 Health Education 9

05_7320_5 Health Education 9 - Early Morning (limited enrollment)

05_7320_3 Health Education 9 - Virtual (limited enrollment)

Credit: 0.5 Health Credit
Grade: 9
Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): Final exam (teacher created)

Description: This course is taken concurrently with Physical Education 9. Health focuses on awareness and consequences of risky behavior, drug intervention, overall wellness, family life, and identification of a healthy lifestyle for themselves and their community. Early morning classes have limited enrollment.

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05_7310_0 Physical Education 9

05_7310_5 Physical Education 9 - Early Morning (limited enrollment)

Credit: 0.5 Physical Education Credit

Grade: 9

Prerequisite: None

Required: Daily participation and daily acceptable gym attire (T-shirts, shorts or sweatpants, sneakers, and athletic socks)

Description: This course is taken concurrently with Health 9. This class focuses on movement skills, cognitive understanding of movement principles, development of personal fitness goals, and emphasis placed on skill development, sportsmanship, fitness planning, and goal setting. Activities include but are not limited to badminton, basketball, circuit training, and fitness testing.

05_7310_3 Physical Education 9 - Virtual (limited enrollment)

Credit: 0.5 Physical Education Credit

Grade: 9

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course is taken concurrently with Health 9. This class focuses on movement skills, cognitive understanding of movement principles, development of personal fitness goals, and emphasis placed on skill development, sportsmanship, fitness planning, and goal setting. A wide range of exercises are accepted for the weekly fitness logs. All activity must be verified using a fitness tracker or signature from a coach/trainer and submitted with the logs. Students will also be responsible for completing weekly modules in Canvas to show understanding of varying physical education content and standards.

05_7425_0 Health Education 10

05_7425_5 Health Education 10 - Early Morning (limited enrollment)

05_7425_3 Health Education 10 - Virtual (limited enrollment)

Credit: 0.5 Health Credit

Grade: 10

Prerequisite: Health and PE 9

Description: The driver's education classroom instruction component is taught in the Health 10 classes during the first nine weeks session of school. Driver education class is designed to help unlicensed driver's become familiar with the basis of vehicle control and the rules of the road so that they can successfully pass the test required to obtain a Virginia driver's license. Students must be present for 36 hours of classroom instruction, complete a 45 hours parent/teen driving log, hold learner's permit 9 months from the day they receive the permit. Students must also complete the 90 minute parent/teen component per VA Code. Early morning classes have limited enrollment. Students taking virtual Health 10 are required to take Driver Education virtually as well if they have not taken it outside of CCS. Students in this course will convert health/wellness, and their behaviors that reflect a conceptual understanding of the issues associated with maintaining good personal health. They serve the community through the practice of health-enhancing behaviors that promote wellness throughout life.

05_7410_0 Physical Education 10

05_7410_5 Physical Education 10 - Early Morning (limited enrollment)

Credit: 0.5 Physical Education Credit

Grade: 10

Prerequisite: Physical Education 9

Required: Daily participation and daily acceptable gym attire (T-shirts, shorts or sweatpants, sneakers, and athletic socks)

Description: This course is taken concurrently with Health and Driver Education 10. This course provides more advanced skills. It focuses on personal fitness, fitness testing, and emphasis on sportsmanship and lifetime sports. Physical activities may include tennis, basketball, weight training, ping pong, bowling, volleyball and games.

05_7410_3 Physical Education 10 - Virtual (limited enrollment)

Credit: 0.5 Physical Education Credit

Grade: 10

Prerequisite: Physical Education 9

Description: This course is taken concurrently with Health and Driver Education 10. This course provides more advanced skills. It focuses on personal fitness, fitness testing, and emphasis on sportsmanship and lifetime sports. A wide range of exercises are accepted for the weekly fitness logs. All activity must be verified using a fitness tracker or signature from a

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coach/trainer and submitted with the logs. Students will also be responsible for completing weekly modules in Canvas to show understanding of the physical education standards and content.

05_7640_0 Personal Training and Wellness

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Successful completion of Health/PE 09 and 10

Note: Students seeking the industry credential must be in their senior year or 18 years old at the end of the course. Juniors may also take the course for elective credit but will be unable to test for certification at the end of the year unless they are 18 years of age.

Description: This is an advanced PE course where students can receive an elective credit. Students may also get a NASM CPT endorsement. Students will learn about the essentials to personal fitness training. Students will be introduced to the human movement system, the Optimum Performance Training (OPT) model and other domains of basic exercise science; assessment; exercise technique and training instruction; program design; considerations in nutrition; client relations and behavioral coaching; and professional development, practice, and responsibility. Course competencies have been constructed so as not to go beyond the professional scope of aide/assistant level. Mastery of the material in this course would provide students with a strong background should they wish to pursue certification in areas such as first aid, CPR, AED, and/or personal trainer.

05_7650_0 Personal Fitness and Weight Training

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Successful completion of Health/PE 09 and 10

Note: This course may NOT substitute for PE 9 or PE 10 as a graduation requirement. Students who have not previously received credit for Weight Training will be given scheduling priority

Description: This is a weightlifting class designed to teach weightlifting theory and technique in combination with personal fitness training. Students establish personal weightlifting goals and design and implement individual weight lifting programs. Student progress is monitored through self, peer, and instructor evaluation. A change of clothes is required for class.

16_7660_0 Sports Medicine I

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9 - 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course is designed to introduce students to the basic concepts of athletic training. Topics that will be covered include anatomy, tissue response to injury, medical terminology and prevention, assessment and rehabilitation of injuries. Students will also obtain certification in CPR and First Aid.

History and Social Science

The History and Social Science program offers courses at the Grade - level, Honors, Advanced Placement, and Dual Enrollment levels. The History and Social Science programming develops skills in analysis, writing, critical reading, research, and collaboration. These skills support students in their academics as they become citizens for a democratic society.

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04_2353_0 U. S. HISTORY to 1865

Grade: 6

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): Performance Based Assessments

Description: The standards for this course relate to the history of the United States from pre-Colonial times until 1865.

Students will continue to learn fundamental concepts in civics, economics, and geography as they study United States history in chronological sequence and learn about change and continuity in our history.

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04_2354_0 U. S. HISTORY 1865 to the Present

Grade: 7

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): Performance Based Assessments

Description: Students will continue to use skills for historical and geographical analysis as they examine American history since 1865. The standards for this course relate to the history of the United States from the Reconstruction era to the present. Students will continue to develop and build upon the fundamental concepts and skills in civics, economics, and geography within the context of United States history. Students will use investigation as a foundation to delve into the political, economic, and social challenges facing the nation once reunited after the Civil War.

04_2357_0 Civics And Economics

Grade: 8

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): Performance Based Assessments, end of course SOL Test

Description: Civics and Economics is the foundational course for Virginia and United States Government. It examines the roles citizens play in the political, governmental, and economic systems in the United States. Students will examine the foundational documents and principles around which the constitutions of Virginia and the United States were established; identify the rights, duties, and responsibilities of citizens; and describe the structure and operation of government at the local, state, and national levels. Through the economics standards, students will compare the United States economy to other types of economies and consider the government's role in the U.S. economy.

Charlottesville High School Course Offerings

04_2215_0 World History I

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 9

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): SOL Test - World History I

Description: The World History I course traces the history of human civilization and interaction from the dawn of man through 1500 A.D., and is designed for the student seeking an engaging program of study that emphasizes both Western and non-Western civilizations. Students will work on refining skills of oral and written communication and the analysis of historical events through many sources.

04_2215H_0 World History I Honors

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 9

Prerequisite: Suggested concurrent enrollment in English 9 Honors

Assessment(s): State-made Performance Assessments, EOC SOL Test

Description: The World History I Honors course traces the history of human civilization and interaction from the dawn of man through 1500 A.D., and is designed for the student seeking an engaging program of study that emphasizes both Western and non-Western civilizations. Students will read primary and secondary source readings in each unit. Students will develop skills for college readiness in essay writing, reading, research, and collaboration.

04_2210H_0 World Geography Honors

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 9

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): State-made Performance Assessments, EOC SOL Test

Description: The focus of this course is the study of the world's people, places, and environments, with an emphasis on world regions. The knowledge, skills, and perspectives of the course are centered on the world's peoples and their cultural characteristics, landforms and climates, economic development, and migration and settlement patterns.

04_2212_1 AP Human Geography

Credit: 1 Social Studies

Grade: 9

Prerequisite: none

Assessments: State-made Performance Assessments, AP Exam, EOC SOL Test

Description: Advanced Placement Human Geography is a dynamic course that studies "the Why of Where". Students will explore topics such as population and migration, culture, politics, agriculture and industry, urbanization, and the environment, all on an introductory college level.

04_2216_0 World History II

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 10

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): State-made Performance Assessments, EOC SOL Test, Final Exam

Description: This course emphasizes both Western and non-Western civilizations from 1500 A.D. to the present, with emphasis on the development of the modern world. Students will work on refining skills of oral and written communication and the analysis of data including primary and secondary sources. Students will develop skills for college readiness in essay writing, reading, research, and collaboration.

04_2216H_0 World History II - Honors

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 10

Prerequisite: Suggested concurrent enrollment in English 10-Honors

Assessment(s): State-made Performance Assessments, EOC SOL Test; Final Exam

Description: This course emphasizes both Western and non-Western civilizations from 1500 A.D. the Renaissance to the present, with emphasis on the development of the modern world. Students will work on refining skills of oral and written communication and the analysis of data including primary and secondary sources. Students will develop skills for college readiness in essay writing, reading, research, and collaboration.

2380 AP World History

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: World Geography Honors

Assessments: State-made Performance Assessments, AP Exam, EOC SOL

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

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Description: This is a college level course which places demands and rigors on students that exceed those of non-advanced placement courses. Students should anticipate reading between 60 and 75 pages a week, regular essay assignments, and projects including a major research project.

04_2382_1 AP World History: Modern

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 10

Prerequisite: World Geography Honors

Assessments: AP Exam; EOC SOL Test

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: This is a college level course that examines the cultural, economic, political, and social developments that have shaped the world from c. 1200 CE to the present. Students will analyze texts, visual sources, and other historical evidence and write essays expressing historical arguments.

04_2399_1 AP European History

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: World Geography Honors

Assessments: AP Exam,EOC SOLTest

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: This college level course examines the cultural, economic, political, and social developments that have shaped Europe from c. 1450 to the present. Students will analyze texts, visual sources, and other historical evidence and write essays expressing historical arguments.

04_2360_0 Virginia and United States History

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 11

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): State-made Performance Assessments, EOC SOL Test, Final Exam

Description: The standards for Virginia and United States History expand upon the foundational knowledge and skills previously introduced to include the historical development of American ideas and institutions from the Age Of Exploration and Colonization to the present. While continuing to focus on political, geographic, and economic history, the standards provide students with a basic knowledge of American culture through a chronological survey of major issues, movements, people, and events in Virginia and United States history.

04_2360H_0 Virginia and United States History - Honors

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 11

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): State-made Performance Assessments, EOC SOL Test, Final Exam

Description: The standards for Virginia and United States History expand upon the foundational knowledge and skills previously introduced to include the historical development of American ideas and institutions from the Age Of Exploration and Colonization to the present. While continuing to focus on political, geographic, and economic history, the standards provide students with a basic knowledge of American culture through a chronological survey of major issues, movements, people, and events in Virginia and United States history.

04_2319_1 AP United States History

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 11

Prerequisite: Suggested concurrent enrollment in AP English Language and Composition

Assessments: State-made Performance Assessments, AP Exam, EOC SOL Test

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: This course examines the cultural, economic, political, and social developments that have shaped the United States from c. 1491 to the present. Students will analyze texts, visual sources, and other historical evidence and write essays expressing historical arguments.

04_2440H_0 Virginia and United States Government - Honors

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): Locally-made Performance Assessments, Final Exam

Description: Standards for Virginia and United States Government define the knowledge that enables citizens to participate effectively in civic and economic life. Students will apply social science skills as a foundation to examine fundamental constitutional principles, the rights and responsibilities of citizenship, the political culture, the policy-making process at each level of government, and the characteristics of the United States economy.

04_2440_4 Dual Enrollment (DE) United States Government

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit and 3 community college credits

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: Passing score on PVCC Virginia Placement Test (VPT) or PSAT/SAT/ACT scores.

Assessment(s): Final Exam

Description: Dual Enrollment US Government is the equivalent in rigor of content to those introductory level government courses taught by postsecondary faculty at community colleges across the country. Dual Enrollment US Government teaches structure, operation, and process of national, state, and local governments. It includes in-depth study of the three branches of government and public policy.

04_2445_1 AP Government & Politics: United States

Credit: 1 Social Studies Credit

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: Suggested concurrent enrollment in AP English Literature and Composition or Dual Enrollment English 12

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: This course is designed to challenge students who want to experience college-level work while still in high school. It is a survey of the complex structure of American government and policies during the past 200 years. Students study the contexts of the political process, the major institutions of the national government, and the nature of US democracy.

04_2900_0 Psychology I

Credit: 0.5 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: This semester course provides a basic overview of some of the main approaches and fields within psychology. As a college preparatory course, students are expected to demonstrate and apply the basic methods and content of the field through exams, reflection assignments, and both individual and group projects. Psychology I covers topics including foundations of psychology, body and behavior, and human development.

04_2901_0 Psychology II

Credit: 0.5 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Psychology I

Description: This semester course provides a basic overview of some of the main approaches and fields within psychology not covered in Psychology I. As a college preparatory course, students are expected to demonstrate and apply the basic methods and content of the field through exams, reflection assignments, and both individual and group projects. Psychology II covers topics including psychological disorders, consciousness, therapies, and social psychology.

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04_2902_1 AP Psychology

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: None

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: This college level course explores the ideas, theories, and methods of the scientific study of behavior and mental processes. Students will examine the concepts of psychology through reading and discussion, and students will analyze data from psychological research studies.

04_2802_1 AP Microeconomics (Semester 1)

04_2803_1 AP Macroeconomics (Semester 2)

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: This is a two-part course; however, students must take both parts in sequential semesters in the same school year. Students wishing to complete the graduation requirement in Economics and Personal Finance can also enroll concurrently in the virtual, one-semester Finance course. Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: These rigorous courses are designed to help students develop an understanding of the American economic system as well as gain practical knowledge. Money, banking, financial markets, and investing as well as small business, entrepreneurship, trade, and the microeconomic concepts of supply and demand will be covered.

04_2371H_0 African American History - Honors

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Note: Course components: This course is to be presented in a blended format. The full course contains five online modules and units of study that are to be presented and facilitated by a history or history and social science endorsed teacher. This course is one elective credit. It does not replace the verified history and social science graduation requirement.

