



**QUINCY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL**



**2024-2025**  
**CURRICULUM**  
**GUIDE**



# QHS-ALL IN

At QHS, we are ALL IN to help each student achieve excellence, be their best self, and prepare for the future.



## ARE YOU ALL IN?

### Staff - ALL IN

- Collective responsibility
- Guaranteed & viable curriculum
- Engaging instruction
- Focus on critical thinking and problem solving
- Mutual accountability
- Respect differences
- Communication & partnerships
- Professional collaboration & involvement

### Students - ALL IN

- Attend school every day
- Advocate for yourself
- Take responsibility for yourself and your education
- Be respectful of others
- Get involved
- Ask questions and seek help
- Communicate

### Parents/Families - ALL IN

- Collaborate with school
- Communicate with child
- Model respect & responsibility
- Stay informed - Use Skyward
- Encourage daily attendance
- Get involved
- Talk about the future

#QHSResponsible

#QHSRespectful

#QHSInvolved

#QHSALLIN

# Quincy Public School District #172 Mission Statement

**Educate students and teachers to  
achieve personal excellence.**

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## Quincy Senior High School Mission Statement

**Creating opportunities,  
Inspiring achievements,  
Celebrating success.**

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# INTRODUCTION

This Curriculum Guide is designed to help students plan their programs of study from the variety of courses offered in Quincy Senior High School.

Students should plan their high school programs with the help of their parents, counselors, and teachers. In this guide, each course is described by level of instruction, length of course, specific prerequisite, and credit value. In addition to the course descriptions, this guide provides information about graduation requirements, grading, student services, summer school, and other areas of interest. This Curriculum Guide is intended to assist students and parents in making educational decisions about high school programs. Course offerings are subject to enrollment. A student's counselor is always the best source for the most up-to-date information regarding course selection, enrollment, & teacher availability.

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## STUDENT SERVICES

Quincy Senior High School provides student services consisting of counselors, psychologists, social workers, speech and language therapists, a school nurse, deans, and special education teachers. Each student is assigned a counselor upon entering high school.

Psychologists and social workers provide services to students and/or their families and serve as a liaison between school and community agencies. A speech and language therapist and school nurse are available to provide appropriate services to students.

Special education programs, designed to meet all state and federal mandates, are available for students with special needs. These teachers provide supplemental instruction to students in the regular classroom and special instruction to students whose educational needs require a modified program.

## COURSE SELECTION & REGISTRATION

Beginning in January, counselors and teachers assist students in the selection of courses for the following year. Parents are encouraged to contact their student's counselor to assist in this process. A list of courses selected by the student is made available for review and approval in early spring. Changes in courses selected may be made up to the date indicated on this list. Courses will only run if minimum enrollment guidelines are met. Subject level placement of incoming freshmen is based on the results of test scores and the recommendations of junior high school teachers. Placement of students already enrolled in high school is based upon previous performance and the recommendations of their teachers. Students are encouraged to select courses to meet their career goals.

## SCHEDULE CHANGES

### UPCOMING YEAR:

Schedule changes (within the following guidelines) should be made when students receive their schedules after registration in early August. No changes will be allowed after the 5th day of the first semester and 3rd day of the second semester. Schedules will not be changed for the following reasons: lunch period change, teacher change, requesting a particular class during a particular period, or study hall requested during a certain period of the day. Acceptable reasons for making a schedule change during the allotted time frame include: incomplete schedule, more than one study hall in one semester, unresolved class conflicts, failure of a class or prerequisite, moving from one weight of a course to a higher or lower weight of a course such as Biology to Advanced Biology to Biology.

### DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR:

Students wanting to change a core course or move from one weight of a course to a higher or lower weight of a course (ex. Biology to Advanced Biology) must submit a Level Change Form and/or have the recommendation of the HELPS/Intervention team.

### DROPPING A CLASS:

Students are allowed to drop a class before Oct. 11 (Semester 1) and Feb. 14 (Semester 2) without penalty. This course must be replaced by a study hall or a release. Drops after these dates will result in a grade of F being recorded for the semester. The only exception to this would be if the drop were teacher or administrator initiated.

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

CREDITS	COURSES
4	Credits of English
3	Credits of Mathematics
3	Credits of Science
2.5	Credits of Social Studies & US Government Course (IL & US Constitutions Test required)
3.5	Credits of Physical Education, Health, Driver's Education, or Marching Band
0.5	Credits of Computers
0.5	Credits of Consumer Education
1.0	Credits of either Art, Foreign Language, Music, Vocational Education
5	Credits of Electives
<b>23</b>	<b>Total Credits Required</b>

ANY COURSE REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION MUST BE TAKEN FOR A LETTER GRADE (A, B, C, D, F) AND CREDIT. STUDENTS WHO CHOOSE TO TAKE DRIVER'S ED IN THE SUMMER ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE PE DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR.

## CONSTITUTION AND SAT TESTING:

Students must complete the SAT and receive a passing grade on the US and Illinois Constitution test. All assessments are a graduation requirement. SAT will be administered during the 11th grade. The constitution tests will be given in the Government course and the AP Government course.

## PHYSICAL ED REQUIREMENTS (PE):

Students must be enrolled in a P.E. course throughout their high school career. Credits in Health, Driver Education, & Marching Band count as P.E. credit. Students may be excused from physical education for the following reasons: (See page 59 in the student handbook.) a) the student provides written evidence from an institution of higher education that a specific course not included in existing state or local school minimum graduation standard is required for admission. School district staff must verify that the student's present and proposed schedule will not permit completion of the needed course. Once the physical education course is waived, the school staff will make sure that the required course is taken, or b) the student lacks sufficient course credit in one or more courses required by state statute or local school board policies for graduation. Students who have failed required courses, transferred into the district with deficient credits, or who lack credits due to other causes may also be eligible for this exemption. See your counselor for a P.E. waiver and additional information.

## SEX EDUCATION POLICY:

District #172 sex education policy states that no student is required to be present in class when subjects of comprehensive sex education are being taught if the student's parent/ guardian objects. Students will be provided with a take home notice and a form for the parent/guardian to sign excusing the student from class. Excused students will be assigned a study period and an alternate assignment.

## EARLY GRADUATION:

Students who meet requirements may graduate at the end of First Semester during their Senior year or at the end of their Junior year. Every student requesting early graduation in fewer than four years (eight semesters) should see their counselor. While early graduation is permitted, each decision must be approved on an individual basis and graduation requirements must be met.

Additional Information about Early Graduation:

- An early graduate's GPA and class rank will be determined using the last completed semester.
- Junior graduates are not eligible for an Honors designation at Graduation. Honors graduates must complete seven (7) semesters.
- Junior graduates will be eligible to walk at the Graduation ceremony during the year they complete requirements. Junior graduates will not be eligible to walk at the Graduation ceremony in the year following their completion of requirements.
- Midterm senior graduates are able to attend prom and participate in Graduation.

## FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA):

The State of Illinois requires that all students complete the FAFSA or have a parent opt out letter on file in order to graduate from high school. The FAFSA may be accessed at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>.



# GRADUATION PLANS

Planning a four-year high school course of study requires very careful consideration of one's present skills, interests, and abilities in light of future educational and occupational plans. While a four-year plan is better than a year-to-year schedule, the plan may need to be revised in the future because of changing skills or interests, or a change in occupational goals. Graduation from high school requires a minimum of 23 credits as well as specifically required courses. Schedule a meeting with your counselor if you have questions regarding your four year graduation plan. Parents are encouraged to visit school and discuss the program plan or any other concerns that might arise. Parent questions and concerns should be directed to the counselor who is assigned to their son or daughter. Students should make an appointment each semester to meet with their counselor to verify their credits to ensure that their graduation requirements are being met.

HIGH ACHIEVEMENT PLAN		RECOMMENDED PLAN		BASIC PLAN	
ENGLISH LANGUAGE English I Advanced, English II Honors, AP Language, AP Literature	4	ENGLISH LANGUAGE English I, English II, English III, World Literature	4	ENGLISH LANGUAGE English I, English II, English III, World Literature, Communication Arts/English IV	4
MATH Junior High: Algebra, Geometry QHS: Algebra II Advanced, AP Pre-Calculus, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC and/or AP Statistics	4	MATH Algebra I, Geometry Advanced, Algebra II Advanced, Decision Making with Data and/or Pre-Calculus	4	MATH Pre Algebra/Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II (If Pre Algebra has been taken Algebra II is not required)	3
SCIENCE Biology Advanced, Honors Chemistry, AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Physics, Human Anatomy and Physiology Honors, Microbiology Honors, Zoology Honors	4	SCIENCE Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Human Anatomy and Physiology Honors, Microbiology Honors, Zoology Honors	3 or 4	SCIENCE Biology, Intro to Chemistry/Physics, Environmental Science, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Forensic Science	3
SOCIAL STUDIES World History Advanced, AP US History, AP US Government, AP Psychology, Economics Honors, Sociology Honors, Abnormal Psychology Honors	3.5 or 4	SOCIAL STUDIES World History, US History, Government, Psychology, or Sociology Honors	3	SOCIAL STUDIES World History, US History, Government	2.5
PHYSICAL EDUCATION To include 1 semester of Health, ¼ of Driver's Education Classroom (optional), and ¼ of Driver's Education BTW (optional)	3.5	PHYSICAL EDUCATION To include 1 semester of Health, ¼ of Driver's Education Classroom (optional), and ¼ of Driver's Education BTW (optional)	3.5	PHYSICAL EDUCATION To include 1 semester of Health, ¼ of Driver's Education Classroom (optional), and ¼ of Driver's Education BTW (optional)	3.5
CONSUMER EDUCATION Economics Honors	0.5	CONSUMER EDUCATION Economics Honors Consumer Education	0.5	CONSUMER EDUCATION Consumer Education	0.5
COMPUTERS	0.5	COMPUTERS	0.5	COMPUTERS	0.5
ART, FOREIGN LANGUAGE, MUSIC OR VOCATIONAL (includes electives) (A minimum of 2 years of foreign language is encouraged for college entrance. Possibly more will be required for college graduation.)	4.5	ART, FOREIGN LANGUAGE, MUSIC OR VOCATIONAL (includes electives) (A minimum of 2 years of foreign language is encouraged for college entrance. Possibly more will be required for college graduation.)	5+	ART, FOREIGN LANGUAGE, MUSIC OR VOCATIONAL (includes electives) (A minimum of 2 years of foreign language is encouraged for college entrance. Possibly more will be required for college graduation.)	6.0+



# GENERAL GRADING INFORMATION

QHS GRADE SCALE				
A = 90-100%	B = 80-89%	C = 70-79%	D = 60-69%	F = 59% OR Less
THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXPLANATION OF GRADES USED ON QHS REPORT CARDS AND TRANSCRIPTS:				
A = A superior grade for exceptional or outstanding work.				
B = A good grade for above average work.				
C = An average grade for adequate and satisfactory work.				
D = A passing grade for below average work.				
F = A failing grade.				
I = Incomplete.				
AU = Audit – no grade; no credit.				
R = Used when a grade is recovered or replaced.				
S = Satisfactory, credit awarded.				
U = Unsatisfactory, no credit awarded.				
CR = No grade, credit awarded				
Students need to know that a grade of D in any college-preparatory course or in high school course prerequisite to college course may not be acceptable to a college or university. See your counselor.				

## WHAT MAKES UP A GRADE PERFORMANCE/PRACTICE

The purposes of a grade are to document student progress, to provide feedback to the student, the parent/ guardian, and the teacher, and to inform instructional decisions.

Performance assessments/assignments will make up 80% of a grade (90% in grade-weighted courses). Performance assessments are assessments of learning and include tests, quizzes, projects, labs, presentations, speeches, papers, and essays. Practice assessments/assignments will make up 20% of a grade (10% in grade-weighted courses). Practice assessments are assessments for learning and include daily homework, quizzes, and other assignments.

## RETAKING A COURSE

Students may retake a course to improve learning and/or the grade. If a course is retaken, then the higher of the two grades will be used to determine the grade point average.

## GRADING AND REPORTING

Student grades are reported on a semester basis. A semester grade is based on the cumulative progress of the student's work and a final exam. The semester work makes up 90% of the semester grade and the final exam is 10% of the semester grade. Each semester is made up of three progress reports to give students and families a snapshot as to how the student is progressing. Only semester grades appear on the official transcript.

## MULTIPLE ATTEMPTS AT MASTERY

In order to differentiate instruction and to ensure learning, a student may be allowed to retake four (4) performance-based assessments per semester per course, provided that the following conditions have been met:

1. Student is responsible for making arrangements with teacher for the retake - including determination by teacher of the required relearning activity(ies), appointment(s), extended day instruction and/or tutoring session(s) in which the student will engage to increase his/her understanding or skill within two days of receiving the graded performance assessment.
2. Student has demonstrated a good faith effort that warrants being allowed the retake opportunity. In this context, the term "good faith effort" means that the student:
  - a. If applicable, completed any required practice assessments/assignments that were not completed prior to the original performance assessment;
  - b. Completed the required relearning activity(ies) designated in number 1 above; and,
  - c. Made a genuine attempt on the original assessment.

## GENERAL GRADING INFORMATION continued

### AUDIT POLICY

Quincy High School does NOT encourage the use of an audit for any non-required courses. However, it may be an advantage for a very small number of students with a present GPA or projected GPA of 4.00 or above to take some non-required courses for an audit. Please consult your counselor to discuss your individual situation. Students must turn in audit request to counselor by October 11th (1st semester) & February 14th (2nd semester). An audit means that no grade or credit is awarded, but the course does appear on the transcript. Students may not retroactively audit courses from previous years.

The following courses may not be audited:

1. A course required for graduation.
2. An Advanced Placement (AP) and/or grade-weighted course.
3. A prerequisite for a future course.
4. Marching Band if the student is using the course for P.E. credit.

### HONOR ROLL RIBBONS

Student grades are reported on a semester basis. A semester grade is based on the cumulative progress of the student's work and a final exam. The semester work makes up 90% of the semester grade and the final exam is 10% (90%, 10% for grade weighted classes) of the semester grade. Each semester is made up of three progress reports to give students and families a snapshot as to how the student is progressing. Only semester grades appear on the official transcript.

### STUDENT COURSE ACCELERATION

Many courses listed in the QHS Curriculum Guide have prerequisites for enrollment. Prerequisites are designed to inform students and parents of the background knowledge and skills necessary for successful completion of a course. Prerequisites and teacher recommendations will determine the courses for which students are registered.

QHS encourages every student to strive to reach his/ her maximum potential and to seek out academic challenges. In some cases, a student may wish to register for a course for which prerequisites have not been met in order to accelerate the student's academic progress. Success in these situations is usually dependent on the following:

- a clear understanding of the challenges that will be presented in the course,
- student motivation, and
- collaboration between the student, parents, and teacher.

Any student who wishes to register for a course without meeting the prerequisites is encouraged to discuss the possibility of course acceleration with parents, counselor, current teacher, and the future teacher. The students or parents may request a meeting with all stakeholders to discuss possible course acceleration.

### GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)

A grade point average is calculated by adding up all grade points and dividing by the number of course attempts. Grade weighted courses carry more grade points because of their advanced rigor and workload. Grade-weighted courses are marked under each department in the course description section. Grade points are awarded using the values in the chart below:

GRADE	NON GRADE WEIGHTED	GRADE-WEIGHTED
A	4	5
B	3	4
C	2	2.75
D	1	1.5

## GRADE WEIGHTED COURSES

HONORS COURSES	AP COURSES	PROJECT LEAD THE WAY
ENG202 ENGLISH II HONORS	ART331 ADVANCED STUDIO ART	SCI330 PRICIPLES OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE PLTW
GER421 GERMAN IV HONORS	ENG331 AP LANGUAGE & COMPOSITION	SCI331 HUMAN BODY SYSTEMS PLTW
GER422 GERMAN CONVERSATION HONOR	ENG431 AP LITERATURE & COMPOSITION	VC202 COMPUTER SCIENCE ESSENTIAL PLTW
SCI202 CHEMISTRY HONORS	GER431 AP GERMAN	VEN101 INTRODUCTION TO ENGINEERING DESIGN PLTW
SCI322 HUMAN ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY HONORS	MAT422 AP PRE-CALCULUS	VEN201 PRINCIPLES OF ENGINEERING PLTW
SCI232 MICROBIOLOGY HONORS	MAT431 AP STATISTICS	VET303 DIGITAL ELECTRONICS PLTW
SCI325 ZOOLOGY HONORS	MAT432 AP CALCULUS AB	VMW303 COMPUTER INTERGRATED MANUFACTURING PLTW
SOC402 SOCIOLOGY HONORS	MAT433 AP CALCULUS BC	<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) IS A PROGRAM OF COLLEGE-LEVEL COURSES AND EXAMS THAT GIVES HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE ADVANCED PLACEMENT AND/OR CREDIT IN COLLEGE. ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTS ARE ADMINISTERED IN THE SPRING OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR.</b>
SOC403 ECONOMICS HONORS	SCI332 AP CHEMISTRY	
SOC500 ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY HONORS	SCI333 AP PHYSICS	
SPA421 SPANISH IV HONORS	SCI334 AP BIOLOGY	
SPA422 SPANISH CONVERSATION/ COMPOSITION A HONORS	SOC231 AP UNITED STATES HISORY	
SPA423 SPANISH CONVERSATION/ COMPOSITION B HONORS	SOC331 AP GOVERNMENT	
VED304 MEDIA & TECHNOLOGY HONORS	SOC431 AP PSYCHOLOGY	
VJO301 YEARBOOK JOURNALISM EDITORIAL LEADERSHIP	SPA431 AP SPANISH	

## CLASS RANK & GRADUATION HONORS

Class Rank & Graduation Honors are determined solely by grade point average. A minimum of 23 credits is required for graduation. A student who earns a total of 23 credits after 7 semesters with a grade average of 3.0 will be an Honors graduate. Each student earning 23 credits after 7 semesters and a grade average of 3.75 or higher will graduate Magna Cum Laude. Each student earning 23 credits after 7 semesters and a grade average of 4.25 or higher will graduate Summa Cum Laude. An appropriate "Honor Student" seal will be affixed to the diploma for qualifying students.

SUMMA  
CUM LAUDE  
4.25

MAGNA  
CUM LAUDE  
3.75

HONORS  
3.0

### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

The National Honor Society is part of a national organization that operates under the auspices of the National Association of Secondary School Principals. Students who have distinguished themselves in the classroom as well as in extracurricular and community involvement are recognized. Juniors and seniors with a 3.80 GPA are eligible for membership. Juniors must have this minimum average based on four semesters and seniors based on six. Students will have to meet the criteria of scholarship, character, leadership, and service. Eligible students will be required to fill out an application indicating what school and community activities they have participated in for grades 9, 10, 11, and 12.

### BETA CLUB

The National Beta Club is the largest independent, non-profit, educational youth organization in America. And for more than 80 years, it has prepared today's students to be tomorrow's leaders. Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 and above are invited to complete an application to participate in Beta Club. This process occurs in March of the student's freshman year. Members of Beta Club are required to complete service/volunteer hours each semester.

### NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY

QAVTC students may be a member of the National Technical Honor Society if they meet the following criteria: must be a junior or senior in their second semester of a career and technical education class, must have a 3.0 GPA, and must meet the criteria of character, leadership, and service. A variety of scholarships are available to members of NTHS.

### NCAA ELIGIBILITY FOR STUDENT ATHLETES

Students interested in participating in college athletics at the NCAA Division I or II level must meet the NCAA freshman eligibility standards. Initial eligibility is determined by NCAA from three high school factors: core course completion, test scores, and grade point average. Detailed information regarding freshman eligibility criteria is available on the NCAA Eligibility Center website. The primary responsibility of a high school in relationship to a freshman athlete's certification is to ensure that the school's list of approved core courses is accurate and up to date. Only courses in the areas of English, mathematics, science, social studies and world language can be considered for core course approval. Approved core courses for Quincy Senior High School are listed on the NCAA Eligibility Center website at [www.ncaaclearinghouse.net](http://www.ncaaclearinghouse.net).

Additionally, these approved courses are listed on the next page and have been denoted in this guide with an NCAA designation within the course description.



# LIST OF APPROVED CORE COURSES (FORM 48H) FOR QUINCY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

ENGLISH	MATH	NATURAL/PHYSICAL SCIENCE
ENGLISH I	ALGEBRA I	BIOLOGY
ENGLISH I ADVANCED	GEOMETRY	BIOLOGY ADVANCED
ENGLISH II	GEOMETRY ADVANCED	CHEMISTRY
ENGLISH II HONORS	ALGEBRA II	INTRO TO CHEM/PHY.
ENGLISH III	ALGEBRA II ADVANCED	CHEMISTRY HONORS
ENGLISH IV	DECISION MAKING WITH DATA	ENVIROMENTAL SCIENCE
WORLD LITERATURE & COMPOSITION	PRE CALCULUS	AP BIOLOGY
AP LANGUAGE & COMPOSITION	AP PRE CALCULUS	AP CHEMISTRY
AP LITERATURE & COMPOSITION	AP CALCULUS AB	AP PHYSICS
	AP CALCULUS BC	HUMAN ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY HONORS
	AP STATISTICS	PHYSICS
		MICROBIOLOGY HONORS
		ZOOLOGY HONORS
SOCIAL STUDIES	WORLD LANGUAGE	PLTW
WORLD HISTORY	GERMAN I	BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES
WORLD HISTORY ADVANCED	SPANISH I	HUMAN BODY SYSTEMS
US HISTORY	GERMAN II	INTRO TO ENGINEERING DESIGN
AP US HISTORY	SPANISH II	PRINCIPALS OF ENGINEERING
AMERICAN GOVERNMENT	GERMAN III	
AP GOVERNMENT	SPANISH III	
ECONOMICS HONORS	GERMAN IV HONORS	
SOCIOLOGY HONORS	SPANISH IV HONORS	
PSYCHOLOGY	AP GERMAN LANGUAGE	
ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY HONORS	AP SPANISH LANGUAGE	
AP PSYCHOLOGY	GERMAN CONVERSATION & COMP. HONORS	
	SPANISH FOR NATIVES	
Updated November 2023	SPANISH CONVERSATION & COMP. HONORS A	
	SPANISH COMVERSATION & COMP. HONORS B	

Student-athletes interested in pursuing athletic opportunities in college should discuss their interest with parents, coaches, and counselors. Prospective student-athletes must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center and meet academic eligibility standards as determined by NCAA. Complete details are available at [www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org). Courses marked "NCAA Pending" within this guide have been submitted to NCAA Clearinghouse for approval as a core course. Approval was not received prior to the printing of this guide.

