



**Academic Policies
And
Course of Studies
2024-25**

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ACADEMIC POLICIES

State of Ohio Graduation Requirements Class of 2023 and Beyond

(1) **Cover the Basics:** 26 credits are required for graduation from Bishop Fenwick High School in specific subjects:

Religion	1.0 credit/year at BFHS	English Language Arts	4 credits
Mathematics	4 credits	Science	3 credits
Social Studies	3.5 credits	World Languages	2 credits (same language)
Fine Arts	1.0 credit	Technology	1.0 credit
PE/Health	1.0 credit	Electives	2.5 credits

AND

(2) **Show Competency:** Bishop Fenwick High School students will earn a passing score, based on the requirements of the State of Ohio, on the IOWA test in the areas of Algebra I and English Language Arts II. Students who do not receive a passing score on the test will be offered additional opportunities to test, and additional support after a second attempt. Students may also show competency through ACT/SAT testing with remediation-free scores in the English/Reading and/or Math sections, respectively.

Testing Requirement: Bishop Fenwick High School, through approval by the state Board of Education and Ohio Revised Code 3301.0712, will continue to administer the IOWA E battery of tests to all students in grade 9. These tests will cover the seven required end-of-course test content areas of Algebra I, Geometry, English Language Arts I, English Language Arts II, Biology, American Government, and American History.

Bishop Fenwick High School will continue to administer the required state-funded ACT or SAT (Fenwick administers the ACT) to all juniors during the spring of their junior year.

AND

(3) ***Show Readiness:** Students will demonstrate readiness for their post-high school paths by earning two diploma seals that allow them to demonstrate important foundational and well-rounded academic and technical knowledge, professional skills, social and emotional competencies, and leadership and reasoning skills (Page 2 of “Ohio’s Long-term Graduation Requirements” document linked [HERE](#)).

OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal (Ohio)
Citizenship Seal (Ohio)
Seal of Biliteracy (Ohio)

Military Enlistment Seal (Ohio)
Science Seal (Ohio)

Honors Diploma Seal (Ohio)
Technology Seal (Ohio)

Community Service Seal (Local)

Fine/Performing Arts Seal (Local)

Student Engagement Seal (Local)

Students will demonstrate readiness by earning **at least two diploma seals, one of which must be state defined. Seals help students develop an array of critical skills that are valuable to them as they transition to the next steps after high school. **Fenwick will only provide two diploma seals for students regardless of the criteria met to earn additional seals.***

Additional information regarding these requirements, as well as more in-depth information on the following available graduation Diploma Seals can be found through [Ohio’s Long-term Graduation Requirements](#).

Available Diploma Seals

State-Defined Honors Diploma Seal <i>Class of 2026 and Beyond</i>	Requirements for a Bishop Fenwick High School Student	
Honors Diploma Seal – Academic <i>Must meet all but one of the criteria</i>	Subject Graduation Credit Requirements 1. Mathematics 2. Science 3. Social Studies 4. World Languages 5. GPA 6. ACT/SAT 7. Seal Requirement 8. Experiential Learning	Criteria with these added criteria: Fourth math must be greater than Algebra 2 +1 credit Advanced Science +0.5 credit Social Studies +1 credit same language OR no less than 2 sequential credits of 2 world languages 3.5 on a 4.0 scale 27 ACT/1280 SAT Earn <i>two additional</i> diploma seals, not including Honors Diploma Seal Field Experience OR Portfolio
Honors Diploma Seal – STEM <i>Must meet all but one of the criteria</i>	Subject Graduation Credit Requirements 1. Mathematics 2. Science 3. Electives 4. World Languages 5. GPA 6. ACT/SAT 7. Seal Requirement 8. Experiential Learning	Criteria with these added criteria: Fourth math must be greater than Algebra 2 +1 credit Advanced Science Minimum two <i>additional</i> STEM courses as electives +1 credit same language OR no less than 2 sequential credits of 2 world languages 3.5 on a 4.0 scale 27 ACT/1280 SAT Meet requirements to earn the Industry Recognized Seal (through WCCC courses) OR Fine Arts Seal Field Experience OR Portfolio
Honors Diploma Seal – Arts <i>Must meet all but one of these criteria</i>	Subject Graduation Credit Requirements 1. Mathematics 2. Fine Arts 3. Electives 4. World Languages 5. GPA 6. ACT/SAT 7. Fine Arts Seal 8. Experiential Learning	Criteria with these added criteria: Fourth math must be greater than Algebra 2 +3 credit Fine Arts Minimum two units of Fine Arts (<i>may overlap with general 4 units</i>) +1 credit same language OR no less than 2 sequential credits of 2 world languages 3.5 on a 4.0 scale 27 ACT/1280 SAT Meet Fenwick requirements to earn Fine Arts Seal Field Experience OR Portfolio
Honors Diploma Seal – Social Science and Civic Engagement <i>Must meet all but one of the criteria</i>	Subject Graduation Credit Requirements 1. Mathematics 2. Social Studies 3. World Languages 4. GPA 5. ACT/SAT 6. Community Service Seal 7. Citizenship Seal 8. Experiential Learning	Criteria with these added criteria: Fourth math must be greater than Algebra 2 +1.5 credit Social Studies +1 credit same language OR no less than 2 sequential credits of 2 world languages 3.5 on a 4.0 scale 27 ACT/1280 SAT Meet Fenwick requirements to earn Community Service Seal Meet State requirements to earn Citizenship Seal Field Experience OR Portfolio

STUDENT STRENGTH DEMONSTRATION REPLACEMENT

Students can use the Student Strength Demonstration to replace one of either the ACT/SAT, GPA, *or* World Language requirement for any Honors Diploma. The Student Strength Demonstration options are listed below. The same options exist for each of the honors diplomas, but where relevant, should reflect coursework or experiences relevant to the theme of the Diploma. For example, a student earning the Academic Honors Diploma and using the College Credit Plus option to replace another requirement for the diploma should have College Credit Plus courses relevant to the Academic Honors Diploma.

Options:

- College Credit Plus: 12 total College Credit Plus credit hours
- Advanced Placement: Three courses with score of 3 or higher on AP Tests

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Honors Diploma Seal – Arts <i>Must meet all but one of these criteria</i>	Subject Graduation Credit Requirements World Languages Fine Arts GPA ACT/SAT Score Field Experience Portfolio	Criteria with these added criteria + 1 credit, same language Minimum 4 credits focused on arts Unweighted 3.5 on 4.0 scale 27 ACT / 1280 SAT Complete and document field experiences Develop a comprehensive portfolio
Honors Diploma Seal – Social Science and Civic Engagement <i>Must meet all but one of the criteria</i>	Subject Graduation Credit Requirements Social Studies World Languages Electives GPA ACT/SAT Score Field Experience Portfolio	Criteria with these added criteria + 1.5 credit + 1 credit, same language Minimum 3 credits focused on social science and/or civics Unweighted 3.5 on 4.0 scale 27 ACT / 1280 SAT Complete and document field experiences Develop a comprehensive portfolio

State-Defined Diploma Seals <i>All Students</i>	Requirements for a Bishop Fenwick High School Student							
Military Enlistment Seal	Provide evidence that a student has enlisted in a branch of the U.S. Armed Forces: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Army - Air Force - Navy - Marine Corps - Coast Guard OR Participate in a junior reserve officer training corps (JROTC) program for at least two school years.							
Technology Seal	Earn a score equivalent to proficient (2 or higher) on the Advanced Placement Exam in Computer Science Principles; OR Earn a final course grade that is equivalent to a “B” or higher in an appropriate technology class taken through the College Credit Plus program. The school will use discretion in pre-approval of appropriate college-level technology courses which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Address technology knowledge and skills critical to college and workforce readiness. OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Engage students in applying technology tools and processes in real-world situations to effectively design solutions, solve problems and accomplish goals. OR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Engage students in critical analysis of the impact of technology development and use, including ethical, legal, and global impacts. OR Complete a technology course that meets criteria established by the Ohio Department of Education <i>(Through Warren County Career Center courses in IT and Engineering)</i>							
Industry-Recognized Credential Seal <i>(Through Warren County Career Center courses in IT and Engineering)</i>	Earn a 12-point approved industry-recognized credential or group of credentials totaling 12 points in a single career field OR Obtain a state-issued license for a practice in a vocation that requires an examination.							
Citizenship Seal	Earn a score of proficient or higher on the Social section of the IOWA E tests; OR Satisfy one of the listed American History options and one of the listed American Government options: <table border="1" data-bbox="488 1199 1511 1377" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Earn a final course grade of “B” or higher in an American History course</td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Earn a final course grade of “B” or higher in an American Government course</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Earn a score of proficient (2 or higher) on the AP US History exam</td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Earn a score of proficient (2 or higher) on the AP American Government exam</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Earn a “B” or higher in appropriate American History CCP course</td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Earn a “B” or higher in appropriate American Government CCP course</td> </tr> </table>		Earn a final course grade of “B” or higher in an American History course	Earn a final course grade of “B” or higher in an American Government course	Earn a score of proficient (2 or higher) on the AP US History exam	Earn a score of proficient (2 or higher) on the AP American Government exam	Earn a “B” or higher in appropriate American History CCP course	Earn a “B” or higher in appropriate American Government CCP course
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State Seal of Biliteracy	Meet the requirements and criteria, including proficiency requirements on assessments in a world language and English. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English Language Proficiency will be demonstrated through proficiency in English II per the graduation requirement or through a remediation-free score on the English and Reading sections of the ACT (18/22) or SAT (480) AND Proficiency in World Language(s) through a score of 4 or higher on an Advanced Placement foreign language and culture exam. A student must indicate their intentions to earn the Ohio Seal of Biliteracy before graduation and the seal will be awarded to the transcript after the school has received and verified official scores.							
College-Ready Seal	To earn the college and career readiness seal, a student must earn remediation-free scores on the ACT (English 18; Reading 22; Math 22) or SAT (EBRW 480; Math 530) test.							
Science Seal	Earning a score of proficient or higher in the content area of biology through the IOWA E test OR Earn a final course grade of “B” or higher in any grade 11 or 12 advanced science course (AP Biology, any chemistry, any physics, geology, physiology, zoology, astronomy) OR Earn a score of Proficient (2 or higher) on the AP Biology or AP Physics exam OR							

	Earn a final course grade that is equivalent to a "B" or higher in any College Credit Plus science course, including CCP Chemistry I and CCP Chemistry II offered at Fenwick.
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Fenwick-Defined Diploma Seal <i>All Students</i>	Requirements for a Bishop Fenwick High School Student			
Fenwick Community Service Seal	Meet Fenwick's service requirements for graduation for each semester of enrollment at Fenwick.			
Fenwick Fine and Performing Arts Seal	Subject Fine Arts Performing Arts Program Participation	Criteria Minimum 3 credits Consistent participation in year-long performing arts ensembles during grades 10-12 (Marching/Pep Band; Chorus; Concert Band; Theater Program (2 productions per year). Students may combine ensembles to fulfill this criteria.		
Fenwick Student Engagement Seal	To show well rounded engagement as a student, a student must meet one of the following requirements to earn this seal. <table border="0" data-bbox="464 632 1534 1190" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; width: 50%;"> 1 Year/Season Completed Peer Tutoring Program as a tutor for 1 or more school years Elected as an officer for 1 or more Fenwick clubs/organizations (not all clubs/activities provide this opportunity) Named an official varsity team captain for 1 or more athletic seasons </td> <td style="vertical-align: top; width: 50%;"> 2 Years/Seasons Completed 2 or more seasons of Fenwick athletic participation (including as dedicated student trainer) - This includes Fenwick Intramural Programs 2 or more seasons of Fenwick marching band participation Member of performance cast or support crew for 2 or more theater productions Actively participate for 2 or more years in the Fenwick Ambassador Program (Shadow hosting excluded) Actively participate for 2 or more years in Student Council </td> </tr> </table>		1 Year/Season Completed Peer Tutoring Program as a tutor for 1 or more school years Elected as an officer for 1 or more Fenwick clubs/organizations (not all clubs/activities provide this opportunity) Named an official varsity team captain for 1 or more athletic seasons	2 Years/Seasons Completed 2 or more seasons of Fenwick athletic participation (including as dedicated student trainer) - This includes Fenwick Intramural Programs 2 or more seasons of Fenwick marching band participation Member of performance cast or support crew for 2 or more theater productions Actively participate for 2 or more years in the Fenwick Ambassador Program (Shadow hosting excluded) Actively participate for 2 or more years in Student Council
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Interpreting Grades

Grading Scale

Bishop Fenwick High School uses a 7-point grading scale.

A	93-100
B	85-92
C	77-84
D	70-76
F	Less than 70

Bishop Fenwick High School reports the Cumulative Scholastic Average of students via all transcripts. The Cumulative Scholastic Average is the average earned by a student on a scale of 0-100 without attachment of letter grade. This calculation removes the concern of different grading scales used by other schools.

Awarding Credit

Bishop Fenwick High School awards credit by semester. Semester averages are computed as follows:

40% Quarter Grade
40% Quarter Grade
<u>20% Semester Exam</u>
100% Semester/Final Average

GPA Computation

All courses are taught at the college preparatory level. Students are not ranked. Bishop Fenwick High School uses a numeric percentage for the unweighted scholastic average. To calculate GPA on a 4-point scale, final course grades are converted using the following equivalents. Weighted GPA's are adjusted by adding 0.5 for honors courses and 1.0 for AP courses. CCP course weights are determined by content area.

Scholastic Average (unweighted)	4.0 GPA Equivalent (unweighted)	Scholastic Average (unweighted)	4.0 GPA Equivalent (unweighted)
93-100	4.000	81	2.500
92	3.875	80	2.375
91	3.750	79	2.250
90	3.624	78	2.125
89	3.500	77	2.000
88	3.375	76	1.858
87	3.250	75	1.715
86	3.125	74	1.572
85	3.000	73	1.429
84	2.875	72	1.286
83	2.750	71	1.143
82	2.625	70	1.000

<u>Advance Placement (AP)</u>	<u>College Credit Plus (CCP)</u>	<u>Honors</u>
AP English Literature and Composition	CCP Composition I (<i>Sinclair</i>) CCP Composition II (<i>Sinclair</i>)	Honors English I, II, III
AP Biology AP Physics I: Algebra Based	CCP Chemistry I (<i>Sinclair</i>) CCP Chemistry II (<i>Sinclair</i>) CCP Anatomy & Physiology (<i>Sinclair</i>)	Honors Biology Honors Physical Science
AP Precalculus AP Calculus AB AP Statistics		Honors Geometry Honors Algebra II Honors Pre-Calculus
AP World History: Modern	CCP Cultural Anthropology (<i>Sinclair</i>)	
AP US History AP US Government & Politics AP Psychology		
AP Spanish Language Culture AP Latin		Honors Spanish III, IV Honors Latin III, IV
AP French Language and Culture		Honors French III, IV
AP Computer Science Principles		
AP Art (2-D, 3-D, Drawing) AP Art History		Honors Band Honors Music Theory
*Non-Fenwick CCP Courses		

**Additional CCP courses are offered through colleges and universities throughout the State of Ohio. A student who has been granted CCP credits from the State of Ohio may use study hall time at Fenwick to complete work. Courses taken online for college credit may not replace a Fenwick required course without prior approval from Bishop Fenwick High School. More information on the College Credit Plus program is available on [page 14](#) of this Course of Studies.*

College Admission

Most state/private universities recommend or require the following units of high school study, in addition to ACT/SAT scores:

4	English Language Arts	4	Mathematics
3	Sciences	3	Social Studies
2-3	World Languages	1	Fine Arts (Visual or Performance)

High School Classes Prior to 9th Grade

To earn a Fenwick diploma, students must accumulate 26 credits and fulfill state testing requirements. Credits are earned by completing required coursework and are not based.

Students may enter Fenwick High School already having taken high school level courses prior to 9th grade. For credit to be awarded, courses taught at the grade school level must meet the following requirements:

- 1) Courses must follow the appropriate curriculum standards for a high school level course.
- 2) Courses must use high school level materials (texts, assessments, etc.).
- 3) Courses must be taught by an appropriately licensed teacher.

Credit: Previously earned high school credit will be indicated on an official transcript from the granting institution/district. Earned credit remains with the student via this transcript. For those students entering Fenwick from a non-public school (or a school that does not issue credit on an official high school transcript), upon completion of a 2nd tier class, credit will be awarded retroactively for the entry level course taken prior to enrollment at Fenwick. Credit is not based upon completion of or score on the state's end-of-course exams (or equivalent testing) nor will credit determine course placement at Fenwick.

Required Courses: Regardless of courses taken, or credit earned prior to enrollment at Fenwick, there are some courses which are found to be an integral part of a Bishop Fenwick education. Though students may have previous experience with a course prior to freshman year, he/she may be required to complete coursework with a different scope and content while attending Fenwick as part of requirements for earning a diploma.

Placement: The goal of Bishop Fenwick High School is to place students in the classes which will lead them to the highest level of growth and success. Initial placement is based upon the High School Placement test scores as well as documentation provided by the student's grade school. Students wishing to move ahead in the sequence of courses in the areas of Math and World Languages will be given the opportunity to take a placement test in those specific areas in the spring. Freshmen placed in the 2nd level of a language or in Geometry instead of Algebra 1 is based solely on this Fenwick specific placement test. Students who have prior experience in the subject (for example, Algebra 1) but do not place into the next level via this placement test may be put into an accelerated version of the content (for example, Accelerated Algebra 1).

Scheduling

The Assistant Principal oversees the student scheduling process. The program for each freshman is determined through grade school/junior high achievement and the results of standardized tests on file. Each year, the individual student's program is reviewed, evaluated, and directed according to his/her abilities, grades and interests. Grade placement requirements are as follows:

Freshmen—A committee composed of the Assistant Principal, counselor, and department chairs review the incoming student's previous academic records. Course recommendations are made after reviewing the student's High School Placement Test scores and elementary school records, including standardized tests.

Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors—Scheduling for many subjects is based on course prerequisites and departmental recommendations and approval. Each year, the individual student's program is reviewed, evaluated, and directed according to his/her abilities, grades, and interests. The student plans a list of course requests for the following school year and submits it on Portals. The requests are reviewed by departments, counselors, and Assistant Principal for final approval.