Course Description: This course will survey African American history from precolonial Africa through the present. Students will be introduced to key concepts in African American history from early beginnings in indigenous Africa through the transatlantic slave trade, the Civil War, Emancipation, Reconstruction, the Civil Rights era and into the present. The course, offered in a variety of learning models, will give students an opportunity to explore social events and processes, individuals and agency, documents and institutions; and analyze past and present positions for future implications for African Americans. This course does require students to complete a Capstone project. Students will pursue independent research relative to the content on a question or problem of their choice and produce a learning object that reflects a deeper understanding of African American history. (Updated September 2020)

04_2500_4 Dual Enrollment (DE) Principles of Sociology

Credit: 1 Elective Credit and 3 community college credits

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Passing score on PVCC Virginia Placement Test (VPT) in English or PSAT/SAT/ACT scores

Assessment(s): Final Exam

Description: In the first semester, DE Sociology introduces students to the fundamentals of social life. Students will explore significant research and theory in areas such as culture, social structure, socialization, deviance, social stratification, and social institutions. In the second semester, students will apply sociological concepts and methods to analysis of current social problems. Includes delinquency and crime, mental illness, drug addiction, alcoholism, sexual behavior, population crisis, race relations, family and community disorganization, poverty, automation, wars, and disarmament.

04_2421_4 Dual Enrollment (DE) Introduction to Criminal Law

Credit: 1 Elective and 3 community college credits

Grade: 10, 11, 12

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Prerequisite: Passing score on PVCC Virginia Placement Test (VPT) in English or PSAT/SAT/ACT scores

Assessment(s): Final Exam

Description: Dual Enrollment Intro to Criminal Law is a challenging course equivalent in content and rigor to those introductory criminal law courses taught by postsecondary faculty at community colleges across the country. Dual Enrollment Criminal Law surveys the general principles of American Criminal Law, the elements of major crimes and the basic steps of prosecution procedure.

04_2995_0 History of Sports in America Honors

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Assessments: Final Exam

Description: Examines the historical development of sports in the United States from a societal and cultural view point, as well as the relationship between sports and race, politics, gender, economics, and societal change. Covered will be a wide range of topics from colonial sports to boxing, basketball, baseball, and more. Students will be required to actively participate in class, complete all assignments, and complete one project each nine-weeks outside of class.

Mathematics

The Mathematics Department offers programs designed to meet the needs of all students. A student may select any course in the sequence provided he or she meets the prerequisites. The department suggests that parents and students confer with a math teacher for recommendations regarding appropriate course selection. Students planning to attend college should select a sequence which includes Algebra II or above. Ninth grade students are placed in high school math courses using a variety of performance indicators. All courses in the Mathematics Department include workforce applications when appropriate.

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02_3110_0 Math 6

Grade: 6

Prerequisite: Math 5 or equivalent

Assessment(s): SOL Test

Description: The Grade 6 math course provides a transition from the emphasis placed on whole number arithmetic in the elementary grades to an introduction to algebraic thinking. This course includes a focus on single-step and multistep problems involving operations with integers and positive rational numbers. Students will determine equivalency, compare, and order decimals, fractions, and percents. Students will explore ratios and proportional relationships. Students will solve linear equations in one variable, write inequality statements, and use algebraic terminology.

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02_3111_0 Pre-Algebra 7

Grade: 7

Prerequisite: Math 6 or equivalent

Assessment: SOL Test

Description: Pre-Algebra 7 emphasizes the foundations of Algebra. This course addresses the representation and comparison of rational numbers using exponents, scientific notation, and square roots. Students will also build on the concept of ratios to solve problems involving proportional reasoning, which is emphasized throughout the Pre-Algebra curriculum. Students will solve problems involving volume and surface area and focus on the relationships among the properties of quadrilaterals. Students continue to develop their understanding of solving linear equations and inequalities.

02_3112_0 Pre-Algebra 8

Grade: 8

Prerequisite: Pre-Algebra 7 or equivalent

Assessment: SOL Test

Description: Students will explore real numbers and the subsets of the real number system. Proportional reasoning is expounded upon as students solve a variety of problems. Students find the volume and surface area of more complex three-dimensional figures and apply transformations to geometric shapes in the coordinate plane. Students will verify and apply the Pythagorean Theorem. Students build upon the algebraic concepts developed in the Grade 6 and 7 Standards, which include simplifying algebraic expressions, solving multistep linear equations and inequalities in one variable, and graphing linear functions.

02_3130_0 Algebra I

Credit: 1 High School Math Credit

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: Achievement on previous year's MAP and SOL scores (See school administrator for criteria)

Assessment: SOL Test

Description: Algebra 1 is a high school credit course that will assist students in generalizing patterns and representing relevant, contextual situations with algebraic models. Emphasis in algebra is on tools for representing and solving a variety of practical problems using algebraic expressions, equations, and inequalities. Graphing calculators are used to solve and verify solutions of equations and inequalities.

02_3143_0 Geometry 8

Credit: 1 High School Math Credit

Grade: 8

Prerequisite: Passing grade in Algebra I **and** passing score on Algebra I EOC

Assessment: SOL Test

Description: Geometry is a high school course designed for students who have successfully completed the Standards for Algebra I. The course includes an emphasis on developing reasoning skills through the exploration of geometric relationships including properties of geometric figures, trigonometric relationships, and mathematical proofs. In this course, students use various types of reasoning, justification, and methods of direct and indirect proof and interpret and determine the validity of conditional statements.

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02_3130_0 Algebra I

Credit: 1 Math Credit

Grade: 9

Prerequisite: Math 8

Assessment: SOL Test

Description: The study of Algebra I assists students in generalizing patterns and representing relevant, contextual situations with algebraic models. Emphasis in algebra is on tools for representing and solving a variety of practical problems using algebraic expressions, equations, and inequalities. Graphing calculators are used to solve and verify solutions of equations and inequalities.

02_3131_0 Algebra I Part I

Credit: 1 Math Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11

Prerequisite: Math 8

Note: This course is for students who are recommended by their teacher and/or case manager. Must be written into the student's IEP.

Assessment: Final Exam

Description: Algebra I part 1 will cover one half of the algebra curriculum, working on the development of proportional reasoning, concepts of variables and functions, equality, and inequality, with equations and operations with equations.

02_3200_0 Algebra Study Skills

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommended; Must be taken with Algebra I

Description: This course provides support for students taking Algebra I.

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Credit: 1 Math Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Math 8

Assessment: SOL Test

Description: This course provides the foundation for all higher mathematics. Topics covered include solving equations and inequalities, equations of lines, systems of equations, polynomial functions, and basic data analysis.

02_3233_0 Data Science

Credit: 1 Math Credit

Grade: 9,10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Algebra I

Assessment: Final Exam

Description: Through the use of open-source technology tools, students will identify and explore problems that involve the use of relational database concepts and data-intensive computing to find solutions and make generalizations. Students will engage in a data science problem-solving structure to interact with large data sets as a means to formulate problems, collect and clean data, visualize data, model using data, and communicate effectively about data formulated solutions.

02_3143H_0 Geometry Honors

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Credit: 1 Math Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Algebra I or Algebra I Honors
Assessment: SOL Test
Description: Geometry is a course designed for students who have successfully completed the Standards for Algebra I. The course includes an emphasis on developing reasoning skills through the exploration of geometric relationships including properties of geometric figures, trigonometric relationships, and mathematical proofs. In this course, students use various types of reasoning, justification, and methods of direct and indirect proof and interpret and determine the validity of conditional statements.

02_3135_0 Algebra II

Credit: 1 Math Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Algebra I
Assessment: SOL Test
Description: In this course a thorough treatment of advanced algebraic concepts will be provided through the study of functions, equations, inequalities, systems of equations, polynomials, rational and radical equations, complex numbers, and curves of best fit. Emphasis will be placed on contextual applications and modeling throughout the course of study.

02_3135H_0 Algebra II Honors

Credit: 1 Math Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Algebra I
Assessment: SOL Test
Description: A thorough treatment of advanced algebraic concepts will be provided through the study of functions, equations, inequalities, systems of equations, polynomials, rational and radical equations, complex numbers, and curves of best fit. Emphasis will be placed on contextual applications and modeling throughout the course of study. The honors course also covers logarithmic functions and unit circle trigonometry and typically leads to Pre-Calculus.

02_3230_4 Dual Enrollment (DE) Precalculus/Applied Calculus

Credit: 1 Math Credit and 6 community college credits
Grade: 11, 12
Prerequisite: Algebra II or Algebra II-Honors
Assessment: Final Exam
Description: Dual Enrollment Precalculus/Applied Calculus is intended to provide students with a study of functions and an introduction to Calculus. The first semester presents college algebra, matrices, and algebraic, exponential, and logarithmic functions. Equations and inequalities, graphing and functions, and systems of equations are included. The second semester presents limits, continuity, differentiation of algebraic and transcendental functions with applications, and an introduction to integration. Contains calculus applications for business, life sciences, and or social sciences. The class is designed for students that have successfully completed Algebra II or Algebra II Honors and want an introduction to Calculus. This class does not prepare the students to take AP Calculus.

02_3134_0 Algebra, Functions, and Data Analysis

Credit: 1 Math Credit
Grade: 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Algebra I
Assessment: Final Exam
Description: The course is an introduction to Algebra II topics through mathematical modeling and data analysis. Students will study functions, systems of inequalities, probability, experimental design and implementation, and analysis of data.

02_3138_0 Algebra III/Trigonometry

Credit: 1 Math Credit
Grade: 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Algebra II or Algebra II Honors
Assessment: Final Exam
Description: This Algebra and trigonometry course emphasizes trigonometry topics and introduces polar coordinates, analytical geometry, and probability and statistics.

02_3162H_0 Precalculus Honors

Credit: 1 Math Credit
 Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
 Prerequisite: Algebra II or Algebra II Honors
 Assessment: Final Exam
 Description: This precalculus course is designed for students who plan to enroll in AP Calculus (AB) in high school or a first semester calculus course in college. Students study functions, trigonometry, discrete mathematics, data analysis, analytic geometry, limits, and an introduction to calculus.

02_3164_1 AP Precalculus

Credit: 1 Math Credit
 Grade: 10, 11, 12
 Prerequisite: Algebra II Honors
 Assessment: AP Exam
Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities
 Description: This precalculus course is designed for students who plan to enroll in AP Calculus (AB) in high school, a first semester calculus course in college, or are interested in pursuing math and science careers. Students study functions, modeling, trigonometry, discrete mathematics, data analysis, analytic geometry, limits, and an introduction to calculus.

02_3190_0 Probability and Statistics

Credit: 1 Math Credit
 Grade: 11, 12
 Prerequisite: Algebra II
 Assessment: Final Exam
 Description: This course will cover basic probability and statistics with an emphasis on using the concepts in everyday life, games of chance, understanding statistics in the news, and interpreting graphs will be among the topics covered.

02_3177_1 AP Calculus (AB)

Credit: 1 Math Credit
 Grade: 10, 11, 12
 Prerequisite: Precalculus Honors
 Assessments: AP Exam
Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.
 Description: Focusing on differential and integral calculus in one variable, this course prepares the very able mathematics students for the AP Calculus (AB) examination. This course covers the material normally included in first semester college calculus.

02_3178_1 AP Calculus (BC) Multivariable

Credit: 1 Math Credit
 Grade: 11, 12
 Prerequisite: High level of achievement in AP Calculus (AB)
 Assessments: AP Exam
Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.
 Description: This college-level course is offered to students who have completed AP Calculus (AB) and wish to take the next class in the calculus sequence. The curriculum includes the C calculus topics, vector calculus, and differential and integral calculus in two variables.

02_3192_1 AP Statistics

Credit: 1 Math Credit
 Grade: 11, 12
 Prerequisite: Algebra II or Algebra II Honors
 Assessments: AP Exam
Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

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Description: This non-calculus based course in introductory statistics is designed to challenge the highly motivated student and to prepare them for the AP Statistic Exam. Topics of study include statistical distributions, probability, linear correlation, and hypothesis testing.

Science

Through biology, chemistry, and physics courses, the science program offers experiences for students to explore, explain and apply scientific concepts, skills, and processes to events that affect their lives. Students learn to systematically investigate, analyze data, use reasoning and logic to evaluate evidence, and understand the importance of research that validates or challenges ideas.

Students should consult with their counselors to develop an appropriate science sequence. There are several possible sequences and students should select one which best matches their own interests and abilities. The selection of a science course should be made with careful reference to the prerequisites that serve as indicators of the academic skills and knowledge necessary for success in the course.

Walker Upper Elementary School Course Offerings

03_4105_0 Grade 6 Science

Grade: 6
Prerequisite: None

Description: This course explores the characteristics of the world, from the Earth's placement in the solar system to the interactions of water, energy, air, and ecosystems on the Earth. Students will examine the use of resources and consider how their actions and choices affect the future habitability of Earth. Students continue to develop scientific skills and processes as they pose questions and predict outcomes, plan and conduct investigations, collect and analyze data, construct explanations, and communicate information about the natural world. Mathematics and computational thinking gain importance as students advance in their scientific thinking. Students continue to use the engineering design process to apply their scientific knowledge to solve problems.

Buford Middle School Course Offerings

03_4115_0 Life Science

Grade: 7
Prerequisite: None

Description: This course emphasizes a more complex understanding of change, cycles, patterns, and relationships in the living world. Students build on basic principles related to these concepts by exploring the cellular organization and the classification of organisms; the dynamic relationships among organisms, populations, communities, and ecosystems; and change as a result of the transmission of genetic information from generation to generation. Students build on scientific investigation skills by independently identifying questions and planning investigations. Students evaluate the usefulness and limits of models and support their conclusions using evidence. Mathematics, computational thinking, and experience in the engineering design process gain importance as students advance in their scientific thinking.

03_4125_0 Physical Science

Grade: 8
Prerequisite: None
Assessment: SOL Test

Description: This course emphasizes an in-depth understanding of the nature and structure of matter and the characteristics of energy. Major areas covered by the standards include the particle nature of matter; the organization and use of the periodic table; physical and chemical changes; energy transfer and transformations; properties of longitudinal and transverse waves; electricity and magnetism; and work, force, and motion. Students enrolled in this course will take the Grade 8 Science Standards of Learning (SOL) test which covers grades 6-8 science standards.