## NAIA

National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) member institutions provide more than 60,000 student-athletes with opportunities to play college sports, earn \$500 million in scholarships and compete in 23 national championships. Explore NAIA schools, conferences and the opportunities to play sports in college at [www.naia.org](http://www.naia.org) or the NAIA Eligibility Center [www.playnaia.org](http://www.playnaia.org)

## DUAL CREDIT & COLLEGE COURSES

QHS offers a limited selection of dual enrollment courses. These courses can be taken for college and high school credit. It is the responsibility of the student to confirm that the college credits received will transfer to the college that they wish to attend. JWCC, & Blessing Rieman may assist you with that process.

### COLLEGE COURSES

Courses taken through John Wood Community College &/or Blessing Rieman be taken for QHS credit toward graduation.

1. Course(s) must be approved in advance.
2. Neither QHS nor the university can guarantee the transferability of courses to other high schools and/or universities.
3. It is the student's/family's responsibility to pay for all tuition, books, and other fees associated with taking a college course.
4. It is the student's/family's responsibility to have a transcript from the college sent to QHS for the course to be granted high school credit.
5. QHS teachers/staff have no way to monitor progress in courses taken through a college or university.
6. College courses are typically only two or three days a week. Students may access the Open Learning Center on days their college courses are not in session.

### CHILDCARE

The Articulation Agreement with JWCC Early Childhood states that a student must be enrolled in the 4 semesters of Childcare 1 and 2. They must complete both classes with an 83% or above. There is a Learning Objective sheet that the teacher completes for each student ranking their understanding of concepts, and demonstration of skills as well as planning and leading activities using knowledge of child development. This results in a Child Care course final rating which must be a 1, 2 or 3. The necessary paperwork is turned into the Chair of the Early Education Department and IF the students enrolls in the Early Education Program they receive articulated credit for EDU 102 - Intro to Early Childhood Education.

### FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Any student taking level IV or higher in a foreign language class has the opportunity to get credit through John Wood Community College for Spanish/German 101 or 102. The QHS grade earned after the first semester would be for a JWCC/SPN 101 or JWCC/GER 101 credit and the QHS second semester grade would be for a JWCC/ SPN 102 or JWCC/GER 102 credit.

### DUAL ENROLLMENT

Dual enrollment courses (classes taught by QHS instructors but awarded credit from JWCC) will be added to the high school transcript. Courses taken independently at a local college or university will not be added to the high school transcript unless approved by QHS administration in advance of course enrollment and an official transcript is submitted.

JOHN WOOD  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
217.224.6500

[www.jwcc.edu/admissions/high-school/](http://www.jwcc.edu/admissions/high-school/)

BLESSING RIEMAN COLLEGE  
OF NURSING & HEALTH SCIENCES  
217.882.5520

<https://www.brcn.edu/our-nursing-health-sciences-programs>

JWCC COURSE	CREDITS	TYPE	QHS EQUIVALENT
EDU100 INTRODUCTION TO EDUCATION (FALL)	3	QHS	ELECTIVE CREDIT
EDU201 EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY	3	ONLINE	ELECTIVE CREDIT
EDU204 INTRODUCTION TO TECHNOLOGY IN EDUCATION (SPRING)	3	QHS	ELECTIVE CREDIT
EDU209 CLINICAL EXPERIENCE IN EDUCATION	1	QHS	ELECTIVE CREDIT
CMN101 INTRODUCTION TO SPEECH I	3	JWCC OR ONLINE	ENGLISH CREDIT
ENG101 RHETORIC & COMPOSITION I	3	JWCC OR ONLINE	ENGLISH CREDIT
ENG102 RHETORIC & COMPOSITION II	3	JWCC OR ONLINE	ENGLISH CREDIT
MAT113 COLLEGE ALGEBRA	3	ONLINE	MATH CREDIT
MAT109 ELEMENTARY STATISTICS	3	ONLINE	MATH CREDIT
PSY101 INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY	3	JWCC OR ONLINE	ELECTIVE CREDIT
SPANISH AND GERMAN-DUAL CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES		JWCC OR ONLINE	ELECTIVE CREDIT
BLESSING RIEMAN COLLEGE OF NURSING & HEALTH SCIENCES	CREDITS	TYPE	QHS EQUIVALENT
HSE463 INTRODUCTION TO INTERPROFESSIONAL HEALTHCARE	2	ONLINE	ELECTIVE CREDIT
HSE280 MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY	2	ONLINE	ELECTIVE CREDIT
HSE462 COMMUNICATION FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL	2	ONLINE	ELECTIVE CREDIT
NSG201 B FUNDAMENTALS OF NUTRITION	2	ONLINE	ELECTIVE CREDIT
NSG282 INTRODUCTION TO FORENSICS IN NURSING	2	ONLINE	ELECTIVE CREDIT

## PROJECT LEAD THE WAY

Project Lead The Way® (PLTW) programs offer students an array of advantages, from career readiness and hands on experience to college preparatory-level classes, labs, and creative exercises. PLTW students succeed in the classroom and in life.

Our programs are designed to appeal to all students, from those already interested in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) related fields, to those whose experience in the sciences and math has been less comprehensive or who find themselves uninterested in traditional STEM curricula.

PLTW classes are hands-on, based in real-world experience and fun for students. We set the highest standards for rigorous, focused, and engaging study, and develop students' innovative, collaborative, cooperative, and problem-solving skills.

Benefits of PLTW Courses:

- PLTW graduates are 5 to 10 times more likely than non-PLTW graduates to study postsecondary engineering and technology.
- 95 percent of PLTW seniors say they're excited and prepared for college and careers.
- 97 percent of PLTW seniors intend to pursue four-year degrees.

## STUDENT TRANSFERS

### TRANSFER FROM ACCREDITED INSTITUTION

An Accredited Institution is one that is accredited by the State of Illinois or a licensed accreditation organization, or is, in the judgment of the Superintendent of Schools, reasonably comparable to an Advanced School. Transfer students from Accredited Institutions must earn a minimum of three (3) credits at QHS in the school year preceding graduation (as determined by the Principal) to be eligible for a QHS diploma.

Such students:

- Will receive credit if courses taken at the previous school are taught at QHS (as determined by the Principal).
- Will be given the course grade from the accredited institution.
- Will be merged into QHS class rank at the beginning of the semester following enrollment.
- Will not receive credit for courses taken prior to 9th grade.

### TRANSFER FROM NON-ACCREDITED INSTITUTION

- The transfer students must earn a minimum of three (3) credits at QHS in the school year preceding graduation (as determined by the principal) to be eligible for a QHS diploma.
- Non-Accredited Institution transfers will be given Credit (CR) but no grade if the student demonstrates proficiency in each course to the satisfaction of the Principal.
- Before receiving an official class rank, a transfer student must have earned fifty percent of QHS required graduation credits at QHS.
- To be eligible for class honors or high honors, fifty percent of the number of credits required for class honors or high honors must be earned at QHS.
- Students may be given an informal hypothetical rank upon request. The hypothetical rank shall be computed by using only courses taken at QHS. This hypothetical class rank shall be given to the student in writing with an explanation that it is not an official class rank. The principal shall interpret and administer the foregoing provisions and shall have authority to grant exceptions as he/she sees fit with the approval of the Superintendent of Schools. Students involved may appeal judgmental determinations from Principal to Superintendent to Board of Education. The decision of the Board of Education shall be final.



# Multiple Pathways

Each student is unique, and QHS realizes that a one size fits all approach does not always work. Using the flexibility provided as a member of the State's Competency Based Education Pilot, funding from the 21st Century Grant Program, and a creative use of staff and space, QHS is committed to creating multiple pathways to get to Graduation and the future. Please talk to your counselor to get more information about any of the following options.

## **QHS ONLINE ACADEMY**

QHS students may opt, with permission of QHS Administration to take all QHS courses online using Edgenuity from home. Students enrolled in the QHS Online Academy would not need to attend classes on campus at QHS. The QHS Online Academy is self-paced and independent. While QHS staff will monitor progress and be available for questions, students will largely work independently. The student's schedule will be developed with their counselor, and most students will be enrolled in 2-3 courses at a time. To make satisfactory progress, students should devote 5 or more hours daily (25 or more weekly) to online coursework. QHS teachers in English, Math, Science, and Social Studies will be available for remote assistance at scheduled times during the regular school day. Most semester courses require 50 hours of screen time to complete. A student who regularly spends 5 hours a day on a class should complete a semester course in 2-4 weeks. Online Academy students are required to take tests and assessments on site at QHS. Generally, this means 3-5 hours per week on site.

## **QHS FLEX PROGRAM**

The Flex Program is a school-within-a-school approach that attempts to shrink the building down to a more manageable size. Four fulltime QHS staff members help students plan each day. Students who are overwhelmed by the size of QHS, are credit deficient, and/or chronically absent are eligible. Students take core courses on Schoology, Edgenuity or in an independent study format.

## **GRADUATE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (GAP)**

GAP is a program designed to help get students to Graduation. Students with 20 or more credits are eligible. Coursework is on Edgenuity. Students are enrolled in one of the three daily 90-minute slots.

## **OPEN LEARNING CENTER (OLC)**

Courses offered include: Consumer Education, Health, Computer Applications, Psychology, SAT Prep (Math & English), Sociology, and others with administrators approval. The Open Learning Center is available during an hour in a student's regular daily schedule. An Edgenuity Lab is available during 9th hour and Wednesday afterschool.

## **NIGHT SCHOOL**

QHS Night School is ran through the 21st Century Grant/9th Hour Program. Meeting twice a week from 4:00-6:00pm, this is ideal for students who are attempting to recover lost credits.

## **9th HOUR**

9th Hour is the main component of the 21st Century Grant Program. 9th Hour provides an additional hour of the school day on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays to get homework help, recover credits, or take part in clubs and activities.

## **SMART START**

Smart Start is a partnership between John Wood Community College and QHS. Students are able to take JWCC classes and students receive discounted tuition.

# Multiple Pathways

## **HOME SCHOOL POLICY**

Home Schooling Policy: The Board of Education recognizes the existence of a number of home schooling units within the district. (Home schooling is generally defined as parents teaching their children at home.) It is the intent of the Board to make services available to home-schooled students and parents whose homeschool unit is recognized by the Regional Superintendent of Schools as meeting the compulsory education requirement of the School Code, to the extent (a) such provision does not interfere with the educational program for district-enrolled students, and (b) such provision does not increase the district operational costs. Students who later choose to graduate from QHS will fit into the Board of Education Transfer Policy.

## **SUMMER SCHOOL**

Summer school is available to students through a variety of programming to recover credit from previously failed classes or to take classes for the first attempt. Summer school programming is approved by the QPS School Board each April. Following approval, detailed information and registration becomes available through the QHS school counselors and summer school staff. Registration for summer school is open to county, Quincy Public, and Parochial students. Tuition is required for some summer programs. Edgenuity, our online computer-based learning program, is the primary method of instruction in summer school. The amount of credit earned by a student will be determined by the individual's pace and the amount of time spent actively working on the course(s). Credit will be awarded upon successful completion of the course. Summer school grades completed before July 15th will be recorded on student's transcript during 2nd semester of the previous school year. Summer school grades completed after July 15th will be recorded on first semester of the following school year.

## 2024-2025 Educational Base Fee is \$80.00

### QHS Lab Fees:

Advance Studio Art	ART331	\$15	Foundations of Art II	ART201	\$15
AP Chemistry	SCI332	\$20	Chemistry Honors	SCI202	\$20
AP Biology	SCI334	\$20	Human Anatomy & Physiology	SCI322	\$20
AP Physics	SCI333	\$25	Human Body Systems - PLTW	SCI331	\$25
Biology	SCI101	\$15	Intro to Chemistry & Physics	SCI203	\$15
Biology Advanced	SCI102	\$15	Microbiology	SCI323	\$25
Ceramics I/II	ART110	\$25	Painting I	ART112	\$10
Chemistry	SCI201	\$15	Painting II	ART112	\$10
Drawing	ART111	\$10	Physics	SCI301	\$15
Drivers Ed-Behind the Wheel	DEB201	\$250	Principles of Biomedical - PLTW	SCI330	\$25
Foundations of Art	ART101	\$15	Zoology	SCI325	\$20
<b>QATVC Fees</b>					
Accounting I	VBS301	\$10	Early Childhood Education	VED501	\$15
Advanced Auto Technology	VAT501	\$25	Electronics/Robotics I	VET301	\$15
Advanced Construction Trade	VCN501	\$25	Electronics/Robotics II	VET401	\$15
Advanced Culinary Arts	VFS501	\$25	Graphics Design I/II	VCD301/401	\$25
Advanced Diesel Technology	VAT503	\$25	Health Occupations I	VHO201	\$15
Advanced Graphics	VG501	\$25	Health Occupations II	VHO301	\$15
Advanced Metalworking & Welding Fabrication	VMW501	\$25	Health Occupations III	VHO401	\$15
AG Business Management	VAG401	\$20	Intro to Ag	VAG101	\$10
AG Leadership	VAG501	\$20	Intro to Auto & Diesel Technology	VAT201	\$10
AG Plant & Soil Science	VAG201	\$20	Intro to Computer Science	VCS101	\$20
Animal Science	VAG301	\$20	Intro to Construction	VCN	\$10
Applications of Computers I	VCS102	\$10	Intro to Electronics/Robotics	VET201	\$10
Auto Tech I/II	VAT301/401	\$25	Intro to Engineering Design - PLTW	VEN101	\$25
Business Law	VBS202	\$10	Intro to Metalworking & Welding Fabrication	VMW201	\$10
Business Management & Marketing	VBS302	\$10	Mechanical Drafting I	VEN301	\$20
Business Occupation Experience	VBS402	\$10	Mechanical Drafting II	VEN401	\$20
Business Technology Concepts	VBS101	\$10	Metalworking & Welding Fabrication I/II	VMW301/401	\$25
Child Care I/II	VED301/401	\$15	Principles of Engineering - PLTW	VEN201	\$25
Child Development & Parenting Skills	VED201	\$10	Small Engines	VAT101	\$10
Construction I/II	VCN301/401	\$25	Supervised AG Experience	VCS106	\$10
Culinary Arts I/II	VFS301/401	\$25	3D Modeling & Animation	VCS	\$10
Diesel Technology I/II	VAT303/403	\$25			
Digital Graphics, Digital Media	VG102	\$10			
Digital Electronics - PLTW	VET303	\$25			
<b>Music Fees</b>					
Concert Band/Concert Chorale	MUS303	\$170	Guitar Lab I	MUS504	\$20
Concert Band/Marching Band (competitive)	MUS301	\$150	Guitar Lab II	MUS505	\$20
Concert Choir	MUS402	\$30	Piano Lab I	MUS503	\$20
Colorguard & Pom Pon	MUS75	\$30	Symphonic Band/Tradition	MUS101	\$125
Concert Chorale	MUS302	\$30	Symphonic Band/Varsity Chorale	MUS103	\$140
Concert Orchestra	MUS401	\$50	Symphonic Strings	MUS201	\$50
Concert Orchestra/Concert Choir	MUS403	\$75	Symphonic Strings/Freshman Chorale	MUS203	\$75
Freshman Chorale	MUS102	\$30	Varsity Chorale	MUS202	\$30

School fees are listed under the Fee Management tab in Skyward. In addition, some subjects require more expensive supplies and carry additional fees. You may be eligible to have book fees reduced or waived by filling out the Free and Reduced Lunch Form even if your son or daughter does not want a free/reduced lunch. All fees are subject to change.

# ENGLISH

A minimum of four credits in English is required for graduation from Quincy High School. A traditional sequence would be English I (9th grade), English II (10th grade), and English III\* (11th grade). Other course offerings and electives within the English department include: World Literature, English IV, English I Advanced, English II Honors, AP Language, AP Literature, and Theatre. \*Juniors may substitute AP Language for English III. Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability is subject to staffing and student enrollment.

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER
9	ENGLISH I	ENG101
9	ENGLISH I ADVANCED	ENG102
10	ENGLISH II	ENG201
10	ENGLISH II HONORS	ENG202
11	ENGLISH III	ENG301
11, 12	AP LANGUAGE & COMPOSITION	ENG331
12	WORLD LITERATURE & COMPOSITION	ENG403
12	ENGLISH IV	ENG408
12	AP LITERATURE & COMPOSITION	ENG431
9, 10, 11, 12	THEATRE	ENG212

## ENG101 ENGLISH I

GR: 9, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None.

The primary goal of this course is to survey numerous literary genres. Students will further their knowledge of the proper use of the English language through the study of literature, writing, speaking, and listening. Students will read both classic and contemporary literature. Students will participate in research and will write in all major modes (argumentative, expository, and narrative) throughout the year. An emphasis will be placed on whole class selections and the analysis of literature. (NCAA Core Course)

## ENG102 ENGLISH I ADVANCED

GR: 9, One Year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: A or B in 8th grade ELA Reading/ Communication Arts or Recommendation of 8th grade ELA Reading/ Communication Arts teacher. This is a course for those interested in attending a four year college and enrolling in AP courses later in their high school career. The primary goal of this course is to survey numerous literary genres. Students will further their knowledge of the proper use of the English language through the study of literature, writing, speaking, and listening. Students will analyze literature that is selected for its cultural value, its superior writing, and its ability to improve critical reading skills. An emphasis will be placed on whole class selections, the analysis of literature, and the development of writing skills. Students will write in all major modes: argumentative, expository, narrative, and research. (NCAA Core Course)

## ENG201 ENGLISH II

GR: 10, One Year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: English I.

English II is the year-long required sophomore English course and is appropriate for both college and non-college-bound students. The course will survey various genres exposing students to texts of grade-level-appropriate complexity that explore a variety of regions and time periods. How literature is a reflection of culture and history will be explored. Students will have a mix of 'classic' novels, contemporary young adult novels, and short stories. Students are exposed to nonfiction story telling through a podcast teaching author bias, rhetoric recognition, and nonfiction literature analysis. This course will refine writing skills, focusing on analyses that seek to argue and inform or explain. Grammar and vocabulary are taught in the context of reading and writing. Speaking and listening skills are also emphasized. (NCAA Core Course)

## ENG202 ENGLISH II HONORS

GR: 10, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: A or B in English I or

Recommendation of 9th grade English teacher.

This course is intended for students planning on enrolling in AP courses and attending a four-year college. The course will explore important ideas in philosophy, politics, and other areas from a variety of time periods and in a variety of genres, with a primary focus on nonfiction text. Students will build critical reading skills by interacting with and applying concepts from complex texts. This course will emphasize various types of analysis and argumentative, and narrative writing. Vocabulary and grammar will be taught in the context of reading and writing. (NCAA Core Course)

## ENG212 THEATER

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None (upperclassmen given priority).

This course is designed for students interested in learning about dramatic art. Oral communication, reading, analysis of dramatic literature, memorization, and performing are stressed. The history of theatre will be explored through the Greek, Elizabethan, restoration, nineteenth century, and modern eras. Written work includes character analysis, theatre article reviews, and journaling. Oral communication skills are taught through play critiques, solo, duet, and small group acting assignments. Various areas of technical theatre are also briefly explored including lighting, set design, set construction, costuming, and make-up

# ENGLISH

## **ENG301 ENGLISH III**

GR: 11, One Year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: English I and English II.

English III is a year-long course focusing on a variety of literary genres, including drama and poetry, non-fiction, classic and modern fiction, and short stories/novellas. The study of major titles will include examining literary elements, author research, and supplemental outside reading material. Foundational American documents as well as other American literature are incorporated within the course. This course will emphasize personal and subject writing modes, i.e. regular journal entries and response essays literary analysis, argumentation, problem/ solution, and creative. Grammar, vocabulary, and spelling are taught in the context of reading and writing. SAT preparation is part of the curriculum. (AP Language & Composition may be substituted for English III.) (NCAA Core Course)

## **ENG331 ADVANCED PLACEMENT LANGUAGE & COMPOSITION**

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
PREREQUISITE: A or B in English II Honors or recommendation of English II or III teacher.

This course aligns to introductory college-level rhetoric and writing curriculum and is intended for students planning to attend a four-year college. The course focuses on the development and revision of evidence-based analytic and argumentative writing, the rhetorical analysis of nonfiction texts, and the decisions writers make as they compose and revise. This course cultivates the reading and writing skills that students need for college success and for intellectually responsible civic engagement. Students will read nightly, write on a regular basis, and participate in frequent discussions. Students in this class may choose to take the national AP exam. Whether students receive college credit by taking the AP exam will depend on the score and the policy of the college the student attends. (NCAA Core Course)

## **ENG403 WORLD LITERATURE & COMPOSITION**

GR: 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: English I, II and III.

This course is intended for the student planning to attend a four-year college. It is a limited survey course of literature from major cultures all over the world. Course selections range from ancient to modern and are organized by theme. Class work will include frequent discussion and students will be required to write frequent essays, short response papers, and short speeches. (NCAA Core Course)

## **ENG408 ENGLISH IV**

GR: 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: English I, II and III.

The English IV course aims to prepare students with life-long skills that are anchored to the language arts. Rich with informational texts such as memoirs, biographies, historical and contemporary literature, and research, students will hone their communication skills, both written and verbal, by studying, expanding, and exploring diverse pieces of literature that emphasize dynamic structures and the world as a whole. Students will practice advanced writing strategies throughout the course and demonstrate effective communication skills through public speaking and discourse. Alongside working with and adopting new technological skills to deepen the students' level of digital literacy, the course aims to promote and prepare students to begin searching, defining, and pursuing their own personal career goals. The language arts course culminates around an ever-changing, professional world and strives to provide a structured and well-rounded exploration of a wide range of professional opportunities and language skills. (NCAA Core Course)

## **ENG431 ADVANCED PLACEMENT LITERATURE & COMPOSITION**

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
PREREQUISITE: A or B in English II Honors or recommendation of English II or III teacher.