During the fourth quarter of each school year, the Assistant Principal and counselors confer with the head of each department (as needed) to confirm placement of students.

Certain upper-level courses demand that a particular average in the lower-level courses of the same field is attained. To schedule an honors course, the student must have permission from the department.

Schedule Change Policy

Curriculum and staffing decisions are based on student course requests. Courses should be requested with care—once classes begin, it is extremely difficult and often not possible to change/drop a course.

- Student initiated schedule changes will only be considered during the first **five (5)** school days of the semester in which the course is initiated (1st semester for yearlong courses). Students must complete and submit a Schedule Change Request Form, which can be found on PlusPortals, in the main office, and in the Parent/Student Handbook.
- Withdrawal from a course will not be honored after the first **five (5)** days of a class without the recommendation of the classroom teacher or counselor, and the approval of the parent AND the Assistant Principal. *Dissatisfaction with grades or teacher is **not** justification for dropping a class.* For consideration of a change due to placement concern or ability to succeed with the content, the student must have met with the teacher *at least* three (3) times outside the classroom to seek help and guidance. Any withdrawal made after the schedule change deadline may result in being reported as a Withdrawn/Failure (W/F) on the report card and transcript.
- If a student has waived into a course, withdrawal from that course will not be honored without the recommendation of the classroom teacher, the counselor and approval of the parent AND the Assistant Principal. A change based on placement concern or ability to succeed with the content will be evaluated after the student has met with the teacher *at least* three (3) times outside the classroom to seek help and guidance.
- If class size is not balanced at the beginning of a semester, the school may initiate a schedule change (course times, not course selections) to help with the balance.

A \$25 schedule change service fee will be applied to the student's FACTS account for student/parent-initiated schedule changes.

Full Year Course Requirements

Students who are enrolled in a full year course and fail the first semester may still earn credit for that course if the average of the two semesters equates to a passing grade.

Audit Policy

Audits will be approved **only under unusual circumstances**. Students auditing a course will be required to do all work, tests, etc. An audit form requiring signatures from the assistant principal, teacher, parent and student must be completed. Students with a grade of 70 (D) or lower, under unusual circumstances, may be granted permission to repeat the course, but the original grade will stand on the student's transcript.

Cancellation of Courses

An elective class may not be offered in a given year or semester if low enrollment in the class or staffing shortages warrants its cancellation.

Awarding Credit

Credit is awarded at the end of each semester based on successful completion of courses.

College Pre Curriculum

Bishop Fenwick High School offers three levels of college preparatory classes intended to challenge the student and help them reach their highest potential. Class placement is based on several factors, including standardized tests, department recommendations, and information received from previous schools for new students. Returning students are placed in courses based upon pre-requisite completion and department recommendation. Students may be scheduled into different college prep level courses based on their specific skill sets in that area.

College Prep

College Prep courses are provided for students who achieve better in a slower paced, more differentiated environment.

Accelerated College Prep

Accelerated College Prep courses are provided for the majority of students at Bishop Fenwick High School

Honors/Advanced College Prep

Honors and Advanced College Prep courses are provided for students with advanced ability in a particular subject area. These courses have a higher level of demand on the students, require more self-guided reading, and (in the case of AP and CCP courses) are taught at a college level.

Advanced Placement (AP) Courses

Students must have recommendation of the department(s) to enroll in an Advanced Placement course. Students who elect to take AP courses will be billed an additional amount for the AP exam which is taken in May. The fee for the exam is determined by the Advanced Placement program (College Board). **Students who are enrolled in AP courses are required to take the AP exam for that course and are responsible for the fee.** The fee for the AP course is intended to cover the cost of the test for the course and will be set once the test price is known (\$100 in 2023-24). Charges will be billed to the FACTS account for any student enrolled in an AP course in January of the academic year. ***Students who take an AP course at Fenwick and fail to complete the AP Exam will pay the full fee AND will receive a zero (0) for their semester exam in the class.***

College Credit Plus (CCP)

College Credit Plus (CCP) is an approved program by the Ohio Legislature whereby students can earn high school and college credit(s) while at Fenwick. A CCP course will translate to one high school credit. The weight of the high school credit is based on the department of the course at the college level and course offerings in that subject at the high school level. Click [HERE](#) for information from the State of Ohio regarding the CCP Program.

Bishop Fenwick High School believes very strongly in the education we provide our students. Through the state's initiative, more and more students have been reaching out to local colleges to take courses through the CCP Program. Fenwick has established on-campus CCP courses in Chemistry, Anthropology, English, and Education through a coordinated effort with Sinclair Community College. Fenwick offers these CCP courses taught by Fenwick faculty, at Fenwick High School. Additionally, students are able to take on-line CCP courses through local colleges. Students must consider that Fenwick activities and events are a priority (for instance, you may have an off-campus Fenwick retreat during your CCP class and you will not be permitted to skip the retreat to complete these assignments). This is a great opportunity for students to explore or go further in depth with topics that interest them, even if there is not enough interest to fill a classroom.

Bishop Fenwick High School reserves the right to deny requests for an off-campus CCP class to fulfill a Fenwick graduation requirement. The process for taking CCP courses begins in January, and involves firm deadlines set by the State of Ohio and partnering institutions. Interested students and parents are required (per the State of Ohio) to attend a CCP information session scheduled by the school counselors.

A student may have a maximum number of 2 study halls per semester—the number of CCP courses taken off campus does not impact this policy. See the Study Hall Policy [HERE](#).

All students are charged full tuition fees regardless of the number of courses taken at Fenwick during the school year.

Appeal Process for CCP Probation and Dismissal

A student who is dismissed from the College Credit Plus program or is put on probation (per the State of Ohio requirements) may appeal the decision to the Academic Committee of Bishop Fenwick High School. The student must request an appeal, in writing, within five (5) business days after being notified of CCP dismissal or probation. When an appeal is received, Fenwick will inform the institution of higher education in which the student is enrolled that the student has requested an appeal. A decision will be made by the Academic Committee and reported to the student within ten (10) business days of the receipt of the appeal. Decisions will be final, and the institution of higher education will be informed of the decision.

Credit Flexibility

All students at Bishop Fenwick High School may propose a plan to pursue college preparatory academic work outside of Bishop Fenwick classrooms, whether it be for an individually designed program, a course offered at Fenwick, or for a course or experience not offered at Fenwick. However, for the sake of accomplishing the formation and social aspects of education essential to the school's mission as articulated in the requirements of graduation, the student ordinarily must be present in the Fenwick school building, or present at educational programs sponsored by or officially affiliated with Bishop Fenwick High School, for at least 80% of the time during which classes are held each week.

To receive credit at Bishop Fenwick High School for this work, a student must:

- 1) Submit a Flexible Credit Application Form (available in the main office, through their counselor, and in the parent/student handbook) by April 20th of the previous academic year;
- 2) Obtain the approval of the school for the proposal;
- 3) Demonstrate mastery in the proposed area of study.

The Assistant Principal will review the request with the assistance of the appropriate department head or his/her delegate, to render a decision about whether the school finds merit in the proposal. The school may accept the proposal as submitted, communicate additional requirements and/or modify the proposal, or deny the proposal. If accepted or modified, the school will then decide on the unit of credit to be awarded at the completion. A student may appeal the decision to the Principal. The Principal's decision is final.

When the student completes his/her work and demonstrates mastery, the credit will be posted on the Bishop Fenwick High School transcript but will **not** factor into GPA calculations.

Students who have been awarded high school credit for work done prior to coming to Fenwick *may* be required to take a similar course at Fenwick to assure appropriate master within the established norms of the Bishop Fenwick High School curriculum. Work done for high school credit prior to attending Fenwick will NOT be included in GPA.

Honor Roll

Honor Roll is based on semester grades (Beginning 2024-25), including two quarters and exam grades. Requirements for being listed on the Fenwick Honor Roll are as follows:

First Honors: Weighted Average ≥ 3.75

Second Honors: Weighted Average ≥ 3.25

A student may **not** receive a grade below 70 and still make the Honor Roll. Attendance will be reviewed before Honor Roll selection is finalized.

Class Rank and Valedictorian/Salutatorian

Bishop Fenwick High School does not provide class rank because of the relatively homogeneous abilities within a selective population. Students continuously enrolled for six (6) semesters with the highest weighted GPA following the completion of senior year will be named valedictorian and with the second highest weighted GPA will be named salutatorian. All students continuously enrolled for six (6) semesters whose cumulative GPA is 4.25 or higher at the end of senior year will be recognized as a Bishop Fenwick Scholar.

Student Speeches at Graduation

Bishop Fenwick High School provides Seniors who are in good academic and disciplinary standing to submit a speech to the Faculty Selection Committee (**FSC**) to be given at the Graduation Ceremony for the graduating class. No more than two speeches will be selected for presentation at the Graduation Ceremony.

Students will submit their speeches to the Faculty Selection Committee for review by May 1st of their graduation year.

National Honor Society (NHS)

Students are determined *eligible* for the National Honor Society (NHS) after the completion of their sophomore year based upon the following criteria:

- Weighted GPA of 3.5 or higher

The application process will begin after the student's junior year. Decisions on acceptance will be determined by an appointed faculty council based on the student's academic, attendance, and discipline records, the application, participation within the Bishop Fenwick Community, completion of service requirements, signs of leadership, and teacher input regarding the standards held by the National Honor Society. Appeal of decisions may be made in writing to the Principal of Bishop Fenwick High School.

To remain in good standing as a member of the NHS, students will work with the faculty moderator to uphold the responsibilities that accompany the honor.

Fenwick Pro Merito Award

Pro Merito medals are awarded to those students who have achieved straight A's for each of the four quarters for the previous school year. Medals are awarded as Bronze (first time recipient), Silver (second time recipient) and Gold (third time recipient). Seniors who have achieved straight A's for all quarters of freshman, sophomore AND junior year, as well as the first three quarters of senior year, will be awarded the Crimson Pro Merito Award.

Report Cards and Interim Reports of Academic Progress

Updated grades are available to students and parents/guardians at all times via PlusPortals. For this reason, there are no official interim report dates within the school year.

Academic achievement is reported quarterly via report cards. Report cards are emailed to the primary parent account that is provided on the registration form.

Parents are encouraged to reach out to their child's teachers throughout the year. Formal parent-teacher conferences take place during the first and third quarters. Parents are urged to remain informed of their child's progress throughout the year by utilizing PlusPortals, the primary mode of communication from teachers and staff to your family.

Non-custodial Parent

In the absence of a court order to the contrary, Bishop Fenwick High School will provide the non-custodial parent with access to academic records and to other school-related information regarding his/her child. If there is a court order specifying that there is to be no information given, it is the responsibility of the custodial parent to provide the school with an official copy of the court order.

PlusPortals

Bishop Fenwick High School uses a web-based program called PlusPortals (Portals). The program allows parents to check their child's up-to-date grades, see assignments and other school information, and receive automated emails regarding academic changes. Parents and students will receive an email with activation information prior to the beginning of the school year. These accounts will remain operational for all four years at Bishop Fenwick High School. There is a link to Portals from the school website. It is expected that this resource will be used as a primary tool in forming and maintaining a partnership between parents and the school! Communication of grades, student struggles, discipline concerns, etc. will be done through the Portals system.

Homework Policy

Students are expected to do work outside the class for each course they are enrolled in. Teachers will use several different methods to communicate, collect, and grade assignments in their courses. It is the student's responsibility to bring issues related to technology to the attention of the teacher, the F.I.T. Help Desk, or to the IT Coordinator as soon as the problem arises. Students must realize that written homework is not the only kind of work that requires attention. Students are expected to review class activities each day, whether or not work is assigned. Each teacher may hold different homework policies/expectations. Homework/assignments/assessments will be communicated from the teacher to students/parents via PlusPortals as well as other programs such as Microsoft 365 and OneNote based on teacher preference.

Students are responsible for all assignments given during an absence from school. At the end of each grading period, teachers will calculate grades for each student according to work required. If the student has not handed in assignments or taken tests/quizzes, this will be reflected in his/her quarter grade. The student will be expected to complete the work and/or tests missed by the final day of the quarter. Vacations do NOT extend deadlines.

Summer Work

Summer work completion may be required for some courses. The purpose of this work is typically to reactivate prior knowledge and continue practice of reading and writing skills. In some cases, summer work is utilized as a pre-assessment tool. AP and other advanced courses may require summer work to help cover materials due to the AP testing in April/May, prior to the end of the school year.

Work assigned over the summer is considered **required** work. Due dates are determined by the teacher and communication between the student and the teacher is highly encouraged. Summer assignments will be graded as part of the first quarter work, equal to no more than 15% of the first quarter grade.

Exam Policy

Semester *comprehensive exams are administered in all year-long and required courses following the 2nd and 4th grading periods. Students should realize the seriousness of these exams and plan plenty of time for extensive long-range reviewing and studying.

Exams may be in the form of any combination of comprehensive examination, project, presentation, performance, group assignment, etc. All examinations are to be taken at their scheduled time; exams may not be taken early. If a student is seriously ill (with written verification from a physician), if there is a death in the immediate family, or if there is another similar emergency situation, the exam may be postponed with the permission of the Assistant Principal. Special arrangements will then be made between the teacher and the student for taking the exam.

**Teachers are given the autonomy to utilize exam periods for a final test/assessment of the 2nd or 4th quarter. In this case, each quarter counts as 50% of the semester/final average in the course.*

Exam Exemptions

Students may be exempt from final exams in year-long and required courses at the end of the second semester. In order for a student to be exempt, the student must be receiving an “A” average for the second semester **through the end of the 4th quarter**. Teachers will submit an exemption list to the Assistant Principal two weeks before the end of the 4th quarter and will post a final list during the last week of the quarter. Teachers are permitted to require all students to take an exam regardless of grade average. Exemptions may only take place for final exams (following the 4th quarter). *If exempt from an exam, the student may still elect to take it. He/she must realize, however, that the exam will count regardless of the grade earned.*

Exam exemptions for students grades 9-12 will be impacted by the number of absences from class —Students who are absent from a class more than 5 times in a semester will be required to take the exam for that class, without opportunity for exemption.

****Absences due to family emergency, long-term illness with medical documentation, official college visits with required documentation, and official Fenwick sponsored events (Fenwick athletics/activities, retreats, and field trips only) will not count against the student’s exemptions.***

2nd Semester Senior Exams

Seniors with electives and/or semester courses will take exams/final evaluations in their respective classes during their last class of the semester.

- Seniors who have received 15 demerits or more during their senior year will not be permitted to be exempt from any of their exams.

Study Halls

Study Hall may be provided to students as an opportunity to complete work and prepare for class during the school day. Study Halls are a privilege which may be taken away. General policy is that sophomores may only have a study hall in their schedule with prior approval from the Assistant Principal based on academic needs; juniors may have one (1) study hall in their semester schedule; seniors may have two (2) study halls in their semester schedule. Underclass students taking CCP courses online may be granted study hall time for completion of that work.

The maximum number of study halls in any student’s schedule will be two (2) per semester, regardless of grade level or CCP courses taken outside the Fenwick school day.

Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is a serious expectation and dishonesty will not be tolerated. Cheating, attempted cheating, and plagiarism are offenses which violate the spirit of trust and respect among members of the school community while going against our formational Talon of Integrity. With advances in technology, new ways to complete assignments without doing the work intended are available; Fenwick High School will continue to keep up to date with modern technology and best practices within the academic community. Each content department will provide specific content related instruction to students.

LanSchool/VPN Usage

Students using school issued computers, or using another device on the school network, are expected to be transparent in their computer use at all times. Bishop Fenwick High School utilizes several software features to help monitor usage and maintain a safe learning environment. Students are expected to be always visible on LanSchool when utilizing their school computer at Fenwick. Use of a VPN, hotspot, or other software (ie LanSchool Killer) is prohibited. Students who are not visible on LanSchool will be directed to the IT Director for immediate resolution. If the student has been found to have altered their device settings, used a VPN, or used software to block LanSchool, the infraction will lead to consequences including, but not limited to demerits, detentions, and suspensions.

Academic Support

Bishop Fenwick High School is committed to the academic success of all students. PlusPortals is used as a means for constant, multi-directional flow of information between the school and the family. There are several options available at school when students are struggling academically.

Academic tutoring is available to freshman and sophomores for required non-honors courses through the Fenwick Peer Tutoring Program. Students may request a peer tutor through their teacher or their counselor. More information on peer tutoring can be found in the next section.

Peer Tutoring Program

The transition to high school can be challenging. The Fenwick Peer Tutoring Program can help a student with the transition when they are struggling in a freshman or sophomore required course that is not at the honors or accelerated level. Here are a few details about how to qualify for the program, and requirements to continue in the program once a tutor is assigned.

- 1) Peer tutoring is provided for freshmen and sophomores struggling in a required year-long course that is not honors or accelerated.
- 2) To qualify for a peer tutor, a student must meet the following requirements:
 - a. Follow directions and complete assigned work in class. Ask questions when needed.
 - b. Complete assigned homework to the best of your ability. Ask questions when needed.
 - c. Meet with the teacher before or after school and/or in flock block to receive help with things you do not understand.
 - d. After completing the above steps (a-c) for at least the first half of quarter 1 (through mid-term parent-teacher conferences), a student or their parent can request a tutor by talking with the teacher or counselor.
 - e. A tutor can be assigned later in the course if the student begins to struggle, as long as conditions a-c are being met.
 - f. A peer tutor will not be assigned if the student is not completed steps a-c above.
- 3) When a peer tutor is assigned, the student and parent will sign a form agreeing to the student's requirements to maintain the tutor. Those requirements are:
 - a. Continuing to follow directions and complete assigned work in class, completed assigned homework to the best of your ability, ask questions when needed, and meet with the teacher before and/or after school in addition to tutoring if needed.
 - b. Attend tutoring each Wednesday flock block and be an active participant in the entire 40-minute session (Missing all or part of a tutoring session is permitted in these limited circumstances: excused absences from school; making up a quiz/test after an absence; attending a meeting requested by a teacher).
 - c. Do not disrupt others in the tutoring room in Wednesday flock block.
 - d. A student who misses 3 tutoring sessions without one of the excused reasons described (part b above) will be dismissed from the program and will not be able to reapply during that school year.
 - e. A student who does not fulfill classroom requirements (part a above), or who disrupts students in tutoring (part c above) will be dismissed from the program and will not be able to reapply during that school year.
- 4) If a student misses a Wednesday flock tutoring session, it may be possible to reschedule on Monday or Tuesday flock, or before or after school, depending on the availability of the student and the tutor.
- 5) Peer tutoring normally occurs one session per week.