Charlottesville High School Course Offerings

03_4210_0 Earth Science I

Credit: 1 Science Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

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Prerequisite: None

Assessment: SOL Test

Description: This course will develop a basic understanding of earth and space science as well as the scientific method used to study these systems. Students will investigate these topics through class lectures, labs, activities, reading, homework, and integrated projects

03_4269_0 Environmental Science

Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Assessment: Final Exam

Description: This course will provide students with scientific principles, concepts, and methodologies required to understand the interrelationships of the natural world through laboratory investigations and fieldwork. Students will identify and analyze environmental problems both natural and human-made and evaluate the relative risks associated with natural and man-made problems and use data to examine a variety of solutions for resolving and/or preventing environmental issues.

03_4270_1 AP Environmental Science

Credit: 1 Science Credit or 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Biology Honors and Chemistry

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending on the score achieved and the individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: Environmental concerns, energy, earth processes, and the influences of science, technology, and society. Field trips, laboratory investigations, and other classroom activities permit students to interrelate these topics and gain personal experiences within their surroundings.

03_4269_4 Dual Enrollment (DE) Environmental Science

Credit: 1 Science Credit and 4 community college credits

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Completion of two years of high school science with a B average or better; Passing score on Virginia Placement Test (VPT) in English and Math or PSAT/SAT/ACT scores.

Description: Dual Enrollment Environmental Science is an introductory class that covers basic environmental principles and contemporary environmental issues with field studies being an integral part of the course. It presents the basic concepts of environmental science through a topical approach. Includes the scientific method, population growth and migration, use of natural resources and waste management, ecosystem simplification and recovery, evolution, biogeochemical cycles, photosynthesis and global warming, geological formations, atmosphere and climate, ozone depletion, pollution examples and anti-pollution laws, and acid deposition.

03_4310H_0 Biology - Honors

Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Assessment: SOL Test

Description: This is a rigorous, laboratory-oriented course for students who have demonstrated an interest in science.

Students must be able to work and learn independently, successfully complete research projects, and work at an accelerated pace.

03_4370_1 AP Biology

Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Biology-Honors and Chemistry or Chemistry-Honors

Recommended: Completed or enrolled in Precalculus or higher

Assessment: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending on the score achieved and the individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: The Advanced Placement Biology course is designed to be the equivalent of a college introductory biology course, usually taken by biology majors during their first year. College Board guidelines are followed in shaping the course.

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03_4410_0 Chemistry

Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Completion of Algebra I and Biology Honors

Assessment: SOL Test or final project

Description: This course will develop a basic understanding of earth and space science as well as the scientific method used to study these systems. Students will investigate these topics through class lectures, labs, activities, reading, homework, and integrated projects

03_4410H_0 Chemistry - Honors

Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Completion of Algebra I and Biology Honors

Recommended: A/B average in previous honors level math courses, or pass advanced on the Algebra I SOL

Assessment: SOL Test or final project

Description: Honors chemistry is a rigorous, fast-paced course designed to prepare students for AP Chemistry and AP Biology, as well as a general college course in chemistry. Superior skills in math and reasoning are essential to success in this course, alongside good independent study habits. Concepts will be reinforced through laboratory experience.

03_4470_1 AP Chemistry

Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Chemistry or Chemistry Honors

Recommended: Completed or enrolled in Precalculus or higher

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending on the score achieved and the individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: This course is designed to challenge the highly motivated student who wishes to experience college-level work while still in high school. The Advanced Placement Chemistry course is designed to be the equivalent of a college introductory chemistry course, usually taken by chemistry majors during their first year.

03_4510_0 Physics I

Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Successful completion of one verified science credit and completion of Algebra I and Geometry and completion of or concurrent enrollment in Algebra II

Assessment: Final Exam

Description: Physics is an introduction to and investigation of the elegant and predictable laws that govern our universe. This course requires moderate math skills and participation in laboratory experiences. Laboratory and special projects involve work outside of class.

03_4565_1 AP Physics I

Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Successful completion of one verified science credit and completion of Algebra I and Geometry and completion of or concurrent enrollment in Algebra II

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending on the score achieved and the individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: Students will cultivate their understanding of physics and science practices as they explore the following topics: Kinematics, Newton's laws, Circular motion, Universal law of gravitation, simple harmonic motion, impulse, linear momentum, and conservation of linear momentum, work, energy, and conservation of energy, rotational motion, rotational dynamics, and conservation of angular momentum, electrostatics, DC circuits, and mechanical waves and sound.

03_4566_1 AP Physics II

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Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Students should have completed AP Physics 1 or a comparable introductory physics course and should have taken or be concurrently taking Algebra 3/Trigonometry, Pre-calculus, and DE PreCalculus.

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending on the score achieved and the individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: AP Physics 2 is an algebra-based, introductory college-level physics course. Students cultivate their understanding of physics through inquiry-based investigations as they explore these topics: fluids; thermodynamics; electrical force, field, and potential; electric circuits; magnetism and electromagnetic induction; geometric and physical optics; and quantum, atomic, and nuclear physics.

04570 AP Physics C

Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in AP Calculus (AB) or higher and a high level of achievement in Physics or AP Physics I

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending on the score achieved and the individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: AP Physics C is a calculus-based second-year physics course, intended to build upon the understanding and lab skills acquired in an introductory physics class. The course is two-semester courses: Mechanics, Electricity, and Magnetism.

03_4330_0 Biology II: Anatomy/Physiology

Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Biology Honors and Chemistry or Chemistry Honors

Assessment: Final Exam

Description: Anatomy is a second-level biology course that focuses on human anatomy and physiology. Dissection labs are an integral part of the course. This course is recommended to students interested in health fields, sports medicine, art, psychiatry, and anthropology.

03_4320H_0 Forensic Science Honors

Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Biology Honors and Chemistry or Chemistry Honors

Assessment: Final Exam

Description: Forensic Science is a yearlong science course that aims to educate students in the real-world application of many concepts explored throughout their secondary education. We will explore the uses of earth science, biology, chemistry, environmental science, human biology, and math in the field of forensic science.

03_4340_0 Biology II - Ecology

Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Biology

Assessment: Final Exam

Description: Ecology is a second-level biology course that focuses on the interactions of organisms in their environment. This course is recommended to students with an interest in natural sciences and students desirous of developing their science skills.

03_4240_0 Geology

Credit: 1 Science Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Biology or Earth Science

Assessment: Final Exam (teacher created)

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Description: Geology is a second-level earth science course that focuses on basic theories of geology and mineral and rock identification. This course is recommended to students interested in geology who would like to further explore this earth science.

Students with Disabilities

Charlottesville City Schools strives to create a welcoming and inclusive environment for all students and staff with disabilities. Students may receive support through the Multitiered System of Supports, Section 504 of the American with Disabilities Act, or Special Education.

Special Education services are provided for students who have been identified with a disability under IDEA in accordance with their Individualized Education Program (IEP). Students who are eligible for special education services are served through the implementation of Individualized Education Plans (IEP). IEP Teams determine the services that are needed for a student to receive a free and appropriate public education (FAPE).

Special Education Services

Special Education services are offered at all grade levels in the Charlottesville City Schools and are outlined in the student's IEP.

Special Diploma Options

In addition to the Advanced and Standard Diploma, students with disabilities who receive special education services have the option of an Applied Studies Diploma.

Indirect Services

The Special Education Department offers support to students in general education classes through consultation with general education teachers, monitoring of the student's performance, and consulting with related service providers.

Direct Services

Special education teachers provide instruction to students in general education and special education settings. The IEP team identifies what direct services are needed for a student to make progress towards their IEP goals and have access to a Free and Appropriate Public Education.

Collaborative Classes

Students with disabilities who are seeking an Advanced or Standard diploma may be enrolled in general education classes with an additional special educator as directed by the IEP. These collaborative classes are taught with one content teacher and special education teacher. These courses are not noted in any way on student schedules but are designed to provide specially designed instruction for students with disabilities.

Strategies

Direct services are available for a variety of student needs, including test-taking, homework and make-up work, project/research paper development, organization, study skills, and progress toward IEP goals. This may be accessed through enrollment in the strategies course or through as-needed support in the strategies classroom.

Adapted Curriculum Programming

Adapted Curriculum programs are offered for Students with Disabilities at all grade levels. The Adapted Curriculum programs offered at Walker, Buford, and Charlottesville High School include developmental and life skills education and career preparation.

Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Special services are provided for students who have been identified as deaf or hard of hearing and found eligible for special education services. Students are included in regular education programming with the exception of designated hearing-impaired classes as specified in the IEP. Students are expected to receive a diploma.

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07804 Foundations of Literacy

Credit: Applied Studies Diploma

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: Students enrolled in Foundations of Literacy will receive instruction towards individualized goals as determined by their IEP team. The curriculum will provide students with the necessary foundational literacy skills to meet their individual transition goals. Course content will be aligned with the Virginia Essentialized Standards of Learning.

07807 Developmental Reading

Credit: Applied Studies Diploma

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: This class is designed to help students to become more fluent, confident readers. Basic reading skills are taught through phonics, sight word recognition, fluency, comprehension, and word study. Reading will be both individual and whole group to nurture the desire and ability to explore the world through books.

7808 Foundations of Numeracy

Credit: Applied Studies Diploma

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: Students enrolled in Foundations of Numeracy will receive instruction towards individualized goals as determined by their IEP team. The curriculum will provide students with the necessary foundational numeracy skills to meet their individual transition goals. Course content will be aligned with the Virginia Essentialized Standards of Learning.

7812 Social Studies I

Credit: Applied Studies Diploma

Grade: 9

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: This course covers basic geography skills and their applications to different regions of the world. Emphasis will be on basic geographic features, map reading skills, and current events.

7813 Social Studies II

Credit: Applied Studies Diploma

Grade: 10

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: This course covers the ancient civilizations of Egypt, Rome, and Greece, the settling of the Americas and current history. The application and continued development of map reading skills and current events will be an ongoing part of instruction.

7812 Social Studies Explorations

Credit: Applied Studies Diploma

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: Students enrolled in Social Studies Explorations will receive instruction towards individualized goals as determined by their IEP. The curriculum will provide students with the necessary social studies and civics skills to meet their individual transition goals. Students will be assessed using a local alternative assessment and individual IEP goals.

7818 Science I

Credit: Applied Studies Diploma

Grade: 9

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: This course is a study of earth science topics that students encounter in their daily lives. Students will study: Earth's features, Earth's crust, Earth's atmosphere, weather and climate, Earth's history, Earth's oceans and astronomy and space exploration.

7819 Science II

Credit: Applied Studies Diploma

Grade: 10, 11

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: This course is a study of physical science topics that students encounter in their daily lives. Students will study properties of matter, energy and change in matter, force and motion, work and machines, heat, light and sound, electricity and magnetism and energy resources.

7818 Science Explorations

Credit: Applied Studies Diploma

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: Students enrolled in Science Explorations will receive instruction towards individualized goals as determined by their IEP. The curriculum will provide students with the necessary science skills to meet their individual transition goals.

Course content will be aligned with the Virginia Essentialized Standards of Learning. Students will be assessed using the VAAP assessment and individual IEP goals.

7896 Senior Transition

Credit: Applied Studies Diploma

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: This course is designed for students preparing to leave school and enter the world of work. Students will study independent living skills, budgeting, access to community programs, relationships, and employment.

19154 Independent Living Skills

Credit: Applied Studies Diploma

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: Independent Living Skills is designed to give students exposure to a variety of skills needed for independence, such as grocery shopping, cooking, health and safety, homecare, navigating the community and communication. Students will have the opportunity to research the expenses of finding a place to live, choosing insurance companies, furnishing an apartment or home, buying a new car and more. This course will also explore maintaining checking and savings accounts, paying taxes and keeping a budget. These important life skills are used as a backdrop to practice critical problem solving and social skill development.

16_2996_0 Strategies

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Note: This course can be repeated for credit.

Description: This course is designed to assist students with general organization, study skills, and completion of assignments and tests. In addition, Strategies can provide direct teaching in academic support areas to further understanding of concepts.

01068 Multisensory Literacy Instruction

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: This course is designed to provide recommended students an opportunity to continue their literacy development by building phonological awareness, phonics, spelling, fluency, vocabulary and comprehension skills.

16_9120_0 Creative Arts

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

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Description: This is a beginning level art course open to all students regardless of ability or previous art experience. Through a variety of hands-on art and multicultural craft projects, students will explore the elements of art, and focus on the development of fundamental art skills in an individualized environment.

7300 Health 9

Credit: 0.5 Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Note: This is a semester course.

Description: This course is taken concurrently with PE 9. The course focuses on awareness of and consequences of risky behavior, drug intervention, overall wellness, family life and identification of a healthy lifestyle for themselves and their community.

7400 Health 10

Credit: 0.5 Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Note: This is a semester course.

Description: This course will cover health/wellness and their behaviors that reflect a conceptual understanding of the issues associated with maintaining good health. Driver education class is designed to help unlicensed drivers become familiar with the basics of vehicle control and the rules of the road so that they can successfully pass the test required to obtain a Virginia Driver's License.

7899 Career Awareness

Credit: 1 Credit

Grade: 9, 10

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: This course is designed to provide students opportunities to consider a variety of career opportunities and begin to determine realistic career goals. Students will identify learning preferences, strengths, interests, personality traits and values.

9840 Garden to Market

Credit: Applied Studies Diploma

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student must have an IEP and the IEP must designate that the student requires this course.

Description: Utilizing access to the CHS garden and greenhouse, students will work collaboratively to develop a planting plan, nurture crops in the school garden, harvest the crops and develop a strategy in order to sell the harvest. In addition to learning real-life gardening and landscaping skills, this course, designed for students with an IEP, will provide opportunities to build real-world skills in applied math, entrepreneurship, reading, and writing as well as addressing historical and scientific themes relating to the environment and nutrition. Field trips to farmers' markets and local farms will enhance the student's experience and will give them access to experts in the farming industry.

C3120 Personal Living and Finance

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Assessment: Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment

Description: Students learn how to navigate the financial decisions they must face and to make informed decisions related to budgeting, banking, credit, insurance, spending, taxes, saving, investing, buying/leasing a vehicle, living independently, and inheritance. Instruction in personal finance prepares students to function effectively as consumers, savers, investors, entrepreneurs, and active citizens. The course incorporates all personal living and finances objectives included in the Code of Virginia §22.1-253.13:1.B.

****This course combined with 3 History/Social Studies credits counts for the Personal Finance and Economics graduation requirement for students with an IEP or 504. (see superintendent's memo here)***

Middle School (6-8) Exploratory Courses

Exploratory courses allow middle school students (6-8) to experience a wide variety of elective opportunities.

Walker Upper Elementary School Course Offerings

Walker elective courses may have students enrolled concurrently with varied prior experience in content-specific coursework.