This course aligns to introductory college-level rhetoric and writing curriculum and is intended for students planning to attend a four-year college. The course focuses on the development and revision of evidence-based analytic and argumentative writing, the rhetorical analysis of nonfiction texts, and the decisions writers make as they compose and revise. This course cultivates the reading and writing skills that students need for college success and for intellectually responsible civic engagement. Students will read nightly, write on a regular basis, and participate in frequent discussions. Students in this class may choose to take the national AP exam. Whether students receive college credit by taking the AP exam will depend on the score and the policy of the college the student attends. (NCAA Core Course)

# MATH

A minimum of 3 credits in mathematics is required for graduation from Quincy Senior High School. Three years of mathematics, defined as Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II, are required for entrance into a state university in Illinois. Furthermore, 75% of all jobs today require at a minimum, a mastery of algebra and geometry concepts. Even though the graduation requirement is only 3 credits of mathematics, students are strongly encouraged to take a math course all four years of high school. The culture of today's job market demands employees to be technologically literate problem solvers. Therefore, each student should take as much math as possible with the completion of Algebra II as a minimum. The State of Illinois expects enrollment in a minimum of Algebra II during the junior year to meet the state learning standards.

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER
9	PRE-ALGEBRA	MAT050
9	ALGEBRA I	MAT101
9, 10, 11	GEOMETRY	MAT201
9, 10	GEOMETRY ADVANCED	MAT202
9, 10, 11	ALGEBRA II	MAT301
9, 10	ALGEBRA II ADVANCED	MAT302
11, 12	DECISION MAKING WITH DATA	MAT401
10, 11, 12	PRE-CALCULUS	MAT421
10, 11	AP PRE-CALCULUS	MAT422
11, 12	AP STATISTICS	MAT431
11, 12	AP CALCULUS AB	MAT432
12	AP CALCULUS BC	MAT433

## MAT050 PRE-ALGEBRA

GR: 9, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: By Invitation Only.

Pre-Algebra serves as a bridge between middle school mathematics and Algebra I. This course will build a conceptual understanding of the foundations of algebraic concepts using technology, manipulatives, problem solving, and cooperative learning. Students will build mental math skills along with using a calculator when necessary. Concepts include algebraic expressions, linear equations, polynomials, factoring, inequalities, geometry, statistics, and graphing. Problem solving, reasoning, estimation, and connections between math and everyday applications will be emphasized. This course is designed to prepare incoming freshmen for success in Algebra I.

## MAT101 ALGEBRA I

GR: 9, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Math 8 or Pre-Algebra.

Algebra I, for most students, is the first of three required math courses for graduation that lays the foundation for students' success in each subsequent mathematics course. Algebra I is designed to develop a thorough understanding of the frameworks of algebra and a deeper grasp of mathematics. Students will be introduced to variables, algebraic expressions, equations, inequalities and functions and their multiple representations. The course further explores algebra by solving and graphing linear and nonlinear equations, inequalities, solving systems, statistics and polynomials. The course will relate algebraic thinking and skills to real world applications and situations. (NCAA Core Course)

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

All courses Algebra II and above require a graphing calculator. A TI-84 is recommended. Students may purchase their own or check one out from the QHS Math Department.

## MAT201 GEOMETRY

GR: 9, 10, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Algebra I.

One of the chief objectives of geometry is to teach the student to think logically and clearly and to solve problems used in real world applications. Through careful and systematic reasoning, the student will learn to apply many properties of geometric figures. Students study each mathematical idea in depth through applications and practical problems. The topics of this course include geometric proofs, transformations, parallels, congruencies, triangle properties, quadrilaterals, similarity, trigonometry, and circles. Homework is expected daily. (NCAA Core Course)

## MAT202 GEOMETRY ADVANCED

GR: 9, 10, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Algebra I with A or B.

This course is intended for students who excel in mathematics and intend to continue their study of higher level mathematics. One of the chief objectives of geometry is to teach students to think logically and clearly and to solve problems used in real world applications. Through careful and systematic reasoning, students will learn to apply many properties of geometric figures. Students study each mathematical idea in depth through applications and practical problems. The topics of this course include in depth geometric proofs, transformations, parallels, congruencies, triangle properties, quadrilaterals, similarity, trigonometry, and circles. This course requires students to be highly motivated as the instruction will be faster paced and an expectation of a higher level of understanding of geometric postulates and theorems. (NCAA Core Course)

## MAT301 ALGEBRA II

GR: 9, 10, 11, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Algebra I. Algebra II is technology based and prepares students to use mathematics effectively in today's world. Independent thinking and learning are promoted emphasizing reading and problem solving. Nonlinear graphs, systems, quadratic equations, powers, roots, and trigonometry are the course topics. A graphing calculator (TI-84+) is required. (NCAA Core Course)



# MATH

## **MAT302 ALGEBRA II ADVANCED**

GR: 9, 10, 11, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: A or B in Algebra I and Geometry.

Algebra II Advanced is a college-preparatory course geared toward the above-average student in mathematics. It is technology based and prepares students to use mathematics effectively in today's world. Independent thinking and learning are promoted emphasizing reading, writing, and problem solving. Linear and non-linear graphs, linear relations, powers and roots, functions, applications with quadratic equations, applications with systems of equations with two and three variables, complex numbers, exponential functions, and trigonometry are the course topics. The TI-84+ graphing calculator is required. This class moves at a faster rate of speed than the traditional Algebra II class. (NCAA Core Course)

## **MAT401 DECISION MAKING W/ DATA**

GR: 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Algebra II. Decision Making with Data is the normal 4th year course for the college bound or highly skilled work force bound student who has completed Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II. This course integrates topics on statistics, moral reasoning, cause and effect modeling, and current events, as related to the real world with business applications. The overarching theme of this course is to use problem solving to make logical decisions from data. The TI-84+ graphing calculator is required. (NCAA Core Course)

## **MAT421 PRE-CALCULUS**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Decision Making with Data (A or B) or Algebra II (A or B) or Algebra II Advanced (B or C). Pre-calculus is the 4th or 5th course in a college preparatory mathematics sequence.

This course is designed for students in mathematics who have completed Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II. Topics include analysis of functions, equations and inequalities, polynomials, rational functions, logarithmic functions, and trigonometric functions. All topics are grounded in real world application. The TI-84+ graphing calculator is required. (NCAA Core Course)

## **MAT422 ADVANCED PLACEMENT PRE-CALCULUS**

GR: 10, 11, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
PREREQUISITE: A or B in Algebra II Advanced and teacher recommendation.

AP Precalculus is designed to be the equivalent of a semester college precalculus. AP Precalculus provides students with an understanding of the concepts of college algebra, trigonometry, and additional topics that prepare students for future college level mathematics courses. This course explores a variety of functions types and their applications - polynomial, rational, exponential, logarithmic, trigonometric, polar, parametric, vector-valued, implicitly defined, and linear transformation functions using matrices. Throughout the course, the mathematical practices of procedural and symbolic fluency, multiple representations, and communication and reasoning are developed. Students experience the concepts and skills related to each function type through the lenses of modeling and covariation and engage each function type through their graphical, numerical, analytical, and verbal representations. The TI-84+ graphing calculator is required, although the AP exam in May also has no-calculator portion. (NCAA Core Course)

## **MAT431 ADVANCED PLACEMENT STATISTICS**

GR: 11, 12 One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Algebra II Honors, Decision Making with Data, Pre-Calculus, Calculus, or an A or B in Algebra II.

The AP Statistics course introduces students to the major concepts and tools for collecting, analyzing, and drawing conclusions from data. There are four themes evident in the content, skills, and assessment in the AP Statistics course: exploring data, sampling and experimentation, probability and simulation, and statistical inference. Students use technology, investigations, problem solving, and writing as they build conceptual understanding. The AP Statistics course is equivalent to a one-semester, introductory, non-calculus-based college course in statistics. Students in this class may choose to take the national AP exam. Whether or not students receive college credit by taking the AP exam will depend on their score and the policy of the college the student attends. A TI-84+ graphing calculator is required. This course will prepare students to take the AP exam in May. (NCAA Core Course)

## **MAT432 ADVANCED PLACEMENT CALCULUS AB**

GR: 11, 12 One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: A minimum grade of B in Pre-Calculus Honors; a grade of A in Pre-Calculus; teacher recommendation with grades B or below.

AP Calculus is the foundation course for all college majors requiring calculus. Students headed toward college majors such as business, medicine, social sciences, computer science, architecture, and mathematics or science education should take AP Calculus AB. Topics include analytic geometry, composition and analysis of functions, applications of the derivative and integral of algebraic and transcendental functions, slope fields and differential equations, and techniques of integration. A TI-84+ graphing calculator is required. (The College Board currently restricts the use of all calculators with "QWERTY" keyboards from the AP exam; therefore the TI-92 cannot be used on the AP Exam). This course will prepare students to take the AP exam in May. Students in this class may choose to take the national AP exam. Whether or not students receive college credit by taking the AP exam will depend on their score and the policy of the college the student attends. (NCAA Core Course)

## **MAT433 ADVANCED PLACEMENT CALCULUS BC**

GR: 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: An A in AP Calculus AB or Teacher recommendation.

AP Calculus BC is the cornerstone course for college majors in the math-intensive sciences, mathematical sciences, and engineering. Topics include parametric curves, vector functions, polar graphs, and trigonometric integration by substitution and by partial fractions, sequence and series in addition to the topics in AP Calculus AB. A TI-84+ graphing calculator is required. (Currently the College Board restricts the use of all calculators with "QWERTY" keyboards from the AP Exam; therefore the TI-92 cannot be used on the AP Exam.) This course will prepare students to take the AP exam in May. Students in this class may choose to take the national AP exam. Whether or not students receive college credit by taking the AP exam will depend on their score and the policy of the college the student attends. (NCAA Core Course)



# SCIENCE

A minimum of three credits of science is required for graduation. Each student should plan to take as much science as possible. The science background required for most occupations is rapidly increasing due to the technological revolution. Entrance into most Illinois public colleges and universities will require a minimum of three high school credits in lab sciences. The recommended sequence is Biology, Chemistry, and Physics.

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER
9	BIOLOGY	SCI101
9	BIOLOGY ADVANCED	SCI102
10, 11, 12	CHEMISTRY	SCI201
10, 11, 12	CHEMISTRY HONORS	SCI202
10	INTRO TO CHEMISTRY & PHYSICS	SCI203
11, 12	PHYSICS	SCI301
11, 12	ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE	SCI303
11, 12	HUMAN ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY HONORS	SCI322
11, 12	MICROBIOLOGY HONORS	SCI323
11, 12	ZOOLOGY HONORS	SCI325
9, 10, 11, 12	PRINCIPLES OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE-PTLW	SCI330
10, 11, 12	HUMAN BODY SYSTEMS-PTLW	SCI331
11, 12	AP CHEMISTRY	SCI332
11, 12	AP PHYSICS	SCI333
11, 12	AP BIOLOGY	SCI334
11, 12	FORENSICS	SCI401
11, 12	ASTRONOMY	SCI501

## SCI101 BIOLOGY

GR: 9, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None.

This course is designed for all 9th grade students who want to be informed citizens and improve their problem-solving skills. It is phenomena driven with units that involve students working collaboratively to make sense of the natural world through the use of authentic data sets. Students will be involved in group activities, hands on laboratory experiences, lecture and class discussions and will apply a wide variety of scientific concepts that make up biology. These include the following: DNA and genetics, energy transfer, cell division, homeostasis, natural selection, and ecology. (NCAA Core Course)

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

## SCI102 BIOLOGY ADVANCED

GR: 9, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: An A or B in 8th grade science; NWEA MAP score.

This rigorous course, designed for college-bound students who are possibly interested in taking Honors Chemistry, provides an in-depth study of biology. Studies include: Structures and Processes (molecules to organisms), Ecosystems (interactions, energy and dynamics), Heredity (inheritance and variation of traits), and Biological Evolution (unity and diversity). Students will be involved in group activities, laboratory experiments, class discussion, and lecture. Laboratory work will include both teacher designed and student designed experiments and observation labs. (NCAA Core Course)

## SCI201 CHEMISTRY

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Biology. This course is designed primarily for students preparing for post-secondary education. It provides necessary background required for nursing, lab technology, electronics, and college-bound students. The course is math intensive. Students learn theory and its application in the lab. Topics include: the structure of matter, formulas, reactions, stoichiometry, atomic structure, bonding and gas laws. Daily homework and preparation are expected. (NCAA Core Course)

## SCI202 CHEMISTRY HONORS

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Biology Advanced or consent of instructor, concurrent enrollment in Algebra II or above.

Honors Chemistry is designed for college-bound students. It is the recommended preparatory course for AP Chemistry. Topics include an enriched examination of stoichiometry, atomic and molecular structure, and acid/base chemistry. (NCAA Core Course)

# SCIENCE

## **SCI203 INTRO TO CHEMISTRY AND PHYSICS**

GR: 10, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Biology.

This course offers students an opportunity to explore chemistry and physics in greater depth than in 8th grade Physical Science. The course consists of one semester of Chemistry and one semester of Physics and a review of topics in Earth and Space Science. Lab experiences will emphasize fundamental chemistry and physics concepts focusing on scientific theories and the basic algebra of chemistry and physics. Students may enroll in this as preparation for a full year of Physics, General Chemistry, or Biomedical Science. (NCAA Core Course)

## **SCI301 PHYSICS**

GR: 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Biology, Chemistry and concurrent enrollment in Algebra II or higher.

Physics investigates the nature of matter and its interactions; motion, and stability (vectors, projectiles, forces); energy (momentum, collisions, and rotation); with a mathematical treatment of each topic. Laboratory work will include both teacher designed and student designed experiments. Challenging real life problem-solving projects are included in this course. This course is recommended for students who intend to pursue science or math on a college level. (NCAA Core Course)

## **SCI303 ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**

GR: 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Biology and either Chemistry or Intro to Chemistry & Physics.

This course is designed to make connections between a variety of science disciplines including biology, earth science, chemistry, and physics to increase students' knowledge of the environmental challenges of today while continuing to cultivate scientific critical thinking skills. The goal of the course is to provide students with scientific principles and concepts required to understand the interrelationships of the natural world, to identify and analyze environmental problems (both natural and human-made), to evaluate the relative risks associated with these problems and to examine alternative solutions for resolving and/or preventing them. This course promotes problem solving skills, laboratory procedures, and reinforces reading, writing and math skills. (NCAA Core Course)

## **SCI322 HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY HONORS**

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
PREREQUISITE: Biology, Chemistry, or consent of instructor.

This course provides students an opportunity to explore the relationship between the structure and function of the human body. Laboratory activities and dissections of animal organs that are similar to human organs will be used to reinforce concepts. Students may choose to attend field trip experiences that will include viewing human cadavers. This course provides a good background for students interested in health professions or general interest in the human body. (NCAA Core Course)

## **SCI323 MICROBIOLOGY HONORS**

GR: 11, 12, One-half year (grade weighted), Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: Biology, Chemistry with "B" or above, or consent of instructor.

The focus of this class is laboratory investigations in which students will work with several types of microorganisms, including bacteria, fungi, and protozoa. Emphasis is placed on characteristics, actions, and control of microorganisms, culturing and chemically identifying bacteria, antibiotic susceptibility and genetic engineering techniques. This course provides good background for students interested in health professions especially lab technology or for anyone with a general interest in biology. (NCAA Core Course)

## **SCI325 ZOOLOGY HONORS**

GR: 11, 12, One-half year (grade weighted), Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: Biology, Chemistry or consent of instructor.

This course provides students an overview of concepts of general zoology including the origin of animal life, taxonomy, animal physiology, animal reproduction and development, classification of major phyla of animals, structure and function of animals, and basic concepts of animal behavior and ecology. Field trip is optional. In class dissections are required within the course. (NCAA Core Course)

## **SCI330 PRINCIPLES OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE PLTW**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
PREREQUISITE:

9th Grade – Must be concurrently enrolled in Biology Advanced.

10th Grade – Must have successfully completed Biology and be concurrently enrolled in Chemistry.\*

11th Grade – Must have successfully completed Biology and either Chemistry or Introduction to Chemistry/Physics.

In the introductory course of the PLTW Biomedical Science program, students will begin to prepare for a career in medicine or health care, and they will be challenged to solve real world problems. Students will practice how to think creatively and critically to innovate in science and to gain practical experience tackling challenges that biomedical professionals face in the field. Students will work through real-world situations, cases, and problems, such as solving a medical mystery case, diagnosing and treating a patient, and responding to a medical outbreak. (NCAA Core Course)

# SCIENCE

## **SCI331 HUMAN BODY SYSTEMS PLTW**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
PREREQUISITE: Principles of Biomedical Science.

As the second course in the Biomedical sequence, students will design a comprehensive laboratory investigation using a model organism, build the different body systems out of clay on Manikens® and simulate the work of real-world medical professionals through mini cases and medical challenges to diagnose and provide treatment to outpatients. Whether seeking a career in medicine or healthcare or just looking for the challenge of real-world problems, students in Human Body Systems will practice how to think creatively and critically to innovate in science, while gaining practical experience with clinical medicine and experimental design. (NCAA Core Course)

## **SCI332 ADVANCED PLACEMENT CHEMISTRY**

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
PREREQUISITE: Honors Chemistry with a "B" or above, or consent of instructor.

AP Chemistry provides a second year of high school chemistry and is designed for those students who anticipate taking additional chemistry courses either in college or in vocational training. First-semester topics include: rigorous review of first year chemistry, kinetic molecular theory and its applications in the laboratory, chemical reactions, and atomic/molecular structure. Second-semester topics include: thermodynamics, equilibrium, and kinetics and acid/base chemistry. A weekend laboratory component is required in order to earn a credit in AP Chemistry. A digital alternative will be offered for the weekend laboratory component. Students may earn college credit by scoring well on the AP Chemistry examination. Credit earned from the AP Chemistry examination will vary according to the policies of a given university. (NCAA Core Course)

## **SCI333 ADVANCED PLACEMENT PHYSICS**

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
PREREQUISITE: A or B in Chemistry and Algebra II, or consent of instructor.

A more complete mathematical treatment of the same topics found in the regular physics course, AP Physics is especially designed to follow up Honors Chemistry for those students who want a rigorous science background. Students in this class may choose to take the national AP exam. Topics include kinematics, rotational motion, simple harmonic motion, projectiles, energy, and momentum. Students will develop a deeper understanding of physics through laboratory (inquiry-based) investigations where they analyze results. Whether or not students receive college credit by taking the AP exam will depend on their score and the policy of the college the student attends. (Earning up to 5 hours of college credit might be possible.) (NCAA Core Course)

## **SCI334 ADVANCED PLACEMENT BIOLOGY**

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
PREREQUISITE: Completion of Biology or Biology Advanced and Chemistry with a C or better.

AP Biology is an introductory college-level course that provides a second year of high school biology in which students cultivate their understanding of biology through inquiry-based investigations as they explore the following topics: chemistry of life, cellular energetics, communication/cell cycle, heredity, gene expression/ regulation, natural selection and ecology. Laboratory work emphasizes inquiry-based investigations that require students to ask questions, make observations and predictions, design experiments, analyze data, and construct arguments in a collaborative setting. Students may earn college credit by scoring well on the AP Biology exam. Credit earned from the AP Biology exam will vary according to the policies of a given university. (NCAA Core Course)

## **SCI401 FORENSICS**

GR: 11, 12, One-half year, Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Biology and either Chemistry OR Introduction to Chemistry & Physics.

The principal application of this course is the scientific analysis of physical evidence generated by criminal activity. During this laboratory course students will learn basic techniques used to analyze forensic evidence. This will start with concepts in forensics science and the law, evidence documentation and collection. Students will then learn concepts used in pattern recognition, forensic chemistry and biology, and trace evidence. There will be hands-on activities in all these disciplines. Topics will include but are not limited to crime scene, fingerprints, hair, fibers, drugs, toxicology, trace evidence, blood, DNA analysis, human remains, soil analysis, glass, and document and handwriting analysis.

## **SCI501 ASTRONOMY**

GR: 11, 12, One-half year, Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Introduction Chemistry/Physics or Chemistry.

High School Astronomy will foster a sense of wonder and discovery through observational astronomy and scientific inquiry. Students should expect to learn about the life of a star, the dynamics of our solar system, the formation of galaxies, as well as the discovery of exoplanets and the potential of life beyond Earth through scientific models and measurements. Students will also have the option to gain experience with the use of a telescope during nighttime field observations.

# SOCIAL STUDIES

There are three specific courses (two and a half credits) in the Social Studies Department required for graduation. They are World History (1 credit), US History (1 credit), and American Government (.5 credit). Entrance into most Illinois public colleges and universities will require three high school credits in social studies. Each course (required or elective) offered in Social Studies is college preparatory in nature.

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER
9	WORLD HISTORY	SOC101
9	WORLD HISTORY ADVANCED	SOC102
10	UNITED STATES HISTORY	SOC201
10, 11, 12	AP US HISTORY	SOC231
11, 12	AMERICAN GOVERNMENT	SOC301
11, 12	AP GOVERNMENT	SOC331
10, 11, 12	PSYCHOLOGY	SOC401
11, 12	SOCIOLOGY HONORS	SOC402
11, 12	ECONOMICS HONORS	SOC403
10, 11, 12	AP PSYCHOLOGY	SOC431
11, 12	ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY	SOC500

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

## SOC201 UNITED STATES HISTORY

GR: 10, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None.

United States History is a year-long course. It begins with the colonial and constitutional foundations of the United States and explores the government structure and functions written in the Constitution. The development of the nation and the political, social, and economic factors that led to the Civil War are addressed. Industrialization, urbanization, and the accompanying difficulties are examined, along with America's emergence as a world power, the two world wars of the 20th century, and the Cold War. Students explore the expansion of the federal government, the threat of terrorism, and the place of the United States in an increasingly globalized and interconnected world.

## SOC231 ADVANCED PLACEMENT US HISTORY

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Sophomore students must earn a grade of B- or better in World History Advanced to be considered for enrollment. Students not meeting this requirement MAY be considered with a recommendation from their World History teacher AND approval of the AP US History teacher. Override forms will be available from a student's counselor and must be signed by both teachers and a student's parent/guardian to enroll in AP US History.