Failures

Each student's progress towards graduation will be evaluated at the end of each semester. If a student has a failing grade in two or more subjects (including theology), he/she may be placed on Academic Probation or asked to leave Bishop Fenwick High School. Academic Probation means that the student's grades, effort, and attendance will be carefully monitored. The Assistant Principal will develop an academic contract to be signed by the parent and student.

Failures in required courses must be made up at the earliest possible date through credit recovery. Credit recovery for most courses must be done via on-line options or through local public schools.

Students who fail more than two courses for the year may be asked not to return the following school year. The final decision on these matters will be made by the Principal who will consult the teachers concerned, counselor, and the Assistant Principal.

Summer School/Credit Recovery

Ordinarily, students may not take required courses in summer school or online classes unless they have failed the course during the regular school year (the failing grade remains counted in the GPA).

Students who take a summer school course may have credit from any accredited high school program transferred to Fenwick. Summer school and online courses provide students with the opportunity to take enrichment courses, improve achievement, develop skills, and recover credit in courses that were failed or only partially completed.

If a student wishes to recover credit through private tutoring, the tutor must be a state-certified teacher. An independent study contract must be arranged by the Assistant Principal.

Summer school courses (enrichment or remedial, including PE) or any make-up courses are not averaged into the student's GPA. **Credit** is awarded for successful recovery of course, but the failing grade remains.

Theology course credit recovery is completed through the student's theology teacher at Fenwick, per an agreement between the student and the teacher.

Work While On Retreat

Students participating in the formal retreat program at Bishop Fenwick High School will have the same number of days missed for participating in a retreat to make up the work, tests, quizzes, projects, and assignments missed while on the retreat.

Selection of the Curriculum and Instructional Material

Bishop Fenwick High School recognizes the need and right of students to free access to many different types of books and materials. It also recognizes the right of the professional staff to select books and other materials. **The school does not permit any individual or group to exercise censorship over instructional materials and library collections.** Criticism of a book or other materials used at Bishop Fenwick High School may be expected from time to time. In such instances, *the parent(s) need to address their concern with the teacher first to resolve the issue(s).* Parent(s) can then address the issue(s) with the department chair and the school administration if the issue(s) have not been resolved.

International Students

International students enrolled at Bishop Fenwick High School will be classified as either Cultural Enrichment students or Diploma Seeking.

Cultural Enrichment students may be enrolled at Bishop Fenwick High School for a maximum of one academic year. Upon completion of that year, they will receive a Certificate of Attendance. These students will not be accepted mid-year and are responsible for all tuition and fees. Cultural Enrichment students may receive a grade of Pass/Fail at the teacher's discretion.

Diploma Seeking students enrolled at Bishop Fenwick High School must be proficient in speaking, writing, and reading English. They must attend Fenwick for a minimum of two (2) years and are responsible for all required academic standards, graduation requirements, tuition, and fees. These students will not be accepted mid-year and all grades will be reported as a letter grade—a grade of Pass/Fail is not an option for Diploma Seeking students.

NCAA Requirements (Academic-Eligibility Requirements)

For more information, visit the NCAA Eligibility Center website [HERE](#).

Division I

If you want to participate in Division I athletics or receive an athletics scholarship during your first year, you must:

- Graduate from high school;
- Complete these 16 core courses (10 core courses to be completed prior to seventh semester)
 - 4 years of English
 - 3 years of math (Algebra 1 or higher)
 - 2 years of natural or physical science (including one year of lab science if offered by your high school)
 - 1 extra year of English, math, or natural or physical science
 - 2 years of social science
 - 4 years of extra core courses (from any category above, or world languages, nondoctrinal religion or philosophy)
- Earn a minimum required grade-point average in your core courses (2.3)

Division II

If you want to participate in athletics Division II or receive an athletics scholarship during your first year, you must:

- Graduate from high school;
- Complete these 16 core courses (10 core courses to be completed prior to seventh semester)
 - 3 years of English
 - 2 years of math (Algebra 1 or higher)
 - 2 years of natural or physical science (including one year of lab science if offered by your high school)
 - 3 additional years of English, math, or natural or physical science
 - 2 years of social science
 - 4 years of extra core courses (from any category above, or world languages, nondoctrinal religion or philosophy)
- Earn a minimum required grade-point average in your core courses (2.2)

NCAA Approved Courses

List complete as of 1/24/2024

English 9	Algebra 9	Latin A/B
English I	Algebra 1	Latin I
Honors English I	Accelerated Algebra 1	Latin C/D
English 10	Honors Geometry	Latin II
English II	Honors Algebra 2	Honors Latin III
Honors English II	Geometry 10	Honors Latin IV
English 11	Geometry	AP Latin
English III	Algebra 11	French A/B
Honors English III	Algebra 2	French I
English 12	Advanced Algebra/Trig	French C/D
English IV	College Algebra/Trig	French II
AP English Lit and Comp	Finite Math	Honors French III
College Credit Plus Comp I	Pre-Calculus	Honors French IV
College Credit Plus Comp II	*AP Pre-Calculus	AP French Lang & Culture
Creative Writing	Calculus	Spanish A/B
Journalism I	AP Calculus	Spanish I
*Journalism II	Statistics	Accelerated Spanish I
Mystery Literature	AP Statistics	Spanish C/D
Public Speaking		Spanish II
	Biology 9	Accelerated Spanish II
	Biology I	Spanish III
World Geography 9	Honors Biology	Honors Spanish III
World Geography 9	Physical Science 10	Honors Spanish IV
World History	Physical Science	AP Spanish Lang & Culture
AP World History: Modern	Honors Physical Science	
US History	Chemistry 11	AP Computer Science Principles
AP US History	Chemistry	
American Government	College Credit Plus Chem I	
AP US Gov. & Politics	College Credit Plus Chem II	
Public Speaking	Physics	
Public Speaking	AP Physics	
Public Speaking	AP Biology	
Public Speaking	College Credit Plus Anat & Physio	
Public Speaking	*Astronomy: The Solar System	
Public Speaking	*Astronomy: Stars and Galaxies	
Public Speaking	Geology	
Public Speaking	Microbiology	
Public Speaking	Physiology	
Public Speaking	Zoology	

*Pending final approval for 2024-25

\$No longer offered

THEOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Bishop Fenwick High School follows the Archdiocesan High School Religion Graded Course of Study.

The Theology Department strives to form the student with a holistic approach to forming disciples of Jesus. Therefore, the service requirements outside of class are tied to each student's Theology grade. If the service requirement is not met in a semester, an Incomplete ("I") will be recorded as the Theology grade for that semester. Grades will be released once the service requirement is met through the Community Service Director in the Office of Campus Ministry.

Freshmen

INTRODUCTION TO CATHOLICISM (#1013)

GRADE 9

REQUIRED

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course is an overview and exploration of the central teachings and practices of the Catholic Church. Designed for students with a wide array of familiarity with Catholicism, this course will examine the basic tenets of the Catholic faith found in the Nicene Creed, including the doctrine of the Trinity, Incarnation, and the Paschal Mystery; the celebration of the Mystery of Faith in the sacramental and liturgical life of the Church, the importance of cultivating a habit of prayer, and basic moral thinking in the tradition of virtue ethics. In a sense, this course provides a brief overview of the rest of the theology curriculum students will student in their time at Fenwick.

OLD TESTAMENT (#1014)

GRADE 9

REQUIRED

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course is an introduction to the study of Scripture and an overview of the Old Testament, or Hebrew Scriptures. Students will explore the major sections of the Old Testament, discovering the history of salvation as it unfolds in the Scriptures from creation through the covenant with Israel. Students will examine the historical, literary, and theological aspects of biblical texts. Students will also be trained in the use of Scriptural texts in personal prayer and within the practice of the Church.

Sophomores

ECCLESIOLOGY (#1021)

GRADE 10

REQUIRED

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course will explore the nature and mission of the Catholic Church, examining a variety of models for understanding the Church and the ways the Church has carried out its mission over the course of its history. We will also explore the Church's ongoing efforts toward Christian unity through Ecumenism, reflect on our role as laity in the Catholic Church, and gain a deeper understanding of the Catholic Church as a way of encountering Jesus.

SACRAMENTAL THEOLOGY (#1022)

GRADE 10

REQUIRED

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course will guide students to develop a deeper, richer faith life by learning new ways of encountering Christ in our daily life. In the first half of this semester, we will explore the sacramental nature of creation of the Church, and of one another; discover the vast number of ways we encounter the Love of God present in the world, especially in the Eucharist; and examine how Jesus asks us to live a sacramental life. In the second half of the semester, students will examine the liturgical tradition of the Catholic Church; explore the meaning of liturgy and the way in which liturgical actions form our daily life; and discover the connections between sacramental and liturgical theology.

Juniors

CATHOLIC MORAL THEOLOGY (#1031)

GRADE 11

REQUIRED

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course uses the gifts of Sacred Scripture, Living Tradition, and Natural Law to explore why Catholic Morality is a lifelong pursuit of converting our wills to Christ's. Students will reflect on key moral questions within their own lives and explore a variety of moral issues confronting our society.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING (#1032)

GRADE 11

REQUIRED

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course introduces students to the Catholic Church's social teaching. Students will learn how Christ's concern for others, especially the poor and needy, is present today in the Church's social teaching and mission. Students will explore and evaluate different kinds of injustice in the world and explain how the Gospel message can bring about justice in the world.

Seniors

VOCATIONS (#1034)

GRADE 12

REQUIRED

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course provides students with the opportunity to explore the vocations of single life, married life, religious life, and ordained ministry. The focus is on developing a realistic and positive understanding of the issues relevant to each lifestyle choice in the context of faith. Much of the course will be looked at through the lens of Saint Pope John Paul II's *Theology of the Body*.

Seniors will choose one of the following as their theology course for the second semester.

WORLD RELIGIONS (#1042)

GRADE 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course will explore the ways in which the Catholic Church relates to non-Catholic Christians as well as the other religions of the world. Building on the foundation that Christ established the Church and entrusted to her God's revelation, this course is intended to help students recognize the ways in which important spiritual truths can also be found in non-Catholic Christian churches and non-Christian religions. It is also intended to help them recognize the ways in which other systems of belief and practice differ from the Catholic faith.

PRAYER & SPIRITUALITY (#1043)

GRADE 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course will examine how prayer has been understood and practiced throughout the tradition of Catholic Christianity. This course explores the Scriptural roots of prayer, prayer lives of particular saints, and different Catholic prayer traditions. Prayer will be studied as an essential means to growth in self-knowledge, one's relationship to God, and strengthening believers to bring gospel-centered values into our world as a disciple of Christ. The course will include a variety of prayer experiences incorporating prayers from Catholic traditions such as personal prayer, communal prayer, and praying with Scripture.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS DEPARTMENT

ENGLISH 9 A & B (#1111 & 1112)

GRADE 9

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: STUDENTS ARE PLACED ACCORDING TO STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES, EIGHTH GRADE ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS SCORES, AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

This course is designed as a fundamental approach to all phases of first-year English. Areas of concentration include composition, reading comprehension, grammar skills, and literature. Literature is taught in the general genre approach with units on the short story, the novel, drama, and poetry. Reading material is chosen to develop basic reading skills with the appropriate maturity level for freshmen in mind. Reading lists will be provided on course syllabus.

ENGLISH I A & B (#1113 & 1114)

GRADE 9

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: STUDENTS ARE PLACED ACCORDING TO STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES, EIGHTH GRADE ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS SCORES, AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

This course focuses on the study of communication and literary skills. Basic grammatical structure, sentence and paragraph development, the writing of short essays, vocabulary development, and a variety of literary genres are the basis of the first-year course. Poetry, the short story, the novel, and drama are the vehicles through which writing and literary skills are taught. Reading material is chosen to develop basic reading and analytic skills with the appropriate maturity level for freshmen in mind. Reading lists are generally available on the Fenwick website in the mid-summer prior to the beginning of the school year.

HONORS ENGLISH I A & B (#1115 & 1116)

GRADE 9

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: STUDENTS ARE PLACED ACCORDING TO STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES, EIGHTH GRADE ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS SCORES, AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

The content and objectives of this course are similar in nature to those of English I. Higher standards prevail for writing and reading; there is also a greater focus on literary analysis rather than simple comprehension and basic analysis. Reading material is chosen to develop basic analytic skills with the appropriate maturity level for freshmen in mind. Reading lists will be provided on course syllabus.

ENGLISH 10 A & B (#1121 & 1122)

GRADE 10

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: STUDENTS ARE PLACED ACCORDING TO PERFORMANCE DURING PREVIOUS SCHOOL YEAR THROUGH DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS.

This course is designed as a fundamental approach to all phases of sophomore English with the intent of strengthening students' abilities in reading and writing and grammar. Areas of concentration include composition, reading comprehension, grammar skills, and literature. The literature focus for the sophomore year is World/British literature. Reading material is chosen to develop more advanced reading skills and basic analytic skills with the appropriate maturity level for sophomores in mind. Reading lists will be provided on course syllabus.

ENGLISH II A & B (#1123 & 1124)

GRADE 10

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF ENGLISH I OR A MINIMUM OF 90% IN ENGLISH 9.

This course includes a chronological survey of World/British literature beginning with world mythology and ending with 20th century authors. Special attention is given to writing expanded essays and a research paper as well as vocabulary development and preparation for post-secondary education. Reading lists will be provided on course syllabus.

HONORS ENGLISH II A & B (#1125 & 1126)

GRADE 10

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: MINIMUM 88% IN HONORS ENGLISH I OR 93% IN ENGLISH I.

This course is similar in content to English II but has a greater emphasis on analysis and critical thinking and writing. Activities are designed to encourage writing, editing, and revision of one's work. Reading material is chosen to develop more advanced analytic skills with the appropriate maturity level for sophomores in mind. Reading lists will be provided on course syllabus.

ENGLISH 11 A & B (#1131 & 1132)

GRADE 11

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: STUDENTS ARE PLACED ACCORDING TO PERFORMANCE DURING PREVIOUS SCHOOL YEAR THROUGH DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

This course is designed to help students develop greater reading comprehension through readings in American Literature and practical writing and research skills needed for post-secondary education. Reading lists will be provided on course syllabus.

ENGLISH III A & B (#1133 & 1134)

GRADE 11

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF ENGLISH II OR A MINIMUM OF 90% IN ENGLISH 10.

This course includes a chronological survey of American Literature beginning with colonial literature and ending with 20th century authors. Special attention is given to writing expanded essays and a research paper as well as vocabulary development and preparation for post-secondary education. Reading lists will be provided on course syllabus.

HONORS ENGLISH III A & B (#1135 & 1136)

GRADE 11

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: MINIMUM 90% IN HONORS ENGLISH II OR 95% IN ENGLISH II.

This course is similar in content to English III with a greater emphasis on critical analytic thinking and writing as well as background information and philosophy which gives historical relevance to the literature of the time. Special attention is given to writing expanded essays and a research paper as well as vocabulary development and preparation for post-secondary education. Reading lists will be provided on course syllabus.

ENGLISH 12 A & B (#1141 & 1142)

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: STUDENTS ARE PLACED ACCORDING TO PERFORMANCE DURING PREVIOUS SCHOOL YEAR THROUGH DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

This course is designed to help students develop greater reading comprehension through short readings in fiction and non-fiction with an emphasis on practical reading skills. The course takes a thematic approach, incorporating classics in British Literature. This course incorporates process-based writing focused on developing effective communication and writing skills for real world situations. Students will develop writing proficiency necessary for success in writing extended prompt-response essays, self-selected topics, creative writing assignments.

ENGLISH IV A & B (#1144 & 1145)

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF ENGLISH III OR A MINIMUM OF 90% IN ENGLISH 11.

This course includes a chronological survey of British Literature beginning with the epic Beowulf and ending with 19th and 20th century authors. Special attention is given to writing expanded essays, timed essays, and a research paper as well as vocabulary development and preparation for post-secondary education. Reading lists will be provided on the course syllabus.

AP ENGLISH LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION A & B (#1147 & 1148)

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: MINIMUM 93% IN HONORS ENGLISH III OR 97% IN ENGLISH III.

This course fosters analytical thinking and carefully developed writing skills through the study of a wide range of classic literature. It is a college-level literature and writing course intended to prepare students for taking the AP English Literature and Composition Exam in May which can earn college credit or advances status in college English classes. Reading lists are generally available on the Fenwick website in the mid-summer prior to the beginning of the school year.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE AP COURSE, STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE NATIONALLY ADMINISTERED EXAMINATION IN MAY (APPROXIMATE COST IS \$95). IF A STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE THIS EXAM, IT WILL RESULT IN A ZERO FOR THE CLASS'S SEMESTER EXAM GRADE.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS ENGLISH IV – COMPOSITION I (#1117)

**THIS COURSE IS WEIGHTED AS AP LEVEL*

GRADE 12

ONE SEMESTER = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: MEET THE STANDARDS OF SINCLAIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO THE COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS PROGRAM AND ACCEPTANCE INTO THE COURSE.

Content in this class will be the same as the English Composition I at Sinclair College [ENG 1101 English Composition I]. Students enrolled in this class will earn one credit at Fenwick AND may earn three semester hours of collegiate credit. Collegiate credits are through Sinclair Community College and to receive credit students must apply and be accepted at Sinclair. College Credit Plus courses are subject to additional fees and charges by Sinclair Community College. Some of these expenses may be absorbed by the State of Ohio, depending on the promptness with which students provide required documents. **Eligibility for the CCP Program is dependent on a student's GPA. Eligibility for a specific CCP class is dependent on the course's pre-requisites which may be earned through either standardized test scores or specific high school credits/grades in English and/or Math. Any student interested in taking a CCP course must attend a CCP Informational/Counseling Night. Please see Mrs. Snyder with questions.**

In English Composition I students learn reflective, analytical, and argumentative writing strategies, incorporating sources and personal experience. Students will negotiate between public and private rhetorical situations and purposes to achieve academic literacy. They will write multiple drafts using a recursive writing process as they work toward fluency in style and mechanics.