09_9215_0 Band First Year

Grade: 6

Prerequisite: None

Description: Students will begin to develop fundamental skills and musicianship on their instrument. Students will demonstrate knowledge of musical terms and symbols, rhythmic and musical notation, fingerings/slide positions, and an understanding of pitch differentiation. They will begin to develop a characteristic sound as it relates to tone quality and intonation. Instruction and grouping may be differentiated based on instrument choice.

09_9216_0 Band Second Year

Grade: 6

Prerequisite: Completion of First Year Band and Teacher Recommendation

Description: Students will develop and extend fundamental skills and musicianship on their instrument. Students will demonstrate knowledge of musical terms and symbols, rhythmic and musical notation, fingerings/slide positions, and an understanding of pitch differentiation. They will demonstrate a mature sound as it relates to tone quality and intonation. Instruction and grouping are differentiated based on students' prior experience in Band coursework.

09_9217_0 Orchestra First Year

Grade: 6

Prerequisite: None

Description: Students will begin to develop fundamental skills and musicianship on their instrument. Students will demonstrate knowledge of musical terms and symbols, rhythmic notation, fingerings, and location of pitch. They will begin to develop a mature sound as it relates to tone quality and intonation. Instruction and grouping may be differentiated based on instrument choice.

09_9218_0 Orchestra Second Year

Grade: 6

Prerequisite: Completion of First Year Orchestra and Teacher Recommendation

Description: Students will develop and extend fundamental skills and musicianship on their instrument. Students will demonstrate knowledge of musical terms and symbols, rhythmic notation, fingerings, and location of pitch. They will demonstrate a mature sound as it relates to tone quality and intonation. Instruction and grouping are differentiated based on students' prior experience in Orchestra coursework.

09_9208_0 General and Vocal Music

Grade: 6

Prerequisite: None

Description: The general and vocal music standards involve students in a higher level of music concepts and the further development of music skills through singing, playing instruments, moving, and listening. The standards encourage the reading of music notation and the assimilation of previous music study toward understanding the mechanics of a music score. Instruction and grouping are differentiated based on students' prior experience in General and Vocal Music coursework.

08_9103_0 Visual Arts 6

Grade: 6

Prerequisite: None

Description: The standards for grade six art emphasize exploration of studio processes, using the elements of art and the principles of design, students will investigate a variety of experiences and concepts. Students will explore various two-dimensional and three-dimensional art media, using a variety of expressive and technical approaches. Through critical analysis and evaluation, students determine how artists convey meaning through the use of forms, media, and symbols.

14_8402N_0 Introduction to Engineering

Grade: 6

Prerequisite: None

Description: In these introductory courses, students will explore the worlds of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics through authentic, interdisciplinary experiences. Students will engage in learning that emphasizes collaboration, innovation, and problem-solving with exposure to a variety of tools and resources. Topics may include robotics, computer science, and applied science and mathematics. Instruction is differentiated based on students' prior experience in Engineering coursework.

07_5504_0 Exploratory Spanish

Grade: 6

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course is based on comprehensible storytelling and cooperative story creating. Students will see and hear short films, comics, pictures and stories to increase their comprehension of the most common words in Spanish. This course is designed for every Spanish learner from Novice to Advanced. We will learn how our brains acquire language, celebrate our growth and connect our own experiences to the Spanish speaking world. Students set their own proficiency goals and demonstrate their learning through translating, writing, drawing and speaking. Units include indigenous history and legends, AfroLatin identity, Spanish tomato fights, Mexican axolotls, Puerto Rican superheroes, Salvadorean muralists and Argentinian soccer players.

Buford Middle School Course Offerings

Exploratory CTE and Related Arts Course Descriptions

Career and Technical Education Exploratory Courses (CTE):

14_8450_0 Engineering I - Full Year

Credit: 1 High School Credit

Grade: 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: An introduction to engineering as a profession, a process, a mindset, and the application of technical skills and knowledge. Students will design, prototype, test, and report on a wide range of projects. Students will learn basic programming, computer aided design (CAD), computational software, and electronics, as well as teamwork and problem solving.

14_8464_0 Foundations of Engineering - 18 weeks

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: An introduction to the engineering design process through inventions. Students will design, prototype, and test projects, learn basic programming, and a basic introduction to CAD for 2-D and 3-D fabrication, and design.

01_1200M_0 Journalism-18 weeks

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: Journalism offers students an opportunity to learn about the foundations of journalistic practice, and to produce Buford Middle School's newspaper. Students will develop their abilities in writing, reporting, and editing.

14_9074_0 Introduction to Urban Farming and Marketing- 18 Weeks

Grade: 7

Prerequisite: None

Description: In this course, students will explore in an introductory manner the world of agriculture through authentic, hands-on experiences in the garden and greenhouse spaces at Buford. Students will work collaboratively to develop basic food-growing, landscaping and workplace readiness skills while learning about broader agricultural and food industry systems, including local community-led efforts through the Urban Agriculture Collective.

14_8120_0 Urban Farming and Marketing I - 36 Weeks

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Grade: 8
Credit: 1 CTE Credit
Prerequisite: None

Description: In this course, students will explore the world of agriculture through authentic, hands-on experiences in the garden and greenhouse spaces at Buford. Students will work collaboratively to develop basic food-growing, landscaping and workplace readiness skills while learning about broader agricultural and food industry systems, including local community-led efforts through the Urban Agriculture Collective. This will include developing and executing planting plans, tending to, harvesting and distributing crops in the school garden, as well as supporting community action projects like the annual Spring Seedling Giveaway. Other learning topics may include nutrition and food preservation, infrastructure design and construction, ecology and the environment. Field trips to the Urban Agriculture Collective and other local farms will enhance the student's experience and connectedness with our local food system.

01_1221_0 Yearbook-Full Year

Grade: 7, 8
Prerequisite: None

Description: Students in the yearbook course learn the required elements of yearbook production including basic photography, videography, advertising design and layout, fundamental business techniques, online publication production, and journalistic writing.

14_9069_0 Career Investigations (18 Weeks)vir

Grade: 7, 8
Prerequisite: None

Description: Students will identify and demonstrate the workplace skills that employers desire in their future employees. Students analyze their personal assets; explore career clusters, career pathways, or occupations; and draft Academic and Career Plans based on their academic and career interests. This course is required (memo: #053-18).

Visual and Performing Arts Exploratory Courses:

05181 Exploratory Art 7 (9 weeks)

Grade: 7
Prerequisite: None

Description: Students develop an interest and awareness of their relationship to art and investigate visual arts careers. Visual Arts are examined through application, art history, art theory, and formal discussions. Students expand their vocabulary as they explore the meaning of works of art through the evaluation of subject matter, themes, and symbols.

08_9106_0 Art 7 (18 weeks)

Grade: 7
Prerequisite: None

Description: The objective of this course is to develop an interest in the visual arts through application, art history, art theory, and formal discussions. This objective will be met by developing basic art skills using various mediums. The course will explore color, line, space, emphasis, proportion, perspective, and the creative process.

08_9105_0 Art 7 - Full Year

Grade: 7
Prerequisite: None

Description: The full-year art program is for students who want to focus on advancing their own visual art skills. Students continue the exploration, analysis, and investigation of the creative process. The course will explore color, line, space, emphasis, proportion, perspective, and the creative process. Students apply elements of art and principles of design to solve artmaking challenges using various processes and materials both in 2-D and 3-D works of art. They develop critical thinking skills and expand their vocabulary as they explore the meaning of works of art through the evaluation of subject matter, themes, and symbols. Students develop an increased awareness of their relationship to art and investigate visual arts careers.

05188 Exploratory Art 8 (9 weeks)

Grade: 8
Prerequisite: None

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Description: Students develop an interest and awareness of their relationship to art and investigate visual arts careers. Visual Arts are examined through application, art history, art theory, and formal discussions. Students expand their vocabulary as they explore the meaning of works of art through the evaluation of subject matter, themes, and symbols.

08_9115_0 Art 8 - Full Year

Grade: 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: The full-year art program is for students who want to focus on advancing their own visual art skills through application, and discussions around art history, art theory, culture and citizenship. Students will apply and synthesize previously learned concepts with more complexity and refine technical skills. The course will explore color, value, proportion, unity, variety, observation and expressive drawing techniques. Students make conscious choices of media, processes, and techniques for expressive and creative purposes in original 2-D and 3-D works of art. They will develop critical thinking skills in the analysis and critique of the work of self and others. Students make connections between art experiences and other fields of knowledge in order to develop solutions to real-world problems.

08_9116_0 Art 8 (18 weeks)

Grade: 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: The objective of this course is to develop an interest in the visual arts through application, art history, art theory, and formal discussions. This objective will be met by developing basic art skills using various mediums through the creative process. The course will explore color, value, proportion, unity, variety, observation and expressive drawing techniques.

09_9231_0 Middle School Concert Band - Full Year

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation

Description: This course will focus on developing musicianship by studying chromatic scale, major scales, (rudiments and various rolls), intermediate methods and rhythms, concert music, and rehearsal skills. Students increase individual technical skills while developing their understanding of the collaborative skills required to create and refine music for ensemble performance. Music literacy skills are emphasized as students read, notate, sight-read, and perform music. Students respond to, describe, interpret, and evaluate music as performers and listeners, and experience music from a variety of cultural influences, styles, composers, and historical periods. Students compare and contrast career options in music and examine the relationship of instrumental music to the other fine arts. Opportunities are provided for students to participate in local, district, and regional music events as appropriate to level, ability, and interest.

09_9231P_0 Middle School Concert Band Percussion - Full Year

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation

Description: This course will focus on developing musicianship by studying mallets (chromatic scale and major scales); snare drum (rudiments and various rolls); timpani; accessory percussion including, but not limited to: bass drum, triangle, and tambourine; intermediate methods and rhythms; concert music; and rehearsal skills. Students increase individual technical skills while developing their understanding of the collaborative skills required to create and refine music for ensemble performance. Music literacy skills are emphasized as students read, notate, sight-read, and perform music. Students respond to, describe, interpret, and evaluate music as performers and listeners, and experience music from a variety of cultural influences, styles, composers, and historical periods. Students compare and contrast career options in music and examine the relationship of instrumental music to the other fine arts. Opportunities are provided for students to participate in local, district, and regional music events as appropriate to level, ability, and interest.

09_9234_0 Middle School Symphonic Band - Full Year

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: Audition and Teacher Recommendation

Description: Students extend their knowledge of instrument-specific techniques while expanding their vocabulary of scales, arpeggios, and rudiments in more complex rhythmic patterns. Ensemble skills become more developed as students participate and collaborate with others to create and recreate music. Music literacy and performance skills are emphasized through performing and sight-reading progressively challenging literature. Students investigate connections between music skills and

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college, career, and workplace skills and investigate current and emerging technology in music. Opportunities are provided for students to participate in local, district, regional, and state events as appropriate to level, ability, and interest.

09_9236_0 Middle School Intermediate Orchestra - Full Year

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation

Description: The Buford Intermediate Orchestra program is a class that works on intermediate middle school orchestral techniques. Students increase individual technical skills while developing their understanding of the collaborative skills required to create and refine music for ensemble performance. Music literacy skills are emphasized as students read, notate, sight-read, and perform music. Students respond to, describe, interpret, and evaluate music as performers and listeners, and experience music from a variety of cultural influences, styles, composers, and historical periods. Students compare and contrast career options in music and examine the relationship of instrumental music to the other fine arts. Opportunities are provided for students to participate in local, district, and regional music events as appropriate to level, ability, and interest.

09_9239_0 Middle School Advanced Orchestra - Full Year

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: Audition and Teacher Recommendation

Description: The Buford Advanced Orchestra program is a class that works on advanced middle school orchestral techniques. Students extend their knowledge of instrument-specific techniques while expanding their vocabulary of scales, arpeggios, and rudiments in more complex rhythmic patterns. Ensemble skills become more developed as students participate and collaborate with others to create and recreate music. Music literacy and performance skills are emphasized through performing and sight-reading progressively challenging literature. Students investigate connections between music skills and college, career, and workplace skills and investigate current and emerging technology in music. Opportunities are provided for students to participate in local, district, regional, and state events as appropriate to level, ability, and interest.

09_9245_0 Introduction to Guitar - 18 weeks

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: None - no previous experience is needed

Description: Beginning Guitar gives students the opportunity to learn via collaboration with peers, to gain responsibility and self-discipline through musical expression in a group activity. This course will include the study of beginning guitar techniques such as basic scales, strumming patterns, arpeggios, use of a pick, and chord progressions.

09_9255_0 Introduction to Piano - Full Year

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: Class piano is for beginning piano students at the 7th and 8th grade level who have had little to no previous keyboard experience. Two textbooks are utilized--"The Older Beginner" (method book) and "Musicianship for the Older Beginner" (theory workbook), with additional solo method books.

9270 Chorus Exploratory (9 weeks)

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: none

Description: Students explore and perform music in a variety of music styles. Students develop choral skills, including singing in unison and two-part harmony, with emphasis on vocal production and technique. Opportunities are provided for students to explore choral music as a means of expression and communication.

09_9277_0 Buford Semester Chorus (18 weeks)

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: The semester Chorus program enables students to obtain musical knowledge and skills in the choral setting. Students explore and perform music in a variety of music styles. Students develop choral skills, including singing in unison and two-part harmony, with emphasis on vocal production and technique. Opportunities are provided for students to explore choral music as a means of expression and communication.

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09_9270_0 Buford Chorus - Full Year

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: The Buford Chorus program is for students who want to focus on advancing their own choral skills. It enables students to obtain musical knowledge and skills in the choral setting. Students develop choral skills, including singing in unison and two-part harmony, with emphasis on vocal production and technique. They explore and perform music in a variety of music styles. In addition, students develop an understanding of acceptable concert etiquette. Opportunities are provided for students to explore choral music as a means of expression and communication. Students are also provided with opportunities to participate in local, district, regional, and state events.

05077 Exploratory Theatre Arts (9 weeks)

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: The exploratory Theatre Arts course introduces students to fundamental concepts of theatre and foster theatre literacy. Through experiences involving inquiry, investigation, improvisation, performance, and production, students acquire skills in communicating ideas, thinking critically, and working collaboratively. This course prepares students for further theatrical study and nurtures an engagement with many forms of theatre.

10_1396_0 Theatre Arts (18 weeks)

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: The semester Theatre Arts course introduces students to fundamental concepts of theatre and foster theatre literacy. Through experiences involving inquiry, investigation, improvisation, performance, and production, students acquire skills in communicating ideas, thinking critically, and working collaboratively. Students develop collaboration skills while increasing their understanding of theatre performance. They focus on complex experiences and expand their understanding of the cultural aspects of theatre. Students apply the creative process while developing their communication and critical-thinking skills.