The purpose of AP US History is to explore, analyze, and deal critically with themes in U.S. History from 1491 to the 9/11. AP US History is focused on preparing students to take the AP US History exam in May. Students may choose to take the national AP exam. (This course is not a dual enrollment course, but students who take the AP US History exam and score in acceptable levels may earn credit at their chosen university. Check with potential universities about their expectations). Concurrent enrollment in English II Honors (sophomores) or an AP English class (upperclassmen) is encouraged. A full year of AP US History may replace the graduation requirement credit of US History or may fulfill an elective requirement for upperclassmen. (NCAA Core Course)

## SOC101 WORLD HISTORY

GR: 9, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of 8th grade social studies course.

Students will survey World History from pre- history to the Early Modern Era. Topics include: Pre-History and Early Man, Birth of Civilization, Greece and Rome, The Middle East, Medieval China and Japan, Medieval Europe, Renaissance and Reformation, Revolution and the Nation State. In this course student learning emphasis will be placed on the use of primary sources, content area reading and writing, note-taking, project-based activities and cooperative learning. In addition students will be expected to problem solve and think critically towards history as it relates to our nation today. (NCAA Core Course)

## SOC102 WORLD HISTORY ADVANCED

GR: 9, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: An A or B in the 8th grade social studies course, or consent of instructor.

Students will survey Civilization from pre- history to the Early Modern Era. Topics include: Pre-History and Early Man, Birth of Civilization, Greece and Rome, The Middle East, Medieval China and Japan, Medieval Europe, Renaissance and Reformation, Revolution and the Nation State. In this course student learning emphasis will be placed on the use of primary sources, content area reading and writing, note-taking, project-based activities and cooperative learning. In addition, students will be expected to problem solve and think critically towards history as it relates to our nation today. Pre-AP World History is a college preparatory course geared towards the advanced social studies student. It is designed to prepare students to successfully complete AP (Advanced Placement) social studies coursework throughout high school. Independent thinking and learning are promoted emphasizing reading, writing, and research. (NCAA Core Course)

# SOCIAL STUDIES

## **SOC301 AMERICAN GOVERNMENT**

GR: 11, 12, One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of US History or AP US History.

This course examines the organization of our national government, state government, and our political system. In order to prepare students for the United States Constitution Test and Illinois Constitution Test, as required by state law, the course will cover the foundations and institutions of the government of the United States. Units will also include Civil Liberties, Civil Rights, Foreign Policy, Political Parties and Elections, and State and local Government. The course employs numerous supplementary materials including the coverage of current events when appropriate. (\* Required Course) (NCAA Core Course)

## **SOC331 ADVANCED PLACEMENT GOVERNMENT**

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Admissions based on high academic achievement and teacher recommendations. A or B in Advanced World History and/or AP US History.

This course is designed to provide students with a thorough understanding of the foundations of the United States government, its institutions, the political processes, and how policy decisions are reached. Students must be willing to commit themselves to AP level coursework which is intended to reflect the rigor of a college level class in both assignments and assessments. Students are highly encouraged to take the Advanced Placement exam in May. (\*May replace the semester Government requirement) (NCAA Core Course)

## **SOC401 PSYCHOLOGY**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: None.

Psychology is the study of human and mental thought processes. This course introduces students to the history of psychology as well as modern approaches. The content of the course includes scientific methods of studying behavior, states of consciousness, gender differences, principles of learning, and personality theory. Study skills and memory techniques, ethics and methods of research, and occupational possibilities are also explored. This course is recommended for college bound students. (NCAA Core Course)

## **SOC402 SOCIOLOGY HONORS**

GR: 11, 12, One-half year (grade weighted), Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: None.

Sociology is the study of society. It involves study about the behavior and interaction of human groups and the influence of these groups on individuals. Emphasis will be placed on how humans build societies and develop culture and how each person acquires a culture and becomes a part of society. The semester's topics include the following: roles and status, institutions (family, religion, education, government, and economy), stratification, population, race, and social change. (NCAA Core Courses)

## **SOC403 ECONOMICS HONORS**

\*This class counts for Consumer Ed credit.

GR: 11, 12, One-half year (grade weighted), Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: None. Economics concentrates on how society allocates its scarce resources among its unlimited wants and needs. While microeconomic concepts such as demand and supply and business firm organization are covered, the semester course emphasizes macroeconomics (examination of the behavior of the whole economy at once). Aside from learning fundamental concepts of economics, students will have the opportunity to apply them while starting their own businesses and making their own profits. (NCAA Core Course)

## **SOC431 ADVANCED PLACEMENT PSYCHOLOGY**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None.

Advanced Placement Psychology is a college-level course that explores the systemic and scientific study of the behavioral and mental processes of human beings and animals. Sub-topics include: Research methods, Learning theory, Consciousness, Biological Bases of Behavior, Sensation and Perception, Cognition, Motivation and Emotion, Developmental Psychology, Personality theory, Social Psychology, Abnormal Psychology, and Treatment approaches/ orientations. As an AP class, the course requires organizational skills and critical thinking consistent with such higher-level course work. Students should expect an accelerated pace, increased reading, and greater independent study. In May a week of review is specifically geared to preparing for the AP exam. Students in this class may choose to take the national AP exam. Whether or not students receive college credit by taking the AP exam will depend on their score and the policy of the college the student attends. (NCAA Core Course)

## **SOC500 ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY HONORS**

GR: 11, 12, One-half year (grade weighted), Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of AP Psychology.

This semester-long elective explores one of the most fascinating and popular topics in psychology – psychological disorders. This elective will focus on the main categories of mental dysfunction as outlined by the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual. The specific conditions in these categories such as depression, anxiety disorders, and schizophrenia will be studied. This will include a discussion of potential causes and symptoms as well as assessment and treatment of these disorders. A main objective of this course will be to destigmatize mental illness and help students to gain an appreciation of the importance of mental health. (NCAA Core Course)



## ADDITIONAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER
11,12	CONSUMER EDUCATION	BUS201
9, 10, 11, 12	HEALTH EDUCATION	HEA301
9, 10, 11, 12	APPLICATIONS OF COMPUTERS I	VCS102

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

### **BUS201 CONSUMER EDUCATION**

GR: 11, 12, One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: Recommended for 10th grade or above.

This course covers the role of consumers in a free market economy. Subject areas include consumer rights and responsibilities, budgeting and money management, banking services, credit options and bankruptcy, insurance, taxes and buying techniques for food, automobiles, and housing.

### **HEA301 HEALTH EDUCATION**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: None.

This study of health includes units covering the following topics: a drug and alcohol unit, infectious diseases, CPR and first aid, communicable diseases, AIDS and other STD's, conflict resolution, nutrition, physical fitness, stress management(mental health), and depression/suicide. The entire health program is geared toward preventive health and the lifetime goal of achieving optimal health.

### **VCS102 APPLICATIONS OF COMPUTERS I**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: None.

Applications of Computers is designed to provide students the skills needed to effectively use a variety of productivity software applications, including word processing, spreadsheet, presentation, graphic design and desktop publishing, database development, and integration of web resources. Students will utilize Microsoft Office, Google Apps, and various online resources for use with lessons and collaborative projects. Ethical and social issues associated with using technology will be integrated throughout the course.

**Classes that will count towards graduation requirement if entire course is passed:**

#### **Consumer Education:**

CCCE1-TRANSITIONAL COMMUNITY  
EXPERIENCEVBS101-BUSINESS TECH CONCEPTS  
SOC403-ECONOMICS HONORS  
VAG401-AGRI-BUSINESS MANAGEMENT  
VBS101-BUSINESS TECH CONCEPTS  
VBM302-BUSINESS OCCUPATIONAL EXPERIENCE  
VGD102-DIGITAL MEDIA  
VSB302-BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND MARKETING

#### **Health:**

VHO101-CAREERS IN HEALTHCARE  
VHO201-HEALTH OCCUPATIONS I

#### **Applications of Computers I:**

VBS101-BUSINESS TECH CONCEPTS  
VCS101-INTRO TO COMPUTER SCIENCE  
VCS201-INTRO TO WEB PAGE DESIGN  
VCS202-COMPUTER SCIENCE ESSENTIALS  
VGD101-DIGITAL GRAPHICS  
VGD102-DIGITAL MEDIA  
VJO101-YEARBOOK JOURNALISM

# Drivers Ed & Physical Ed

The State of Illinois requires that each student is enrolled in PE every quarter of each school year. The Quincy School District requires that students pass 3.5 credits of PE, Health, and/or Driver Education; therefore, students should be enrolled in one each quarter until graduation. This is divided as follows: 3 credits of PE, 1/2 credit of Health, 1/4-1/2 credit of Driver Education (optional).

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER
9, 10, 11, 12	DRIVER EDUCATION-CLASSROOM	DEC201
9, 10, 11, 12	DRIVER EDUCATION-BEHIND THE WHEEL	DEB201
9, 10, 11, 12	P.E. FITNESS	PEF301
9, 10, 11, 12	GENERAL P.E.	PEL301
9, 10, 11, 12	P.E. WEIGHTS	PEW301

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

## DEC201 DRIVER EDUCATION CLASSROOM

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One-quarter year, Credit: .25  
PREREQUISITE: To be eligible, a student must have passed a minimum of eight courses in the previous two semesters.

This course utilizes lectures, discussions, audio-visual presentations, and presentations by traffic experts. Signing up for Drivers Education does not guarantee a spot. Enrollment is based on birth dates. Students who will be 15 yrs old before July 5, 2024, are encouraged to enroll for summer school. Students who will be 15 yrs old before Sept 30, 2024, are encouraged to enroll for first quarter. Students who will be 15 yrs old before Dec 15, 2024, are encouraged to enroll for second quarter. Students who will be 15 yrs old before Feb 28, 2025, are encouraged to enroll for third quarter. Students who will be 15 yrs old before May 31, 2025, are encouraged to enroll for fourth quarter. Dates are subject to change depending on class load and staff availability.

## DEB201 DRIVER EDUCATION BEHIND- THE WHEEL

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One-quarter year, Credit: .25  
PREREQUISITE: It is a state requirement that a student must pass Driver Education Classroom and also pass eight courses in the previous two semesters to be enrolled in BTW. Students will be required to pass a driving exam in order to successfully complete the course. Upon passing the course, a student will be recommended to get the license with the Illinois Secretary of State's office.

## PEW301 WEIGHTS

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One-half year Credit: .5  
PREREQUISITE: None.  
This course is designed to assist each student in developing strength, knowledge, self-motivation, and positive work habits. All students will develop weight programs based on individual needs (sports or personal). Physical fitness assessments will be performed on a regular basis in an effort to assess each student's physical progress and well-being. Athletes are encouraged to enroll in this course during their off season.

**Driver Education is composed of two course, Driver Education Classroom and Driver Education Behind the Wheel. To be eligible to enroll in Drivers Education, a student must have passed a total of eight courses in the previous two semesters and have an eligible birthdate. Dates are found in the course description in the back of this book. Dates are subject to change depending on class loads and staff availability.**

**Driver Education Classroom is composed of 30 hours of classwork (1/4 credit). Once a student has successfully completed classroom, students will be given an application for Behind the Wheel.**

**Driver Education Behind the Wheel is composed of six hours of behind the wheel driving and six hours of observation (1/4 credit). There is a \$250 fee for the Behind the Wheel course. Students who qualify for free or reduced lunch receive a fee waiver or reduced rate. Students must have their instructional permit in their immediate possession to drive with an instructor. Illinois law requires all students to have their instructional permit for 271 days (approximately nine months). The State of Illinois requires a fee of \$20 from all students for the instructional permit. If a student fails to pass Behind the Wheel, they will be required to sit out one quarter before being re-admitted into the program.**

## PEF301 FITNESS

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One-half year, Credit: .5  
PREREQUISITE: None.  
Students will be able to develop an understanding of fitness concepts and design a personal fitness program while developing an individualized level of health-related activities to complete assessments of their health-related fitness. Students will learn the relationships between physical activity, physical fitness, group interaction, cooperation, and appreciation for the abilities and limitations of self and others due to health-related outcomes. Through the course, students will gain knowledge and the skills needed to develop a lifelong pattern of physical activity. By the end of the course, students will: improve their physical fitness by participating in activities on the equipment: treadmill, ellipticals, stationary bikes, and step machines Students will also perform workouts such as HIIT (high intensity interval training) routines, circuit training, yoga, partner workouts, meditation, etc.

## PEL301 GENERAL P.E.

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One-half year, Credit: .5  
PREREQUISITE: None.  
This course is offered to 9-12th grade students. Students will learn a variety of rules, skills, fundamentals, and strategies in a variety of individual and dual sports activities. Safety and sportsmanship will be emphasized. Activities include, but are not limited to: badminton, pickle ball, table tennis, ultimate Frisbee, bowling, floor hockey, and fitness walking. Instruction is also offered in a variety of team sports. Activities include but are not limited to the following: basketball, bowling, flag football, kickball, soccer, team handball, volleyball, badminton, and table tennis.



# FINE ARTS

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER
9, 10, 11, 12	FOUNDATIONS OF ART I	ART101
9, 10, 11, 12	CERAMICS I	ART110
9, 10, 11, 12	ART DRAWING	ART111
9, 10, 11, 12	ART PAINTING	ART112
10, 11, 12	ART PAINTING II	ART113
10, 11, 12	FOUNDATIONS OF ART II	ART201
10, 11, 12	CERAMICS II	ART210
11, 12	ADVANCED STUDIO ART	ART331
9, 10, 11, 12	SYMPHONIC BAND/TRADITIONAL BAND	MUS101
9	FRESHMAN CHORALE	MUS102
10, 11, 12	SYMPHONIC BAND/VARSITY CHORALE	MUS103
9, 10, 11, 12	SYMPHONIC STRINGS	MUS201
10, 11, 12	VARSITY CHORALE	MUS202
9	SYMPHONIC STRINGS/FRESHMAN CHORALE	MUS203
10, 11, 12	CONCERT BAND/COMPETITIVE BAND	MUS301
10, 11, 12	CONCERT CHORALE	MUS302
10, 11, 12	CONCERT BAND/CONCERT CHORALE	MUS303
10, 11, 12	CONCERT ORCHESTRA	MUS401
10, 11, 12	CONCERT CHOIR	MUS402
10, 11, 12	ORCHESTRA/CONCERT CHOIR	MUS403
9, 10, 11, 12	COLOR GUARD & POM PON	MUS75
9, 10, 11, 12	MUSIC IN OUR LIVES	MUS501
9, 10, 11, 12	FUNDAMENTALS OF MUSIC THEORY I	MUS502
9, 10, 11, 12	PIANO LAB	MUS503
9, 10, 11, 12	GUITAR I	MUS504
9, 10, 11, 12	GUITAR II	MUS505
9, 10, 11, 12	TECHNICAL THEATRE	MUS80

## ART101 FOUNDATIONS OF ART I

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: None.

This is a prerequisite for all other art courses. This is the introductory visual arts course for QHS.

The content covers a variety of concepts, approaches and media in creative problem solving. This elective focuses on the Elements of Art. Foundations of Art will provide an opportunity for students to develop compositional skills and understanding in the elements & principles of design, drawing, painting, ceramics and sculpture. A wide range of artists, artworks, styles and cultures will be studied for inspiration. Foundations of Art is a studio class and students will be expected to follow all safety rules.

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

## ART110 CERAMICS I

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12 One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: Completion of Foundations of Art I. Ceramics is an introductory course in ceramics covering the three basic methods of hand building. Students will produce ceramic artwork using pinch, slab, and coil techniques. Students will explore three-dimensional design while developing both useful and sculptural forms while learning the basic vocabulary of ceramics as well as methods of surface treatment, firing, and other related aspects. Art history, aesthetics and art criticism will be incorporated throughout the course. Creativity and quality craftsmanship are emphasized.

## ART111 ART DRAWING

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12 One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: Completion of Foundations of Art I. Drawing is a key discipline of the visual arts. Students enrolled in this course will increase their confidence by developing essential rendering and quality composition skills. In Art Drawing, hand/eye coordination will improve. Students receive drawing guidance and apply techniques to such drawing media as graphite, colored pencil, ink, charcoal, and pastels.

## ART112 ART PAINTING

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12 One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: Completion of Foundations of Art I.

This course is an introduction to the media and technical possibilities of painting. The emphasis is on paint handling, craftsmanship, color theory, two-dimensional composition, and theme. The student is encouraged to begin the process of self-awareness through the painting of diversified subjects such as portrait, landscape, and still-life.

## ART113 ART PAINTING II

GR: 10, 11, 12 One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: You must receive a C or higher in Foundations of Art I & Painting I.

This course provides an in-depth look at the properties of painting, further exploring matters in the area of still life, portrait, landscape, and expressionist painting. Students will continue to develop perceptual and technical painting skills using watercolor and acrylic, while also to exploring different techniques and mediums such as oil paints to create both realistic and abstract painting. Emphasis will be placed on creativity, technique and individuality.

## ART201 FOUNDATIONS OF ART II

GR: 10, 11, 12 One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: Completion of Foundations of Art I.

This course focuses on understanding and applying skills bases around the aesthetics, processes, and functions of a variety of 3-Dimensional art forms. Learned competencies include technique, craftsmanship and the expressive potential of various mediums related to the design and creation of 3-Dimensional objects.

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## **ART210 CERAMICS II**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: Completions of Foundations of Art I and Ceramics I.

This elective course provides an in depth look at the properties of clay, an introduction to the potter's wheel, and exploration of advanced hand-building techniques. Students will be creating both functional potter and nonfunctional sculpture. Students will continue to explore surface applications. Emphasis will be placed on individuality, creativity, and craftsmanship. You will be expected to complete a large body of related work. You much have earned a C or better in each of the nine weeks of ceramics I to take this class.

## **RT331 ADVANCED STUDIO ART**

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Completion of Foundations of Art, Foundations of Art II, Painting, Drawing & Ceramics I.

Students will have an opportunity to work in depth with areas of special interest and prepare a portfolio of artwork as an expression of high school art achievement. Emphasis will be placed on the student's ability to initiate, explore, and resolve ideas in a series of works, which are evidence of growth, and the capacity to bring work to completion. This can be taken as a yearlong course

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## **MUS101 SYMPHONIC BAND/ TRADITIONAL BAND**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Level V Musicianship & audition by director, 3 or more years of playing experience minimum.

This is a performance-oriented co-curricular course which emphasizes the preparation of band literature, i.e. marching band, pep band, and ensembles for concerts, contests, clinics, parades, and sporting events. All members of this group are members of the QHS Pep Band and marching band. Members are required to perform with these groups throughout the year, attend June & August Marching Band Camps and rehearsals outside of the school during the Fall Marching season. Students are required to travel with the group. QHS Music Department Handbook & Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct must be signed.

## **MUS102 FRESHMAN CHORALE**

GR: 9, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Audition and approval by the teacher. This course is open to male & female vocalists in the 9th grade. Emphasis is given to all genres of choral music, vocal production, sight singing and music theory. This ensemble performs in concerts throughout the year. Students are required to attend concerts in which their choir performs. Exceptions to attendance at a concert requires previous approval. Students are required to purchase performance outfits. Members may be involved in many school activities; e.g. Fall Musical, New Faces, Show Choir and music contests. QHS Music Department Handbook & Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct must be signed.

## **MUS103 SYMPHONIC BAND/ VARSITY CHORALE**

GR: 9, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Audition and approval by the teacher. This co-curricular choir is for students who wish to participate in Symphonic Band as well as Varsity Chorale. Instructors will schedule students so they can participate in both organizations during the same period. The student must meet the entrance requirements for both organizations. Uniform and participation requirements are the same as Symphonic Band and Varsity Chorale. A performance contract must be signed. QHS Music Department Handbook & Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct must be signed.

## **MUS201 SYMPHONIC STRINGS**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: By audition only.

This music ensemble is designed for student musicians entering Quincy Senior High with at least 3 years of experience on an orchestral instrument or by audition. Instruction will be devoted to fundamentals, string orchestra music, sectionals, ensembles, and chamber music. Students are required to attend planned concerts in which their orchestra performs. Exceptions to attendance at concerts requires director approval as stated in music handbook. Students must have completed Level IV musicianship requirements before participation in the group if possible. Students are required to purchase performance outfits. QHS Music Department Handbook & Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct must be signed.

## **MUS202 VARSITY CHORALE**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None (\*first year in choir).

This female ensemble is open to all interested treble singers in grades 10, 11, 12 and any female singer who is new to the QPS Choral Program. The chorale sings in programs with other choral groups. Emphasis is given to all genres of choral music, vocal production, sight singing and music theory. This ensemble performs in concerts throughout the year. Students are required to attend concerts in which their choir performs. Exceptions to attendance at a concert requires previous approval. Students are required to purchase performance outfits. Members may be involved in many school activities; e.g. Fall Musical, Christmas Vespers, New Faces, Show Choir and music contests. QHS Music Department Handbook & Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct must be signed.

## **MUS203 SYMPHONIC STRINGS/ FRESHMAN CHORALE**

GR: 9, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Audition and approval by the teacher. This co-curricular choir is for students who wish to participate in Symphonic Strings as well as Freshman Chorale. Instructors will schedule students so they can participate in both organizations during the same period. The student must meet the entrance requirements for both organizations. Uniform and participation requirements are the same as Symphonic Strings and Freshman Chorale. QHS Music Department Handbook & Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct must be signed. Students are expected to maintain the course load for both portions of the class.

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## **MUS301 CONCERT BAND/ COMPETITIVE BAND**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

**PREREQUISITE:** Audition by director, Level VI musicianship, 4 or more years of playing experience. Students in this ensemble are required to travel with the group unless special arrangements have been made with the Director of Music. This is a performance-oriented co-curricular course which emphasizes the preparation of band literature, i.e. marching band, pep band, and ensembles for concerts, contests, clinics, parades, and sporting events. All members of this group are members of the QHS Marching Band and the QHS Pep Band. Members are required to perform with these groups throughout the year and attend June & August Marching Band Camps and rehearsals outside of the school during the Fall Marching season. Students are required to purchase performing outfits. QHS Music Department Handbook & Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct must be signed.