Electives

MYSTERY LITERATURE (#1163)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

Mystery literature is a study of the development of the mystery genre of fiction from Edgar Allan Poe to the present. One quarter will be spent examining the development of the “detective” story through the study of short stories and film versions of longer works analyzing the development of the formula and its variations for the genre. The second quarter will be spent examining the development of the “tale of terror” with a focus on the psychological thriller and the intersection of the detective story and the “tale of terror.”

CREATIVE WRITING (#1169)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course will highlight traditional, though not specifically academic, forms of writing. With assignments ranging from creating original poems, letters, writing inspired by pictures and music, and a culminating project which involves writing and illustrating an original short children's story. The goal of the course is to experience an array of writing practices and styles which are not considered part of a traditional writing curriculum. Although the course involves many non-traditional styles, many of the skills and practices will be beneficial in academic settings.

PUBLIC SPEAKING (#1170)

GRADES 10, 11, 12 CLASS SIZE LIMIT IS SET AT 24

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: ENGLISH I

This course develops the confidence and basic skills necessary for effective public speaking. Students will be introduced to speech development via the delivery of traditional speeches, debate, and group presentations. Students will also be provided with the opportunity to develop resumes, interviewing skills, and “real-life” professional interviews.

JOURNALISM I A & B (#1176 & 1177)

GRADES 11, 12

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

TWO SEMESTER = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: DEPARTMENT APPROVAL

This course will explore the evolving world of journalism as it moves towards a digital landscape. Students will be exposed to the various types of both print and broadcast media, as well as publishers and producers of both forms of media. Special interest is placed on the creation of digitally edited videos for Fenwick's *From Roots to Wings* project while utilizing cameras, different lighting techniques, and Adobe Premiere Pro for editing. Students will also work on different forms of appropriate print media for each project within the class.

JOURNALISM II A & B (#1178 & 1179)

GRADES 12

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF JOURNALISM I A & B.

This course will be a continuation of Journalism I, exploring the evolving world of journalism as it moves towards a digital landscape. Students will be provided opportunities in leadership with the creation and editing of different forms of appropriate print and digital media.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS COMPOSITION II (#1118)

**THIS COURSE IS WEIGHTED AS AP LEVEL*

GRADE 12

ONE SEMESTER = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: COMPLETION OF CCP COMPOSITION I; MEET THE STANDARDS OF SINCLAIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO THE COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS PROGRAM AND ACCEPTANCE INTO THE COURSE.

Content in this class will be the same as Composition II at Sinclair College [ENG 1201 English Composition II]. Students enrolled in this class will earn one credit at Fenwick AND may earn three semester hours of collegiate credit. Collegiate credits are through Sinclair Community College and to receive credit students must apply and be accepted at Sinclair. College Credit Plus courses are subject to additional fees and charges by Sinclair Community College. Some of these expenses may be absorbed by the State of Ohio, depending on the promptness with which students provide required documents. **Eligibility for the CCP Program is dependent on a student's GPA. Eligibility for a specific CCP class is dependent on the course's pre-requisites which may be earned through either standardized test scores or specific high school credits/grades in English and/or Math. Any student interested in taking a CCP course must attend a CCP Informational/Counseling Night. Please see Mrs. Snyder with questions.**

English Composition II builds on the skills in English Composition I, developing rhetorical literacy through research, critical reading and multi-genre writing tasks. Through major and minor, cumulative, and stand-alone assignments, students construct arguments and analyses, ethically incorporating academic sources while developing their own voices as writers and citizens.

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

ALGEBRA 9 A & B (#1201 & 1202)

GRADE 9

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

Students will study the basics of Algebra, order of operations, linear equations, exponents, factoring, rational expressions, graphing linear equations and inequalities, systems of linear equations, and irrational numbers. Less emphasis will be placed on statistics and other applications than the Algebra I course.

ALGEBRA I A & B (#1203 & 1204)

GRADE 9

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: AVERAGE PERFORMANCE ON STANDARDIZED TESTS AND 8TH GRADE MATHEMATICS.

Students will study real number properties applied to algebraic expressions and solve equations and inequalities. Other topics include polynomials, factoring, rational expressions, graphing, systems of equations, functions, inequalities in two variables, irrational numbers, quadratic formula, and statistics.

ACCELERATED ALGEBRA I A & B (#1205 & 1206)

GRADE 9

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: SUPERIOR TO ABOVE AVERAGE PERFORMANCE ON STANDARDIZED TESTS AND CERTIFIED ALGEBRA I COURSE AT THE ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL.

Incoming Freshmen must take a MATH placement test in the Spring.

Students will study real number properties applied to algebraic expressions and solve equations and inequalities. Other topics include polynomials, factoring, rational expressions, graphing, systems of equations, functions, inequalities in two variables, irrational numbers, quadratic formula, and statistics. Students will focus on word problems and the application of the topics.

HONORS GEOMETRY A & B (#1207 & 1208)

GRADE 9

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE ON THE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST AND OTHER STANDARDIZED TESTS WITH CERTIFIED ALGEBRA I COURSE AT THE ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL. STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE TI-NSPIRE CXII CAS CALCULATOR.

Incoming Freshmen must take a MATH placement test in the Spring.

Students will cover the entire Geometry curriculum during the first three quarters of the year. Topics will include postulates, definitions and theorems of two-dimensional figures, angle relationships, parallel and perpendicular lines, polygons, reflections and composites of reflections, congruent and similar figures, perimeter, area, the Pythagorean Theorem, relationships with triangles, right triangle, surface area and volume, circles. The fourth quarter of the class will switch to algebra topics and cover properties of real numbers, solving equations and inequalities, graphing, systems of equations, and quadratics.

GEOMETRY 10 A & B (#1221 & 1222)

GRADE 10

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Students will study lines, angles, parallel and perpendicular lines, polygons, triangles, quadrilaterals, measurements of angles, segments, perimeter, area, surface area, and volume; congruence and similarity; and right triangle trigonometry. Less emphasis will be placed on formal proofs and coordinate geometry than the Geometry course.

GEOMETRY A & B (#1223 & 1224)

GRADE 10

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: ALGEBRA I OR ACCELERATED ALGEBRA I, WITH AT LEAST A 77% (C) AVERAGE; DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Students study definitions, postulates, and theorems of two-dimensional and three-dimensional Euclidean geometry. Topics include relationships between angles, parallel and perpendicular lines, polygons, reflections, and composites of reflections. Other topics include congruent figures, similar figures, perimeter, area, surface area, volume, Pythagorean Theorem, coordinate geometry, right triangle trigonometry, constructions, and proofs.

HONORS ALGEBRA 2 A & B (#1225 & 1226)

GRADE 10

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF HONORS GEOMETRY WITH 85% (B) AVERAGE OR BETTER; DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION. STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A TI-NSPIRE CXII CAS CALCULATOR

Students will study rational functions, composition of functions, inverses, systems of equations, matrices, combinatorics, probability, statistics, Binomial Theorem, logarithms, exponents, and conic sections including their translations, and eccentricity.

INCOMING 9TH GRADERS WHO HAVE COMPLETED BOTH ALGEBRA 1 AND GEOMETRY PRIOR TO HIGH SCHOOL ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE FENWICK HONORS MATHEMATICS PLACEMENT TEST FOR BOTH ALGEBRA 1 AND GEOMETRY; TESTS ARE GIVEN ON THE SAME DAY IN THE SPRING.

ALGEBRA 11 A & B (#1231 & 1232)

GRADE 11

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Students will study the topics of real number operations, linear equations and inequalities, graphing, polynomials, exponents, factoring, rational expressions, radical equations, quadratic equations, exponential and logarithmic functions, and trigonometry. An emphasis will be placed on applications of the topics to a variety of fields of study.

ALGEBRA 2 A & B (#1233 & 1234)

GRADE 11

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: ALGEBRA I OR ACCELERATED ALGEBRA I, WITH AT LEAST A 77% (C) AVERAGE; DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

Students study real number operations; equations and inequalities; graphs, functions, and variation; polynomials, exponents and factoring. Other topics may include rational expressions; irrational and complex numbers; radical equations; quadratic equations; quadratic graphs of systems of equations; conic sections; exponential and logarithmic functions; arithmetic and geometric series; triangle trigonometry, and matrices.

ADVANCED ALGEBRA & TRIGONOMETRY A & B (#1235 & 12362)

GRADES 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: COMPLETION OF ALGEBRA 2 OR ALGEBRA 11 **AND** RECOMMENDATION OF DEPARTMENT.

Students consider problems of a more advanced nature than covered in Algebra 2. Topics include the Fundamental Theorem of Algebra, linear functions, rational roots, matrices, vectors, sequences and series, exponential functions, and conic sections. The Trigonometry portion of the class discusses radian measure, circular functions, graphs, the Law of Sines, Law of Cosines, and right triangle measurements.

COLLEGE ALGEBRA & TRIGONOMETRY A & B (#1253 & 1254)

GRADES 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: 1) COMPLETION OF HONORS ALGEBRA 2 OR ALGEBRA 2 WITH AT LEAST A 77% (C) AVERAGE OR ALGEBRA 11 WITH AT LEAST A 93% (A) AVERAGE **AND** 2) DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

Students will study topics that include polynomials, rational expressions, functions (linear, quadratic, and trigonometric), and theory of equations. The class is designed to prepare students to develop strong algebraic skills with expressions, equations, and inequalities. The class is also designed to develop a general understanding of functions, their properties, and graphs. Students will develop a knowledge base of a broad range of specific types of functions and their uses, including: polynomials; rational; logarithmic; exponential; and trigonometric functions.

PRECALCULUS A & B (#1221 & 1222)

GRADES 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: 1) COMPLETION OF HONORS ALGEBRA 2 OR COMPLETION OF GEOMETRY AND ALGEBRA 2 WITH AT LEAST AN 88% (B+) AVERAGE IN *BOTH COURSES* **AND** DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

Students will study trigonometric functions and their inverses with respect to domain and range, graphing, solving equations, odd/even, cofunctions, solving right triangles, Law of Sines, Law of Cosines, and sum and difference, double angle and half angle, triangle area, as well as polar coordinates and complex numbers, vectors and their algebraic and geometric representations, exponents and logarithms, sequences and series, and several aspects of limits.

AP PRECALCULUS A & B (#1249 & 1250)

GRADES 10, 11

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: 1) COMPLETION OF HONORS ALGEBRA 2 WITH AT LEAST AN 85% (B) AVERAGE **AND** 2) DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION; STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A TI-NSPIRE CXII CAS CALCULATOR.

AP Precalculus centers on functions modeling dynamic phenomena. This research-based exploration of functions is designed to better prepare students for college-level calculus and provide grounding for other mathematics and science courses. In this course, students study a broad spectrum of function types that are foundational for careers in mathematics, physics, biology, health, science, social science, and data science. The formal study of a function type through multiple representations (e.g., graphical, numerical, verbal, and analytical), coupled with the application of the function to a variety of contexts, provides students with a rich study of precalculus. Function types include polynomial, rational, exponential, logarithmic, logistic, trigonometric, and polar, as well as conic sections. Students are expected to be proficient with a graphing calculator, as it is required for the AP Exam.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE AP COURSE, STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE NATIONALLY ADMINISTERED EXAMINATION IN MAY (APPROXIMATE COST IS \$95). IF A STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE THIS EXAM, IT WILL RESULT IN A ZERO FOR THE CLASS'S SEMESTER EXAM GRADE.

CALCULUS A & B (#1246 & 1247)

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: COMPLETION OF PRE-CALCULUS COURSE WITH AT LEAST 85% (B) AVERAGE; DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

Students will prepare for college-level calculus. Topics include limits, continuity, derivatives, and antiderivatives of functions. The course will focus on various applications of derivatives, including business and physics examples.

AP CALCULUS AB A & B (#1257 & 1258)

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: COMPLETION OF AP PRECALCULUS COURSE WITH AT LEAST 85% (B) AVERAGE; DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION. STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A TI-NSPIRE CXII CAS CALCULATOR.

Students complete the **AB** syllabus of the Advanced Placement Program. Topics include limits, continuity, derivatives and antiderivatives of elementary and transcendental functions, applications of derivatives, techniques of integration, applications of definite integrals, and differential equations.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE AP COURSE, STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE NATIONALLY ADMINISTERED EXAMINATION IN MAY (APPROXIMATE COST IS \$95). IF A STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE THIS EXAM, IT WILL RESULT IN A ZERO FOR THE CLASS'S SEMESTER EXAM GRADE.

STATISTICS A & B (#1271 & 1272)

GRADES 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: ALGEBRA 2 OR ALGEBRA 11 AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

Students will explore statistics through a series of calculator-based activities. Topics include: sampling, validating and interpretive data; measures of central tendency and dispersion; confidence intervals; and regression methods.

AP STATISTICS A & B (#1275 & 1276)

GRADES 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: ALGEBRA 2 OR HIGHER WITH AT LEAST 88% (B) AVERAGE AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

This course introduces students to the major concepts and tools for collecting, analyzing, and drawing conclusions from data. There are four themes in the AP Statistics course: exploring data, sampling, and experimentation, anticipating patterns, and statistical inference. Students use technology, investigations, problem solving, and writing as they build conceptual understanding.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE AP COURSE, STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE NATIONALLY ADMINISTERED EXAMINATION IN MAY (APPROXIMATE COST IS \$95). IF A STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE THIS EXAM, IT WILL RESULT IN A ZERO FOR THE CLASS'S SEMESTER EXAM GRADE.

SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

BIOLOGY 9 A&B (#1311 & 1312)

GRADE 9

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: PLACEMENT BASED UPON STANDARDIZED PLACEMENT TEST SCORES AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

This class covers the same curriculum as Biology I (#1313/#1314). Biology 9 is designed for the student who can benefit from alternative teaching methodologies and whose basic scientific skills need strengthening. The curriculum includes: scientific method and measuring, cell structure, function and processes, evolution, genetics, and ecology. Laboratory, inquiry, and critical thinking skills will be developed.

BIOLOGY I A&B (#1313 & 1314)

GRADE 9

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: ENROLLMENT IS BASED UPON AVERAGE AND ABOVE AVERAGE PLACEMENT TEST SCORES IN MATHEMATICS AND READING.

Biology is a life science course designed to develop the student's organization and thinking skills. Emphasis in this class will be on lab skills, mathematical skills, critical thinking skills and inquiry skills. The course curriculum includes: scientific method and measuring, cell structure, function and processes, evolution, genetics and ecology. This class requires a solid foundation in mathematics with above average reading and writing ability. Biology students will normally move on to Physical Science.

HONORS BIOLOGY A&B (#1315 & 1316)

GRADE 9

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: 1) SELECTION BY A COMMITTEE OF TEACHERS BASED UPON HIGH ACHIEVEMENT ON HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST IN MATH AND READING; 2) COMPLETION OF REQUIRED SUMMER WORK.

Students entering the honors science program should have a serious interest in the sciences. This class is designed to be a pre-AP Biology course. Students entering this program must be self-motivated to complete self-directed, independent work and have excellent study and analytical skills. Honors Biology has a laboratory-based curriculum that includes topics in The Science of Biology, Organic Chemistry, Ecology, Genetics, Evolution, and Structure vs. Function with a focus on plant and animal structure. Students will be expected to bring together ideas and information from several different areas. An integral part of the curriculum will be quarterly projects that will include laboratory and research work. **A research project will be part of the grade. Summer work is required for this class.**

PHYSICAL SCIENCE 10 A&B (#1321 & 1322)

GRADE 10

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: PLACEMENT BASED ON DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

This class covers the same curriculum as Physical Science I (#1323/#1324). Laboratory, inquiry and critical thinking skills will be developed. Topics that are covered include: creation, interpretation, and analysis of graphs; matter and energy, motion, velocity, and acceleration; forces, kinetic and potential energy transformations.

PHYSICAL SCIENCE I A&B (#1323 & 1324)

GRADE 10

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: 1) 80% (C) AVERAGE IN BIOLOGY I; 2) 80% (C) AVERAGE OR BETTER IN ALGEBRA I OR ACCELERATED ALGEBRA I OR EQUIVALENT; 3) RECOMMENDATION OF CURRENT SCIENCE AND MATH DEPARTMENTS

In Physical Science, students will learn about the concepts involved in forces, motion, and several types of energy. The course is built around lab situations in which student's actively gathering data and then interprets that data as it applies to forces, motion, and energy. Students are required to have a good foundation in algebra, as the graph interpretations involve mathematical skills. Therefore, placement into this class is not only dependent upon science skills, but also on math skills. Topics that are covered include: creation, interpretation, and analysis of graphs; motion, velocity, and acceleration; forces, kinetic and potential energy transformations.

HONORS PHYSICAL SCIENCE A&B (#1325 & 1326)

GRADE 10

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: 1) 85% (B) AVERAGE OR BETTER IN HONORS BIOLOGY OR 93% (A) AVERAGE IN BIOLOGY I; 2) 85% (B) OR BETTER IN HONORS GEOMETRY; 3) CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT IN HONORS ALGEBRA 2; 4) MATH AND SCIENCE DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS; 5) SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF REQUIRED SUMMER WORK.

This course is equivalent to a physics level course that addresses the concepts of forces, motion, energy, matter, and basic chemistry. At the Honors level, students are required to have a working knowledge of graphical analysis and a sound understanding of algebra. Students will utilize hand-on activities and labs to investigate the principles of motion, forces, mechanical energy, thermal energy and phase changes, and chemical changes. As an honors level class, students will experience a faster pace in the class, a more detailed depth of content coverage, and higher expectations in their work and math skills. Honors Physical Science is designed as a pre-AP Physics class. Concepts and skills taught in Honors Physical Science will be essential for success in AP Physics. Students are encouraged to take AP Physics 1 their junior or senior year in order to enhance their physics background.