10_139_01 Middle School Theatre Level 1 - Full Year

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course introduces students to fundamental concepts of Theatre and fosters Theatre literacy. Through inquiry, investigation, improvisation, students acquire skills in communicating ideas, thinking critically, and working collaboratively. The student will engage in the creative process, brainstorm, solve problems, and collaborate with others to create presentations. They will focus on complex experiences and expand their understanding of the cultural aspects of Theatre.

10_139_02 Middle School Theatre Level 2 - Full Year

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: Completion of MS Theatre Level 1, or Audition

Description: This course is for students who want to advance their own Theatre arts skills. Students develop collaboration skills while increasing their understanding of theatre performance. They focus on more complex experiences and expand their understanding of the cultural aspects of theatre. Students continue to refine the creative process while developing their communication and critical-thinking skills. Students conduct character analysis to research, develop, and present a scripted character, explore technical theatre and production concepts, and write critiques. This course prepares students for further theatrical study and exposes students to pathways for theatre-related careers.

16_9190_0 Photography

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: None

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Description: This course introduces students to the basics of photography, including camera functions and photo composition. Students will learn what it takes to create a good photograph and how to improve photographs of animals, people, and vacations. They will also begin working with their photographs using photo-editing software.

16_8249_0 Culinary Arts

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: Students will explore how to prepare, cook, and serve food. There will be a focus on soups, salads, proteins, grains, vegetables, and desserts.

10_1390_0 Middle School Exploratory Dramatics-18 weeks

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: The Buford Middle School Exploratory Dramatics course supports students as they develop communication and collaboration skills while increasing their understanding of theatre performance. Students explore and refine the creative process while developing critical-thinking skills. Students build ensemble skills, focus on the psychological and emotional dimensions of characters in action, and collaborate on complex projects. Students conduct character analysis to research, develop, and present a scripted character, explore technical theatre and production concepts, and write critiques. They refine skills that are necessary to make artistic decisions and present unified productions. This course prepares students for theatre arts studies at the high school level.

Visual and Performing Arts

The visual and performing arts programs offer students the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of courses and activities. The department offers courses for beginners as well as accomplished musicians, actors, and artists. The faculty members promote excellence while encouraging each student to develop to his or her fullest potential as an artist.

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Art Courses:

08_9120_0 Art I

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: Art I is intended to teach and refine basic art skills and to develop an understanding of art concepts through the creation of two and three dimensional artwork. Students learn to appreciate art while developing an art vocabulary through the study of art history and critiques of class artwork. Mastery of Art I skills is a prerequisite for all other art courses.

08_9130_0 Art II

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Art I

Description: Using a thematic approach, students work on a variety of two- and three-dimensional projects, and further develop their knowledge of art history and the conceptual basis of their art production. Outside of class, students maintain a sketchbook of homework drawing assignments. In this course, students produce a portfolio of work, which is presented for placement in the Studio Art course the following year.

08_9180_0 Digital Art/Illustration I

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Art I

Description: This course would introduce students to authentic experiences in creating original artwork using computers and digital media. Topics would include the design and production of digital imagery, product design, graphics and photography, art history, animation, and video. Students would use creative software, such as Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, InDesign, Adobe Draw, and Adobe Sketch to explore techniques, genres, and styles relating to digital illustration, graphic arts, commercial advertising, and the fine arts.

08_9181_0 Digital Art and Illustration II

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade 11,12

Prerequisite: Digital Art I

Description: This course is a continuation of Digital Art and Illustration I. The course will continue to introduce students to authentic experiences in creating original artwork using technology. Students will explore the impact of technologies on visual arts processes and works, and be challenged to continue to adapt and develop problem-solving skills. This course differs from Digital Art I by including the use of computers as a form of art-making. Students will use creative software, such as Adobe Photoshop and Adobe Illustrator to explore digital illustration techniques, graphic arts, animation, commercial advertising, and the fine arts. Art I and Digital Art I should be taken as a prerequisite to allow students to learn about art fundamentals and basic digital art programs that would be applied in this course. Ultimately, students will cultivate connections between art skills, content, and processes that lead to college opportunities and career options in the 21st Century workplace.

08_9140H_0 Studio Art Honors

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Art II; Art Teacher Recommendation

Description: This is a course for the advanced art student who has mastered basic skills, vocabulary and concepts of art.

Working in a studio setting and using a thematic approach, students further develop their ability to work independently in art.

In addition to art production, students study art criticism, art history, and aesthetics.

08_91AP_1 AP Portfolio Studio Art

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Art teacher recommendation

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: This course is equivalent to a college-level drawing, sculpture or design course. There are three different AP Studio Art courses: (1) Studio Art – Drawing [08_9150_1]; (2) Studio Art – Two-dimensional Design [08_9148_1]; and (3) Studio Art – Three-dimensional Design and Sculpture [08_9149_1], all designed for students who are seriously interested in the practical experience of art. Portfolios are prepared and submitted according to the specifications detailed on the College Board website.

Theatre Courses:

10_1410_0 Introduction to Theatre

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course introduces the student to all aspects of theatre arts. Students will receive hands-on training in the art of theatre through various projects, including pantomime, improvisation, radio shows, character voice, vocal presentation, design, scene-work, one-act plays, movement for the stage, acting concepts, stage make-up and special effects. Successful completion of Introduction to Theatre serves as prerequisite for C'ville Players, Musical Theatre Ensemble, and Technical Theatre.

10_1420_0 Charlottesville Players I

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 10, 11

Prerequisite: Introduction to Theatre

Description: This performance-based class offers students the opportunity to explore a variety of acting styles and techniques. Performances for various projects will be held both on campus and off, including children's theatre, puppetry, acting for the camera, improvisation, acting for Shakespeare, dialects, stage combat, acting methods, scene work, and one-act plays. Students will learn theater history as well as read "canonical" theater literature.

10_1423_0 Charlottesville Players II

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Charlottesville Players I

Description: This advanced level course is designed to offer the theatre student an advanced study in theatrical directing, film studies, cinematography, basic and advanced video editing, camera work, and acting styles for the camera. Through a series of small group and individual projects students learn the techniques used in producing film. Charlottesville Players students also perform for area schools and in the greater Charlottesville community.

10_1426H_0 Charlottesville Players III - Honors

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: Charlottesville Players I and II

Description: This performance-based class offers students the opportunity to explore a variety of acting styles and techniques. Performances for various projects will be held both on campus and off, including children's theatre, puppetry, acting for the

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camera, improvisation, acting for Shakespeare, dialects, stage combat, acting methods, scene work, and one-act plays. Students will learn theater history as well as read “canonical” theater literature.

10_1435_0 Technical Theatre

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Introduction to Theatre or approval of instructor

Description: This course is designed to give the student hands-on training in all aspects of technical theatre. From stagecraft to costume design, students will learn the skills it takes to create professional quality productions. Projects include: costume design, sound design, make-up, scenery construction, scene painting, lighting design, and stage management.

10_1436_0 Technical Theatre II

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Technical Theatre I

Description: This course allows students to continue their study in stagecraft and design.

10_1437H_0 Technical Theatre III Honors

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: Technical Theatre II

Description: This advanced level course allows students to hone their skills as a stage technician, and develop leadership roles within the design team on mainstage shows.

10_1427_0 Musical Theatre Ensemble

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Introduction to Theatre and Audition

Description: This performance-based class offers students the opportunity to explore a variety of acting styles and techniques. Performances for various projects will be held both on campus and off, including children’s theatre, puppetry, acting for the camera, improvisation, acting for Shakespeare, dialects, stage combat, acting methods, scene work, and one-act plays. Students will learn theater history as well as read “canonical” theater literature.

Music Courses:

09_9225_0 Music Theory

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in Band, Orchestra, or Chorus

Description: The course will cover the reasons and show how the principles of music theory are applied to music itself. The background for the study of harmony, or any other branch of music will be supplied. Elementary harmony will be covered.

09_9233_0 Symphonic Band

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Audition

Description: This course involves the exploration of wind band literature and is open to all instrumental students. Members will be instructed on technique, tone quality, balance and blend, and concepts as outlined in the National Standards for Music Education. This is a performance based class and extra rehearsals are expected; performances are mandatory.

09_9234P_0 Percussion Ensemble

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Marching Knights member

Description: This course is designed to expose the percussionists of the CHS Bands to a variety of musical styles and ensembles. Students will have many opportunities for performances including percussion ensemble concerts and community events. Students will participate in a CHS concert band.

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09_9234W_0 Wind Ensemble Honors

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Audition

Description: Enrollment in Wind Ensemble is by audition only; the ensemble is composed of the most advanced wind players at CHS. This is a performance-based class and extra rehearsals and/or sectionals are expected; Performances are mandatory. Consistent practice is required, private lessons are encouraged and participation in the District and State auditions is expected.

09_9244M_0 Marching Knights

Credit: 0.5 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Audition

Description: The Marching Knights is a performing group which appears at home football games, various parades, field contests, and festivals. All members must attend band camp approximately 2 weeks prior to the start of school; rehearsal days/times are to be determined. Students who do not play marching instruments are encouraged but not required to be in Marching Knights (i.e. bassoon oboe, harp, string bass).

09_9244J_0 Jazz Ensemble

Credit: 0.5 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Audition

Description: Jazz Ensemble is a performing group as well as an instructional class. Enrollment is open to band members who qualify by audition. The group meets during the early morning period beginning in late fall.

09_9285_0 Concert Choir

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: The focus of this SATB class is to develop and refine basic and intermediate choral music skills and performance etiquette. This ensemble does not travel.

09_9285_5 Concert Choir EM (Early Morning)

Credit: 0.5 or 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Audition with the Director

Description: This SATB ensemble performs a repertoire of primarily jazz and popular music. The concert choir travels and gives a substantial number of community performances throughout the year in addition to concerts at Charlottesville High School. Full credit option meets every morning; half credit option meets on alternating mornings.

09_9289H_0 Charlottesville Singers Honors

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9*, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Audition with the Director

Description: The repertoire of this audition only ensemble ranges from easier popular music to choral masterpieces. This ensemble travels and gives a substantial number of the community performances throughout the year in addition to concerts at Charlottesville High School. *Ninth graders may only take this class with the recommendation of their middle school choir director and a successful audition with the director.

09_9280_0 Knightengales

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9*, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Audition with the Director

Description: This is an all-female, SSAA choir. Repertoire in this all female, auditioned SSAA choir covers traditional female choral music in the fall semester and popular/show tunes with choreography in the spring semester. This is an ensemble which travels and gives a substantial number of community performances throughout the year in addition to concerts at Charlottesville High School. *Ninth graders may only take this class with the recommendation of their middle school choir director and a successful audition with the director.

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09_9238_0 Concert Orchestra

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Two years of playing experience

Description: The Concert Orchestra is composed of all ninth-grade string students, and upper-class students who either chose not to audition, or were not selected for String Ensemble. The Concert Orchestra rehearses and performs string music of moderate to difficult levels, and several concerts are performed during the school year as part of this course. Technical and musical concepts such as tone quality, phrasing, articulation, balance and blend will be taught, as outlined in the National Standards for Music Education.

09_9249S_0 String Ensemble Honors

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Audition

Description: The String Ensemble is composed of the most advanced tenth-, eleventh-, and twelfth-grade string players, selected by audition in the spring of the preceding year and performs string and full orchestra music of difficult to professional level. Many concerts and outside performances are scheduled during the school year as part of this course. Consistent practice is required; private lessons and participation in Regional and All-State auditions are encouraged.

09_9255_0 Class Piano

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Enrollment: Limited to 15 students per class

Description: Class Piano is for students with elementary piano skills. Beginning music theory is incorporated into daily lessons.

09_9256_0 Music Production & Recording

Credit: 1 Fine Arts Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: This beginning course allows students to explore beat making, music production, music technology as well as careers in the music production industry. Students will create music in a wide range of genres including hip-hop, R&B, EDM and other popular styles through music technology and software. Students will have the opportunity to post their work for others to hear and perform live at the end of the school year.

World Language

World Language courses are electives for students who wish to expand their horizons by learning another language. To meet the requirements of the Advanced Studies Diploma, students need to complete three years of one World Language or two years each of two World Languages. World Language is an entrance requirement for many colleges and universities. Students should consult with World Language teachers in planning their World Language program.

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07_5110H_0 French I Honors

Credit: 1 High School Credit

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: Students should have a C or higher in Language Arts 6 or Language Arts 7

Description: This course is a high school credit course introducing the French language and culture. Emphasis is placed on listening comprehension, speaking skills, reading comprehension, and effective written communication at the beginning level.

07_5120H_0 French II Honors

Credit: 1 High School Credit

Grade: 8

Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in French I-Honors

Description: This course is taught almost entirely in French. Students will focus on interpersonal speaking, reading, and writing skills, and deepen their understanding of French and francophone culture.

07_5310H_0 Latin I Honors

Credit: 1 High School Credit

Grade: 7, 8

Prerequisite: Students should have a C or higher in Language Arts 6 or Language Arts 7

Description: This course is an introduction to the Latin language and Roman culture. By reading about the lives of a Roman family, the students will begin to learn the Latin language, and study the culture, literature, and geography of Roman civilization. Students will cement English grammar concepts through the study of Latin grammar. Students will increase their English vocabulary through the study of English derivations of Latin words.

07_5320H_0 Latin II Honors

Credit: 1 High School Credit

Grade: 8

Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in Latin I-Honors

Description: In this course, students continue to broaden their understanding of the Latin language through reading about the everyday lives of a Roman family. There is a continued emphasis on reading comprehension, vocabulary, grammar, culture, and geography. Students continue to add to their knowledge of English by learning English derivations of Latin words, and comparing grammar concepts.

07_5510H_0 Spanish I Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 7,8

Prerequisite: Students should have a C or higher in Language Arts 6 or Language Arts 7

Assessments: Final Exam

Description: This is an introductory course to the Spanish language and its culture. Emphasis is placed on listening comprehension, speaking skills, reading comprehension, and effective written communication at the beginning level.

07_5520H_0 Spanish II Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 8

Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in Spanish I-Honors

Assessments: Final Exam

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Description: This course is taught primarily in Spanish. An emphasis on building idiomatic vocabulary and grammar skills enables students to speak, read, and write more proficiently.

5513H Spanish I, Part I Honors

Credit: 0.5 High School Credit

Grade: 7

Prerequisite: Students should have a C or higher in Language Arts 6 or Language Arts 7

Description: This course is part I of an introductory high school credit course in the Spanish language and culture. Emphasis is placed on listening comprehension, speaking skills, reading comprehension, and effective written communication at the beginning level.