## **MUS302 CONCERT CHORALE**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

**PREREQUISITE:** By audition only.

This ensemble is designed for singers who have previous experience in choir at the junior high, Freshman Chorale or senior high level and have an advanced level of musicianship. Emphasis is given to all genres of choral music, vocal production, sight singing and music theory. Students are nominated for this group by their choral director and participate in all concerts. Students are required to attend concerts in which their choir performs. Students are required to purchase performance outfits. Exceptions to attendance at a concert requires previous approval. Members may be involved in many school activities; e.g. Fall Musical, New Faces, Christmas Vespers, Show Choir and music contests. QHS Music Department Handbook & Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct must be signed.

## **MUS303 CONCERT BAND/CONCERT CHORALE**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

**PREREQUISITE:** Audition only.

This co-curricular choir is for students who wish to participate in Concert Band as well as Concert Chorale. Instructors will schedule students so they can participate in both organizations during the same period. The student must meet the entrance requirements for both organizations. Uniform and participation requirements are the same as Concert Band and the Concert Chorale. QHS Music Department Handbook & Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct must be signed.

## **MUS401 CONCERT ORCHESTRA**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

**PREREQUISITE:** By audition with four or more years of playing experience.

Students in this ensemble are required to travel with the group unless special arrangements have been made with the Director of Music. This is a performance-oriented co-curricular course for experienced string and wind players with advanced skills. Activities include concerts and participation in contests. All members of the Orchestra participate in the Fall Musical as part of their curriculum. Wind players and percussionists must be members of Concert Band and travel with the group in competition. Students must have completed Symphonic Strings with passing scores on all playing test/check-offs and complete end of year audition before participation in the group is possible. QHS Music Department Handbook & Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct must be signed.

## **MUS402 CONCERT CHOIR**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

**PREREQUISITE:** By audition only.

Students in this ensemble are required to travel with the group unless special arrangements have been made with the Director of Music. Students in this ensemble must participate in the Winter Disney Trip in December unless special arrangements have been made with the Director of Music Education. This co-curricular choir is designed for sophomores, juniors and seniors with advanced skills and previous choral experience only. Emphasis is given to all genres of choral music, vocal production, sight singing and music theory. The Concert Choir endeavors to sing challenging and high quality literature. Its goal is to achieve excellence in choral performance. Members of the Concert Choir may be involved in many school activities; e.g. Fall Musical, Christmas Vespers, New Faces, music contests and a spring choir tour. Sophomores are not admitted unless they receive permission from the Director of Music. Students are required to attend concerts. Students are required to purchase performance outfits and travel with the group for competition. QHS Music Department Handbook & Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct must be signed.

## **MUS403 ORCHESTRA/CONCERT CHOIR**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

**PREREQUISITE:** Audition only.

Students in this ensemble are required to travel with the group unless special arrangements have been made with the Director of Music. This co-curricular course is for students who wish to participate in Orchestra as well as Concert Choir. Instructors will schedule students so they can participate in both organizations during the same period. The students must meet and maintain the entrance requirements for both organizations. Students will participate in all performances of both ensembles. Students must have permission of both directors in order to schedule this course. This course is not open to sophomores without permission from the Director of Music. All members of this group participate in the Fall Musical as part of their curriculum. A Level VI musicianship is required as well. Students are required to purchase outfits worn for performances. QHS Music Department Handbook & Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct must be signed.

## **MUS75 COLOR GUARD/POM PON**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One-quarter year, Credit: .25

**PREREQUISITE:** By audition ONLY (previous Spring).

This ensemble of the QHS Color Guard and Q City Pommers participates during the first semester only with the Marching Band at games and parades. Members who are also in Band or Concert Chorale should not sign up for this course number. Students are required to purchase performance outfits.

# FINE ARTS

## **MUS501: MUSIC IN OUR LIVES**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12 One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: None.

Have you ever wondered how instruments work? Did you know that there is a difference between a soundtrack and a film score? Have you ever considered a career as an "A & R" Representative, or a roadie? Have you ever heard of an opera horse handler or a bow hairdresser? Music is not just for music majors or professional musicians; it has opportunities for everybody. From shopping to the creation of musical instruments, from music history to psychology, this class will engage students in the effects of music in our everyday lives. Students will: 1) explore the various applications of music career choices, 2) discover and experiment with the process of inventing and creating musical instruments, 3) examine the development of music throughout different cultures, 4) evaluate the psychological effect of music in our lives today

## **MUS502 - FUNDAMENTALS OF MUSIC THEORY I**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None.

Students taking this course develop skills in the analysis of music and theoretical concepts. Students: (1) develop ear training and dictation skills, (2) compose works that illustrate mastered concepts through song construction, (3) understand harmonic structures and analysis, (4) understand modes and scales, (5) understand rhythm & toned dictation, (6) Study traditional and nontraditional music notation and sound sources as tools for musical composition, (7) receive instruction in creativity techniques. Students will have the opportunity to experience live performances, by professionals, during and outside of the school day

## **MUS503 - PIANO LAB**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12 One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: None.

Piano Lab I is open to any student, with or without previous piano experience, who wishes to learn basic piano skills. Students taking this course are offered keyboard classes in order to develop music proficiency and musicianship. Students: (1) perform with proper posture, hand position, fingering, rhythm, and articulation; (2) learn basic music theory and analysis; (3) basic history of music and composers; (4) make interpretive decisions and perform with musicianship. By the completion of semester course students would have been assessed a minimum of 10 times at various stages of piano technique. Students work at their own pace and may take the course multiple semesters to complete level I & II. A professional pianist will be invited to present to the class for hands-on musical discovery and insight once during the semester. The semester will culminate with a peer performance recital experience.

## **MUS504 - GUITAR LAB I**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12 One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: None.

This course is designed for students with no previous guitar experience. Students will receive guidance and direction in solving problems related to playing the guitar at a beginning level and will learn many of the different styles, skills and techniques required to become a successful guitarist. Areas of concentration include correct posture, note reading, aural skills, flat-picking, singing songs, rhythmic patterns, chord study, finger-picking styles, musical forms, improvisation, and performing experiences.

## **MUS505 - GUITAR LAB II**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12 One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: Guitar Lab I and have earned a letter grade C or higher; or have successfully completed 1 year of private guitar lessons and audition with Instructor to demonstrate competency.

Building on Guitar Lab I, student will learn more advanced music guitar skills. Areas of concentration include correct posture, note reading, aural skills, flat-picking, singing songs, rhythmic patterns, chord study, finger-picking styles, musical forms, improvisations, and performing experiences.

## **MUS80 - TECHNICAL THEATRE: BEHIND THE SCENES**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12 Independent Study Course-One Year,

Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Approval from Technical Theatre instructor or Director of Music.

A crucial part of a live performance happens behind the scenes, both before a production or concert is mounted and during its run. This course will focus on the following aspects of producing live theatrical and concert performances; Scenic Construction & Paint, Prop Prep & Mater, Electrics Prep, Costume Prep, Sound-Run-Scenic-Prop-Fly Crews, Sound & Light Board design & Operation, Wardrobe & Costume Management and Stage Management. This year-long course will give students the opportunity to work firsthand with Quincy Senior High School productions and concerts such as Fall Musical, Holiday Vespers, New Faces, Winter and Spring Plays, and instrumental and choral concerts. Students enrolled in Technical Theatre will actively engage in the process of designing, building, managing, and implementing the technical aspects of a production. These activities should incorporate elements of theatre history, culture, analysis, response, creative process, and integrated studies.



# FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Many colleges require a minimum of two credits of foreign languages for admission and four years to graduate from college in some major fields. (Please check individual colleges for specific admission requirements)

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER
9, 10, 11, 12	GERMAN I	GER101
9, 10, 11, 12	GERMAN II	GER201
10, 11, 12	GERMAN III	GER301
11, 12	GERMAN IV HONORS	GER421
11, 12	GERMAN CONVERSATION & COMP. HONORS	GER422
11, 12	AP GERMAN	GER431
9, 10, 11, 12	SPANISH I	SPA101
9, 10, 11, 12	SPANISH II	SPA201
9, 10, 11, 12	SPANISH III	SPA301
10, 11, 12	SPANISH FOR NATIVES	SPA401
10, 11, 12	SPANISH IV HONORS	SPA421
11, 12	SPANISH CONVERSATION & COMP. A HONORS	SPA422
11, 12	SPANISH CONVERSATION & COMP. B HONORS	SPA423
11, 12	AP SPANISH	SPA431
COURSES TAKEN BEFORE GRADE 9 WILL NOT BE COUNTED TOWARDS NCAA ELIGIBILITY.		

## GER101 GERMAN I

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None.

This course is an introduction to basic grammatical structures; pronunciations; vocabulary; development of listening comprehension, reading, speaking, and writing skills; and development of cultural knowledge. Cultural differences are presented to familiarize students with German speaking countries. Oral proficiency and vocabulary acquisition are emphasized. Must earn credit for both semesters to go on to German II. (NCAA Core Course)

## GER201 GERMAN II

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Must successfully complete both semesters of German I.

This course builds on the vocabulary and language structures introduced in German I. Students are encouraged to apply their knowledge to complete specific tasks in German. Students learn to discuss daily (care) routines; how to narrate and describe past actions; and how to tell someone else to do something. In addition students will be introduced to the indirect object case. Cultural information is presented to increase awareness of the German-speaking world. Oral proficiency and vocabulary acquisition are emphasized. Students must earn credit for both semesters to go on to German III. (NCAA Core Course)

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

## GER301 GERMAN III

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Must successfully complete both semesters of German II.

This course will provide a review of fundamental grammatical structures and an introduction to more complex structures. Conversation and listening comprehension activities will be used to increase cultural awareness; encourage a further refinement of reading, conversation, and listening comprehension skills, with a strong grammar focus and students will be familiar with the different cases used in German. This course also offers practice in written composition. Cultural information will be presented in German to increase awareness of German-speaking countries. Students must earn credit for both semesters to go on to German IV. (NCAA Core Course)

## GER421 GERMAN IV HONORS

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Must successfully complete both semesters of German III.

This course builds on the vocabulary and language structures introduced in German I-III. Emphasis is on applying student's knowledge to accomplish oral and written communicative tasks. Longer sequences of German are processed and original responses and material are created. This course has a strong grammar focus and students will become efficient in the different endings and cases used in German. Remaining basic structures and vocabulary of the language are taught. Cultural information is presented in German to increase awareness of the German-speaking world. Student must earn credit for both semesters to go on to next level. (NCAA Core Course)

## GER422 GERMAN CONVERSATION & COMPOSITION HONORS

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Must successfully complete both semesters of German IV or teacher recommendation.

This course is focused on the mastery of speaking, writing, and listening skills, but also stresses reading skills. It is intended to be the equivalent both in content and in difficulty to intermediate-level college German language course. It emphasizes the active use of the language for communication. This course is recommended to be taken before the AP course. This course is offered in an A and B cycle so that a student can choose to take two years of German Conversation and Composition. (NCAA Core Course)

# FOREIGN LANGUAGE

## GER431 ADVANCED PLACEMENT GERMAN

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
 PREREQUISITE: Must successfully complete both semesters of German IV or teacher recommendation.  
 This course is intended to be the equivalent both in content and in difficulty of a third-year college German language course. Focus will be on the mastery of listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills; emphasis will be placed on the active use of the language for communication; and preparation for the Advanced Placement Exam. Students in this class may choose to take the national AP exam. Whether or not students receive college credit by taking the AP exam will depend on their score and the policy of the college the student attends. The objectives include the following: use vocabulary structure and syntax at the advanced level; understand spoken German in both formal and informal situations; read various types of writings covering a wide range of areas; and express ideas orally and in writing both fluently and accurately. This course can be taken for credit only once. (NCAA Core Course)

## SPA101 SPANISH I

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1  
 PREREQUISITE: None.

This course serves as an introduction to basic grammatical concepts of the Spanish language. Oral proficiency and vocabulary acquisition are emphasized. Cultural differences are presented to familiarize students with the Spanish-speaking world. Must earn credit for both semesters to go on to Spanish II. (NCAA Core Course)

## SPA201 SPANISH II

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1  
 PREREQUISITE: Must successfully complete both semesters of Spanish I.

This course builds on the vocabulary and language structures introduced in Spanish I. Oral proficiency and vocabulary acquisition are emphasized. Students are encouraged to apply their knowledge to complete specific tasks in Spanish. Students learn to discuss daily routine, how to narrate and describe past actions, and tell someone else to do something. Cultural information is presented in Spanish to increase awareness of the Spanish-speaking world. Students must earn credit for both semesters to go on to Spanish III. (NCAA Core Course)

## SPA301 SPANISH III

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1  
 PREREQUISITE: Must successfully complete both semesters of Spanish II.

This course builds on the vocabulary and grammar structures from the previous courses. Grammar emphasis is based upon narrating in the past, present, and future as well as making commands. Students are put in situations where they must ask and also answer questions in each of the tenses. Continued emphasis is placed upon developing oral proficiency and communicating in Spanish without the use of English in predictable situations. Cultural information will be presented in Spanish to increase awareness of the Spanish-speaking world. Students must earn credit for both semesters to go on to Spanish IV. (NCAA Core Course)

## SPA401 SPANISH FOR NATIVES

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1  
 PREREQUISITE: Staff recommendation.

This course is intended for students who speak Spanish with native fluency but may have never had any formal instruction in Spanish. The course will develop student's abilities to also read and write with higher levels of proficiency in Spanish. Emphasis will be placed upon reading and writing skills since these students already possess high level speaking skills. Students who successfully complete this course would then be encouraged to enroll in one of the other advanced level courses offered.

## SPA421 SPANISH IV HONORS

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
 PREREQUISITE: Must successfully complete both semesters of Spanish III.

This course builds on the vocabulary and language structures introduced in Spanish I through III. Emphasis is on applying student's knowledge to accomplish oral and written communicative tasks. Longer sequences of Spanish are processed and original responses and material are created. Remaining basic structures and vocabulary of the language are taught. Cultural information is presented in Spanish to increase awareness of the Spanish-speaking world. Must earn credit for both semesters to move on to next level. (NCAA Core Course)

## SPA422 SPANISH CONVERSATION & COMPOSITION A HONORS

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
 PREREQUISITE: Must successfully complete both semesters of Spanish IV or teacher recommendation.

The Spanish Conversation and Composition A course covers the equivalent of an intermediate college-level course. Thematic vocabulary units are integrated with a systematic review of previously presented grammar structures. Internet articles are used for reading comprehension and writing activities. Other native reading selections come from a variety of sources. This course is designed to improve conversational and writing skills. This course is recommended to be taken before the AP course. (NCAA Core Course)

## SPA423 SPANISH CONVERSATION & COMPOSITION B HONORS

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
 PREREQUISITE: Must successfully complete both semesters of Spanish Conversation and Composition A or teacher recommendation.

This course is a continuation of Conversation and Composition A and is an alternative that some students might choose instead of taking the AP Spanish course. Students who take this class are urged to take a language placement test at their future college in order to receive either advanced placement and/or credit towards college graduation. The purpose of this course is to continue developing language skills and vocabulary at an advanced level. Exclusive use of Spanish for conversational purposes and communication is a top priority. A systematic review of all tenses and verb moods is incorporated into the class during the year. Vocabulary acquisition is developed through thematic units as well as the use of many authentic sources. (NCAA Core Course)

## SPA431 ADVANCED PLACEMENT SPANISH

GR: 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1  
 PREREQUISITE: Must successfully complete both semesters of Spanish Conversation and Composition or consent of instructor.

The Advanced Placement Language course covers the equivalent of a third-year college course in advanced conversation and composition. Focus will be on the mastery of listening, speaking, reading and writing skills; emphasis will be placed on the active use of the language for communication; and preparation for the Advanced Placement Exam. Students in this class may choose to take the national AP exam. Whether or not students receive college credit by taking the exam will depend on their score and the policy of the college the student attends. (NCAA Core Course)

# OTHER ELECTIVES

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER
10	COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS	CCR10
11	COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS	CCR11
12	COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS	CCR12
11, 12	LEADERSHIP	LSP401
12	TEACHERS ASSISTANTSHIP	TA

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

## COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS QUINCY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

CCR is an elective program designed to help students achieve the necessary requirements and skills needed for acceptance and success at a college/university. The CCR system provides students with the tools necessary to help increase learning and academic performance. CCR uses research-based methods to accelerate learning through meaningful, motivational, and engaging instruction. CCR seeks to provide students with an academic foundation for increased success throughout high school, college and beyond.

### WHAT IS REQUIRED OF CCR STUDENTS?

CCR students are expected to be motivated and determined to achieve college/ university acceptance at the end of their high school career. It will be necessary for CCR students to manage their time so that school and studies become a top priority. This means that they will need to be responsible for making wise and sometimes difficult choices. Students who are accepted into CCR make a 3 year commitment to the program.

### THE IDEAL CCR STUDENT CCR students:

1. are "in the middle" and often overlooked as "at risk" for not succeeding in college.
2. want to earn a college degree
3. have good attendance
4. are attentive in class
5. see school as a priority-they don't want to fail
6. are "B" or "C" average students
7. may be the first in their family to attend college

### CCR CURRICULUM

- CCR follows the WICR method of instruction. (Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration and Reading)
- Organization
- Time Management • Note taking (Cornell Notes)
- College Testing, GPA, College admissions
- Costa's Levels of Intellectual Functioning (Higher level questions)
- Research methods
- Goal Setting • Reading skills (content, note taking, analysis)
- Public Speaking
- Writing Skills
- Test taking skills
- Financial Aid
- College search & applications

## LSP401 LEADERSHIP

GR: 11, 12, One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: Students are nominated by staff members and selected by administration based on their applications for the course.

This course would be offered to juniors (spring semester) and seniors (fall semester) interested in enhancing their communication skills, social awareness, and advocacy on behalf of themselves and their school community. The goal of this class is to take current leaders within the school and help them reach their leadership potential. Curriculum topics will include types of leadership, leaders in history and their traits, developing personal strengths, understanding one's philosophy and values, ethical leadership, working within a group, organizing and delegating, public speaking, steps for taking social action, etc. The semester long course also includes class-wide and individual service-learning projects.

## TA TEACHER ASSISTANTSHIP

GR: 12, One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: \*Senior standing.

The Teacher Assistantship is designed to expand leadership opportunities to qualified seniors as they participate and assist in classroom instruction and planning. Participants will work with a mentoring teacher/supervisor five periods a week, keeping a weekly log of their experiences. A final self-assessment of the experience will complement their in-class work. Students who meet these requirements will receive a 1/2 credit per semester. Students may only enroll in (1) Teacher Assistantship per semester. \*Requirements for the Teacher Assistantship are listed below: 1. Must be a senior 2. Must have earned a minimum of 18 credits by the start of the senior year 3. Must be enrolled in a minimum of 4 credit bearing classes.



# SPECIAL EDUCATION

COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER
ALGEBRA I	LDMA1
GEOMETRY	LDMAT3
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## LDMA1 ALGEBRA I

GR: 9 One year, Credit: 1

Algebra I is a full year, one credit course, designed specifically to provide students with a strong base for success in geometry. Students will be introduced to variables, expressions, equations, inequalities, and families of function with a special emphasis on linear functions. The course further explores algebra by solving and graphing linear and nonlinear equations, inequalities, solving systems, statistics and polynomials. Problem solving skill are integrated to relate algebraic thinking to real-life applications and situations.

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

## LDMAT3 GEOMETRY

GR: 10 One year, Credit: 1

This Geometry course is to teach the student to think logically and clearly and to solve problems used in real world applications. Through careful and systematic reasoning, the student will learn to apply many properties of geometric figures. Students study each mathematical idea in depth through applications and practical problems. Students will learn to read mathematics on a daily basis. Provided are key concepts, relevant vocabulary, and meaningful examples. A project requiring an application of geometry consists of concepts and spatial thinking, congruence, similarity, transformations, and measurements in Geometry. Problem solving exercises are integrated throughout the text which helps students connect the instruction with practical real-life application.

## LDMAT4 BUSINESS TECH MATH

GR: 11, 12 One year, Credit: 1 (counts for Consumer Ed.) Business Tech Math is designed for those students heading towards the workforce upon graduation, and who, as consumers, wish to make wiser choices. Business Tech Math emphasizes personal finance, workforce, and career planning skills as part of the course work. Mathematics with business applications is designed to provide students with knowledge of how to apply basic mathematics to a variety of independent living situations (creating a budget, buying a car, buying a house, saving money, earning commission), in order to be successful employees and consumers after high school.

## LDRES RESOURCE

One year, Credit: 1

Resource is available to students who have a current Individualized Educational Plan (IEP), and who need academic support and/or positive behavioral supports to compensate for learning differences, and to experience success. Special Education teacher provide review and re-teaching of key concepts in other classes, support for organizational, study and planning skills and strategies, and monitoring of work completion and comprehension

# SPECIAL EDUCATION

## **CCADVI TRANSITIONAL SELF-ADVOCACY**

GR: 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Transitional Community Experience.

"Self-Advocacy is learning how to speak up for yourself, making your own decisions about your own life, learning how to get information so that you can understand things that are of interest to you, finding out who will support you in your journey, knowing your rights and responsibilities, problem solving, listening and learning, reaching out to others when you need help and friendship, and learning about self-determination." (from Wrightslaw.com) In this course, students with disabilities will learn how to become active participants in the decisions that affect their daily lives. Students learn the foundations of laws affecting people with disabilities, and how these laws affect their rights as students with disabilities. They will learn how to seek out information to help them solve problems, find assistance when needed, and learn what tools are necessary to succeed both in and out of school. As they gain skills needed to become more self-reliant, students will become more successful in the transition from school to employment, enabling them to act on their own behalf once they leave high school.

## **CCCE1 TRANSITIONAL COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE**

\*This class counts for Consumer Ed credit.

GR: 11, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Transitional Work Experience Preparation.

This course provides the basics for independent living after high school. The course will cover: the value of money, check writing, telling time, following schedules, becoming familiar with safety signs throughout the community, the housing process, banking, budgeting, using the newspaper as a resource, writing recipes, grocery shopping, household chores and preparing simple meals. The class is designed to provide students with a basic understanding of the many concepts needed to prepare for independent living. This course also meets the graduation requirement for consumer education.