SUMMER WORK IS REQUIRED FOR THIS CLASS.

A RESEARCH PROJECT WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THIS CLASS

CHEMISTRY 11 A&B (#1330 & 1331)

GRADE 11

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

Chemistry 11 is less dependent on math skills. The topics include physical and chemical properties of substances, atomic structure, periodic law, formulas, equations, stoichiometry, solutions, acids and bases, and titration. Labs accompany topic areas. Emphasis is placed on recognizing patterns and relationships that occur in chemistry. Students must have a strong background in mathematics (particularly algebra) because major emphasis is placed on theory and problem solving.

CHEMISTRY I A&B (#1332 & 1334)

GRADE 11

TWO SEMESTERS - 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: 1) 80% OR BETTER IN CURRENT SCIENCE CLASS; 2) 80% OR BETTER IN ALGEBRA 1; 3) CONCURRENTLY ENROLLED IN OR HAS COMPLETED ALGEBRA 2; 4) MATH AND SCIENCE DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS.

In theoretical chemistry the properties and behavior of matter is stressed. The topics include physical and chemical properties of substances, atomic structure, periodic law, formulas, equations, stoichiometry, solutions, acids and bases, and titration. Labs accompany topic areas. Emphasis is placed on recognizing patterns and relationships that occur in chemistry. Students must have a strong background in mathematics (particularly algebra) because major emphasis is placed on theory and problem solving.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS CHEMISTRY I A & B (#1368 & 1369)

**This course is weighted as AP Level*

GRADES 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SUCCESS: HAVE OBTAINED AN 85% (B) OR HIGHER IN HONORS BIOLOGY AND HONORS PHYSICAL SCIENCE OR 93% (A) IN BIOLOGY AND PHYSICAL SCIENCE; 85% (B) OR HIGHER IN HONORS ALGEBRA 2 OR 93% (A) OR HIGHER IN ALGEBRA 1 AND GEOMETRY; CONCURRENTLY ENROLLED IN OR HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED HONORS PRE-CALCULUS OR PRE-CALCULUS; MEET THE STANDARDS OF SINCLAIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO THE COURSE; HAVE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT.

This course is a laboratory based, college class. Content in this class will be the same as the first course for Chemistry Majors at Sinclair Community College [CHE 1211 General Chemistry I, CHE 1251 Lab for General Chemistry I]. Sinclair students enrolled in this class will earn credit at Fenwick AND may earn 5 semester hours collegiate chemistry credits. Collegiate credits are through Sinclair Community College and to receive credit students must apply and be accepted at Sinclair Community College. College Credit Plus courses are subject to additional fees and charges by Sinclair Community College. Some of these expenses may be absorbed by the State of Ohio, depending on the promptness with which students provide required documents. **Eligibility for the CCP Program is dependent on a student's GPA. Eligibility for a specific CCP class is dependent on the course's pre-requisites which may be earned through either standardized test scores or specific high school credits/grades in English and/or Math. Any student interested in taking a CCP course must attend a CCP Informational/Counseling Night. Please see Mrs. Snyder with questions.**

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS CHEMISTRY II A & B (#1370 & 1371)

**This course is weighted as AP Level*

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: 1) SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS CHEMISTRY I; 2) MEET THE STANDARDS OF SINCLAIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO THE COURSE.

This course is a laboratory based, college class. Content in this class will be the same as the second semester course for Chemistry Majors at Sinclair Community College [CHE 1221 General Chemistry II, CHE 1261, Lab for General Chemistry II]. Students enrolled in this class will earn credit at Fenwick AND may earn 5 semester hours collegiate chemistry credits. Collegiate credits are through Sinclair Community College and to receive credit students must apply and be accepted at Sinclair Community College. College Credit Plus courses are subject to additional fees and charges by Sinclair Community College. Some of these expenses may be absorbed by the State of Ohio, depending on the promptness with which students provide required documents. **Eligibility for the CCP Program is dependent on a student's GPA. Eligibility for a specific CCP class is dependent on the course's pre-requisites which may be earned through either standardized test scores or specific high school credits/grades in English and/or Math. Any student interested in taking a CCP course must attend a CCP Informational/Counseling Night. Please see Mrs. Snyder with questions.**

PHYSICS A & B (#1343 & 1344)

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: 1) 80% AVERAGE IN PREVIOUS SCIENCE AND MATH CLASSES; 2) DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION; 3) CONCURRENTLY ENROLLED IN, OR HAVE TAKEN AT LEAST COLLEGE ALG & TRIG

Students planning careers in physical sciences, mathematics, medicine, or computer technology are encouraged to take this course. This course puts significant emphasis on mathematical computation in supporting problem exercises. The topics covered are: mechanics (including force, motion, work, power, energy), gravity, electricity, waves and sound, light, and optics. Laboratory experiments, with emphasis on critical thinking, accompany these topics. Theory is introduced and emphasis is on problem solving in each area. Enrollment may be limited in this class.

Electives

AP PHYSICS 1: ALGEBRA BASED A & B (#1347 & 1348)

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES:1) DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION; 2) GRADE OF 85% (B) OR HIGHER IN CCP CHEMISTRY I OR A 93% (A) IN CHEMISTRY I; 3) CONCURRENTLY ENROLLED IN, OR HAVE TAKEN CALCULUS, HONORS PRE-CALCULUS OR PRE-CALCULUS; 4) DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION; 5) COMPLETION OF REQUIRED SUMMER WORK

AP Physics 1 is equivalent to an introductory college course that serves as a foundation in physics for students wishing to enter the fields of science or engineering. The course is focused on intensive studies of Newtonian mechanics and electricity/magnetism. A laboratory component reinforces concepts with a hands-on experience. Students are expected to be independent learners and have a basic mastery of mechanics through previous courses. Students must have strong reasoning and math skills (algebra and trigonometry). Students should take AP Physics 1 concurrent with Pre-Calculus and/or AP Calculus.

Summer work is required for this class.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE AP COURSE, STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE NATIONALLY ADMINISTERED EXAMINATION IN MAY (APPROXIMATE COST IS \$95). IF A STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE THIS EXAM, IT WILL RESULT IN A ZERO FOR THE CLASS'S SEMESTER EXAM GRADE.

ZOOLOGY A&B (#1355 & 1356)

GRADES 10, 11, 12 CLASS SIZE LIMITED TO 24

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: 1) SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF PREVIOUS SCIENCE CLASSES; 2) DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION; 3) SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS MUST HAVE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT IN A PHYSICAL SCIENCE OR CHEMISTRY COURSE 4) PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO SENIORS

Zoology is offered to students wishing to complete a detailed study of the Animal Kingdom. Linnean classification, cladistic analysis, phylogeny, and comparative anatomy are recurring themes throughout this course. First semester covers invertebrates including sponges, cnidarians, worms, and echinoderms. Second semester covers vertebrates including fish, mammals, avian species, and reptiles. **Dissections of representative organisms from each of the major animal phyla are completed throughout the course.**

PHYSIOLOGY A&B (#1373 & 1374)

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: 1) 80% AVERAGE OR BETTER IN ALL PREVIOUS SCIENCE CLASSES; 2) SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF CHEMISTRY I; 3) DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Physiology is an upper-level science course that is designed to provide students with a survey of the basic **physiological and anatomical concepts of the human body**. This class is intended for students who don't necessarily meet the requirements for AP Biology, yet still want to participate in a challenging curriculum that focuses on the human body. Chemistry and biochemistry are an important part of this class. Students are expected to be motivated learners and be able to handle a fair amount of work outside of the class. A major research project is conducted during the second semester of this course. Physiology is a lab science. The lab portion of this class will be centered on the anatomy of the body; therefore, **students will participate in multiple dissections, including the dissection of a cat**. This class is recommended for those who are seriously interested in pursuing a health career.

AP BIOLOGY A&B (#1387 & 1388)

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: 1) 85% (B) FINAL AVERAGE OR HIGHER IN HONORS BIOLOGY OR 93% (A) FINAL AVERAGE OR HIGHER IN BIOLOGY I; 2) 85% (B) FINAL AVERAGE OR HIGHER IN HONORS CHEMISTRY OR 93% (A) FINAL AVERAGE OR HIGHER IN CHEMISTRY I; 3) DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION; 4) COMPLETION OF SUMMER WORK

AP Biology is equivalent to two semester introductory college course that serves as a foundation in Biology for students wishing to enter into life science study in college. The course is focused on intensive studies of cellular structure, cellular chemistry, genetics and information transfer, evolution, and the interactions of biological systems. A laboratory component reinforces concepts with a hands-on experience. Students are expected to be independent learners and have a mastery of biological and chemical background knowledge through previous courses. Students who take an AP Biology course will also develop advanced inquiry and reasoning skills, such as designing a plan for collecting data, analyzing data, applying mathematical routines, and connecting concepts in and across domains.

Summer work is required for this class.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE AP COURSE, STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE NATIONALLY ADMINISTERED EXAMINATION IN MAY (APPROXIMATE COST IS \$95). IF A STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE THIS EXAM, IT WILL RESULT IN A ZERO FOR THE CLASS'S SEMESTER EXAM GRADE.

GEOLOGY A&B (#1380 & 1381)

GRADES 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: GRADE 12: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THREE HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE COURSES;

GRADE 11: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF TWO HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE COURSES AND CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT IN A PHYSICAL SCIENCE OR CHEMISTRY COURSE; PRIORITY GIVEN TO SENIORS

This lab-based class is designed for students interested in expanding their knowledge of the Earth and Earth processes. Geology builds heavily on students' background knowledge from Physical Science and the beginning of Chemistry. Topic covered will include: formation and history of the Earth, composition of the Earth, Plate tectonics, Bowen's reaction series, meteorology, and astronomy. This course will also touch upon other topics that influence or are influenced by the geology of the Earth.

ASTRONOMY: THE SOLAR SYSTEM (#1382)

GRADES 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: 85% (B) OR HIGHER IN PHYSICAL SCIENCE AND ALGEBRA II; DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

Astronomy: The Solar System is available as a one semester, independent course. Through lecture, presentations, and activities supplemented by out-of-class observations, The Solar System will provide an introduction to planetary astronomy including the following topics: the night sky; tides, eclipses, light properties, and telescopes; history of astronomy; formation, contents, and evolution of our solar system; comparative planetology; exoplanets and other solar systems.

ASTRONOMY: STARS AND GALAXIES (#1383)

GRADES 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: 85% (B) OR HIGHER IN PHYSICAL SCIENCE AND ALGEBRA II; DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

Astronomy: Stars and Galaxies is available as a one semester, independent course. Through lecture, presentations, and activities supplemented by out-of-class observations, Stars and Galaxies will provide an introduction to stars, galaxies, and cosmology through the following topics: Light and electromagnetic spectrum; solar features and properties; stellar classes, groupings and properties; stellar evolution; neutron stars, black holes and supernovae; galaxies, active galactic nuclei and quasars; cosmological theories and the evolution of the universe.

MICROBIOLOGY (#1398)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: 1) 80 AVERAGE OR BETTER IN ALL PREVIOUS SCIENCE CLASSES; 2) DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION; 3) SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS MUST HAVE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT IN HONORS PHYSICAL SCIENCE, PHYSICAL SCIENCE I, CHEMISTRY I OR CCP CHEMISTRY 4) PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO SENIORS

Microbiology is an upper level, lab-based science class. Microbiology is offered for students wishing to complete a detailed study of the microscopic organisms in each kingdom. Topics included in this class include the evolution of microorganisms, the anatomy and physiology of organisms, the ecological and economic impacts microorganisms have on humans, other organisms, and the earth. Disease, disease transmission, the importance of vaccinations, and the human immune system will also be covered.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY A&B (#1392 & 1393)

**This course is weighted as AP Level*

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SUCCESS: HAVE OBTAINED AN 93% (B) OR HIGHER IN ALL PREVIOUS SCIENCE CLASSES; MEET THE STANDARDS OF SINCLAIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO THE COURSE; DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

CCP Anatomy and Physiology is a laboratory based, college class. Content in this class will be the same as the first lecture and lab course for biology majors at Sinclair Community College (BIO 1141 and BIO 1171). Sinclair students enrolled in this class will earn one high school credit at Fenwick AND may earn four semester hours collegiate biology credits. Collegiate credits are through Sinclair Community College. College Credit Plus courses are subject to additional fees and charges by Sinclair Community College. Some of these expenses may be absorbed by the State of Ohio through the College Credit Plus program. **Eligibility for the CCP Program is dependent on a student's GPA. Eligibility for a specific CCP class is dependent on the course's pre-requisites which may be earned through either standardized test scores or specific high school credits/grades in English and/or Math. Any student interested in taking a CCP course must attend a CCP Informational/Counseling Night. Please see Mrs. Snyder with questions.**

SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

WORLD GEOGRAPHY 9 (#1406)

GRADE 9

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This class covers the same curriculum as World Geography. World Geography 9 is designed as a fundamental approach to geography. The course is structured for the student who can benefit from alternative teaching methodologies.

WORLD GEOGRAPHY (#1407)

GRADE 9

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

In this course, students will examine the world's regions, countries, and important global issues. They will study the various cultures around the world. Students will also explore how places change over time and how people around the world have caused changes to occur.

WORLD HISTORY A & B (#1413 & 1414)

GRADE 10

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

World History stresses the progress of Western civilization from the Enlightenment to the modern era. Also included in the course of study are units on African history and Asiatic history. The end of the course stresses the relationship between the United States and the Soviet Union/Russia in the post-World War II era.

AP WORLD HISTORY: MODERN A & B (#1457 & 1458)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: STUDENTS NEED A GRADE OF 93 IN FRESHMEN LEVEL SOCIAL STUDIES COURSES AND ENGLISH AND RECOMMENDATION BY SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

This AP World History course is designed for any 10th, 11th, or 12th grade student recommended for the heavy reading and writing curriculum in a rigorous college level environment. This course will cover from 1200 C.E. (A.D.) up to the present broken into nine units and will be based on five themes as outlined in the AP World History Modern Course and Exam Description.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE AP COURSE, STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE NATIONALLY ADMINISTERED EXAMINATION IN MAY (APPROXIMATE COST IS \$95). IF A STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE THIS EXAM, IT WILL RESULT IN A ZERO FOR THE CLASS'S SEMESTER EXAM GRADE.

US HISTORY A&B (#1427 & 1428)

GRADE 11

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

The emphasis is on understanding how the culture of an era affected events, on why events happened rather than simply what happened, and what makes us uniquely American. Chronologically the course will cover 1877 to present.

AP US HISTORY: MODERN A&B (#1437 & 1438)

GRADE 11

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: RECOMMENDATION BY THE SOCIAL STUDIES AND ENGLISH DEPARTMENTS.

This course follows the syllabus of the Advanced Placement program for United States History. This AP US History course is designed for any 11th grade student recommended for the heavy reading and writing curriculum in a rigorous college level environment.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE AP COURSE, STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE NATIONALLY ADMINISTERED EXAMINATION IN MAY (APPROXIMATE COST IS \$95). IF A STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE THIS EXAM, IT WILL RESULT IN A ZERO FOR THE CLASS'S SEMESTER EXAM GRADE.

FINANCIAL LITERACY & ECONOMICS (#1441)

GRADES 11, 12

REQUIRED

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This **simultaneous credit* course covers fundamentals of personal finance, economics, and the connection of the two. Units emphasize students' skills and knowledge in money management, spending and credit, saving and investing, becoming a critical consumer, financial responsibility and decision making, and risk management and insurance. Students will explore economic systems, fundamentals of micro and macro-economics, and the principles of scarcity and supply and demand.

**Simultaneous Credit Course: A course that integrates the content from multiple subject areas into a single course. In this case, the content of Financial Literacy meets the state's requirement for Financial Literacy coursework and the content of Economics meets the requirements to count as a social studies credit.*

GOVERNMENT (#1443)

GRADE 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

The study of government begins with the philosophy of government. The next step explores the rights and responsibilities of citizenship. This is accomplished through a thorough reading of the Constitution which includes a detailed study of each branch of government. The course concludes by examining how citizens can participate in Government through political parties, the electoral process, mass media, expression of public opinion, and participation in interest groups.

AP US GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS A & B (#1447 & 1448)

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: 1) SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF AP US HISTORY OR GRADE OF 85% (B) IN US HISTORY AND 2) RECOMMENDATION OF THE SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

This course follows the syllabus of the Advanced Placement Program for United States Government and Politics. This AP Government course is designed for any 12th grade student recommended for the heavy reading and writing curriculum in a rigorous college level environment.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE AP COURSE, STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE NATIONALLY ADMINISTERED EXAMINATION IN MAY (APPROXIMATE COST IS \$95). IF A STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE THIS EXAM, IT WILL RESULT IN A ZERO FOR THE CLASS'S SEMESTER EXAM GRADE.

Electives

US HISTORY ON FILM (#1402)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

Course will cover US history as depicted in movies. Beginning with the plight of the colonists, students will be introduced to an era of history as a background before viewing a Hollywood-made film. Discussion of the context and content of the film follows each. As this is a course in which the student watches films in class, there may be a requirement for minimum class attendance.

ARCHAEOLOGY (#1403)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This elective course will be a survey of archaeological techniques including data collection, dating, analysis and interpretation using significant sites from around the world. Students will begin with a historical overview of the discipline and trace major changes in theory and technique to current practice. The end of the course will be an examination of the career possibilities and ethics of archaeology.

WORLD HISTORY ON FILM (#1404)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course is a deep dive into Historiography. History is seeing the past through the eyes of today. The main task of the historian/historiographer is not to record facts, but to interpret and evaluate them. History is the selection, arrangement, and interpretation of facts for the purpose of telling "how it really was." This course examines Hollywood feature films and historical dramas as world historical evidence. Students view movies on various topics and participate in discussions, write essays, and complete assignments comparing that film evidence to information in more traditional sources, such as articles, film reviews and critical commentaries. As this is a course in which the student watches films in class, there may be a requirement for minimum class attendance.