5513H Spanish I, Part II Honors

Credit: 0.5 High School Credit

Grade: 8

Prerequisite: Passing grade in Spanish I, Part I

Description: This course is part II of an introductory high school credit course in the Spanish language and culture. Emphasis is placed on listening comprehension, speaking skills, reading comprehension, and effective written communication at the beginning level.

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07_5810H_0 Chinese: Mandarin I - Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Must pass English 8 class with a C or higher or pass English 8 Reading/Writing SOL

Assessments: Final Exam

Description: A beginner course in Mandarin Chinese language, students will begin acquisition of Chinese vocabulary and grammar. They will practice core language skills of reading, writing, and speaking. Emphasis will be on learning to read and write essential characters.

07_5820H_0 Chinese: Mandarin II Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in Chinese: Mandarin I Honors

Assessments: Final Exam

Description: This course will cover the same material as Chinese: Mandarin II. Students may choose to earn honors-level credit by completing supplemental work, adding thoroughness and rigor to the curriculum content, and requiring stronger control of the core language skills.

07_5830H_0 Chinese: Mandarin III Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student should have a passing grade in Chinese: Mandarin II Honors

Assessments: Final Exam

Description: In this advanced-intermediate Chinese language class students will continue their study of vocabulary and grammar, with more opportunity to put their growing knowledge base to work in practical ways: reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Cultural exploration will also be a key component of this course. Students will begin pre-AP preparation.

07_5840H_0 Chinese: Mandarin IV Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student should have a passing grade in Chinese: Mandarin III Honors

Assessments: Final Exam

Description: This course focuses on the refinement of reading, writing, listening, grammar usage, and conversation proficiency. Additionally, the students will continue to learn more about Chinese culture and history. We begin focusing more on the six AP themes and do more Internet research.

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07_5860_1 AP Chinese Language and Culture

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Student should have a passing grade in Chinese: Mandarin III Honors or Chinese Mandarin IV Honors

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: A follow-up course to the Chinese: Mandarin III-Honors class. The AP Chinese Language and Literature course is roughly equivalent to a 4th semester college course. The course and exam incorporates Chinese cultural information within the teaching of reading, writing, speaking, and listening to the language.

07_5110H_0 French I Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Must pass English 8 class with a C or higher or pass English 8 Reading/Writing SOL

Assessments: Final Exam

Description: This is an introductory course to the French language and its culture. Emphasis is placed on listening comprehension, speaking skills, reading comprehension, and effective written communication at the beginning level.

07_5120H_0 French II Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in French I-Honors

Assessments: Final Exam

Description: This course is taught entirely in French. Authentic reading and listening materials from the Francophone world serve as models for building idiomatic vocabulary usage. Students will focus on interpersonal speaking and writing skills.

07_5130H_0 French III Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in French II-Honors

Assessments: Final Exam

Description: This course focuses on the continued acquisition of vocabulary and listening skills as well as discussion, reading, and writing proficiency. The cultures of the various French-speaking countries are an integral part of the language study. Students must demonstrate their ability to integrate these skills when studying Le Petit Prince near the end of the year.

07_5140H_0 French IV Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in French III-Honors

Assessments: Final Exam

Description: This course focuses on the refinement of reading, writing, grammar usage, and conversation proficiency. We begin focusing more on the six AP themes and do more Internet research. This course prepares students for AP French Language and Culture as well as offering an opportunity to begin studying on a college level.

07_5170_1 AP French Language

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in French III or IV Honors

Assessments: AP Exam

Description: This course is designed to challenge the highly proficient French language student who wishes to experience college-level work while still in high school. Students must be prepared to work independently doing internet research and activities tied to the six themes of the AP exam. They will hone their interpersonal and presentational speaking and writing skills as well as reading and listening comprehension.

07_5210H_0 German I Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

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Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Must pass English 8 class with a C or higher or pass English 8 Reading/Writing SOL
Assessments: Final Exam
Description: This is an introductory course to the German language and its culture. Emphasis is placed on listening comprehension, speaking skills, reading comprehension, and effective written communication at the beginning level.

07_5220H_0 German II Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in German I-Honors
Assessments: Final Exam
Description: This course is taught primarily in German. An emphasis on building idiomatic vocabulary and grammar skills enables students to speak, read, and write more proficiently. Paragraphs and simple composition construction are essential components.

07_5230H_0 German III Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in German II-Honors
Assessments: Final Exam
Description: This course is taught primarily in German. The class is based on authentic conversation practice and draws heavily upon the textbooks and secondary literature as resources for instruction. There is a term paper composition during the second semester focusing on a piece of German literature from the 19th century or beyond.

07_5240H_0 German IV Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit
Grade: 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in German III-Honors
Assessments: Final Exam
Description: This class is taught primarily in German. The class draws heavily upon Germany in a historical context (post WWII). Students write weekly timed compositions of an increasingly narrow scope, concentrating on their prior knowledge of the DDR (Eastern Germany) and modern German literature and language. Grammar essentials, composition and conversation form the backbone of the course.

07_5270_1 AP German Language and Culture

Credit: 1 World Language Credit
Grade: 11, 12
Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in German III or German IV Honors
Assessments: AP Exam
Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.
Description: This course is designed to challenge the highly proficient German language student who wishes to experience college-level work while still in high school. The AP German Language and Culture course takes a holistic approach to language proficiency and recognizes the complex interrelatedness of comprehension and comprehensibility, vocabulary usage, language control, communication strategies, and cultural awareness.

07_5310H_0 Latin I Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Must pass English 8 class with a C or higher or pass English 8 Reading/Writing SOL
Assessments: Final Exam
Description: This is an introductory course to the Latin language and culture. Through reading about the lives of the people who live in the bustling Roman Subura, the students learn reading comprehension, vocabulary, grammar, culture, geography and through the sections on word study, the students will increase their English vocabulary skills.

07_5320H_0 Latin II Honors

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Credit: 1 World Language Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in Latin I-Honors
Assessments: Final Exam

Description: This course continues the study of Latin grammar. Emphasis is placed on grammatical forms, vocabulary, derivations, and the daily life of ancient Romans. This course prepares students for more advanced reading of authentic Latin literature and for more intense study of Roman civilization.

07_5330H_0 Latin III Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in Latin II-Honors
Assessments: Final Exam

Description: : This course completes the study of Latin grammar. The selected works of Eutropius, fairy tales, Cicero, Julius Caesar, Martial, Catullus, Ovid and other Roman authors are read and discussed. The finer points of grammatical syntax are addressed, and cultural and historical aspects of Roman literature and life are emphasized through the study of authentic Latin texts. At the honors level, students will move through the curriculum at a quicker pace and have opportunities to go deeper into the material through independent projects at the end of the semester.

07_5340H_0 Latin IV Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit
Grade: 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in Latin III-Honors
Assessments: Final Exam

Description: This course focuses on the mastery of grammar, syntax, vocabulary, and reading comprehension, while introducing the skill of reading Latin texts for style. Students concentrate on reading and analyzing passages from a variety of Latin genres such as history, poetry, letters, and plays to analyze the effects of figurative speech, word choice, and meter on the meaning of a passage. They also expand their knowledge of Roman history and perspectives by reading works from famous Roman authors in context.

07_5370_1 AP Latin

Credit: 1 World Language Credit
Grade: 11, 12
Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in Latin III or IV Honors
Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: This course is designed to challenge the highly proficient Latin student who wishes to experience college-level work while still in high school. The AP Latin course focuses on the in-depth study of selections from two of the greatest works in Latin literature: Vergil's Aeneid and Caesar's Gallic War. The course requires students to prepare and translate the readings and place these texts in a meaningful context, which helps develop critical, historical, and literary sensitivities. Throughout the course, students consider 8 themes in the context of ancient literature and bring these works to life through classroom discussions, debates, and presentations. Additional English readings from both of these works help place the Latin readings in a significant context.

07_5510H_0 Spanish I Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit
Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12
Prerequisite: Must pass English 8 class with a C or higher or pass English 8 Reading/Writing SOL

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Assessments: Final Exam

Description: This is an introductory course to the Spanish language and its culture. Emphasis is placed on listening comprehension, speaking skills, reading comprehension, and effective written communication at the beginning level.

07_5520H_0 Spanish II Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in Spanish I-Honors

Assessments: Final Exam

Description: This course is taught primarily in Spanish. An emphasis on building idiomatic vocabulary and grammar skills enables students to speak, read, and write more proficiently.

07_5530H_0 Spanish III Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in Spanish II-Honors

Assessments: Final Exam

Description: This course is taught primarily in Spanish. This course is designed for students who intend to continue with Spanish IV-H and V-AP. Focus is on the continued development of vocabulary, listening skills, as well as discussion, reading, and writing proficiency.

07_5540H_0 Spanish IV Honors

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in Spanish III-Honors

Assessments: Final Exam

Description: This course is conducted entirely in Spanish, and focuses on the refinement of reading, writing, grammar usage, and conversation proficiency. Students will study a variety of topics, including contemporary issues.

07_5570_1 AP Spanish Language

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in Spanish III or IV Honors

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: This course is designed to challenge the highly proficient Spanish language student who wishes to experience college-level work while still in high school. Students refine their proficiency in written and oral expression of ideas. In addition to speaking and writing essays, reading poetry, short stories, plays, and newspaper and magazine articles, this course focuses primarily on Latin American literature and culture, with some study of important contemporary Hispanic authors.

07_5580_1 AP Spanish Literature

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 12

Assessment: AP Spanish Literature Examination

Prerequisite: Students should have a passing grade in AP Spanish Language

Note: **Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May.** College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved on the exam and individual policies of colleges and universities. *The AP Spanish Literature course requires an independent, motivated learner as it can be an independent course.*

Description: The AP Spanish Language and Culture course is designed for advanced students of the language who have already taken AP Spanish Language. In this class, students will read, discuss, and interpret a variety of texts from medieval Iberia to modern Latin America, while learning about the cultures that produced them. This course is conducted entirely in Spanish and requires a significant amount of work outside the classroom.

07_5521_0 Spanish for Heritage Speakers I

Credit: 1 Foreign Language

Grade: 9-12

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Prerequisite: First/Native language is Spanish

Assessments: Final exam

Description: This course is designed for fluent speakers of Spanish and provides an opportunity to strengthen skills in their native language. It focuses on communicative competence in reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Students will study Hispanic culture and issues around the identity of native speakers of Spanish in the United States. Students will develop a deeper awareness and understanding of Hispanic cultures, customs, language variations, geography, history, and current events.

07_5531_0 Spanish for Heritage Speakers II

Credit: 1 Foreign Language

Grade: 9-12

Prerequisite: First/Native language is Spanish

Assessments: Final exam

Description: This course is designed for fluent speakers of Spanish and provides an opportunity to continue strengthening skills in their native language. It focuses on communicative competence in reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Students will study Hispanic culture and issues around the identity of native speakers of Spanish in the United States. Students will develop a deeper awareness and understanding of Hispanic cultures, customs, language variations, geography, history, and current events.

Career and Technical Education

Career and Technical Education provides sequences of career-related courses designed to help students develop skills needed for entry-level employment, advanced technical training programs, and continuing education on the college and university level. Students enrolled in career and technical education courses also have the opportunity to participate in program-specific career and technical student organizations (CTSO), which provides hands-on leadership experience in a co-curricular club that is student-facilitated. In addition, students also can participate in various work-based learning opportunities.

Charlottesville High School Course Offerings

Photography Courses:

Photography Program Completer Sequence:

- Commercial Photography I
- Commercial Photography II
- Commercial Photography Capstone

14_8607_0 Commercial Photography I

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Assessments: CTE Credential - Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment

Description: The ability to apply principles of visual literacy to produce visual content gives students an advantage in today's global, multimedia society. Students will be taught industry-relevant technical skills and have the opportunity to work with a variety of technology, including digital cameras, design software, and editing tools to stage, shoot, process, print, and present professional-grade images. In addition, students will evaluate and critique photographic work and investigate the history of photography, including (optionally) the fundamentals of film and darkroom development.

14_8608H_0 Honors Commercial Photography II

Credit: 2 CTE Credits

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Commercial Photography I

Assessments: CTE Credential - Adobe Certified Professional Examinations: Photoshop

Notes: To meet CTE seat time requirements, this course requires the face-to-face class in addition to a virtual component to complete field work.

Description: The ability to apply principles of visual literacy to produce visual content gives students an advantage in today's global, multimedia society. In this second year of Commercial Photography, students continue to learn industry-relevant technical skills. Students have the opportunity to work with a variety of technology, including digital cameras, external flashes, studio strobes, design software, and editing tools to stage, shoot, process, print, and present professional-grade images. Students will develop a portfolio for a related career. In addition, students will explore the fundamentals of film and darkroom development. A large part of the curriculum is individualized for each student, focusing on the student's main area of interest in photography. In addition to having an area of focus throughout the year, students will have challenge projects to learn new things and push the limits of their comfort zone with subject matter and technique. Students will also be expected to participate in an enrichment experience throughout the school year, which can include, but is not limited to: professional photographer interning or shadowing, attending local camera club meetings, and participating in local photography organization events.

14_8455_0 Commercial Photography Capstone

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: Commercial Photography I, Commercial Photography II

Assessments: CTE Credential - Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment

Description: This class is an extension of the Commercial Photography sequence. Student's will have the opportunity to refine their skills shooting, processing, and printing images in addition to gaining more experience with photographic

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software and studio lighting. Student's will present professional-grade images in a portfolio for a related career and on a website. In addition, students will continue to explore film and darkroom development. This course is a project based class and requires shooting assignments outside of class. All students are required to participate in a job shadow/interning experience.

Family and Consumer Science Courses

14_8229_0 Nutrition and Wellness

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Assessments: CTE Credential - Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment

Description: Nutrition and Wellness is a food introductory class. Nutrition and Fitness are major components of the class.

Labs are required activities along with other projects that are used to enhance the understanding of cooking and food production. Student participation in FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) is encouraged.

14_8250_0 Intro to Culinary Arts

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Completion of Nutrition and Wellness with a C or better

Assessments: CTE Credential - Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment

Description: Units of study include food science and technology, dietetics and nutrition services, diverse cuisines and service styles, current trends, food and beverage production and preparation, and food safety and sanitation. Students combine classroom instruction and supervised on-the-job training in an approved position with continuing supervision throughout the school year.