## **CCCOM1 TRANSITIONAL COMPUTERS**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One half-year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: None.

This is a semester course which is designed to provide students the opportunity to gain the skills needed to effectively use a variety of software applications for their own personal use and future employment opportunities including: Keyboarding, Word Processing, and some Multimedia Production. Throughout the course, students will utilize various online resources for use with lessons and collaborative projects. There will also be occasional hands-on projects and performance-based assessments. This class is taught in conjunction with Transitional Health.

## **CCDEC1 PRE-DRIVERS EDUCATION**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One Year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None.

This course will not lead to students receiving a learner's permit. The course consists of learning the basics of the rules of the road. Students will learn road signs, markings, rules, and safety. Students will use a book, videos, visuals, and hands-on to learn the skills. Evaluation will consist of formal and informal assessments, participation, and discussions.

## **CCENG1 - CCENG4 TRANSITIONAL READING (I, II, III, IV)**

GR: 9,10,11,12, One year, Credit: 1

This course will focus on reading and writing functional material of everyday life. Improve writing skills for neatness, clarity, and understanding. Opportunities will be given to write for a variety of purposes. Spelling will be used to increase vocabulary. Reading skills include reading for comprehension, and understanding of labels, directions, forms, and everyday life skills. Evaluation is based on participation, practice, formal and informal assessments.

## **CCHEA1 TRANSITIONAL HEALTH**

GR: 11, 12, One-half year, Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: None.

This course includes information on nutrition, appearance, drugs and alcohol, the environment and community, as well as emotions, development, maturity, sexuality, and reproduction. This course will increase student's knowledge of real life topics. This class is taught in conjunction with Transitional Computers.

## **CCLSI TRANSITIONAL LIFE SKILLS**

GR: 9, One year, , Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None.

This course focuses on daily living skills and is intended for Freshman students. Students will work on independence in grooming/hygiene skills, folding laundry, housekeeping, and getting dressed, if needed. Students will cook with assistance once per week. Students will also work on basic time and money skills that will follow them into the work place. Students will focus on time management, social skills, leisure activities and following basic directions.

## **CCMAT1 - CCMAT4 TRANSITIONAL MATH (I, II, III, IV)**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None.

Transitional Math is a yearlong course. Students will work on mastering basic math skills and becoming as independent as possible when applying these skills in functional settings within the classroom and out in the community. To begin, this course aims to improve student knowledge of basic operations including addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division using calculators or other tools as necessary. After covering the basics, and based upon individual need, the course will progress on to varying levels of complex word problems, money, time, measurement, fractions, pre-algebra and pre-geometry concepts. Instruction is individualized, based on student need, and presented in individual, small, and whole group settings. Evaluation will be based on participation, practice, informal and formal assessments.

# SPECIAL EDUCATION

## **CCSII - CCSI4 TRANSITIONAL SCIENCE (I, II, III, IV)**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None.

This class provides students with a basic understanding of science concepts that may be encountered in their everyday lives. This course provides knowledge about science by the use of hands-on experiments and research that will help explain concepts that may be encountered throughout our daily routines. This course will change yearly, rotating between Physical Science/ Chemistry, Biology/ Life Science, and Earth/ Environmental Science.

## **CCSOC1 TRANSITIONAL WORLD HISTORY**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

Students will be introduced to famous people, places, and events, and Western Civilization. Topics include: World Religions, Greece and Rome, The Middle East, Medieval China and Japan, Medieval Europe, and the Renaissance. Students will connect these topics with their affect in today's society. Student learning emphasis will be placed on the use of basic primary sources, content area reading and writing at the student's level, project-based activities and cooperative learning. In addition, students will be expected to problem solve and think critically towards history as it relates to our nation today.

## **CCSOC2 TRANSITIONAL US HISTORY**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None.

The first semester of this course surveys the foreign and domestic forces which have changed people's lives since the close of World War II. It follows a chronological approach concerning major political, social, economic, and international events that have shaped the thinking of American people. Topics examined in this course include the Cold War, the Civil Rights movement, Vietnam, Women's rights, Watergate, Middle East problems, wars and scandals. The Great Depression and the early Roosevelt years are covered at the beginning of this course to set the stage for the ensuing events of our nation's history. Second semester of this course teaches the functions of federal, state, and local government. The role of individual responsibility as it relates to citizenship in the United States is strongly emphasized.

## **CCSOC3 TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Transitional US History.

Students will identify the three branches of government and their specific functions. Students will learn about the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights. In order to meet the requirements for graduation, students will take and pass a U.S. Constitution test. Students will also participate in a Citizenship and Law curriculum as a part of this course. They will learn about different laws and citizenship in their community. This class is taught in conjunction with Transitional Art.

## **CCVAG1 AG SCIENCE**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

This exploration course provides the opportunity to learn fundamental concepts in agriculture and to inform students about the industry that is so vital to society and to their future. Major units of instruction include a basic introduction to the agricultural industry, animal science, plant science, horticulture science, agribusiness, environmental science, agricultural mechanics, food science, and leadership and personal development.

## **CCWEPI TRANSITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE PREP**

One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Transitional Life Skills.

This course has been designed to help students become more independent as they learn and apply basic skills critical to entering the work force. This class gives students the tools necessary for successfully seeking and securing employment. Some skills included in this course are managing money and personal budgets, using media to find jobs/ fill out applications, role plays to improve social skills, use of public transportation, telephone skills, interviewing skills and hygiene/proper dress.

## **CCTTRANS TRANSITION 12+ PROGRAM**

GR: 12 or 12+ One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Student has met graduation requirements.

The Transition 12+ Program is available to students age 18-22 who have met graduation requirements and continue to work toward individual goals in deficit areas. Transition goals may include the following areas: Vocational Training, Independent Living Skills, Transportation Training, and Community-Based Training. Students enrolled in QHS Transition Program include students with a wide range of abilities. Students in the QHS Transition Program are at different levels working on their transition needs and goals. The Transition Program will meet these individual needs through planning of programs tailored to fit the individual student and flexibility of programs. The program will allow the students to assist in running student-led businesses, working on a job-sit, as well as continuing to work on independent cooking and social skills.

# SPECIAL EDUCATION

## **FAC201 FUNCTIONAL COMMUNICATION SKILLS**

One year, Credit: 1

This course focuses on providing students with the tools to communicate on a basic level, ensuring that basic needs are met. Students will engage in conversation with other students and staff, receiving support to encourage receptive and expressive language. In addition to verbal communications, students will learn about non-verbal communication, such as body language, eye contact, listening, and personal space. Students will role play social interactions to practice using manners and behaving appropriately. Recommended as part of a self-contained program.

## **FALS1 FUNCTIONAL LIFE SKILLS**

One year, Credit: 1

This course focuses on daily living and other life skills presented in whole group, small group, and individualized settings. Students will work on building independence in grooming and personal hygiene, washing and folding laundry, basic house-keeping, some bathing, and putting on/buttoning/ zipping clothing. Students will cook breakfast daily and snacks periodically throughout the week with assistance. They will go on field trips to the grocery store to work on reading and shopping goals, basic time and money management, and appropriate public behavior that will follow them into the community after high school. Students will learn positive social and coping skills with encouragement for self-advocacy. Involvement in the community to apply and generalize skills will also take place. Recommended as part of a self-contained program.

## **FAPE1 ADAPTIVE PE**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None.

This course allows students to participate in physical education with modifications. Instruction is individualized, and each class is tailored to meet the needs of students currently enrolled. Students participate in basic stretching, body awareness activities, various sports/games, gross motor support, general physical fitness, and some sensory integration. Adaptive PE takes place in many locations throughout and around the building, including the gym, weight room, classroom, baseball field, practice field, neighboring streets (for longer distance walking)

## **FAPS1 FUNCTIONAL PERSONAL SKILLS/LEISURE**

One year, Credit: 1

This course will allow students to learn more about personal care and leisure activities. Students will play games, learn to follow the rules, and use good sportsmanship. Students will receive instruction and practice in building computer skills, learning relaxation techniques, setting leisure limits, engaging in creative play, developing personal interests/hobbies, and discovering entertainment. Students are encouraged to investigate activities independently, although various levels of support are provided. Involvement in the community to apply and generalize skills will also take place. Recommended as part of a self-contained program.

## **FAVPS1 FUNCTIONAL VOCATIONAL PREPARATION**

One year, Credit: 2 (block class)

This course is designed to prepare students for potential jobs in the community, whether employment is sheltered, supportive, or competitive. Students will build skills in areas of safety awareness, prevocational skill practice, getting around in the community, job related reading and writing, fine motor skills, workplace communication and language, and problem-solving. Students will be encouraged to explore various career/job fields and many community settings. Involvement in the community to apply and generalize skills will also take place. Recommended as part of a self-contained program.

## **FAWEP FUNCTIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE PREPARATION**

One year, Credit: 1

Work Experience Prep has been designed to help students become more independent as they learn and apply basic skills critical to entering the work force. This class gives students the tools necessary for successfully seeking and securing employment. Some skills included in this course are managing money and personal budgets, using media to find jobs, role plays to improve social skills, use of public transportation, telephone skills, public service, hygiene/proper dress and cooking. Involvement in the community to apply and generalize skills will also take place. Recommended as part of a self-contained program.

## **SWE201 WORK EXPERIENCE**

One year, Credit: 1

This course is for students who participate in the Secondary Transitional Experience Program offered through a grant from the Department of Rehabilitation Services. In this course, students receive credit for working in an on-campus or off campus work site. Students are expected to learn and apply the basic skills necessary to be successfully employed. Work supervisors or job coaches complete work evaluations to provide specific feedback on each student's progress. All students must meet with the coordinator of the Secondary Transitional Experience Program before enrolling in this course.

## **SWEC01 WORK EXPERIENCE / STEP (COMMUNITY)**

Per 100 hours, Credit: .25

This course is for students who participate in the Secondary Transitional Experience Program offered through a grant from the Department of Rehabilitation Services. In this course, students receive credit for working in the community based on their ability to demonstrate the necessary skills to secure and maintain employment. Students are expected to complete time sheets and provide paystubs as requested. All students must meet with the coordinator of the Secondary Transitional Experience Program before enrolling in this course.



QAVTC course offerings are aligned with high skill, high wage and in demand careers. Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses encourage students to explore and prepare for careers in agriculture, arts, business, construction, education, health science, manufacturing, technology, transportation, and more. Students enrolled in our CTE courses gain thorough technical knowledge, skills training, essential employability skills, and real world experiences. Programs of study are organized by career clusters, which include distinct groupings of occupations and industries based on the knowledge and skills they require.

QAVTC programs of study are designed as two-year programs for 11th and 12th grade students who have an 80% attendance record or higher. Each program of study offers a first year and second year course sequence which prepares students for entry-level employment or a post-secondary CTE program of study. The programs integrate classroom instruction with rigorous lab based technical skill development. This allows students to exit high school with the entry-level occupational skills needed for employment or to pursue a post-secondary degree or certificate in their related field of study.

QAVTC skill level CTE courses are scheduled to meet for a two-period block, which provides 2 ½ credits. Evening STP courses are offered for 11th and 12th grade students who are unable to fit a block period into their schedule. Any other special scheduling situations must be approved by the QAVTC director.

### **MISSION:**

OUR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS WHERE STUDENTS CAN ESTABLISH AND DEVELOP FUTURE CAREER GOALS.

### **BROAD GOALS:**

The CTE programs at Quincy Area Vocational Technical Center will provide a comprehensive, relevant instructional program that will:

- Develop students who are flexible and capable of navigating a rapidly changing technological world.
- Encourage appropriate work ethic, values and behavior necessary for personal and career success.
- Integrate critical thinking, problem solving, communication, math, and science skills.
- Engage students as responsible members of work teams with opportunities for leadership roles.
- Provide career exploration and increase student awareness of their interests and abilities.
- Develop specific job skills.
- Integrate college-preparatory course work with technical education.
- Provide a sequence of coursework that will encourage students to pursue post-secondary programs.
- Involve active participation with local businesses and industry.





## THE QAVTC DIFFERENCE

- QAVTC FOCUSES ON HIGH-SKILL, HIGH-WAGE AND IN-DEMAND CAREERS.
- QAVTC PROVIDES OPPORTUNITIES FOR HANDS-ON LEARNING
- QAVTC STUDENTS CAN EARN INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS
- QAVTC LINKS STUDENTS TO BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY INTERNSHIPS
- QAVTC DELIVERS VALUE-ADDED LEARNING FOR STUDENTS

## QAVTC TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY NIGHT STP COURSES

The Shared Training Program (STP) offers career and technical education to adults and high school students who do not have these classes available to them at their school or cannot fit these classes into their schedules. Students may come to QAVTC and receive the same caliber of career and technical education that students enrolled during the school day receive. STP classes run from 2:30-6:30 every Tuesday and Wednesday evening during the school year.

## QAVTC SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### **BREAKFAST OPTIMIST SCHOLARSHIP**

All Seniors in QAVTC skill-level classes are eligible to apply for the Breakfast Optimist Tom Eickelschulte Scholarship. Students can pick up the application in the QAVTC office. Typically, two students each year are awarded a scholarship and honored at a Breakfast Optimist meeting.

### **NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY-NTHS**

QAVTC students may join the National Technical Honor Society if they meet the following criteria: must be a junior or senior in their second semester of a career and technical education class, must have a 3.0 GPA, and must meet the criteria of character, leadership, and service. A variety of scholarships are available to members of NTHS.

### **QAVTC ROTARY STUDENT OF THE MONTH**

All Seniors in QAVTC skill-level classes are eligible to become the Rotary student of the month. Each QAVTC program is assigned a month throughout the year to nominate a student. The students are honored at a Rotary club meeting and given a certificate of recognition.

### **ROTARY STUDENT OF THE YEAR**

Each Rotary student of the month is eligible to apply for Rotary student of the year. The Quincy Rotary Club will interview the Rotary students of the month and select a student to become the Rotary student of the year. That student will be awarded a scholarship.



## **QAVTC CREDENTIALS**

### **CHILDCARE I & II**

- Student who successfully complete Childcare I and II can earn an Early Childhood Credential Level 1 issued by INCCRRA (Illinois Network of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies)
- Articulated credit at JWCC will be given for their Intro to Education course in their Early Childhood education program for students who also complete Child Care I & II with a "C" or better

### **HEALTH OCCUPATIONS**

- Students who successfully complete Health Occ I can earn a CNA (certified nurse assistant) certificate and a BLS (Basic Life Support) certificate.
- Students who successfully complete Careers in Health can earn their CPR certificate (Heartsaver Basic Life Support through the American Heart Association)
- JWCC allows students to waive the following courses for their Nursing Assistant if they possess a current CNA certificate:
  - NUA 100 Fundamentals for the Nursing Assistant
  - NUA 102 Basic Patient Care Skills
  - NUA 103 Nursing Assistant Practicum

### **COMMERCIAL FOODS I & II**

- Students study state-approved sanitation coursework and those successfully completing the coursework, take the exam for Illinois Food Service Sanitation Manager Certificate.

### **DIESEL TECHNOLOGY I & II**

- Students who complete Diesel I and II Advanced Diesel and meet certain standards will be eligible to transfer credits towards the JWCC Diesel Technology Certificate.
- Students will also be able to receive a local employer endorsed QAVTC Diesel certificate for each year of the course they complete.
- Students will also be able to receive 4 credit hours towards CDL at JWCC.

### **ADVANCED METAL FABRICATION & WELDING**

- Students are eligible to test for the AWS Level I Welding Certificate.

### **PLTW ENGINEERING**

- Students who receive a 6 or better on their final assessment will be eligible for college credit and/or scholarships.

# ACCOUNTING, FINANCE, AND MARKETING

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS
9,10,11	BUSINESS TECH CONCEPTS	VBS101	1.0
9, 10, 11, 12	BUSINESS LAW	VBS202	0.5
9, 10, 11, 12	SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETING	VBS203	0.5
9, 10, 11, 12	SPORTS MARKETING	VBS204	0.5
9,10,11,12	ACCOUNTING I	VBS301	1.0
10, 11, 12	BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND MARKETING	VBS302	1.0
11, 12	BUSINESS OCCUPATIONAL EXP	VBS402	1.5
12	CEO (CREATING ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES)	VBS501	2.0

## VBS101 BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY CONCEPTS

\*This class counts for Consumer Ed and Computers credit.

GR: 9, 10, 11; One year; Credit: 1.0

PREREQUISITE: None.

Business Technology provides an overview of personal finance, business concepts, and business computer applications. Students will gain solid personal finance skills such as budgeting, banking, credit, insurance, taxes and consumer skills. Topics covered will include various forms of business ownership, including entrepreneurship, as well as the basic functional areas of business (finance, management, marketing, administration, and production). Emphasis will be placed on Microsoft Office software applications Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. Communication skills, business ethics, decision making, problem solving and job-relevant skills will be integrated throughout the course.

## VBS202 BUSINESS LAW

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: None.

This course introduces students to the laws and legal system that govern business in our society. Students will gain an understanding of the law of Torts and Contract and how the legal system impacts business. Topics include rights and duties within the business environment, contractual responsibility, protection of individual rights in legal relationships relative to warranties, product liability, secured and unsecured debts, negotiable instruments, agencies, employer-employee relations, property ownership and transfer, landlord and tenant, wills and estates, community property, social security, and taxation.

## VBS203 SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETING

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: None; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

Social Media Marketing addresses social media as a marketing tool and emphasizes social media tools, social media messages, and search engine optimization. Topics may include, but are not limited to, marketing information management (including marketing research), market planning, channel management, sales, promotion, product/service management, and pricing.

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

## ACCOUNTING AND MARKETING CAREERS:

ACCOUNTANT, CUSTOMER SERVICE, ECONOMIST, ENTREPRENEUR, FINANCIAL ANALYST, HUMAN RESOURCES, INSURANCE AGENT, INVESTMENT ADVISOR, LOAN OFFICER, LOGISTICS, MARKET RESEARCH, MARKETING, PARALEGAL, PROJECT MANAGER, PURCHASING, REAL ESTATE AGENT, RECEPTIONIST, SALES AGENT, STOCK BROKER, WAREHOUSE MANAGER

## VBS204 SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT MARKETING

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: None; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

Sports and Entertainment Marketing introduces students to and helps them refine marketing and management functions and tasks that can be applied in amateur or professional sports or sporting events, entertainment or entertainment events, and the sales or rental of supplies and equipment.

## VBS301 ACCOUNTING I

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.0

PREREQUISITE: None; concurrent enrollment in grade level math and English recommended.

Accounting I introduces students pursuing a career in business, marketing, and management to the basic skills used in systematically computing, classifying, recording, verifying, and maintaining numerical data involved in financial and product control records including the paying and receiving of money. Instruction includes information on keeping financial records, summarizing them for convenient interpretation, and analyzing them to aid management in decision making. Additional topics include basic fundamentals and terminology of accounting, the preparation of budgets and financial reports, operation of related business machines and equipment, and career opportunities in the accounting field.

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## **VBS302 BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND MARKETING**

\*This class counts for Consumer Ed credit.

GR: 10, 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.0

PREREQUISITE: None; concurrent enrollment in grade level math and English recommended.

Business Management & Marketing focuses on the wide range of factors that influence the flow of goods and services from the producer to the consumer. Topics include business management, market research, the purchasing process, distribution systems, warehouse and inventory control, salesmanship, sales promotions, shoplifting and theft control, and entrepreneurship. Additional topics include human relations, computers, and economics. This course meets the graduation requirement for consumer education and provides job-relevant employability skills integrated with classroom instruction.

## **VBS402 BUSINESS OCCUPATIONAL EXPERIENCE**

\*This class counts for Consumer Ed credit.

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.5

PREREQUISITE: Students must be 16 years of age or older.

Business Occupational Experience provides students with effective work-based skills and attitudes through practical, advanced instruction in school and on the job employment. Students are released from school for their paid work experience and participate in 200 minutes per week of related classroom instruction. Classroom instruction focuses on providing students with job survival skills and career exploration skills related to the job and improving student's abilities to interact positively with others. Topics include career education opportunities, job-seeking skills, personal development, human relationships, legal protection and responsibilities, and economics. Goals are typically set cooperatively by the student, the instructor, and the employer.

## **VBS501 CEO CREATING ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITIES**

GR: 12, One year; Credit: 2.0

PREREQUISITE: Students must be a Senior and complete an application and be accepted into the program.

Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities is a year-long course designed to utilize partnerships that provide an overview of business development and processes. Our local business community partners with area schools to create project-based experiences for students by providing funding, expertise, meeting space, business tours, and one-on-one mentoring. Students visit area businesses, learn from guest speakers, participate in a class business, write business plans, and start and operate their own businesses. Business concepts learned through the experiential CEO class are critical; the 21st century skills of problem-solving, teamwork, self-motivation, responsibility, higher-order thinking, communication, and inquiry are at the heart of a student's development throughout the course.

# AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS
9, 10, 11	INTRO TO AGRICULTURE	VAG101	1.0
10, 11, 12	PLANT AND SOIL SCIENCE	VAG201	1.0
10, 11, 12	ANIMAL SCIENCE	VAG301	1.0
11,12	AGRI-BUSINESS MANAGEMENT	VAG401	1.0
11,12	AGRICULTURAL LEADERSHIP	VAG501	1.0
11,12	SUPERVISED AGRICULTURAL EXPERIENCE	VAG502	1.5

## VAG101 INTRO TO AGRICULTURE INDUSTRY

GR: 9, 10, 11; One year; Credit: 1.0

PREREQUISITE: None.

Intro to Agriculture Industry introduces students to the agriculture industry, its major components, the economic influence of agriculture at state, national, and international levels, and the scope and types of job opportunities in the agriculture field. Topics include basic concepts in animal science, plant science, soil science, horticulture, natural resources, agribusiness management, agricultural mechanics, computer, and workplace. Participation in FFA student organization activities and Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) projects is an integral course component for leadership development, career exploration and reinforcement of academic concepts.