ANCIENT AND CLASSICAL HISTORY (#1430)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

Ancient and Classical History is recommended to any student who is interested in human transition from the dawn of civilization to the Roman Empire and other classical civilizations in China, the Middle East, India, and Latin America. An analysis of political, economic, social, spiritual, and intellectual development through the centuries will provide a foundation for critical understanding and appreciation of the inherent values of both western and eastern civilizations and their impact upon the modern world. Throughout the course of study, students develop increasingly sophisticated skills and understandings of historical issues and problems by interrogating the surviving evidence of ancient sites, societies, individuals, and significant historical periods. Students investigate the problematic nature of evidence and pose increasingly complex questions about the past. They use their skills of historical inquiry, analysis, and interpretation of sources to formulate reasoned responses.

AMERICAN COURTS AND LEGAL PROCEDURE (#1454)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

In this course students will learn the basics of the American court and legal systems, U.S. constitutional law, as well as the fundamentals of American court procedure. In January, students will take part in the Ohio Mock Trial competition sponsored by the Ohio Center for Law Related Education. This competition helps students not only learn these elements of law and the court system, but also sharpen their public speaking skills, learn to think and react quickly and see arguments from multiple viewpoints. This will be a first semester class, with some after school practice required in January prior to completion.

CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN ISSUES (#1461)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course deals with news, primarily the national news. Through various media - newspapers, magazines, radio, and television - the students will learn the facts of various issues in the news and how to formulate their own opinions.

PSYCHOLOGY (#1471)

GRADES 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

Psychology is designed to provide students with an introduction into the field of psychology so that they will be more prepared for entry into college level psychology courses. The course of study includes material on the beginning of psychology as a science, developmental psychology, dreams, and conditioning.

PSYCHOLOGY II (#1472)

GRADES 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

An in depth look at different topics in Psychology. The course is intended to be more challenging, building on Introduction to Psychology. It is also designed to prepare students for college level Psychology.

AP PSYCHOLOGY A&B (#1477 & 1478)

GRADES 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: RECOMMENDATION BY THE SOCIAL STUDIES AND ENGLISH DEPARTMENTS.

The AP Psychology course designed to introduce students to the systematic and scientific study of the behavior and mental processes of human beings and other animals. Students are exposed to the psychological facts, principles, and phenomena associated with each of the major subfields within psychology. They also learn about the ethics and methods psychologists use in their science and practice. This AP Psychology course is designed for any 11th or 12th grade student willing to accept the heavy reading and writing curriculum in a rigorous college level environment.

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COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS INTRO TO CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY (#1492)

**THIS COURSE IS WEIGHTED AS AP LEVEL*

GRADES 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: MEET THE STANDARDS OF SINCLAIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO THE COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS PROGRAM AND ACCEPTANCE INTO THE COURSE.

This course is an examination of what is meant by culture and a review of the various theories and methods in Cultural Anthropology. It includes a comparison of the similarities and differences among world cultures as well as comparative analysis of family organization, religious beliefs, educational systems, economics, and governmental systems.

CCP Intro to Cultural Anthropology is a college class. Content in this class will be the same as the Introduction to Cultural Anthropology at Sinclair College [SOC 1145 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology]. Students enrolled in this class will earn credit at Fenwick AND may earn 3 semester hours collegiate credit. Collegiate credits are through Sinclair Community College and to receive credit students must apply and be accepted at Sinclair. College Credit Plus courses are subject to additional fees and charges by Sinclair Community College. Some of these expenses may be absorbed by the State of Ohio, depending on the promptness with which students provide required documents. **Eligibility for the CCP Program is dependent on a student's GPA. Eligibility for a specific CCP class is dependent on the course's pre-requisites which may be earned through either standardized test scores or specific high school credits/grades in English and/or Math. Any student interested in taking a CCP course must attend a CCP Informational/Counseling Night. Please see Mrs. Snyder with questions.**

WORLD LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT

Recognizing the need for students of the 21st century to be prepared for a global society the world languages department offers an opportunity to not only learn the language but to engage in the cultures from which they come. In each of the world languages we offer, students will actively collaborate with fellow students, teachers, and technology to maximize the foreign language learning experience. Although a student is only required to complete two years of a world language, we strongly encourage students to take 3-4 years to ensure they are adequately prepared to take language at the college level.

French

FRENCH A/B (#1535 & 1536)

GRADES 9, 10, 11

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT PER YEAR

PREREQUISITE: LANGUAGE APTITUDE AS INDICATED BY PLACEMENT TEST OR DEPARTMENT TEST.

This level introduces the fundamentals of grammar structures, reading, writing, listening, and speaking in the French language, but at a slower pace than French 1. Students in French A/B cover half of the material that is covered in French 1. This class is designed for highly motivated students who struggle with grammatical structure and need additional time to process material. This first year focuses on the conjugation of regular verbs and basic sentence structure, along with everyday vocabulary. Francophone culture is embedded into the curriculum weekly through videos, PowerPoints and personal accounts. At the end of the year, students are able to communicate at a basic level. Students who successfully complete French A/B will continue to French C/D the following year.

FRENCH C/D (#1537 & 1538)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT PER YEAR

PREREQUISITE: DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

This class is a continuation of French A/B. Students will continue to develop their reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills in the French language with new vocabulary and grammar. Students in French C/D are also responsible for the information learned in French A/B. Like the second semester of French 1, this class focuses on irregular verbs and more advanced sentence structures. At the end of French C/D, students will have earned their language credit needed to graduate.

FRENCH I A&B (#1533 & 1534)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

This level introduces the fundamentals of grammar structures, reading, writing, listening, and speaking in the French language. Students will also cover basic vocabulary used in everyday life such as school, food, family, etc. Students will use present tense and irregular verbs to express their actions with simple sentence formation. Francophone culture will be presented on a weekly basis through videos, PowerPoints and personal accounts. By the end of the year, students should be performing at a low/mid novice level of proficiency.

****PLEASE NOTE**:** All students with previous exposure to the French language who wish to place beyond French I are required to take a placement test before beginning their language study to ensure that they are placed in the appropriate course level.

FRENCH II A&B (#1543 & 1544)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF FRENCH I.

Incoming Freshmen must take a LANGUAGE placement test in the Spring.

This course builds upon skills learned in French 1 by providing the students with additional vocabulary and more complex grammatical structures. Students will advance their skills by incorporating past tense construction and discussing daily routines, health, and travel. Students will continue to develop their communication skills in the areas of reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Culture will be expanded at this level and students will learn to compare differences in the life of Francophone people. Students finish their second year of French performing at a mid-novice level of proficiency.

HONORS FRENCH III A & B (#1545 & 1546)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: FRENCH II WITH A FINAL GRADE OF 85% (B) OR BETTER AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

The ability to discuss a variety of topics in present and past tenses is the starting point for this honors level class. A wider scope of vocabulary is introduced such as education, employment, health, and environment. Students begin the year with review of present and past tense but additional tenses such as conditional, future and subjunctive are introduced and reinforced through further development of reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills. By the end of this course, students are able to discuss current and past events using complex sentences structures and differentiate between American and French lifestyles. Students in Honors French 3 typically perform at the high novice-low intermediate level of proficiency.

****Summer work is required for this course****

HONORS FRENCH IV A & B (#1547 & 1548)

GRADES 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: FRENCH III WITH A FINAL GRADE OF 85% (B) OR BETTER AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

Advanced level vocabulary addresses social issues and the environment. Students are expected to communicate in French in daily conversation as well as during in-class presentations. More sophisticated grammar structures are presented as well as further development of previously learned concepts in order to present essays on a variety of topics and maintain conversations with little language interference. Students who complete this course will be at a mid-high intermediate level of proficiency.

****Summer work is required for this course****

AP FRENCH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE A & B (#1591 & 1592)

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: HONORS FRENCH IV WITH A FINAL GRADE OF 85% (B) AND A DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

AP French Language and Culture is a rigorous course taught almost entirely in the target language. The course is divided into six thematic units which focus on the integration of authentic resources including film, literary pieces, promotional materials, audio recordings and simulated conversation. High-interest topics are selected in order to stimulate the desire for students to express themselves in class. Presentational and writing assessments accompany each thematic unit.

****Summer work is required for this course****

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Latin

LATIN A/B (#1500 & 1501)

GRADES 9, 10, 11

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT PER YEAR

PREREQUISITE: LANGUAGE APTITUDE AS INDICATED BY PLACEMENT TEST OR DEPARTMENT TEST.

This level introduces the fundamentals of grammar structures, reading, writing, listening, and speaking in the Latin language, but at a slower pace than Latin 1. Students in Latin A/B cover half of the material that is covered in Latin 1. This class is designed for highly motivated students who struggle with grammatical structure and need additional time to process material. Students who successfully complete Latin A/B will continue to Latin C/D the following year.

LATIN C/D (#1502 & 1503)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT PER YEAR

PREREQUISITE: DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

This class is a continuation of Latin A/B. Students will continue to develop their reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills in the Latin language with new vocabulary and grammar. Students in Latin C/D are also responsible for the information learned in Latin A/B. At the end of Latin C/D, students will have earned their language credit needed to graduate.

LATIN I A&B (#1513 & 1514)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

Latin I focuses on a clear and structured understanding of grammar, and growing accumulation of Latin vocabulary. Students will read, compose, and correctly pronounce Latin sentences and short paragraphs. The course also includes some study of Roman history and culture. Students should expect, by the end of the year, to be familiar with three of Latin's five declensions, the present and perfect systems in all four conjugations, and the indicative and imperative mood.

****PLEASE NOTE**:** All students with previous exposure to the Latin language who wish to place beyond Latin I are required to take a placement test before beginning their language study to ensure that they are placed in the appropriate course level.

LATIN II A&B (#1523 & 1524)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: COMPLETION OF LATIN I

Incoming Freshmen must take a LANGUAGE placement test in the Spring.

Latin II consists of a more advanced study of Latin grammar and vocabulary. Students will master all Latin verb forms, the remaining two declensions, the passive voice, and will begin to acquire a facility for translating and composing more complex Latin passages. By the end of the year, they should expect to

have acquired an extensive vocabulary, to begin to understand Latin literary constructions such as the ablative absolute, and to be familiar with most of Latin's varied case uses. Latin II includes an introduction to Roman literature.

HONORS LATIN III A & B (#1525 & 1526)

GRADES 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: LATIN II WITH A FINAL GRADE OF 85% (B) OR BETTER AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

Honors Latin III students will begin the year by reviewing and solidifying their knowledge of Latin grammar, in addition to learning a few new constructions, such as the active and passive periphrastic. As they master this knowledge, they will translate passages from original texts by a variety of Roman (and some medieval) authors. By the end of the year, students should expect to have attained a level of ease in translation of ancient texts, a familiarity with Roman idiom and some Roman poetic devices such as chiasmus and synchysis.

HONORS LATIN IV A&B (#1527 & 1528)

GRADES 11, 12

TWO SEMESTER = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: HONORS LATIN III WITH A FINAL GRADE 85 (B) OR BETTER AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Latin IV is a continuation of Latin III: students will build their Latin vocabulary, focusing on linguistic connections, contextual nuances of meaning, and English cognates. Students will learn complex and compound sentences, new grammatical concepts, and additional uses of nouns and participles. Latin composition is a significant component of the course. In terms of ancient Roman culture, students will focus on festivals, family dynamics, and coming-of-age ceremonies.

AP LATIN A&B (#1529 & 1530)

GRADES 12

TWO SEMESTER = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: HONORS LATIN III WITH A FINAL GRADE 85% (B) OR BETTER AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

AP Latin IV will prepare students to take the AP Latin test at the end of the school year. The focus will be on developing a student's ability to read and comprehend authentic Latin poetry and prose, particularly Vergil's Aeneid and Caesar's De Bellico Gallo. Students are expected to understand and explain the Roman historical and cultural references within texts. Students will also analyze the linguistic and literary features of a Latin text, while working on developing argumentative essays over Latin poetry and prose.

****Summer work is required for this course****

UPON COMPLETION OF THE AP COURSE, STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE NATIONALLY ADMINISTERED EXAMINATION IN MAY (APPROXIMATE COST IS \$95). IF A STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE THIS EXAM, IT WILL RESULT IN A ZERO FOR THE CLASS'S SEMESTER EXAM GRADE.

Spanish

SPANISH A/B (#1550 & 1551)

GRADES 9, 10, 11

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT PER YEAR

PREREQUISITE: LANGUAGE APTITUDE AS INDICATED BY PLACEMENT TEST OR DEPARTMENT TEST.

This level introduces the fundamentals of grammar structures, reading, writing, listening, and speaking in the Spanish language, but at a slower pace than Spanish 1. Students in Spanish A/B cover half of the material that is covered in Spanish 1. This class is designed for highly motivated students who struggle with grammatical structure and need additional time to process material. This first year focuses on the conjugation of regular verbs and basic sentence structure, along with everyday vocabulary. Hispanic culture is embedded into the curriculum weekly through videos, PowerPoints and personal accounts. At the end of the year, students are able to communicate at a basic level. Students who successfully complete Spanish A/B will continue to Spanish C/D the following year.

SPANISH C/D (#1552 & 1553)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT PER YEAR

PREREQUISITE: DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

This class is a continuation of Spanish A/B. Students will continue to develop their reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills in the Spanish language with new vocabulary and grammar. Students in Spanish C/D are also responsible for the information learned in Spanish A/B. Like the second semester of Spanish 1, this class focuses on irregular verbs and more advanced sentence structures. At the end of Spanish C/D, students will have earned their language credit needed to graduate. If they wish to continue to Spanish 2, they will need to take the Spanish 1 exam and speak with their language teacher.

SPANISH I A&B (#1563 & 1564)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

This level introduces the fundamentals of grammar structures, reading, writing, listening and speaking in the Spanish language. The first year focuses on the present tense, along with vocabulary for everyday life such as school, family, food, etc. Students also spend time learning how to structure sentences and questions to enhance communication skills. Hispanic culture is embedded in the weekly curriculum through videos, PowerPoints, and personal accounts. At the end of this year, students should be able to use the language at a low-mid novice level of proficiency.

****PLEASE NOTE**:** All students with previous exposure to the Spanish language who wish to place beyond Spanish I are required to take a placement test before beginning their language study to ensure that they are placed in the appropriate course level.

ACCELERATED SPANISH I A & B (#1565 & 1566)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: PREVIOUS EXPOSURE TO SPANISH AS INDICATED BY PLACEMENT TEST RESULTS. INCOMING FRESHMEN MUST TAKE THE SPANISH LANGUAGE PLACEMENT TEST AND BE PLACED AS INDICATED BY THE TEST RESULTS.

Incoming Freshmen must take a LANGUAGE placement test in the Spring.

Students entering Accelerated Spanish 1 have already been introduced to the basics of Spanish. Present tense structures and vocabulary are reviewed before expanded upon. The accelerated class follows the same curriculum as Spanish 1, but goes more in depth into the vocabulary, grammatical structures and culture while maintaining a challenging pace. Students should be more comfortable expressing themselves in the target language. Hispanic culture is embedded weekly through videos, PowerPoints, and personal accounts. At the end of the year, students should perform at a mid-novice level of proficiency.

SPANISH II A & B (#1573 & 1574)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: COMPLETION OF SPANISH I

Incoming Freshmen must take a LANGUAGE placement test in the Spring.

This course builds upon skills learned in Spanish 1 by providing the students with additional vocabulary and more complex grammatical structures. Students will advance their skills in sentence construction and vocabulary by discussing daily routines, health, and travel. Students will continue to develop their communication skills in the areas of reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Culture will be expanded at this level and students will learn to compare differences in the life of Hispanic people. Students finish their second year of Spanish by performing at a mid-novice level of proficiency.

ACCELERATED SPANISH II A & B (#1577 & 1578)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: SPANISH I WITH A FINAL GRADE OF 93% (A) OR ACCELERATED SPANISH I WITH A FINAL GRADE OF 87% (B) AND A DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

Incoming Freshmen must take a LANGUAGE placement test in the Spring.

This course builds upon Accelerated Spanish 1 by engaging students in more complex grammar structures and vocabulary. The challenging pace of this class prepares students for Honors Spanish 3. Students express individual thoughts through written and oral assignments. The course focuses on using present tense and an introduction to the past tense to discuss daily life, personal experience, and opinions. Students will finish the year at a mid-novice level of proficiency and be prepared to enter Honors Spanish 3.

SPANISH III A&B (#1583 & 1584)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: SPANISH II WITH A FINAL GRADE OF 80 (C) AND A DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

This course expands students' knowledge of vocabulary and grammar knowledge presented in Spanish 1 & 2. Students who enroll in Spanish 3 have a genuine interest in the language and culture while showing strong proficiency in concepts presented in the previous two years. While exploring the diverse cultures of the Spanish-speaking world, students will enhance their listening, reading, writing, and speaking abilities. Students will continue their use of expression of past events while introducing the future and conditional tenses as well as perfect tenses.

HONORS SPANISH III A & B (#1585 & 1586)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: SPANISH II WITH A FINAL GRADE OF 85% (B), A DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION, AND SUMMER WORK COMPLETED BY THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.

The ability to discuss a variety of topics in present and past tense is the starting point for this honors level class. A wider scope of vocabulary is introduced such as education, employment, health, and environment. Students begin the year with review of present and past tense but additional tenses such as conditional, future and subjunctive are introduced and reinforced through further development of reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills. By the end of this course, students are able to discuss current and past events using complex sentences structures and differentiate between American and Hispanic lifestyles. Students in Honors Spanish 3 typically perform at the high novice-low intermediate level of proficiency.

****Summer work is required for this course****

HONORS SPANISH IV A & B (#1587 & 1588)

GRADES 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: HONORS SPANISH III WITH A FINAL GRADE OF 85% (B) AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION, OR, SPANISH III WITH A FINAL GRADE OF 93% (A) AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

Advanced level vocabulary addresses social issues and the environment. Students are expected to communicate in Spanish in daily conversation as well as during in-class presentations. More sophisticated grammar structures are presented as well as further development of previously learned concepts in order to present essays on a variety of topics and maintain conversations with little language interference. Students who complete this course will be at a mid-high intermediate level of proficiency.