14_9097H_0 Leadership Development - Honors

Credit: 1 CTE Credit & *No CTE Credit at LMA for Social Emotional Learning*

Grade: 9,10,11,12

Prerequisite: None

Assessments: CTE Credential - Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment

Description: Students develop competencies in identifying individual aptitudes in relation to effective leadership skills, understanding organizational behavior, using effective communication in the workplace, handling human resources and organizational problems, supervising and training employees, resolving conflict, and planning for the future. Continuing education in leadership is emphasized as well as practice leadership experiences in cooperation with school and community leaders

14_8227H_0 Leaders for Tomorrow - Honors

Credit: 1 CTE Credit & *No CTE Credit at LMA for Social Emotional Learning*

Grade: 9,10,11,12

Prerequisite: None

Assessments: CTE Credential - Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment

Description: Students develop skills in identifying individual aptitudes in relation to effective leadership skills, using effective communication in the workplace, applying problem solving processes and resolving conflict, developing career and community connections, and planning for the future. Students will identify wellness goals, strategies to manage stress and characteristics of a healthy lifestyle. Students will explore responsible citizenship and identify social, economic, legal and ethical issues affecting individuals and community well-being. Students will have practical leadership experiences in cooperation with school and community leaders in completing a service learning project.

Career Connections

14_9062_4 DE Teachers For Tomorrow I

Credit: 1 CTE Credit; 3 Dual Enrollment Credits

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Assessments: CTE Credential - Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment

Description: Virginia Teachers for Tomorrow (VTfT) fosters student interest, understanding, and appreciation of the teaching

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profession and allows secondary students to explore careers in education. Students build a foundation for teaching; learn the history, structure and governance of teaching; apply professional teaching techniques in the VTfT classroom and field experience; and reflect on their teaching experiences. Additional educational leadership opportunities are offered through the student organization, Rising STARS.

14_9072_4 DE Teachers For Tomorrow II

Credit: 1 CTE Credit; 3 Dual Enrollment Credits

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: 9062

Assessments: CTE Credential - Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment

Description: Virginia Teachers for Tomorrow II (VTfT) fosters student interest, understanding, and appreciation of the teaching profession and allows secondary students to explore careers in education. Students continue to explore careers in the Education and Training Career Cluster and pathways. This course provides the opportunity for students to prepare for careers in education as they research postsecondary options, learn about the process of teacher certification in Virginia, and participate in a practical experience.

8040 SEA I

Credit: 0.5 Elective Credit per Semester

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12 (Must be 16 years of age)

Prerequisite: Accepted application

Description: Student Employment Assistance (SEA) is a supervised work experience program which encourages students to become responsible, successful, career-minded individuals. Students receive support from a Job Coach to obtain and maintain competitive employment by demonstrating appropriate work behaviors and receiving satisfactory employer performance ratings. A minimum of 135 hours of supervised competitive employment is required.

The course credit is awarded on a Pass/Fail basis and does not weigh into the student's grade point average.

8045 SEA II

Credit: 1 Elective Credit per Semester

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12 (Must be 16 years of age)

Prerequisite: Accepted application

Description: Student Employment Assistance (SEA) is a supervised work experience program which encourages students to become responsible, successful, career-minded individuals. Students receive support from a Job Coach to obtain and maintain competitive employment by demonstrating appropriate work behaviors and receiving satisfactory employer performance ratings. A minimum of 270 hours of supervised competitive employment is required.

The course credit is awarded on a Pass/Fail basis and does not weigh into the student's grade point average.

Entrepreneurship and Marketing Education

Entrepreneurship and Marketing Completer Sequence Options:

Option 1 - Fashion Marketing AND choose 1 of the courses below:

- Urban Farming and Marketing I
- Urban Farming and Marketing II
- Digital Marketing

**(not Sports Marketing)

Option 2 - Sports and Entertainment Marketing AND choose 1 of the courses below:

- Urban Farming and Marketing I
- Urban Farming and Marketing II
- Digital Marketing

**(not Fashion Marketing)

Option 3 - Choose any 2 of the courses below:

- Digital Marketing

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- Urban Farming and Marketing I
- Urban Farming and Marketing II

14_8140_0 Fashion Marketing

14_8140_3 Fashion Marketing Virtual

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Certifications: National Retail Federation Certification in Customer Service

Note: Students enrolled in this course who have a job and work approx. 10-15 hours per week, can earn an additional 1 credit for their supervised work experience through the Work Based Learning: Marketing Co-op Program.

Description: Students who are interested in the business and marketing of fashion will study the history of fashion, color psychology, fashion cycles, trends vs. fads, branding, visual merchandising and advertising. Students will use simulations to develop their critical thinking skills while managing a virtual retail store.

14_8175_0 Sports and Entertainment Marketing

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Certifications: Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment

Note: Students enrolled in this course who have a job and work approx. 10-15 hours per week, can earn an additional 1 credit for their supervised work experience through the Work Based Learning: Marketing Co-op Program.

Description: Students who are interested in the business side of sports and entertainment will investigate the components of branding, stadium/venue design, sponsorships, endorsements and promotions. Students will use simulations to develop their critical thinking skills while managing a virtual sports franchise.

14_9078_0 Education for Employment Level I

Credit: 1 CTE Elective Credit & *No CTE Credit at LMA for Social Emotional Learning*

Grade: 9, 10, 11, (Must be 16 years of age)

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course teaches students to make informed career and continuing education choices as they transition from school, gain technical skills, and adapt to the workplace. Students are taught ethical behaviors and career-research, job acquisition, workplace-communication, self-awareness, self-advocacy, customer-service, and life skills.

14_9080_0 Education for Employment Level II

Credit: 1 CTE Elective Credit & *No CTE Credit at LMA for Social Emotional Learning*

Grade: 10, 11, 12 (Must be 16 years of age)

Prerequisite: Education for Employment Level I

Description: This course continues to teach students to make informed career and continuing education choices as they transition from school, gain technical skills, and adapt to the workplace. Students are taught to apply ethical behaviors and career-research, job acquisition, workplace-communication, self-awareness, self-advocacy, customer-service, and life skills.

14_8120_0 Urban Farming and Marketing I

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Certifications: Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment

Note: Students enrolled in this course who have a job and work approx. 10-15 hours per week, can earn an additional 1 credit for their supervised work experience through the Work Based Learning: Marketing Co-op Program.

Description: An introduction to the fundamentals of urban farming with a focus on farm to table agriculture and the marketing skills required to sell what is grown. Students will take advantage of resources available in the school's Sigma Lab, greenhouse, and school garden. Key elements of instruction include workplace readiness skills, marketing and business skills, safety procedures, protective equipment and tools, research of green industry trends, development of project designs, and

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plans, creation and maintenance of landscaping, carpentry and construction projects, investigation of sustainable living strategies, and preparation for career opportunities in the industry.

14_8130_0 Urban Farming and Marketing II

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Urban Farming

Certifications: Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment

Note: Students enrolled in this course who have a job and work approx. 10-15 hours per week, can earn an additional 1 credit for their supervised work experience through the Work Based Learning: Marketing Co-op Program.

Description: This course is designed for students who wish to concentrate on advanced strategies for entrepreneurship, building upon concepts introduced in Entrepreneurship (9093). The focus of the course is on development of a business plan and small business management.

14_8125_0 Digital Marketing

14_8125_3 Digital Marketing Virtual

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: none

Certifications: National Retail Federation Certification in Customer Service

Note: Students enrolled in this course who have a job and work approx. 10-15 hours per week, can earn an additional 1 credit for their supervised work experience through the Work Based Learning: Marketing Co-op Program.

Description: This course is for students who aspire to work within or create a business that can operate on the Internet. Students gain knowledge of e-tailing, global business, marketing research, advertising, e-commerce, and website design. Students will use simulations to develop their critical thinking skills while managing a virtual retail store.

14_8120C_0 Work-Based Learning: Marketing Co-op

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Co-requisite: Must be currently enrolled in a Marketing Course or Economics and Personal Finance

Description: Students in the Co-op Work Release Program earn 1 credit for their supervised retail job experience. Students enrolled in this course are required to have a job, retain the job for the entire school year, and work approximately 10-15 hours per week.

14_9074_0 Junior/Senior Internship Program - half credit

14_9071_0 Junior/Senior Internship Program - full credit

Credit: 0.5 CTE Credit (9074 - 2 hours per week for 36 weeks)

1 CTE Credit (9071 - 4 hours per week for 36 weeks)

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: This program is designed to support a student's long-range education and career goals and provides the opportunity to experience "first-hand" a particular career or career field by interning with professionals in the community. Students enhance their academic, technical and workplace readiness skills as well as become more informed about certain career field expectations and requirements before entering college and/or the workforce.

Economics and Personal Finance

All students are required to earn 1 credit in Economics and Personal Finance for graduation.

06_6120H_0 Economics And Personal Finance Honors

06_6120H_3 Economics And Personal Finance Honors - Virtual

06_6120H_5 Economics And Personal Finance Honors - Early Morning

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

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Certification: W!SE Financial Literacy Certification

Note: Students enrolled in this course who have a job and work approx. 10-15 hours per week, can earn an additional 1 credit for their supervised work experience through the Work Based Learning: Marketing Co-op Program.

Description: Students will learn how to make financial decisions related to budgeting, banking, credit, insurance, spending, taxes, investing, buying/renting a home and vehicle. The course also develops an understanding of basic economic structures and the global economy and uses simulations to practice navigating the financial decisions of a virtual life.

06_3120_0 Personal Living and Finance

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Certification: Workplace Readiness Skills Assessment

Note: **This course combined with 3 History/Social Studies credits counts for the Personal Finance and Economics graduation requirement for students with an IEP or 504.** (see Superintendent's memo [here](#)).

Note: Students enrolled in this course who have a job and work approx. 10-15 hours per week, can earn an additional 1 credit for their supervised work experience through the Work Based Learning: Marketing Co-op Program.

Description: Students learn how to navigate the financial decisions they must face and to make informed decisions related to budgeting, banking, credit, insurance, spending, taxes, saving, investing, buying/leasing a vehicle, living independently, and inheritance. Instruction in personal finance prepares students to function effectively as consumers, savers, investors, entrepreneurs, and active citizens. The course incorporates all personal living and finances objectives included in the Code of Virginia §22.1-253.13:1.B.

14_6121_3 Finance - Virtual

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Must be enrolled in or have previously passed AP Microeconomics and /or AP Macro Economics

Note: **This course along with either AP Microeconomics or AP Macro Economics satisfies the Economics and Personal Finance requirement for graduation for student.**

Certification: W!SE Financial Literacy Certification

Note: Students enrolled in this course who have a job and work approx. 10-15 hours per week, can earn an additional 1 credit for their supervised work experience through the Work Based Learning: Marketing Co-op Program.

Description: Students will learn how to make financial decisions related to budgeting, banking, credit, insurance, spending, taxes, investing, buying/renting a home and vehicle. The course also develops an understanding of basic economic structures and the global economy and uses simulations to practice navigating the financial decisions of a virtual life.

Engineering

Engineering Completer Sequence:

Choose any 2 of the courses below:

- 8450 Engineering 1
- 8451 Engineering 2
- 8452 Engineering 3
- 8453 DE Engineering 4
- 8491 Engineering Capstone - Honors

14_8450_0 Engineering 1

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: An introduction to engineering as a profession, a process, a mindset, and the application of technical skills and knowledge. Students will design, prototype, test, and report on a wide range of projects. Students will learn basic programming, computer aided design (CAD), computational software, and electronics, as well as teamwork and problem solving.

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14_8451_0 Engineering 2

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Engineering 1

Description: Students will build on their experiences in Engineering 1, proposing and completing independent projects. Students will develop advanced skills in programming, CAD, computational software, circuit design, and robotics.

14_8452_4 Engineering 3

Credit: 1 CTE Credit; 2 community college credits

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Engineering 2

Description: Engineering 3 is the third course in the five-year Engineering Course Sequence. This Dual Enrollment course is designed for sophomores, juniors, and seniors who intend to pursue engineering or other technical fields after high school. In Engineering 3, students are responsible for the development, design, prototyping, implementation, optimization, and presentation of self-guided projects. Students will develop a mastery of Computer Aided Design (CAD), programming, electronics, advanced manufacturing, project management, and technical writing.

14_8453_4 Dual Enrollment Engineering 4

Credit: 1 CTE Credit; 3 community college credits

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Engineering 3; Passing score on PVCC Virginia Placement Test (VPT) in both Math and English or PSAT/SAT/ACT scores

Description: Engineering 4 is the fourth course in the five-year engineering course sequence. This Dual Enrollment course is designed for juniors and seniors who intend to pursue engineering or other technical fields after high school. In Engineering 4, students are responsible for the development, design, prototyping, implementation, optimization, and presentation of self-guided projects with an emphasis on the use of computational modeling, portability, connectivity, and computer programming.

14_8491_4 Dual Enrollment Engineering Capstone

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: Dual Enrollment Engineering 4

Description: The CHS Engineering Capstone course is available to students who have successfully completed Engineering 1-4. Students in the Engineering Capstone course will pursue independent research on a year-long question or problem of their choice. Research projects will provide an opportunity for students to apply the engineering knowledge, skills, and understandings gained in their previous engineering courses. Students may choose to collaborate with other Engineering Capstone students on their projects. Student work will be graded according to originality, independence, appropriateness of scope, process of inquiry, impact, intellectual stretch, schedule, budget, documentation, and presentation.

14_8910_0 Honors Unmanned Aircraft Systems I

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Engineering 1

Description: This course prepares students to fly drones under the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Part 107 Guidelines. Students get an overview of the national airspace system, FAA regulations, and the design and operation of small drones. Students will also monitor weather, address loading and performance of drones, and coordinate flight operation logistics. Students perform administrative tasks, train to fly, and finally, fly small unmanned aircraft systems (sUAS).

XXXXX Honors Unmanned Aircraft Systems II

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Honors Unmanned Aircraft Systems I

Description: Description coming when VSOE updates this

Computer Science

Computer Science Completer Sequence:

- Exploring Computer Science
- App Development

14_6640_0 Exploring Computer Science

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: This is an introductory, college prep course that provides students with foundational computer science knowledge and computing skills. The course consists of human computer interaction, problem solving, web design, an introduction to programming, computing and data analysis, and robotics. The inquiry-based instructional design of the course provides the opportunity for students of all skill levels to engage the curriculum and be well prepared to enter a rigorous and rewarding computer science pathway.

14_6641_0 App Development

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: Students in this course explore programming concepts, use algorithmic procedures, implement programming procedures with one or more standard languages, and master programming fundamentals. Coding is used throughout the course. Graphical user interfaces may be used as students design and develop apps and employ block programming such as Scratch and Lego Mindstorm.

14_6302_0 Cybersecurity Fundamentals

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Exploring Computer Science (strongly recommended)

Description: This course focuses on the evolving and pervasive technological environment with an emphasis on securing personal, organizational, and national information. Students will be introduced to the principles of cybersecurity, explore emerging technologies, examine threats and protective measures, and investigate the high-skill, high-wage, in-demand career opportunities in the field of cybersecurity.