## VAG201 PLANT AND SOIL SCIENCE

GR: 10, 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.0

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Intro to Agriculture Industry, or permission of the instructor. Plant and Soil Science provides students with the knowledge and skills necessary for future employment in the agronomy or related agriculture industries. Major units of instruction include scientific method, cellular biology, genetics, biotechnology, soil classifications, soil erosion and management, soil fertility, plant classification, plant anatomy and physiology, plant propagation, plant growth, photosynthesis, integrated pest management, grain, oil, forage, sugar, and fiber crop production methods, grain quality, grain storage, and grain transportation. Applied science and math skills and concepts will be stressed throughout the course through the applied setting of agriculture by enhancing literacy in science and the scientific process. Improving computer and workplace skills will be a focus. Participation in FFA student organization activities and Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) projects is an integral course component for leadership development, career exploration and reinforcement of academic concepts. This course may be used as science credit required for graduation but does not meet the NCAA science requirement for college athletics.

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

## AGRICULTURE CAREERS:

AG EQUIPMENT OPERATOR /MECHANIC, ANIMAL SCIENTIST, BIOLOGIST, CONSERVATION TECH, DIETITIAN, ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER, FARMER, FOREST & CONSERVATION TECH, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT, LAWN SERVICE, NURSERY AND GREENHOUSE WORKER, SOIL AND PLANT SCIENTIST, TREE SERVICE, TRUCK & DIESEL MECHANIC, VETERINARIAN, VET TECH

## VAG301 ANIMAL SCIENCE

GR: 10, 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.0

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Intro to Agriculture Industry, or permission of the instructor. Animal Science will develop students' understanding of livestock (beef, dairy, sheep, goats, and swine), poultry, and large (equine) animal industry. Topics of instruction include scientific investigations, genetics, animal anatomy and physiology, animal nutrition, animal reproduction, animal health, and meat science. Improving computer and workplace skills will be a focus. Participation in FFA student organization activities and Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) projects are an integral course component for leadership development, career exploration and reinforcement of academic concepts. This course may be used as science credit required for graduation by does not meet the NCAA science requirement for college athletics.



# AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES

## **VAG401 AGRI-BUSINESS MANAGEMENT**

\*This class counts for Consumer Ed credit.

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.0

**PREREQUISITE:** Successful completion of Intro to Agriculture Industry, Plant and Soil Science, Animal Science, or permission of the instructor; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

This course will provide students with the basic knowledge and skills necessary to manage personal finances and develop into a successful entrepreneur and/or businessperson. Instructional units include: business ownership types, starting an agribusiness, managing and operating an agribusiness, financing an agribusiness, managing personal finances, record keeping and financial management of an agribusiness, local, state, and federal taxes, agricultural law, and developing employability skills. Student skills will be enhanced in math, reading comprehension, and writing through agribusiness applications. Improving computer and workplace skills will be a focus. Participation in FFA student organization activities and Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) projects is an integral course component for leadership development, career exploration and reinforcement of academic concepts. This course meets the graduation requirement for consumer education.

## **VAG501 AGRICULTURAL LEADERSHIP**

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.0

**PREREQUISITE:** Successful completion of Intro to Agriculture Industry, Plant and Soil Science, Animal Science, or permission of the instructor; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

Agricultural Leadership helps students develop leadership skills with a focus on opportunities in the food, fiber, and natural resources industries. Topics may include human relationships and effective communication, decision-making and problem-solving, leadership qualities and styles, workplace skills, and teamwork and collaborative activities. Students will learn to lead groups and teams, manage volunteers, exercise leadership ethics, and be able to demonstrate leadership in multicultural settings. Participation in FFA student organization activities and Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) projects is an integral course component for leadership development, career exploration and reinforcement of academic concepts.

## **VAG502 SUPERVISED AGRICULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.5

**PREREQUISITE:** Successful completion of Intro to Agriculture Industry, Plant and Soil Science, Animal Science, or permission of the instructor; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

This course is designed to establish, improve, and/or expand knowledge and skills in various agricultural careers. Students will gain credit by establishing or continuing a Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) project at their home, at a business, or at their school often occurring outside the normal school day. SAE projects are typically entrepreneurial, placement or research based. Students are encouraged to add additional projects, experiences, scope, and growth involving managerial and decision-making skills. Students will be required to keep records of business agreements, budgets, inventories, daily activities, hours worked, income and expenses, total earnings, depreciation, and net worth. SAE participation can lead to full time employment, scholarships, and awards through the FFA.

# AUTOMOTIVE AND DIESEL TECHNOLOGY

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS
9,10,11	INTRO TO AUTO AND DIESEL TECHNOLOGY	VAT201	0.5
9,10,11	INTRO TO SMALL ENGINE REPAIR	VAT101	0.5
11,12	AUTO TECH YEAR 1 AUTO TECH I (SEMESTER 1) AUTO TECH II (SEMESTER 2)	VAT301 VAT401	1.25 1.25
11,12	AUTO TECH YEAR 2 ADVANCED AUTO TECH	VAT501	2.5
12	AUTO TECH YEAR 3 AUTO TECH WORK EXPERIENCE	VAT601	2.5
10,11,12	DIESEL TECH YEAR 1 DIESEL TECH I DIESEL TECH II	VAT303 VAT403	1.25 1.25
11,12	DIESEL TECH YEAR 2 ADVANCED DIESEL TECH	VAT503	2.5
12	DIESEL TECH YEAR 3 DIESEL EQUIPMENT WORK EXPERIENCE	VAT603	2.5

## VAT201 INTRO TO AUTO AND DIESEL TECHNOLOGY

GR: 9, 10, 11; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: None

This course is split between our Auto Tech and Diesel Tech programs. Lab activities will include work on smaller equipment and vehicles. Specific course topics will include a basic overview of the various systems and principles of operation of internal combustion engines. This course will also focus on safety and career opportunities in auto and diesel technologies.

**Automotive Technology:** Major emphasis will be placed on automotive electronics, basic automotive prevention and maintenance, and automotive troubleshooting using proper tools and diagnostic procedures.

**Diesel Technology:** Major emphasis will be placed on diesel power and its variety of applications in agriculture, construction, manufacturing, and transportation industries. Students will be introduced to the tools and equipment used to maintain, service, and repair powered equipment.

## VAT101 INTRO TO SMALL ENGINE REPAIR

GR: 9, 10, 11; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: Students should not take Intro to Auto & Diesel Technology in the same year as Intro to Small Engine Repair.

Small engine repair introduces students to small engine diagnostics, troubleshooting, service, and repair of a variety of small internal-combustion engines, involving both two- and four-cycle engines used on portable power equipment. Students will gain knowledge in fundamental principles and technical skills related to troubleshooting, repairing, identifying parts, and making precision measurements. Safety and engine repair career opportunities will be key components of this class.

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

**AUTO & DIESEL CAREERS:**  
AUTO TECHNICIAN, DIESEL TECHNICIAN

## AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY YEAR 1 – ENROLL IN: VAT301 AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY I (SEMESTER 1) & VAT 401 AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY II (SEMESTER 2)

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Intro to Auto and Diesel Technology or Intro to Small Engine Repair, or permission of the instructor; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

Automotive Technology introduces students to the basic skills needed to inspect, maintain, and repair automobiles and light trucks that run on gasoline, electricity, hybrid electric, or alternative fuels. Instructional units include engine performance, automotive electrical system, integrated computer systems, lubrication, exhaust and emission control, steering and suspension, fuel systems, cooling system, braking, power train, traditional and hybrid batteries, and high- and low-voltage systems. This course combines classroom lessons and shop application with emphasis on the latest technology available on new vehicles.

## AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY YEAR 2 – ENROLL IN: VAT501 ADVANCED AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

GR: 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Automotive Technology Year 1 or Diesel Equipment Technology Year 1; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

This course is a continuation of and builds on the skills and concepts introduced in Automotive Technology Year 1 or Diesel Equipment Technology Year 1. Advanced instructional units include alternate fuel systems, computerized diagnostics, drive train, manual transmissions, clutches, differentials, automatic transmissions, air-conditioning repair, and overall automobile performance. All learning experiences are designed to allow students to acquire job-entry skills and knowledge through classroom lessons and shop applications with emphasis on the latest technology available on new vehicles.

# AUTOMOTIVE AND DIESEL TECHNOLOGY

## **AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY YEAR 3 – ENROLL IN: VAT601 AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY WORK EXPERIENCE**

GR: 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Automotive Technology Year 2 or Year 1 with permission of the instructor.

Automotive Technology Work-Based Experience provides students with work experience in fields related to the operation and maintenance of automotive gasoline or hybrid powered vehicles. Goals are typically set cooperatively by the student, the instructor, and the employer.

## **DIESEL EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGY YEAR 1 - ENROLL IN BOTH: VAT303 DIESEL EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGY I (SEMESTER 1) & VAT403 DIESEL EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGY II (SEMESTER 2)**

GR: 10, 11, 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Intro to Auto and Diesel Technology or Intro to Small Engine Repair, or permission of the instructor; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

Diesel Technology prepares students to maintain and repair diesel engines and related systems. Specific course topics include principles underlying diesel engines, analyzing electrical circuits and systems, troubleshooting and repairing cooling systems, testing and repairing air conditioning charging systems, and reading and interpreting service manuals. Students will maintain and repair a variety of applications including diesel trucks, tractors, all-terrain vehicles, motorcycles, generators, and diesel-powered agriculture, construction, and manufacturing equipment. This course combines classroom lessons and shop application with emphasis on the latest technology used in the industry

## **DIESEL EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGY YEAR 2 – ENROLL IN: VAT503 ADVANCED DIESEL EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGY**

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Diesel Equipment Technology Year 1 or Automotive Technology Year 1; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

This course is a continuation of and builds on the skills and concepts introduced in Diesel Equipment Technology Year 1 or Automotive Technology Year 1. Advanced instructional units include diagnosis and service of diesel equipment systems, hydraulics, electrical systems, air conditioning systems, and diesel-powered agriculture, construction, and manufacturing equipment. All learning experiences are designed to allow students to acquire job-entry skills and knowledge through classroom lessons and shop applications with emphasis on the latest technology used in the industry.

## **DIESEL EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGY YEAR 3 – ENROLL IN: VAT603 DIESEL EQUIPMENT WORK EXPERIENCE**

GR: 12; One year; Credit: 2.5 PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Diesel Equipment or Automotive Technology Year 2 or Year 1 with permission of the instructor.

Diesel Equipment Work-Based Experience provides students with work experience in fields related to the operation and maintenance of diesel-powered vehicles and equipment. Goals are typically set cooperatively by the student, the instructor, and the employer.

# CHILD CARE AND EDUCATION

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS
9,10,11	CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND PARENTING	VED201	0.5
11,12	INTRO TO EDUCATION	VED303	0.5
11,12	MEDIA & TECHNOLOGY IN EDUCATION	VED304	0.5
10,11,12	CHILD CARE YEAR 1 CHILD CARE I (SEMESTER 1) CHILD CARE II (SEMESTER 2)	VED301 VED401	1.25 1.25
11,12	CHILD CARE YEAR 2 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION	VED501	2.5
12	CHILD CARE YEAR 3 EARLY CHILDHOOD WORK EXPERIENCE	VED601	2.5

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

**CHILDCARE & EDUCATION CAREERS:**  
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION,  
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, PRESCHOOL  
TEACHER, SECONDARY EDUCATION,  
SCHOOL COUNSELOR, SCHOOL  
ADMINISTRATOR, CHILDCARE PROVIDER

## VED201 CHILD DEVELOPMENT

GR: 9, 10, 11; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: None.

Child Development and Parenting addresses the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and behaviors associated with supporting and promoting optimal growth and development of infants and children. The focus is on research-based nurturing and parenting practices and skills, including brain development research, that support positive development of children. Emphasis will be placed on keeping children healthy and safe as they develop and grow. Students will explore opportunities in human services and education-related careers.

## CHILD CARE YEAR 1 - ENROLL IN BOTH: VED301 CHILD CARE I (SEMESTER 1) AND VED401 CHILD CARE II (SEMESTER 2)

GR: 10, 11, 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Child Development & Parenting, Intro to Education, Intro to Human Growth & Development (Edgenuity), or permission of the instructor.

Child Care provides students with knowledge about the physical, mental, emotional, and social growth and development of children through preschool age. Main topics include the fundamentals of working with infants, toddlers, and older children; providing healthy environments; evaluating childcare settings; and examining the practices, regulations, and opportunities in the childcare industry. Practical experiences include working with children in an on-campus preschool, observing children at play, developing learning activities, recognition of childhood diseases, abuse, and neglect, and first aid/emergency training. Emphasis is placed on career opportunities, communication skills, and human relations. Students who complete required coursework can earn an Early Childhood Education Level I Credential from INCCRRRA.

## VED303 INTRO TO EDUCATION (JWCC optional)

GR: 11, 12; One-half year; Credit: 0.5 (grade weighted)

PREREQUISITE: Junior or Senior Status.

This course provides opportunity for students to develop skills to teach and guide others. Coursework includes opportunity for students to create and develop teaching objectives, design lesson plans, and experience teaching in a controlled environment. Students examine and practice teaching strategies, learning styles, time management and planning strategies, presentation and questioning skills, classroom management, and evaluation techniques. Students will explore opportunities in education careers and observe QPS K-12 classroom environments.

## VED304 MEDIA & TECHNOLOGY IN EDUCATION (With JWCC optional)

GR: 11, 12; One-half year; Credit: 0.5 (grade weighted).

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Intro to Education or permission of the instructor.

This course introduces future educators to the knowledge and skills required in the 21st Century classroom. The course focuses on both knowledge and application utilizing the current technology standards. It will include hands-on activities such as the creation of lessons using a variety of tools, learning management systems, and multimedia forums.

## CHILD CARE YEAR 2 - ENROLL IN: VED501 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Child Care I and Child Care II. Background checks are a prerequisite in this course. Concurrent enrollment in grade level math and English recommended or permission of instructor or QAVTC director.

This course is a continuation of and builds on the skills and concepts introduced in Child Care Year 1. Course content includes child development, care, and education issues. Project-based learning experiences include planning and implementing developmentally appropriate activities, actual work with children in an on-campus preschool, basic health and safety practices, and legal requirements of teaching young children. Students will research the requirements of early childhood education careers and develop/expand their career portfolio.

## CHILD CARE YEAR 3 - ENROLL IN: VED601 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION WORK EXPERIENCE

GR: 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Child Care Year 2 or Year 1 with permission of the instructor.

Early Childhood Education Work-Based Experience provides students with work experience in fields related to early childhood education. Goals are typically set cooperatively by the student, the instructor, and the employer.

# COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY AND SCIENCE

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS
9,10,11,12	INTRO TO COMPUTER SCIENCE	VCS101	0.5
9,10,11,12	APPLICATIONS OF COMPUTERS I	VCS102	0.5
9,10,11,12	INTRO TO WEB PAGE DESIGN	VCS201	0.5
10,11,12	COMPUTER SCIENCE ESSENTIALS	VCS202	1.0
11,12	COMPUTER IT EXPERIENCE	VCS301	1.0

## VCS101 INTRO TO COMPUTER SCIENCE

\*This class counts for Application of Computers credit.

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: None

Intro to Computer Science introduces students to the conceptual underpinnings of computer science through an exploration of human computer interaction, computer programming, data modeling, and robotics. Students problem solve, design, model, simulate, and analyze data while creating simple apps for mobile devices using MIT App Inventor® and introductory elements of text-based programming to create strategy games in Python®.

## VCS102 APPLICATIONS OF COMPUTERS I

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: None

Applications of Computers is designed to provide students the skills needed to effectively use a variety of productivity software applications, including word processing, spreadsheet, presentation, graphic design and desktop publishing, database development, and integration of web resources. Students will utilize Microsoft Office, Google Apps, and various online resources for use with lessons and collaborative projects. Ethical and social issues associated with using technology will be integrated throughout the course.

## VCS201 INTRO TO WEB PAGE DESIGN

\*This class counts for Application of Computers credit.

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: None.

Web Page Design introduces students to the building blocks used to create websites. This course includes hands-on and interactive skill-building projects using web development software tools and online training courses. Students will build web pages with HTML (Hypertext Markup Language) and CSS (Cascading Style Sheets). Students will also learn design and layout techniques, site creation and management with folders and files, create hyperlinks, and learn image editing techniques. The HTML markup code is used to display the content of a web page while CSS adds the style and design aspects. Software used includes Adobe Dreamweaver and Adobe Photoshop.

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

**COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY CAREERS:**  
ANIMATOR, APPLICATION DESIGNER,  
COMPUTER TECHNICIAN, DATABASE  
ADMINISTRATOR/SECURITY, NETWORK  
ENGINEER, PROGRAMMER, SOFTWARE  
ENGINEER, SYSTEMS ANALYST, WEB  
DESIGNER

## VCS202 COMPUTER SCIENCE ESSENTIALS

\*This class counts for Application of Computers credit.

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year (grade weighted), Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English is recommended. Introduction to Computer Science is recommended but not required. In PLTW Computer Science Essentials, students will experience the major topics, big ideas, and computational thinking practices used by computing professionals to solve problems and create value for others. They will use a visual programming language and advance to test-based programming. Throughout the course, students will have opportunities to apply computational thinking practices and collaborate just as computing professionals do to create products that address topics and problems important to them.

## VCS301 COMPUTER IT EXPERIENCE

GR: 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Students must be age 16 or older and have fulfilled graduation required ½ credit of computers (i.e. Applications of Computers, Computer Science, Intro to Webpage Design).

This course is designed for students desiring to meet the following objectives: (1). gain knowledge and experience in the Information Technology field (2). assist in the troubleshooting and maintenance of computers under the guidance of the instructor and QPS Technology Department; and (3). development of interpersonal skills needed for employment in today's workplace. Students will be enrolled in the Google IT Support Certificate program. This is a hands-on, online course which covers the fundamentals of IT support, including hardware and software troubleshooting, customer service, networking, operating systems, and security. Students can earn this Google IT Support Certificate upon completion of this course.



# CONSTRUCTION

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS
9,12,11	INTRO TO CONSTRUCTION	VCN201	0.5
11,12	CONSTRUCTION TRADES YEAR 1 CONSTRUCTION TRADES I (SEMESTER 1)	VCN301	1.25
	CONSTRUCTION TRADES II (SEMESTER 2)	VCN401	1.25
12	CONSTRUCTION TRADES YEAR 2 ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION TRADES	VCN501	2.5
12	CONSTRUCTION WORK EXPERIENCE	VCN601	2.5

## VCN201 INTRO TO CONSTRUCTION

GR: 9, 10, 11; One-half year; Credit: 0.5  
PREREQUISITE: None.

Intro to Construction introduces students to the opportunities available in construction-related trades, such as carpentry, masonry, air conditioning/refrigeration, plumbing, and wood-working. Students learn about the processes involved in construction projects and engage in a variety of small projects. Safety and construction career opportunities will be key components of this class.

## CONSTRUCTION TRADES YEAR 1 - ENROLL IN BOTH: VCN301 CONSTRUCTION TRADES I (SEMESTER 1) AND VCN401 CONSTRUCTION TRADES II (SEMESTER 2)

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Intro to Construction, or permission of the instructor; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

Construction Trades provides students with experiences related to the framing, erection, installation, and maintenance of residential buildings and related fixtures. Learning activities include blueprint reading, floor plans, foundation layout, concrete and masonry work, carpentry, plumbing, electrical, and finish work using hand tools, power tools, ladders, scaffolding, and safety harnesses. This course combines classroom lessons, shop application, and building site work with emphasis on the latest technology and industry trends.

## CONSTRUCTION TRADES YEAR 2 - ENROLL IN: VCN501 ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION TRADES

GR: 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Construction Trades Year 1; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

This course is a continuation of and builds on the skills and concepts introduced in Construction Trades Year 1. Advanced topics include joining pipes, building water lines and drains, installing plumbing fixtures and systems, installing switch and outlet boxes, preparing foundations and footings, local, state, and national building codes, cost estimating, and advanced building and construction methods. All learning experiences are designed to allow students to acquire job-entry skills and knowledge through classroom lessons and shop applications with emphasis on the latest technology and industry trends.

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

**CONSTRUCTION & BUILDING TRADES CAREERS:** BUILDER, CARPENTER, CONSTRUCTION, ELECTRICIAN, PIPEFITTER, PLUMBER, ROOFER, HVAC TECHNICIAN

## VVCN601 CONSTRUCTION WORK EXPERIENCE

GR: 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Advanced Construction, concurrent enrollment in grade level math and English recommended or permission of instructor or QAVTC director.

This course provides learning experiences related to the erecting, installation, maintenance and repair of building structures and related utilities. Planned learning activities will allow student to become knowledgeable of fundamental principles and methods and to develop advanced technical skills related to concrete, carpentry, and finish work. In addition, students receive instruction of plumbing fixtures and systems, electrical distribution systems, and HVAC systems. Technical skill experiences include instruction and activities in safety principle and practices; performing maintenance control functions; estimating, recognition of building system components, product knowledge, local, state and additional codes and on-site job experience. All learning experiences are designed to allow the students to acquire job-entry skills and knowledge.

# CULINARY ARTS FOOD SERVICES

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS
9, 10, 11, 12	FOOD & NUTRITION	VFS201	0.5
11, 12	CULINARY ARTS I (SEMESTER I)	VFS301	1.25
11, 12	CULINARY ARTS I (SEMESTER II)	VFS401	1.25
12	ADVANCED CULINARY ARTS	VFS501	2.5
12	FOOD SERVICE WORK-BASED EXPERIENCE	VFS601	2.5

## FOOD & NUTRITION VFS201

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12; One-half year ; Credit: .5

PREREQUISITE: None

Food & Nutrition will teach you the basics and principles of food preparation, planning, and nutritious food product as well as basic food sanitation. The course encompasses; developing knowledge of culinary principles, nutrition, and meeting health, safety, and sanitation requirements. Maximizing resources when planning and preparing meals and learning team work, leadership, responsibility and respect as it applies to the food industry and related careers.

## CULINARY ARTS YEAR 1-ENROLL IN BOTH:

### VFS301 Culinary Arts I (semester 1) and VFS401 Culinary Arts II (semester 2)

GR: 10, 11, 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

Culinary Arts provides students with culinary terminology, culinary math, and practical experiences needed for the development of culinary competencies and workplace skills. Safety and sanitation instruction and classroom application will prepare students for an industry recognized sanitation exam. Classroom experiences will develop skills to work in the front of the house, back of the house, and workstations. Additional content may include: event planning, customer service and relations, food service styles, baking and pastry arts, hors d'oeuvres, breakfast cookery, food cost accounting and inventory, consumer and industry trends, and individualized mastery of culinary techniques. Training experiences involve commercial equipment and facilities simulating those found in business and industry.