****Summer work is required for this course****

AP SPANISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE A & B (#1597 & 1598)

GRADE 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: HONORS SPANISH IV WITH A FINAL GRADE OF 85% (B) AND A DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION.

AP Spanish Language and Culture is a rigorous course taught almost entirely in the target language. The course is divided into six thematic units which focus on the integration of authentic resources including film, literary pieces, promotional materials, audio recordings and simulated conversation. High-interest topics are selected in order to stimulate the desire for students to express themselves in class. Presentational and writing assessments accompany each thematic unit.

****Summer work is required for this course****

UPON COMPLETION OF THE AP COURSE, STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE NATIONALLY ADMINISTERED EXAMINATION IN MAY (APPROXIMATE COST IS \$95). IF A STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE THIS EXAM, IT WILL RESULT IN A ZERO FOR THE CLASS'S SEMESTER EXAM GRADE.

HEALTH SCIENCES & PE DEPARTMENT

HEALTH (#1613)

GRADE 9

REQUIRED

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

Health class develops a solid understanding and awareness of how to properly care for the human body and mind. This class helps students develop mentally, socially, emotionally, and physically to help them make good lifelong choices. The course encompasses education on achieving good mental health, good healthy habits, practicing safety, and keeping up with major health problems in our society. There is an emphasis on drugs, tobacco, and alcohol education; nutrition, eating disorders, human sexuality, sexually transmitted diseases, bullying, and domestic violence.

***Bishop Fenwick students who successfully complete two full seasons of interscholastic athletics, marching band/color guard, or cheerleading or administration-approved performance roles in school musicals may be excused from the high school physical education graduation requirement. For more information and the appropriate documentation, please see your school counselor.**

PHYSICAL EDUCATION A & B (#1623 & 1624)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

*REQUIRED

TWO SEMESTERS = .5 CREDIT

Physical education helps students to develop mentally, socially, and physically. Throughout the year, students will successfully learn the rules of several sports and the history of those sports as well as other physical activities that they can engage in both now and for the duration of their lives.

The curriculum for this class covers a wide variety of topics and each unit emphasizes progressive development of both cognitive processing skills associated with the activities listed below as well as physical development and improvement of the major motor activities associated with each activity. Physical Education class is a tool that will help individuals learn and enhance elements of teamwork, competitiveness, and overall communication skills in both individual activities as well as in a team participation environment. Team units include volleyball, soccer, lacrosse, softball/baseball, flag football, team handball, speedball, tennis, badminton, pickleball, basketball, ultimate frisbee, and floor hockey.

Physical Education class also offers an individualized side to the curriculum. The elements of that portion of the curriculum include how to develop an appropriate fitness plan that meets their goals, learning different methods of training the body, cardiovascular health development from walking and running the track as well as introducing proper nutrition habits and checking for resting and working heart rates.

HEALTHY LIFESTYLES (#1650)

GRADES 11, 12

HEALTH OR PE CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .25 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: HEALTH

Healthy Lifestyles will increase the level of accurate and current information regarding personal health issues while enabling students to obtain the knowledge and skills necessary to develop and maintain health-enhancing level of fitness. Students will learn the components of health-related fitness, healthy eating habits, training principles and the benefits of being physically active. While maintaining nutrition and physical activity logs, students will be able to track their baseline health and fitness from where they were in the beginning of the class through the end of the semester; students will also compare their health habits with those of other students and will exhibit a physically active lifestyle through participation in a variety of lifetime activities throughout the course. The class will both engage students physically while also involving note-taking sessions, research opportunities, and viewing of documentaries that detail the effects of a healthy and unhealthy lifestyle. The combination of physical and cognitive challenges promotes an awareness of behaviors regarding health promotion and risky behaviors.

STRENGTH & CONDITIONING (#1651)

GRADES 10, 11, 12 LIMITED TO 15 STUDENTS PER SECTION

HEALTH OR PE CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .25 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: HEALTH

Strength and Conditioning is designed to give students the opportunity to learn fitness/strength training concepts and conditioning techniques used for obtaining optimal physical fitness. Students will benefit from comprehensive weight training and cardiorespiratory endurance activities. Students will learn the fundamentals of strength training, aerobic training, and overall fitness training and conditioning. Course includes both lecture and activity sessions. Students will be empowered to make wise choices, meet challenges, and develop positive behaviors in fitness, wellness, and movement activity for a lifetime.

Units of study will include training and participating in a 5K, 10K, and/or a marathon, resistance band training, free weight training, body weight movements used for improved physical health, sports-based nutrition which includes how to add lean muscle, how to safely lose adipose tissue (body fat), and introduction into the importance of stretching and the differences between dynamic and static stretching. These units will be aided through use of stability and balance boards, hand-eye coordination games and testing, and core strength development. Dynamic/static stretching will be implemented daily. At the end of each semester, the Presidential Fitness Test is given to measure muscle flexibility, endurance, and muscular strength. Students will create a video presentation detailing the correct biomechanical techniques for either a sport based movement or a lifting movement learned during the semester; the presentation will break down the muscles that are activated during the movement and exercise that can be performed to increase the overall performance.

LIFETIME FITNESS (#1643)

GRADE 12 NUMBER LIMITED TO 12 PER SECTION BY YMCA

HEALTH OR PE CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .25 CREDIT

LIMIT: 12 STUDENTS; CLASS MEETS OFF CAMPUS FREQUENTLY

Lifetime Fitness is a combination of physical activity consistent with long-term fitness. The class consists of physical fitness at the Atrium YMCA and possible activities at a bowling alley, golf course, and pickleball courts. Activities at the YMCA include exercise machine, weightlifting, and swimming. All activities are geared toward physical activities for later on in life, increasing self-confidence, and cooperation.

INTRODUCTION TO ATHLETIC TRAINING I (#1644)

GRADES 11, 12

HEALTH CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

DOES NOT SATISFY PE REQUIREMENT

Introduction to Athletic Training I is designed as an introductory course for anyone interested in pursuing a career in a health-related field. Students will learn the basics of anatomy, physiology, kinesiology, general nutrition, and basic athletic training procedures. Class will cover training room operations, athletic injury assessment, advanced first aid, use of heat and cold modalities, recordkeeping, and rehabilitation.

INTRODUCTION TO ATHLETIC TRAINING II (#1645)

GRADES 11, 12

SCIENCE OR HEALTH CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF ATHLETIC TRAINING I WITH 85% (B) FINAL GRADE OR HIGHER. **DOES NOT SATISFY PE REQUIREMENT.**

Introduction to Athletic Training II is designed to build on those skills attained in the Introduction of Athletic Training I. Students will become certified in basic first aid, CPR and AED training; expand on their anatomy knowledge; and be able to explain and demonstrate proper evaluation techniques for certain joints of the body. Class size is limited.

BUSINESS, CAREERS & TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

MOBILE COMPUTING AND COLLABORATION A & B (#1708 & 1709)

GRADE 9

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

REQUIRED

TWO SEMESTERS = .5 CREDIT

This course is designed to ensure that the students begin high school with the necessary digital literacy skills to effectively use their tablet PC. With the incorporation of 1:1 devices, this class will cover the use of Office 365 in the classroom, including Microsoft OneDrive. Curriculum will cover computational thinking, including problem solving and collaboration. Students will gain knowledge on how a computer system works and new knowledge about technology, college, and careers. This course is an introduction to the field of Information Technology including technology concepts, terminology, hardware components and software applications. Students will be introduced to and asked to apply basic skills in the core areas of information technology such as programming, database management, networking, systems administration, and web development and the basic research, problem-solving and decision-making skills required to be successful in this field. The course emphasizes the role of technical communications, project management, languages, tools, models and application architectures within the IT development process.

Approximately half of the time spent in this class will be utilized for student study time, collaboration time, working with school counseling programs in the area of study and career/college planning, as well as working with students on utilization of their technology in all other courses they take.

MOBILE COMPUTING AND COLLABORATION 9 A & B (#1706 & 1707)

GRADE 9

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: STUDENTS RECOMMENDED BY INTERVENTION SPECIALIST AND DEPARTMENT

This course is designed to ensure that the students begin high school with the necessary digital literacy skills to effectively use their tablet PC. With the incorporation of 1:1 device, this class will cover the use of Office 365 in the classroom, including Microsoft OneDrive, Microsoft OneNote and Microsoft Outlook. Curriculum will cover computational thinking, including problem solving and collaboration. Students will gain knowledge on how a computer system works and incorporation of technology in the world around us.

Approximately half of the time spent in this class will be utilized for student study time, collaboration time, work with school counseling programs in the area of study and career/college planning, as well as working with students on utilization of their technology in all other courses they take.

SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETING (#1719)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: MOBILE COMPUTING AND COLLABORATION

This course will cover numerous topics including true costs, business applications, and social media platforms. Students will plan campaigns and identify suitable platforms for target audiences. Students will distinguish paid, owned, and earned social media marketing efforts with focus on selection and design of content for the right audience and the right mediums. Students will look at the right mix of types of promotional and non-promotional content while making data-driven decisions based on results from dozens of posts over an extended period of time. All students in the course will become a member of the Business Professionals of America (BPA) organization where they will be expected to serve in leadership positions and will have the opportunity to compete at regional, state, and national competitions.

WEB 2.0 (#1720)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: MOBILE COMPUTING AND COLLABORATION

Web 2.0 started in 2004—a new era with the uptake of broadband and mature standards. This new level developed different approaches, different expectations, and different outcomes. Students will be active participants as we explore the new world of 2.0. Students will be “connecting, collaborating, creating, and sharing”. Students will discover new tools, new media, and new ways of working—being a learner in the 21st Century. The course will include a look at Web 3.0.

FUNDAMENTAL BUSINESS (#1730)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course will introduce you to the world of business and help prepare you for the economic role of consumer, worker, and citizen. Business environments and entities to be covered: accounting, finance, marketing, operations, management, careers, and entrepreneurship. This course will allow students to start creating a business plan and become entrepreneurs, concluding in our own Shark Tank experience. Students will look at real-life business and make presentations on what is going on in our economy.

MULTIMEDIA TECHNOLOGY (#1733)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

TECHNOLOGY OR FINE ARTS CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: MOBILE COMPUTING AND COLLABORATION

Students will work with a variety of media including interactive media. Students will develop their skills through direct application and hands-on activities. A variety of software applications will be used throughout the course. The course will include incorporating multimedia and advanced features into presentation software and the creation of digital videos. Students will work with digitized images, Audio files, conversion formats, scanners, cameras, and digital video camcorders in producing their work. This class will come alive! Class size is limited.

AP COMPUTER SCIENCE PRINCIPLES A&B (#1737 & 1738)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: MOBILE COMPUTING AND COLLABORATION AND TEACHER APPROVAL; ALGEBRA GRADE OF 85% (B) OR HIGHER

AP Computer Science Principles introduces students to the breadth of the field of computer science. In this course, students will learn to design and evaluate solutions and to apply computer science to solve problems through the development of algorithms and programs. They will incorporate abstraction into programs and use data to discover new knowledge. Students will also explain how computing innovations and computing systems, explore their potential impacts, and contribute to a computing culture that is collaborative and ethical. All students in the course will become a member of the Business Professionals of America organization where they will be expected to serve in leadership positions and will have the opportunity to compete at regional, state, and national competitions.

Upon completion of the AP course, students are required to take the nationally administered examination in May (approximate cost is \$95). If a student does not take this exam, it will result in a zero for the class's semester exam grade.

ACCOUNTING A&B (#1743 & 1744)

GRADES 11, 12

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

Students planning on majoring in the field of business should take this course. Accounting is the language of business. It is the process of analyzing, classifying, recording, summarizing, and interpreting business transactions in money terms. It describes how businesses are doing and how much they are worth. Students will progress through the entire accounting cycle for a sole proprietorship, partnership, and corporation. The course incorporates theory, drill, and applications expanding from manual to up-to-date automated procedures.

COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY (#1752)

GRADES 10, 11, 12 SPACE LIMITED TO 2 STUDENTS PER BLOCK

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT – (LIMIT 1 SEMESTER)

PREREQUISITE: APPROVAL OF TEACHER

This course provides an opportunity for students to advance their skills and gain hands-on experience in troubleshooting, help desk, and supporting technology at Bishop Fenwick. Students will be involved in learning new technologies and how to support them. Experience in maintenance of equipment, support and troubleshooting, reinstall, update or upgrade of hardware and software, creation and maintenance of an IT database, support to faculty and staff, research, development of advanced applications, inventories, and laptops. This course allows the student to be a leader in the school. Student must be motivated and able to stay on task to accomplish goals. Course size is limited, and students must be approved by technology chairperson.

Project Lead The Way

INTRODUCTION TO ENGINEERING AND DESIGN A & B (#1771 & 1772)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT (FULFILLS A .5 CREDIT TOWARD TECHNOLOGY)

Students dig deep into the engineering design process, applying math, science, and engineering standards to hands-on projects. They work both individually and in teams to design solutions to a variety of problems using 3-D modeling software and use an engineering notebook to document their work. Articulated college credit is possible through Sinclair Community College MET 1231.

PRINCIPLES OF ENGINEERING A & B (#1774 & 1775)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: INTRODUCTION TO ENGINEERING & DESIGN (IED) AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

This is the second course in the PLTW series. Through problems that engage and challenge, students explore a broad range of engineering topics, including mechanisms, the strength of structures and materials, and automation. Students develop skills in problem solving, research, and design while learning strategies for design process documentation, collaboration, and presentation. This course is open to anyone that has passed Introduction to Engineering Design. Other students (10th – 12th grade) can request from PLTW instructor. It is recommended that students have knowledge of trigonometry.

DIGITAL ELECTRONICS A & B (#1777 & 1778)

GRADES 11, 12

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: INTRODUCTION TO ENGINEERING DESIGN AND PRINCIPLES OF ENGINEERING.

This is the third course in the Project Lead the Way Series. From smartphones to appliances, digital circuits are all around us. This course provides a foundation for students who are interested in electrical engineering, electronics, or circuit design. Students study topics such as combinational and sequential logic and are exposed to circuit design tools used in industry, including logic gates, integrated circuits, and programmable logic devices. While this course assumes no previous knowledge, a strong foundation in algebra and science knowledge is necessary. This course is open to students (11th -12th grade) with approval from the PLTW instructor.

CIVIL ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE A & B (#1782 & 1783)

GRADES 11, 12

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: SENIORS PREFERRED, DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION AND ONE OTHER PLTW COURSE

Students learn important aspects of building and site design and development. They apply math, science, and standard engineering practices to design both residential and commercial projects and document their work using 3-D architectural design software. Articulated college credit is possible through Sinclair Community College CAT 1161.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS INTRO TO EDUCATION (#1798)

THIS COURSE IS WEIGHTED AS AP LEVEL

GRADES 11, 12

ONE SEMESTER = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: MEET THE STANDARDS OF SINCLAIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO THE COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS PROGRAM AND ACCEPTANCE INTO THE COURSE.

This course is an introduction to the teaching profession. Students will be exposed to a variety of experiences to facilitate exploration of the role of school and its relationships to society. Students will obtain the knowledge, skills, dispositions, and performances necessary for an individual to become an effective teacher.

CCP Intro to Education is a college class. Content in this class will be the same as the Introduction to Education course for Education Majors at Sinclair College [EDU 1100 Introduction to Education]. Students enrolled in this class will earn credit at Fenwick AND may earn 3 semester hours collegiate credit. Collegiate credits are through Sinclair Community College and to receive credit students must apply and be accepted at Sinclair. College Credit Plus courses are subject to additional fees and charges by Sinclair Community College. Some of these expenses may be absorbed by the State of Ohio, depending on the promptness with which students provide required documents. **Eligibility for the CCP Program is dependent on a student's GPA. Eligibility for a specific CCP class is dependent on the course's pre-requisites which may be earned through either standardized test scores or specific high school credits/grades in English and/or Math. Any student interested in taking a CCP course must attend a CCP Informational/Counseling Night. Please see Mrs. Snyder with questions.**

MUSICAL AND PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT

The study of music and performing arts contributes in significant ways to the quality of life for every student who elects to participate in organized music making and dramatic productions in school. Every work is a product of its time and place, although some transcend their original settings and continue to appeal to mankind through their timeless and universal appeal. The Performing Arts have been and always will be a significant factor in man's pursuit of knowledge. It is our primary concern to expose the students in band, chorus, and theater at Bishop Fenwick High School to a wide variety of musical styles, composers, and playwrights by offering performance in a variety of ensembles and settings. Through these experiences we shall enrich and expand the student's aesthetic awareness of all experiences.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PERFORMANCE

GUITAR AND KEYBOARD (#1804)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5

PRE-REQUISITE: 1. SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF A MUSIC PERFORMANCE COURSE OR MUSIC APPRECIATION **AND** 2. APPROVAL FROM MUSIC DEPARTMENT CHAIR

ENROLLMENT NUMBER FOR THIS COURSE IS LIMITED WITH A PREFERENCE GIVEN TO FINE ARTS NEED AND SENIORITY.

This course is designed to give any student in grades 10-12 an opportunity to learn and play guitar and piano. This is in preparation to join the Concert Band and/or the Falcon Force Marching Band courses and activities in following semesters. During this course, students are taught the fundamentals and techniques that will enable them to become fully participating musicians in ensembles. Students will be split in half between piano and guitar and will switch instruments at the end of the quarter.

Students will learn the basics of guitar and keyboarding in a small class setting. This builds upon knowledge acquired from Music Appreciation. The course of study will cover popular music, including but not limited to: British Rock, Blues, Classic Rock, Pop, Country, and Jazz. Students will learn to read sheet music, lead sheet notations, tablature, and other forms of music literacy on acoustic guitar, electric bass, and piano.

GUITAR II (#1808)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5

PRE-REQUISITE:1. GUITAR AND KEYBOARDING I

ENROLLMENT NUMBER FOR THIS COURSE IS LIMITED WITH A PREFERENCE GIVEN TO FINE ARTS NEED AND SENIORITY.