13_3186_1 AP Computer Science Principles

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9 -12

Prerequisite: None

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: AP Computer Science Principles 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.

13_3185_1 AP Computer Science A

Credit: May be used as a Science / Math Credit

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Algebra II

Assessments: AP Exam

Note: Students are expected to take the AP examination, which is offered in May. College credit may be earned depending upon the score achieved and individual policies of colleges and universities.

Description: This advanced placement Java programming course emphasizes object-oriented programming methodology with a concentration on problem solving and algorithm development. Other topics covered include data structures, program design and abstractions.

Sports Medicine

16_7660_0 Sports Medicine I

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9 - 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course is designed to introduce students to the basic concepts of athletic training. Topics that will be covered include anatomy, tissue response to injury, medical terminology and prevention, assessment and rehabilitation of injuries. Students will also obtain certification in CPR and First Aid.

Agriculture Education

14_8040_0 Introduction to Natural Resources and Ecology Systems

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 9 - 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: Students will explore environmental science, conservation management, and the study of natural resources to develop knowledge and skills required for employment in occupations related to ecology, forestry, and wildlife and natural resources management.

English Language Development (ELD)

English Language Development (ELD) services are designed to support students in the English Language Program as they develop English proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Concepts taught in the program support grade-level content skills taught in all areas of the regular curriculum. Instruction is designed to meet the needs of students at various English proficiency levels, is offered in all schools, and includes all students who test into the division-wide English Language Development program. Students are assigned to courses in the ELD programs based on their first language literacy, their English proficiency level as measured by the ACCESS test, and their academic level.

Buford Middle School Course Offerings

07_5700W_8 English Language Development 1

Grade: 7 or 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course is designed for beginning English Language Learners. Students receive intensive instruction in reading, writing, listening and speaking. Focus is placed on initial reading, sight words, spelling, and basic vocabulary in social language and all content areas. Students also are introduced to and work towards grade-level English standards of learning.

07_5701_8 English 7 ESL

Grade: 7

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course introduces English language learners to basic structures and vocabulary of the English language through the skills of reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Students learn strategies in order to advance their reading, listening, and pronunciation skills. They expand oral comprehensibility and write complete sentences.

07_5702_8 English 8 ESL

Grade: 8

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course introduces English language learners to basic structures and vocabulary of the English language through the skills of reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Students learn strategies in order to advance their reading, listening, and pronunciation skills. They expand oral comprehensibility and write complete sentences.

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07_5710_8 English Language Development I

Credit: 2 World Language credits

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: English Language Proficiency Assessment of Level 1

Description: This course is designed for beginning English Language Learners. Students receive a double block of intensive instruction in reading, writing, listening and speaking. Focus is placed on initial reading, sight words, spelling, and basic vocabulary in social language and all content areas.

07_5710_82 English Language Development II

Credit: 2 World Language credits

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: English Language Proficiency Assessment of Level 2

Description: This course is designed for high-beginning English Language Learners. Students receive a double block of intensive instruction in reading, writing, listening and speaking. Emphasis is placed on reading development and academic language in all content areas.

07_5720_8 English 9 Language Development

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 9

Co-requisite: Must be a student enrolled in English 9

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Description: This course is to provide additional support for high beginning to intermediate level English Language Learners who are currently in English 9. The focus is on academic vocabulary, reading strategies, writing, and study skills necessary to be prepared for the End-of-Course Assessments.

07_5730_8 English 10 Language Development

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 10

Co-requisite: Must be a student enrolled in English 10

Description: This course is to provide additional support for intermediate level English Language Learners who are currently in English 10. The focus is on academic vocabulary, reading strategies, writing, and study skills necessary to be prepared for the End-of-Course Assessments.

07_5731_8 English 11 Language Development

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 11 or 12

Co-requisite: Must be a student enrolled in English 11

Description: This course is to provide additional support for intermediate to advanced level English Language Learners who are currently in English 11. The focus is on academic vocabulary, reading strategies, writing and study skills necessary to be prepared for the End-of-Course Assessments.

07_5732_8 English Language Development IV

Credit: 1 World Language Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course is to provide additional support for intermediate to advanced level English Language Learners who are not in a sheltered ELD course.. The focus is on academic vocabulary, reading strategies, writing and study skills necessary to be prepared for the End-of-Course Assessments.

16_5735_8 ESL American Studies

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10

Prerequisite: ESL II or Teacher Recommendation

Description: This course covers basic geography and United States history. Heavy emphasis is placed on building vocabulary and content knowledge as well as development of reading and writing skills.

16_5736_8 Math Foundations (ELD)

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation

Description: This course covers basic mathematics. Heavy emphasis is placed on computation and basic number skills as well as development of reading and writing skills.

16_5737_8 Math Foundations II (ELD)

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation

Description: This course covers basic mathematics. Heavy emphasis is placed on computation and basic number skills as well as development of reading and writing skills. This math course is modeled after the Introduction to Algebra course.

16_5734_8 Science Foundations

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation

Description: This course covers basic skills necessary for success in science courses. Heavy emphasis is placed on computation and basic number skills, as well as development of reading and writing skills.

2997 Becoming a Global Citizen

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

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Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course is designed to help create a generation of intellectually inspired, knowledge producing, and socially responsible students. Students will explore the relationship between human rights and social justice through discussion, reflections, and performance-based assessment. Class will consist of advanced ESL students and mainstream students.

16_5733_8 Reading Foundations I

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation

Description: This is a literacy class for emergent learners of English. This class focuses on using picture stories to build vocabulary, word study to learn new words along with basic spelling rules, and survival English skills.

16_5739_8 21st Century ELD

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Description: This course is designed for English Language Learners who have taken ELD I and ELD II multiple times and still need more support building their literacy and language skills. Students will receive intensive instruction in reading, writing, listening and speaking. Emphasis is placed on real-world reading development, 21st century vocational skills and practical applications of such skills.

A.V.I.D (Advancement Via Individual Determination)

AVID is an elementary through postsecondary college readiness system that is designed to increase schoolwide learning and performance. The AVID system accelerates student learning, uses research based methods of effective instruction, provides meaningful and motivational professional development, and acts as a catalyst for systemic reform and change.

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16_9813_0 AVID 7

Grade: 7

Prerequisite: interview and application process

Description: AVID 7 is an academic elective that prepares students for college readiness and success through a rigorous college preparatory curriculum, tutor-facilitated study groups, motivational activities, and academic skills.

16_9814_0 AVID 8

Grade: 8

Prerequisite: Middle School AVID and/or interview and application process

Description: AVID 8 is an academic elective that focuses on college readiness and skills necessary for rigorous high school coursework. Students will continue to develop their skills in note-taking, tutor-facilitated study groups, and WICOR strategies. Students accepted into AVID 8 will be encouraged to enroll in higher-level courses.

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16_9815_0 AVID 9 Honors

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 9

Prerequisite: CHS AVID application process, including interview

Description: AVID 9 is an elective course that prepares students for entrance into four-year colleges. This course is the first step of a four-year college preparatory program. Students will learn AVID basics: WICOR (writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization, and reading), time management, tutorials, Socratic seminars, academic goal setting and motivation.

16_9816_0 AVID 10 Honors

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 10

Prerequisite: CHS AVID application process, including interview

Description: AVID 10 is an elective course that prepares students for entrance into four-year colleges. This course is the second step of a four-year college preparatory program. Students will build upon AVID basics, research colleges and careers, and work on self-awareness and personal development.

16_9817_0 AVID 11 Honors

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 11

Prerequisite: CHS AVID application process, including interview

Description: AVID 11 is an elective course that prepares students for entrance into four-year colleges. This course is the third step of a four-year college preparatory program. Students will build upon and refine AVID basics, choose colleges, and begin gathering documents for the impending college and financial aid application process.

16_9818_0 AVID 12 Honors

Credit: 1 Elective Credit

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: CHS AVID application process, including interview

Description: AVID 12 is the culmination of the student's years in AVID. This course is the fourth step of a four-year college preparatory program. Students will refine AVID basics, write college admissions essays, take college placement examinations, apply for financial aid, and apply to colleges.

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16_0116_4 DE College Success Skills (One semester course: offered Fall & Spring)

Credit: 0.5 Elective Credit

Grade: 11,12

Prerequisite: None

Assessment(s): Final Exam (teacher created)

Description: Assists students in transition to colleges. Provides overviews of college policies, procedures, curricular offerings. Encourages contacts with other students and staff. Assists students toward college success through information regarding effective study habits, career and academic planning, and other college resources available to students. May include English and Math placement testing. Strongly recommended for beginning students.

Assistants, Managers, and Lunches

0022 Media Assistant I - 1st semester

0023 Media Assistant II - 2nd semester

Credit: 0.5 Elective Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Media Specialist Recommendation

Description: Students learn information management and retrieval skills while providing assistance to the Media Center staff. Media Assistants shelve books and magazines, run the circulation desk, copy, and help prepare displays and bibliographies. The course includes written assignments on various instructional units including circulation procedures, the Dewey Decimal system, use of databases, and Internet searching.

0020 Tech Help Desk Assistant I - 1st semester

0021 Tech Help Desk Assistant II - 2nd semester

Credit: No Credit

Grade: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Counselor or Teacher Recommendation

0040 Counseling Department Assistant I - 1st semester

0045 Counseling Department Assistant II - 2nd semester

Credit: No Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Counselor and Counseling Department Secretary Recommendation

0030 Office Assistant I - 1st semester

0035 Office Assistant II - 2nd semester

Credit: No Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Principal and Counselor Recommendation

0050 Science Lab Assistant I - 1st semester

0055 Science Lab Assistant II - 2nd semester

Credit: No Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Science Teacher Recommendation

0060 Teacher Assistant - 1st semester

0655 Teacher Assistant - 2nd semester

Credit: No Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Supervising Teacher Recommendation

0072 Band Manager - 1st semester

0073 Band Manager - 2nd semester

Credit: No Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Band Director Recommendation

0074 Chorus Manager - 1st semester

0075 Chorus Manager - 2nd semester

Credit: No Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Choral Director Recommendation

Description: Organize and file music, manage equipment, help with paperwork, and assist with logistical arrangements for ensembles.

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0070 Orchestra Manager - 1st semester

0071 Orchestra Manager - 2nd semester

Credit: No Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Orchestra Director Recommendation

Description: Organize and file music, manage equipment, help with paperwork, and assist with logistical arrangements for ensembles.

01112 Senior Off Campus Lunch

Credit: No Credit

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: Completion of application with Parental and Principal Approval; Must be on-track for graduation with no failing grades or outstanding SOL tests needed for graduation.

00006 Educational Release

Credit: No Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Parental and Principal Approval; Enrollment in a collegiate class off campus.

00007 Release to Work

Credit: No Credit

Grade: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Parental and Principal Approval; Employment Verification

8120CO Work-Based Learning: Marketing Co-op

Credit: 1 CTE Credit

Grade: 10-12

Co-requisite: Must be currently enrolled in a Marketing Course or Economics and Personal Finance

Description: Students in the Co-op Work Release Program earn 1 credit for their supervised retail job experience. Students enrolled in this course are required to have a job, retain the job for the entire school year, and work approximately 10-15 hours per week.

9074/9071 CTE Honors Option Junior/Senior Internship & WBL Program

Credit: .5 CTE Credit (9074 - 2 hours per week for 36 weeks)

1 CTE Credit (9071 - 4 hours per week for 36 weeks)

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

This class is tied to a CTE course and would be given grades A-F

Description: This program is designed to support a student's long-range education and career goals and provides the opportunity to experience "first-hand" a particular career or career field by interning with professionals in the community. Students enhance their academic, technical and workplace readiness skills as well as become more informed about certain career field expectations and requirements before entering college and/or the workforce.

XXXX Junior/Senior WBL Program

Credit: .5 Local Credit (xxxx- 2 hours per week for 36 weeks)

1 Local Credit (xxxx- 4 hours per week for 36 weeks)

Grade: 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

This class is a local elective and will be graded as a Pass/Fail & not calculated in a student's GPA

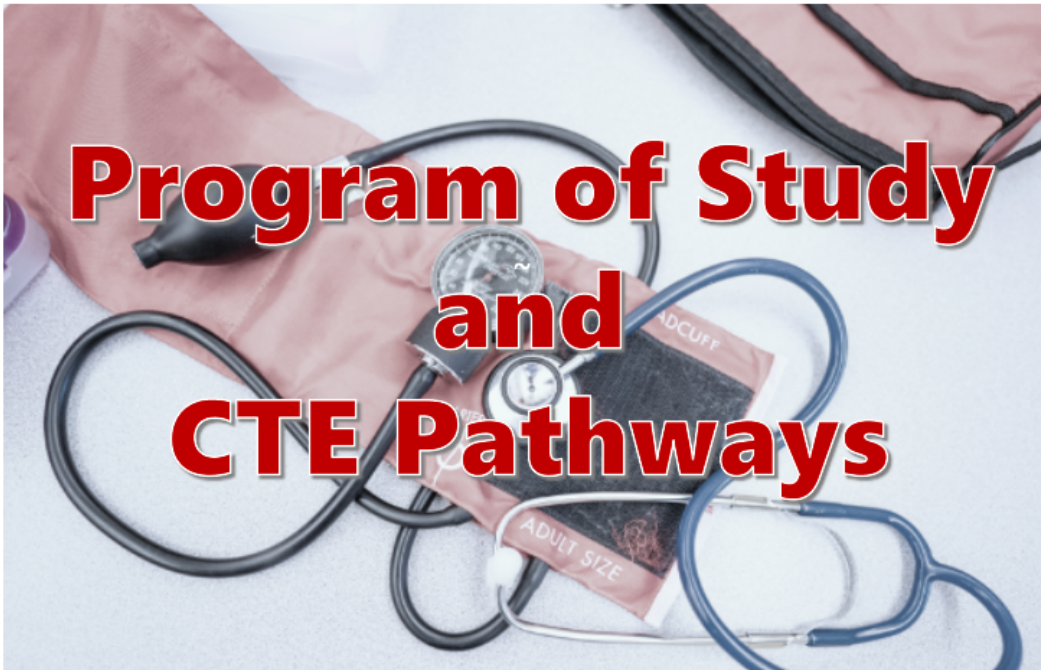
Description: This program is designed to support a student's long-range education and career goals and provides the opportunity to experience "first-hand" a particular career or career field by conducting a WBL experience with professionals in the community. Students enhance their academic, technical and workplace readiness skills as well as become more informed about certain career field expectations and requirements before entering college and/or the workforce.

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