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

**CULINARY ARTS CAREERS: CATERER, PASTRY CHEF, RESTAURANT CHEF, SOUS CHEF, RESTAURANT MANAGER**

## CULINARY ARTS YEAR 2 - ENROLL IN: VFS501 ADVANCED CULINARY ARTS

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Culinary Arts Year 1; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

This course is a continuation of and builds on the skills and concepts introduced in Culinary Arts Year 1. Students specialize in a particular type of cooking or culinary style. Examples of such specialty fields include baking, pastry arts, various international cuisines, and so on. All learning experiences are designed to allow students to acquire job-entry skills and knowledge through classroom lessons and lab experiences with emphasis on the latest industry trends.

## CULINARY ARTS YEAR 3 - ENROLL IN: VFS601 FOOD SERVICE WORK-BASED EXPERIENCE

GR: 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Culinary Arts Year 2 or Year 1 with permission of the instructor.

Food Service Work-Based Experience provides students with work experience in fields related to culinary arts and food service. Goals are typically set cooperatively by the student, the instructor, and the employer.

# ELECTRONICS, ROBOTICS, AND ENGINEERING

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS
9,10,11	INTRO TO ELECTRONICS / ROBOTICS	VET201	0.5
9,10,11	INTRO TO ENGINEERING DESIGN	VEN101	1.0
10,11,12	PRINCIPALS OF ENGINEERING	VEN201	1.0
10,11,12	ELECTRONICS / ROBOTICS I	VET301	1.0
11,12	ELECTRONICS / ROBOTICS II	VET401	1.0
10,11,12	DIGITAL ELECTRONICS	VET303	1.0
10,11,12	MECHANICAL DRAFTING I	VEN301	1.0
11,12	MECHANICAL DRAFTING II	VEN401	1.0

## VET201 INTRO TO ELECTRONICS/ROBOTICS

GR: 9, 10, 11; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: None.

Intro to Electronics and Robotics introduces students to the study of electricity and electronics. Students will construct basic electrical circuits using bulbs, flashing LED's, and solar cells. Safety and electrical career opportunities will be key components of this class.

**VEN101 INTRODUCTION TO ENGINEERING DESIGN** GR: 9, 10, 11; One year; Credit: 1.0 (grade weighted)  
PREREQUISITE: Concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

Intro to Engineering Design introduces students to the design process, research, analysis, teamwork, communication methods, engineering standards, global and human impacts, and technical documentation of engineering processes. Students solve problems by applying a design development using modeling software, then develop, analyze, and test their product solution models. Safety and engineering career opportunities will be key components of this class.

## VEN201 PRINCIPLES OF ENGINEERING

GR: 10, 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.0 (grade weighted)  
PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Intro to Engineering Design or permission of the instructor; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

Principles of Engineering provides students with an understanding of the engineering/technology field. Students typically explore how engineers use various technology systems, design concepts, and manufacturing processes to solve problems; they may also gain an appreciation of the social and political consequences of technological change.

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

**ENGINEERING & DESIGN CAREERS: ARCHITECT, DRAFTING, ENGINEER**

**ELECTRONIC CAREERS: CELL TOWER SERVICE TECHNICIAN, ELECTRICIAN, ELECTRICAL POWER-LINE OPERATOR, POWER PLANT OPERATOR**

## VET301 ELECTRONICS/ROBOTICS I

GR: 10, 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.0

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Intro to Engineering Design, Intro to Electronics/Robotics, or permission of the instructor; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

This course provides training in electronics and electrical principles. Students will study DC and AC circuits and components using resistors, capacitors, lamps, motors, and switches. Additional topics include the principles of renewable sources of energy and technology, basic code using Arduino controllers, robotic devices, electrical controls, and computer basics. Safety and electrical career opportunities will be key components of this class.

## VET401 ELECTRONICS/ROBOTICS II

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.0

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Electronics/Robotics I or permission of the instructor; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

This course is a continuation of and builds on the skills and concepts introduced in Electronics/Robotics I. Advanced instructional units include the study of digital techniques, logic circuits, integrated circuits, motor controls, pneumatics, and programmable logic controllers. Students will construct and analyze circuits using the latest techniques, components, and microprocessor trainers. Additional topics include testing, maintaining, and repairing electronic equipment and systems such as robotic systems, communication systems, audio equipment, radios, televisions, and computers. All learning experiences are designed to prepare students for further technical education or job-entry skills and knowledge through classroom lessons and applications with emphasis on the latest technology and industry trends.

# ELECTRONICS, ROBOTICS, AND ENGINEERING

## **VET303 DIGITAL ELECTRONICS**

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.0 (grade weighted)  
PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Intro to Engineering Design, Intro to Electronics/Robotics, or permission of the instructor; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

Digital Electronics is the foundation of all modern electronic devices such as cellular phones, MP3 players, computers, digital cameras, and high-definition televisions. The major focus of this course is to introduce students to the process of combinational and sequential logic design, communication methods, engineering standards, teamwork and technical documentation to develop electronic circuits and devices.

## **VEN301 MECHANICAL DRAFTING I**

GR: 10, 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.0

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Intro to Engineering Design, Intro to Electronics/Robotics, or permission of the instructor; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

This course is for students interested in careers in drafting, design, architecture, construction management, engineering, and other related fields of study. Students will read blueprints, prepare preliminary drawings, and produce precise detailed mechanical scale drawings using computer aided drafting (CAD) in 2D and 3D. Safety and drafting career opportunities will be key components of this class.

## **VEN401 MECHANICAL DRAFTING II**

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 1.0

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Mechanical Drafting I or permission of the instructor; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

This course is a continuation of and builds on the skills and concepts introduced in Mechanical Drafting I. Advanced instructional units include producing renderings and project time schedules, producing structural working drawings, and producing electrical and electronic working drawings. Additional skills include determining the requirements of a specific drafting job, preparing preliminary and detailed drawings, and producing mechanical working drawings. All learning experiences are designed to prepare students for further technical education or job-entry skills and knowledge through classroom lessons and applications with emphasis on the latest technology and industry trends.

# GRAPHIC DESIGN

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS
9,10,11	DIGITAL GRAPHICS	VGD101	0.5
9,10,11	DIGITAL MEDIA	VGD102	0.5
9,10,11	3D MODELING AND ANIMATION	VCS103	0.5
10,11,12	GRAPHIC DESIGN YEAR 1 GRAPHIC DESIGN I (SEMESTER 1) GRAPHIC DESIGN II (SEMESTER 2)	VGD301 VGD401	1.25 1.25
11,12	GRAPHIC DESIGN YEAR 2 ADVANCED GRAPHICS	VGD501	2.5
12	GRAPHIC DESIGN YEAR 3 GRAPHIC DESIGN WORK EXPERIENCE	VGD601	2.5

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

**GRAPHIC DESIGN CAREERS:** DESKTOP PUBLISHING, GRAPHIC DESIGNER, FILM EDITOR, ILLUSTRATOR, INTERIOR DESIGNER, MUSEUM / GALLERY CURATOR, PHOTOGRAPHER, PRINTING EQUIPMENT OPERATOR, WEB PAGE DESIGN

## VGD101 DIGITAL GRAPHICS

\*This class counts for Application of Computers credit.  
GR: 9, 10, 11; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: None

Digital Graphics introduces students to artistic techniques used to effectively communicate ideas via illustration, color, balance, proportion in design, and other forms of digital or printed media. Topics covered may include concept design, layout, paste-up, and techniques such as three-dimensional visualization, sketching, engraving, etching, silkscreen, lithography, offset, drawing, collage, and computer graphics. Safety and graphic design career opportunities will be incorporated throughout this class. This course fulfills the computer requirement.

## VGD102 DIGITAL MEDIA

\*This class counts for Application of Computers credit.  
GR: 9, 10, 11; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: None

Digital Media introduces students to use the computer to produce visual imagery and to apply graphic techniques to various fields, such as advertising, TV/video, and architecture. Topics include modeling, simulation, animation, photography, graphic arts, telecommunications, and image retouching. Safety and graphic design career opportunities will be incorporated throughout this class. This course fulfills the computer requirement.

## GRAPHIC DESIGN YEAR 1 - ENROLL IN BOTH: VGD301 GRAPHIC DESIGN I (SEMESTER 1) VGD401 GRAPHIC DESIGN II (SEMESTER 2)

GR: 10, 11, 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: None; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

Graphic Design provides learning experiences common to all graphic communication occupations. Topics include use of color, balance and proportion in design, 3D visualization, sketching, design procedures, layout, selection of type styles, selection of appropriate drawing tools and media, stencil preparation, duplicating equipment operation, print screen preparation and printing, machine typesetting, ink and color preparation, assembly, binding, and trimming operations, layout, digital paste-up and copy preparation, lithography, offset presswork, and emphasizes computer use as a graphics communication tool. This course combines computer applications and hands-on activities with an emphasis on the latest technology and equipment used in the graphic arts industry.

## VCS103 3D MODELING AND ANIMATION

GR: 9, 10, 11; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: None.

3D Modeling and Animation provides opportunities to learn design skills for 2D and 3D animation and architecture on the iMac. Topics include computer game design, animation, artistic concepts, digital imaging, coding, scripting, multimedia production, and game play strategies. Students will be exposed to the latest software programs, computer systems, and graphic output devices used in industry.

## GRAPHIC DESIGN YEAR 2 - ENROLL IN: VGD501 ADVANCED GRAPHIC DESIGN

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Graphic Design Year 1; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

This course is a continuation of and builds on the skills and concepts introduced in Graphic Design Year 1. Students work in a project-based environment to complete a variety of production jobs such as catalogs, publications, marketing materials, web sites, presentations, graphic sketches, designs, and copy layouts for online and printed content. All learning experiences are designed to allow students to acquire job-entry skills and knowledge through classroom lessons and shop applications with emphasis on the latest technology used in the industry.

## GRAPHIC DESIGN YEAR 3 - ENROLL IN: VGD601 GRAPHIC DESIGN WORK EXPERIENCE

GR: 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Graphic Design Year 2 or Year 1 with permission of the instructor.

This is a capstone course designed to assist students in the development of effective skills and attitudes through practical advanced instruction in school and on the job through cooperative education. Students would be required to spend 200 minutes per week in the QAVTC Student printshop and participate in an apprenticeship or exploratory internship. Classroom instruction focuses on providing students with job survival skills and career exploration skills related to the job and improving students abilities to interact positively with others.



# HEALTHCARE

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS
9, 10, 11, 12	QHS CAREERS IN HEALTHCARE	VHO101	1.0
10, 11, 12	YEAR I HEALTHCARE OCCUPATIONS I-SEM 1 HEALTHCARE OCCUPATIONS II-SEM 2	VHO201 VHO301	2.5
11, 12	YEAR 2 HEALTH OCCUPATION WORK EXPERIENCE	VH0401	2.5
12	EMT-EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN	VHO403	3

HEALTH SCIENCE CAREERS: ATHLETIC TRAINER, CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT, CHIROPRACTOR, DENTIST, DENTAL HYGIENIST, EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN, MEDICAL ASSISTANT, NURSE, PHARMACIST, PHARMACY TECH, PSYCHOLOGIST, PHYSICIAN, RADIOLOGIST, VETERINARIAN, VET TECH

## VHO101 QHS CAREERS IN HEALTHCARE

\*This class counts for Health credit.

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12; 1 year; Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None

Careers in Health Care exposes students different opportunities available within the healthcare industry. It include classroom and community based activities with different guest speakers from a variety of healthcare occupations. This course meets the graduation requirement for health.

Some of the topics include:

Overview of Health Care Careers • Introduction to Being a HealthCare Worker • Health Care Agencies and Facilities • Ethical Roles and Responsibilities • Medical Terminology • Anatomy and Physiology with Associated Diseases • Safety • Heartsaver CPR • Introduction to Nurse Assistant Skills • Health Occupations Students of America-HOSA •

## HEALTH OCCUPATIONS YEAR 1 (enroll in both)

### VHO201 HEALTH OCCUPATIONS I (semester 1)

### VHO 301 HEALTH OCCUPATIONS II (semester 2)

\*This class counts for Health credit.

GR: 10, 11, 12; 1 year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Grade-level math and English with a C or above preferred for success in program.

Note: Healthcare Worker Background Check and copy of Social Security Card required by IDPH, 2 step TB testing, and Covid testing, vaccine, exemptions per facility (for clinicals) requirements.

Health Occupations includes theory, clinical, and lab components. At the completion of this course, students will meet the instructional and clinical requirements to take the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) exam. Students must complete the course with an 80% or above and required theory hours or 80 or more and clinical hours of 40 or more. CNA certification enables students to be employed in the healthcare industry as CNA and gain valuable experience to continue their education in Healthcare. This course meets the graduation requirement for health education.

Topics include:

HealthCare System • Ethics and Legal Aspects • Medical Terminology • Nurse Assistant Skills/Patient Care • Being Member of Healthcare Teams • Anatomy and Physiology with emphasis on Disease Processes • Safety • BLS Certification (CPR) • Infection Control • Employability Skills • Leadership Skills • Health Occupations Student of America (HOSA) • Guest Speakers & Community Resources

## VHO401 HEALTH OCCUPATIONS WORK EXPERIENCE

GR: 11, 12; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Health Occupations I & II, CNA certification, concurrent grade level Math & English.

This independent study course (assignments by instructor) will build on concepts and skills both in classroom and clinical setting introduced in the first year of Health Occupations. Students will assist instructors in the labs/classroom in helping Health Occupations I & II student achieve skills for CNA requirements. By being a role model, leadership skills will be developed. All learning experiences are designed to allow students to acquire new skills and knowledge or broaden skills and knowledge already learned.

## VHO403 EMT EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN

GR: GR: 12; 1 year; Credit: 3

PREREQUISITE: None; careers in Healthcare and/or Health occupations are recommended. TB test required for clinical sessions and background check required for employment.

Emergency Medical Technician includes knowledge, skills, and clinical lab experiences needed in medical emergencies and necessary to take the EMT Certification Exam. EMT certification enables students to be employed as an EMT. This course is taught at QAVTC by Adams County Ambulance instructors and post-secondary articulated credit may be earned upon successful completion of this course. Topics include clearing airway obstructions, controlling bleeding, bandaging, lifting and transporting methods for injured persons, simple spinal immobilization, infection control, stabilizing fractures, and responding to cardiac arrest. This course also covers the legal and ethical responsibilities involved in dealing with medical emergencies.

# JOURNALISM

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS
9,10,11,12	YEARBOOK JOURNALISM	VJO101	1.0
9,10,11,12	BROADCAST JOURNALISM	VJO201	1.0
11,12	YEARBOOK JOURNALISM EDITORIAL LEADERSHIP	VJO301	1.0

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

## **VJO101 YEARBOOK JOURNALISM/ QUIPPI**

\*This class counts for Application of Computers credit.

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: Acceptance of written application and at least a "B" average.

This course will cover journalistic writing, layout, design, photography, marketing, sales, record keeping and the use of the Yearbook Avenue and Photoshop computer programs. The practical application of theory results in the productions of the Quippi. This is a full year course that requires extra time outside of class in order to meet deadlines. No experience is necessary, but students must complete a written application, which includes GPA, citizenship, and attendance standards, in order to be considered for the course. This course fulfills the computer course requirement for graduation.

## **VJO201 BROADCAST JOURNALISM**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: C or better in the previous English course and/or teacher recommendation. Enrolling students should have an interest in a Communications oriented pathway.

This course offers students an opportunity to learn the fundamentals of producing commercials, public service announcements, and news packages. This includes operating video cameras, mixing audio, utilizing lighting techniques, non-linear digital editing, production planning, broadcast writing, and broadcast speaking. Students will strengthen their writing and speaking skills and will learn how to effectively communicate a message. Students will also study and engage in class discussions about the First Amendment and issues pertaining to bias, ethics, and newsworthiness. Students who are considering a career in broadcasting and/ or production should take this class. Student projects will have the opportunity to be included in the school announcements. A course fee will be assessed. (\* preference will be given to upperclassmen)

**JOURNALISM & COMMUNICATION CAREERS:**  
AUDIO/VIDEO TECHNICIAN, BROADCAST TECHNICIAN, FILM EDITOR, JOURNALIST, PHOTOJOURNALIST, PRINT EDITOR, VIDEO GRAPHICS & SPECIAL EFFECTS

## **VJO301 YEARBOOK JOURNALISM/ EDITORIAL LEADERSHIP**

GR: 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1(Grade Weighted)

PREREQUISITE: Completion of 1 year of Quippi as a staffer. As well as completion, and acceptance of editor application.

This course builds upon the skills and concepts introduced in Yearbook Journalism. Course content includes layout and design, journalistic writing, and photography. In addition to course content, students enrolled in this course will work as project managers to oversee the progress and completion of all tasks related to the completion of the yearbook. Responsibilities include creating lessons for their peers on deficit areas, as well as conferencing with staffers, and providing feedback regarding progress on their page assignments. They are responsible for creating marketing campaigns for the yearbook and ad sales. Editors are responsible for creating the structure, theme, and content within the yearbook and the course.

# METALWORK & WELDING FABRICATION

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS
9,10,11	INTRO TO METALWORKING & WELDING FABRICATION	VMW201	0.5
11,12	METALWORK & WELDING YEAR 1 METALWORKING & WELDING FABRICATION I (SEMESTER 1) METALWORKING & WELDING FABRICATION II (SEMESTER 2)	VMW301 VMW401	1.25 1.25
12	METALWORK AND WELDING YEAR 2 D METALWORK & WELDING FABRICATION	VMW501	2.5
12	METALWORK & WELDING WORK EXPERIENCE	VMW601	2.5

## VMW201 INTRO TO METALWORKING & WELDING FABRICATION

GR: 9, 10, 11; One-half year; Credit: 0.5

PREREQUISITE: None

Intro to Metalwork & Welding Fabrication introduces students to the properties, uses, and applications of various metals, machine tools and equipment, and various processes used to join and cut metals. Students learn how to read blueprints, create metal parts, use lathes, milling machines, shapers, and grinders, and practice the techniques of metal cutting and oxyacetylene flame, arc and MIG welding. Safety and manufacturing career opportunities will be key components of this class.

## METALWORK & WELDING FABRICATION YEAR 1 - ENROLL IN BOTH: VMW301 METALWORK & WELDING FABRICATION I (SEMESTER 1) & VMW401 METALWORK & WELDING FABRICATION II (SEMESTER 2)

GR: 11, 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Intro to Metalwork & Welding Fabrication, or permission of the instructor; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

Metalwork & Welding Fabrication provides students with experiences related to a variety of manufacturing related occupations. Learning activities include reading blueprints, applying safety practices, selecting materials, performing precision measurement, and operating a variety of tools used for separating, forming, and combining materials. Specific skill work includes work with lathes, milling machines, surface grinders, drill presses, and band saws and performing arc, TIG, and MIG welding. This course combines classroom lessons and shop application with emphasis on safety protocols and the latest technology and industry trends.

**Metalworking:** This segment teaches skills in planing, machining, and finishing. Students will use saws, grinders, drill presses, milling machines, lathes, shears, and brakes.

**Welding:** This segment will focus on Arc welding and will also feature MIG welding, plasma and oxy-fuel cutters and brazing torches.

\* One hour accelerated course also available during block skill classes. Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

MANUFACTURING CAREERS: FABRICATOR, INDUSTRIAL MAINTENANCE, MACHINE OPERATOR, TOOL MAKER, WELDER

## VMW501 ADVANCED METALWORK & WELDING

GR: 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Metalwork & Welding Fabrication Year 1; concurrent enrollment in grade-level math and English recommended.

This course is a continuation of and builds on the skills and concepts introduced in Metalwork & Welding Fabrication Year 1. This course offers students the opportunity to specialize in specific areas of manufacturing such as machine tool set-up and operation, welding, quality control, automated machining, and sheet metal fabrication. Advanced instructional units include metallurgy and heat treatment of metal, advanced machining, numerical control machining, advanced work with mills, lathes, grinders, and band saws, and advanced welding such as horizontal, vertical, overhead, and circular techniques. All learning experiences are designed to allow students to acquire job-entry skills and knowledge through classroom lessons and shop applications with emphasis on the latest technology and industry trends.

## VMW601 METALWORK & WELDING WORK EXPERIENCE

GR: 12; One year; Credit: 2.5

PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of Metalwork & Welding Fabrication Year 2 or Year 1 with permission of the instructor.

Metalwork and Welding Work-Based Experience provides students with work experience in fields related to welding, machine technologies, metalwork, or manufacturing fields. Goals are typically set cooperatively by the student, the instructor, and the employer.

# PUBLIC SERVICE

GRADE LEVEL	COURSE NAME	COURSE NUMBER	CREDITS
9,10,11,12	INTRODUCTION TO MILITARY	MIL101	1
10,11,12	MILITARY STUDIES	MIL102	1

## **MIL101 INTRODUCTION TO MILITARY**

GR: 9, 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: None

This is an introductory course focusing on leadership, citizenship, and basic military concepts. Topics range from time management, to current events, and leadership styles/techniques. Military subjects include rank, insignia, and unit structure. Additional lessons address several of the branches of the U.S. Army, a brief history of major conflicts, and an overview of specific types of units.

## **MIL102 MILITARY STUDIES**

GR: 10, 11, 12, One year, Credit: 1

PREREQUISITE: JROTC1 Introduction to Military

This is a follow-on course to Introduction to Military Studies. It is actually conducted with the introductory course. The experienced students can expect to lead by example and sometimes take charge of small groups of first year students. Additionally, they are required to complete a major project each semester to present to the class. These projects may range from more in-depth discussions of specific military subjects to service projects completed for Quincy High School.

Prerequisites may apply. Please check the course description for information. Course availability subject to staffing and student enrollment.

## **PUBLIC SERVICE CAREERS:**

**FIRE FIGHTER, LAW ENFORCEMENT,  
MILITARY PERSONNEL, PAROLE  
OFFICER, SECURITY**