This course is designed to give any student in grades 10-12 an opportunity to further increase their knowledge and skills on guitar. It is a continuation of their time in the Guitar and Keyboarding course. Students will learn beginning and intermediate chords and music notation to play guitar at a higher level. The course of study will cover popular music, including but not limited to: British Rock, Blues, Classic Rock, Pop, Country, and Jazz. Students will learn to read sheet music, lead sheet notations, tablature, and other forms of music literacy on guitar and bass guitar.

INSTRUMENTAL METHODS (#1813)

GRADES 9, 10, 11

FINE ART CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: DEPARTMENT APPROVAL

This course is designed to give any student in grades 9-11 a more in-depth and personalized approach to music performance and theory development. Following a six-level curriculum, students will be given lessons over the course of the semester to receive ½ credit in fine arts with their chosen musical instrument (Strings, Woodwind, Brass, Percussion). Level 1-2 is aimed for beginners with little to no experience but will allow students to enroll in the Concert Band ensemble, or Advanced Instrumental Methods following completion of this course.

CONCERT BAND A & B (#1821 & 1822)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PRE-REQUISITE: PRIOR EXPERIENCE ON THE INSTRUMENT TO BE PLAYED

In band, students learn about the history, theory, and people of music through the preparation and performance of various styles of musical literature. Band at Bishop Fenwick High School includes both the Falcon Force Marching Band and the Fenwick Concert Winds. All high school members of the Falcon Force Marching Band must enroll in concert band during the school day. This course is the central thrust of musical development and performance, and co-curricular ensembles cannot improve without the core concert band course.

Students enrolled in Concert Band are **not required to participate** in Marching Band, Pep Band, or other ensembles as a co-curricular activity.

This course may be repeated all four years of high school.

HONORS PERFORMING ARTS PORTFOLIO A & B (#1848 & 1849)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PRE-REQUISITE: MUSIC DEPARTMENT APPROVAL AND AUDITION (IN APRIL)

THIS COURSE CAN BE TAKEN IN PLACE OF BAND OR CHORUS IN THE STUDENT'S SCHEDULE.

In addition to the requirements in place for Concert Band or Chorus, students enrolled in Honors Performing Arts Portfolio must complete at least 3 of the following 10 options **each semester**. Failure to complete an item will result in a lowering of the semester grade by 10 points (Each).

Students with scheduling conflicts that would otherwise prevent them from enrolling in Concert Band or Chorus may enroll in this course through an adjacent class period with approval from the Music Department. Enrollment in the course will allow the student to perform alongside ensembles for performances while not able to attend class during the school day. Students with no scheduling conflicts will otherwise be placed in the respective performing arts course.

At the beginning of each semester, students will meet with the department chair to go over a lessons schedule and appropriate course level content and repertoire. Students will also be performing members of the ensemble for Christmas, Spring, and Graduation performances, as well as any other performances during the school day.

- Complete a weekly practice journal
- Compile a list of performed solos and ensemble music from all performing arts activities
- Audition for OMEA District group
- Participate in basketball Pep Band
- Perform the National Anthem as soloist at public event
- Participate in Marching Band
- Participate in the Fall Play
- Participate in the Spring Musical
- Minimum of 5 hours (in semester) tutoring junior high musicians
- Take a solo or ensemble to OMEA District Solo/Ensemble event
- Participate in at least one honors ensemble not requiring audition (BGSU, Capital University, OSU, SWOCHB)

VOCAL MUSIC PERFORMANCE

FORTISSIMO CHORUS A & B (#1831 & 1832)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

This yearly performance-based course is open to all students at Fenwick. Students are exposed to and learn to sing many different genres of vocal music, especially focused on 4-part choral music. Students receive vocal training in the areas of breath control, vocal tone production, proper singing pronunciation, and others. Elements of music history and music theory are included to give students a better perspective on the music they are studying. It is hoped that the individual students take this class for more than one year, so as to better their ability over time. Students who exhibit higher levels of ability may be asked to form small ensembles to enhance their learning experience in the choral area and to expand their performance experience. The chorus class performs annually at the Christmas Concert and Spring Pops concert in addition to other travel performances and for the school community (i.e. school assemblies, mass, sporting events, etc.). Evaluations are both written and performance in nature.

Students interested in piano accompaniment are welcomed and encouraged to sign up for this class. Your participation grade would be for playing the piano - not singing. Students interested in this option should set up an audition time with the director PRIOR to registering for the class.

INTRODUCTION TO ACTING (#1842)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course introduces students to some of the fundamental skills and tools required for developing the acting process. Through performance of basic characterization and dramatic skills, students will build self-awareness, develop their imagination, foster creativity, and heighten awareness of this art form. First/Third quarter will focus on a brief history of the performing arts, development of acting skills, and enhance behind the scenes knowledge pivotal for a production. Second quarter will be the development and performance of a One-Act play performed for families as the semester exam.

NON-PERFORMANCE ELECTIVES

PERFORMING ARTS APPRECIATION I (#1815)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course is a semester course offered in the fall to introduce students to modern-day music and theater through the study and research of performances throughout history. Students will be provided with a broad outlook on how we have come to create and listen to music and experience theatrical performances around us today.

PERFORMING ARTS APPRECIATION II (#1816)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITES: MUSIC APPRECIATION, THEATER APPRECIATION OR PERFORMING ARTS APPRECIATION I

Performing Arts Appreciation II is a second semester course for students wishing to further their knowledge of music and theater through the study and research of performances throughout history. This course will examine the societal impact of music and theater through storytelling such as film and literature, its role in sacred ceremonies and celebrations, and as a vehicle for social change.

MUSIC TECHNOLOGY A: PODCASTING (#1835)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

FINE ART OR TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

Students will explore sound design, acoustics, recording technology, music editing software, and other facets of the music industry that are unseen but always heard in the final product, with a special emphasis on creating and producing podcasts. Students will also be given extension assignments during or after school to assist in sound set up for sporting events, concerts, plays, musicals, masses, and assemblies throughout the year.

MUSIC TECHNOLOGY B: MUSIC PRODUCTION (#1836)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

FINE ART OR TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

Students will explore sound design, acoustics, recording technology, music editing software, and other facets of the music industry that are unseen but always heard in the final product, with a special emphasis on creating and producing digital music compositions with computer software. Students will also be given extension assignments during or after school to assist in sound set up for sporting events, concerts, plays, musicals, masses, and assemblies throughout the year.

HONORS MUSIC THEORY (#1846 & 1847)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: 1. APPROVAL OF MUSIC DEPARTMENT AND 2. PRIOR EXPERIENCE IN INSTRUMENTAL/VOCAL MUSIC

Music theory is offered to music students wishing to advance their knowledge in music and prepare for the study of music after high school. Students will be able to comprehend and notate music by receiving both written and aural training. This course will also cover basic composition skills. Students will learn about music through class lectures, research, self-guided experimentation, and group projects. The music theory course will use an advanced text intended for beginning music theory students at the college level.

VISUAL ARTS DEPARTMENT

Non-Studio Art Electives

ART HISTORY I (#1859)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

This course introduces the visual arts with an emphasis on the study of compositional form, materials, artistic techniques, and the cultural meanings of art artifacts dating from Pre-Historic times to Renaissance. By focusing on artistic traditions from each continent, this course seeks to foster an understanding of art in historical and cultural contexts. The course is presented through slide lectures, discussions, and PowerPoint presentations. Students may be expected to meet requirements outside the school day such as attending art exhibits, presentations, or going to a museum.

ART HISTORY II (#1860)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF ART HISTORY I

This course continues the focus on the visual arts with an emphasis on the study of compositional form, materials, artistic techniques and the cultural meanings of art artifacts including periods of Realism to Contemporary Art. By focusing on artistic traditions from each continent, this course seeks to foster an understanding of art in historical and cultural contexts. The course is presented through slide lectures, discussions, and PowerPoint presentations. Students may be expected to meet requirements outside the school day such as attending art exhibits, presentations, or going to a museum.

AP ART HISTORY A & B (#1885 & 1886)

GRADES 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: MINIMUM OF 85% (B) IN AP WORLD HISTORY OR MINIMUM OF 93% (A) IN WORLD HISTORY AND/OR ART DEPARTMENT APPROVAL

This course allows students to learn about the past by looking at the most awe-inspiring creations of humankind across the millennia. Students will study major forms of artistic expression (painting, drawing, architecture, sculpture, printmaking, photography, etc.) from the prehistoric world to the present day. Students will learn to analyze works of art within their historical context, considering the ways that such factors as politics, religion, patronage, economics, and origin impact artists and the work they make. Students will contemplate such themes as images of power, definitions of beauty, humanity's relationship to nature and will explore differences and similarities across cultures and time.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE AP COURSE, STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE NATIONALLY ADMINISTERED EXAMINATION IN MAY (APPROXIMATE COST IS \$95). IF A STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE THIS EXAM, IT WILL RESULT IN A ZERO FOR THE CLASS'S SEMESTER EXAM GRADE.

Studio Art Electives

VISUAL ARTS I (#1853)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

Visual Arts I is the foundational and introductory level course for art study through high school. The course is primarily devoted to deliberate and systematic presentations in a highly structured class environment. The pivotal goal of the course is to encourage and promote student awareness of their creative capacities and to overcome internal and external fears in making. This course emphasizes visual literacy, visual awareness, the elements and principles of design, visual problem-solving and decision-making (creative process), and proper studio habits. Course content addresses a variety of media and processes rooted in drawing. Furthermore, art history, art vocabulary, art criticism, and aesthetic studies are explored in both writing and speaking exercises.

VISUAL ARTS II (#1854)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: VISUAL ART I OR PORTFOLIO REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY ART DEPARTMENT

Visual Arts II builds upon the knowledge acquired from Visual Arts I. This is a highly structured class environment while also the primer for the development of student voice. Personal voice becomes more pronounced as seen by risk taking, experimentation, a passion for art making, and historical and technique-oriented research. This course will build drawing and painting skills and techniques through advanced visual problems. Course content addresses a variety of media and processes rooted primarily in 2-D. Students will demonstrate fluency with art vocabulary, art criticism, and aesthetic studies in both writing and research.

STUDIO ART: MIXED MEDIA (#1869)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF VISUAL ARTS I AND VISUAL ARTS II

Studio Art: Mixed Media builds upon the skills and knowledge of previous art courses. The development of student voice, or the approach of working in a personal way becomes more pronounced as seen by risk taking, experimentation, command for mediums, and a passion for art making. Students are developing a personal portfolio which embodies student voice. Students continue to refine their craft and always work to the edge of their competency. Students are now responding to problems with unique solutions and approaches based on their own experiences, interests, and ideas to create work that is distinctly their own. Technique and process is expected to be more advanced. Media use and exploration becomes more professional and challenging. Students will examine the work of other artists, including gallery visits, to assist in their development. Participation, listening, communicating, and responding within the studio community is required.

GRAPHIC DESIGN (#1872)

GRADES 9, 10, 11, 12

FINE ART OR TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: PRIOR COMPLETION OF VISUAL ART I

Graphic Design is a foundational and introductory design course. Rooted in the theme of visual communication students solve visual design problems. The employment of a digital medium, Adobe Illustrator & Photoshop, is the primary tool learned and used. Students must demonstrate rigor and an ability to struggle through direct self-learning. The course is designed to provide students with a basic understanding of digital design or digital image-making as an art form, visual communication, marketing and branding, and personal expression. Students will encounter visual problems and themes to solve in a visual manner using photographs, typography, and primitive design elements. Design history is incorporated throughout the year as well as design criticism activities. Students may take this course multiple times. 9th graders may take the course second semester if they have completed Visual Art I during the first semester.

HONORS VISUAL ARTS III A&B (#1883 & 1884)

GRADES 11, 12

FINE ART CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: VISUAL ARTS II/ART II AND DEPARTMENT APPROVAL

Honors Visual Arts III builds upon the skills and knowledge of Visual Arts II, preparing students for AP Studio Art. The development of student voice, or the approach of working in a personal way, becomes more pronounced as seen by risk taking, experimentation, command for mediums, and a passion for art making. Students are developing a personal portfolio which embodies student voice. Students continue to refine their craft and always work to the edge of their competency. Students are now responding to problems with unique solutions and approaches based on their own experiences, interests, and ideas to create work that is distinctly their own. Technique and process is expected to be more advanced. Media use and exploration becomes more professional and challenging. Students will examine the work of other artists, including gallery visits, to assist in their development. Participation, listening, communicating, and responding within the studio community is utmost.

AP STUDIO ART (DRAWING: 2D DESIGN; 3D) A&B (#1887 & 1888)

GRADE 12

FINE ART CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: HONORS VISUAL ARTS III/ART III AND DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION BASED ON REVIEW OF STUDENT'S PORTFOLIO

Advanced Placement Studio Art is equitably accessible to 12th grade students who are seriously interested in transition, discovery, and hunger for college level art making. Acceptance is contingent upon recommendation from the art program and portfolio review. Students enrolled must demonstrate serious commitment as seen by a sustained investigation of portfolio development during class time, after school time, and at home studio space time [SC1].

The class meets for one block for two semesters and is taught by an AP certified high school art instructor. The course takes place during additional lower-level art courses. As a result, students must work independently, have basic knowledge, and progress with less direct instruction. Proper studio habits and practices are expected as seen by outstanding work ethic, use of time, and care for tools, materials, and studio space. The Assignments are meant to foster the process of the required quality, concentration, and breadth sections of the AP Portfolio. The portfolio is to demonstrate a high level of quality and growth over time of content, technique, and process. Students will demonstrate a range of abilities in problem solving, the elements and principles of design, specific art mediums, art techniques, and content. Students will develop a mastery in concept, composition, and execution in their portfolio of choice (either drawing, 2-D, or 3-D). Students are encouraged to coordinate, build upon, and integrate projects and skills from other studio classes into their AP portfolio. Each student will possess their own interest while working together within the same studio setting as others to develop and follow their personal focus. Within this community students will contemplate the same "big ideas" regardless of media and approach. Further, students will be encouraged to provide feedback and support to one another, in addition to remaining open to taking direction from instructors as a part of building their artistic process [SC8]. Finally, students will submit this body of work to the College Board for grading and possible college credit.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE AP COURSE, STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE NATIONALLY ADMINISTERED EXAMINATION IN MAY (APPROXIMATE COST IS \$95). IF A STUDENT DOES NOT TAKE THIS EXAM, IT WILL RESULT IN A ZERO FOR THE CLASS'S SEMESTER EXAM GRADE.

YEARBOOK: PHOTOJOURNALISM (#1894)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

FINE ART OR TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

ONE SEMESTER = .5 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: PERSONAL OWNERSHIP OF A DIGITAL CAMERA AND DEPARTMENT APPROVAL; SELECTION MAY BE BASED ON STUDENT PERFORMANCE IN PRIOR ENGLISH, TECHNOLOGY, AND ART COURSES

This course, offered to students in grades 10-12. Students in this course will develop skills in photojournalism, including photography and photo editing. Students will be assigned to record the Fenwick student experience through the school day and outside events and take a primary role in the production of Fenwick's yearbook, **Turres**. Yearbook photojournalists will be required to attend events/activities both during and outside of the regular school day. Students may take this course multiple times.

YEARBOOK: EDITORS A&B (#1896 & 1897)

GRADES 10, 11, 12

FINE ART OR TECHNOLOGY CREDIT

TWO SEMESTERS = 1.0 CREDIT

PREREQUISITE: DEPARTMENT APPROVAL; SELECTION MAY BE BASED ON STUDENT APPLICATION, PERFORMANCE IN PRIOR ENGLISH, TECHNOLOGY, AND ART COURSES

This course, offered to students in grades 10-12. Students in this course will develop skills in computer technology and formatting, layout design, artistry, graphic design, copy writing, photography, journalistic writing, editing, and sales to produce and publish Fenwick's yearbook, **Turres**. Yearbook Editors will assist with layout, design, overall theme, and editing for accuracy. Students may take this course multiple times.

SAMPLE CURRICULUM

Sample College Prep - 4 Year Program			
Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
Hebrew Scrip/Christian Scrip	Ecclesiology / Sacramental Theology	Moral Theology / Social Teaching	Vocations / Religion Elective
English 9	English 10	English 11	English 12
World Language (A/B)	World Language (C/D)	Elective	Elective
Algebra 9	Geometry 10	Algebra 11	College Algebra & Trigonometry
Biology 9	Physical Science 10	Chemistry 11	Science Elective
Health/World Geography 9	World History	US History	Government
Mobile Computing	Physical Education OR Elective	Personal Finance or Elective	Personal Finance or Elective
Pathway or Other Elective	Pathway or Other Elective	Pathway or Other Elective	Pathway or Other Elective

Sample Accelerated College Prep - 4 Year Program			
Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
Hebrew Scrip/Christian Scrip	Ecclesiology / Sacramental Theology	Moral Theology / Social Teaching	Vocations / Religion Elective
English I	English II	English III	English IV
World Language	World Language	World Language or Elective	Elective
Algebra I or Accelerated Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Math Elective
Biology I	Physical Science	Chemistry	Science Elective
Health/World Geography	World History	US History	Government
Mobile Computing	Physical Education OR Elective	Personal Finance or Elective	Personal Finance or Elective
Pathway or Other Elective	Pathway or Other Elective	Pathway or Other Elective	Pathway or Other Elective

Sample Honors College Prep - 4 Year Program			
Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
Hebrew Scrip/Christian Scrip	Ecclesiology / Sacramental Theology	Moral Theology / Social Teaching	Vocations / Religion Elective
Honors English I	Honors English II	Honors English III	AP English IV/CCP Composition
World Language	World Language	World Language or Elective	World Language or Elective
Honors Geometry	Honors Algebra II	AP PreCalculus	AP Calculus, AP Statistics
Honors Biology	Honors Physical Science	CCP Chemistry I	CCP Chem II, AP Bio, AP Phys, CCP A&P
Health/World Geography	AP World History	AP US History	AP Government
Mobile Computing	Physical Education OR Elective	Personal Finance or Elective	Personal Finance or Elective
Pathway or Other Elective	Pathway or Other Elective	Pathway or Other Elective	Pathway or Other Elective

**The freshman year elective is intended to be utilized for obtaining graduation required credits in the areas of technology and/or art while opening up the possibility for a student to follow specific interest-based pathways such as visual arts, performing arts, or engineering.*