



ELYRIA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Course Offerings Booklet
2025 – 2026

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PURPOSE OF THIS BOOKLET

The Course Offerings Booklet is designed to assist students and their families in the course selection process. The following is an overview of topics covered:

1. A brief description of each course offered at Elyria Catholic High School including:
 - Credit value
 - Prerequisites
 - Applicable fees
2. Graduation Requirements / Four Year Planning Chart
3. Course Request /Drop /Add Procedures

COURSE REQUEST / REGISTRATION PROCESS

1. During the month of January, teachers will speak to their classes about the criteria for courses in their subject area. The importance of taking challenging courses is emphasized. Teachers will recommend students for courses. Students and parents are encouraged to ask teachers questions regarding their placement.
2. In January, parents will receive an email from the Finance Office with the Tuition Contract and Financial Aid Materials. The Tuition Contract must be completed by both parents/guardians and returned online with their \$200 registration fee by Friday, February 14, 2025.
3. Once the Tuition Contract and Registration fee have been returned, counselors will meet with Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors individually by appointment to instruct and assist them in choosing electives and address questions regarding core courses.
4. Classes will be filled on a first come, first serve basis.
5. Four elective courses for chosen electives must be listed in PowerSchool **in order of preference**.
7. Recommendations will be assessed again at the end of the year if a student's academic progress has changed.
8. If the student is not returning to Elyria Catholic, you must contact the Admissions Office.
9. If a student intends to participate in the College Credit Plus (CCP) Program, he/she must contact their counselor. Please see CCP section of this booklet (page 5) for further information.

Prompt return of the Student Scheduling Form expedites the scheduling process for the student.

SCHEDULE CHANGES after April 16, 2025:

1. Changes are difficult after this date since teachers are hired and classes are scheduled from prospective class numbers. Please note that should requested choices become unavailable or there is a conflict, alternates will be chosen in order of preference and availability. We encourage every student and family to carefully review the course request form and ask teachers questions regarding their placement during the request/registration process. All schedule change policies will be strictly enforced.
2. A course change request may be considered within the first few days of each semester. A change may be initiated for one of the following reasons:
 - Scheduling errors
 - Teacher/ counselor initiated change
 - Student/ parent initiated changeIf a schedule change is the result of an error, or a teacher or counselor initiated change, a fee will not be assessed. However, if a student or parent requests a change, **a \$60 fee will be incurred.**
3. Schedule changes cannot be made for a change of teacher preference, social reasons, to request a specific lunch period or for poor performance. A request for change must be discussed with the counselor.
4. First semester requests for a course change can be made the first five days of school. These dates are announced in the August newsletter. Course changes, additions or deletions, for the second semester must be made by the second day of the second semester.
5. A course change is subject to the approval of the administration. If granted, a \$60 fee must be paid and a course drop form submitted before the student's schedule will be changed. The form requires the signature of the parent, **as well as the teacher of the class that is being dropped.**
6. Any withdrawals after the designated deadline will result in a grade of "W/F" for the remainder of the semester for a semester class and for the year for a year-long class. The grade will be calculated as an "F" in the grade point average.
7. Changes from any course requirement will be addressed by administration.

The school reserves the right to cancel courses for which there is insufficient enrollment or for which there is no teacher available. The school also reserves the right to place students and to set prerequisites for courses.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Elyria Catholic High School students must successfully complete the following courses:

Theology	4 credits
English	4 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
Mathematics	4 credits
Science (Biology required)	3 credits
Fine Arts	1 credit (½ credit in Dramatic or Musical Arts & ½ credit in Visual Arts)
Health	1/2 credit
Physical Education	1/2 credit
Personal Finance	1/2 credit
World Language	2 credits
Electives	1 ½ credits
TOTAL	24 credits

HONORS DIPLOMA

Must complete application junior year for an Honors Diploma.

Students must meet general graduation requirements and complete 7 of the 8 requirements outlined below. Students may replace one requirement of either 4, 5 or 6 with a “Student Strength Demonstration” replacement.

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| 1. Mathematics | 4 credits (Fourth math must be greater than Algebra II) |
| 2. Science | 4 credits (2 units of advanced Science) |
| 3. Social Studies | 4 credits |
| 4. World Language | 3 credits (3 credits in one language or 2 credits each in two) |
| 5. GPA | Minimum Cumulative Unweighted GPA of 3.5 |
| 6. ACT/SAT | Minimum Composite Score of 27 on ACT or 1280 on SAT Verbal and Math. If test is taken outside of Elyria Catholic, it is the student and family’s responsibility to communicate to the counseling department the score for consideration of an Honors Diploma. |
| 7. Seal Requirement | Earn two additional diploma seals, not including Honors Diploma Seal |
| 8. Experiential Learning | Field Experience and Portfolio, OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal*, or Work-Based Learning |

*Students can use OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal in 2 additional seals requirement if it is not used in experiential learning

More detail can be found on the Ohio Department of Education website, including the Student Strength Demonstration Replacement: <https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Ohio-s-Graduation-Requirements/Contacts-and-Resources/Honors-Diplomas/Academic-Honors-Diploma>

COLLEGE ADMISSION RECOMMENDATION

College admission requirements vary, so students and parents should begin the admissions process early and research the requirements of the colleges of interest. The following courses are recommended as the preparatory program for most four-year colleges and universities:

English	4 credits
Mathematics	4 credits (Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II)
Science	3 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
World Language	2-3 credits (minimum of 2 credits in the same language)
Fine Arts	1 credit

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS

College Credit Plus (CCP)

- Students can take CCP courses at Elyria Catholic, online, or at Lorain County Community College.
- CCP must be used for both high school and college credit.
- Students must meet criteria for acceptance at the college to which they apply.
- Students must meet college readiness requirements.
- Remedial courses are not allowed.
- Students and families must have attended a **mandatory CCP informational meeting**.
- Courses are weighted on the high school transcript and included into the GPA if courses are needed for high school graduation or funded through the state. **It is the responsibility of the family to apply for funding through the state.** If courses are not needed for high school graduation or funded through the state funding, they will be considered Credit in Escrow.

Credit in Escrow

The Credit in Escrow program allows qualifying high school students to take college courses to receive college credit without going towards the high school GPA or transcript. Credits are then transferred to the college or university of choice. Under this program, tuition and all associated course costs (including textbooks) are the responsibility of the student.

FLEXIBLE CREDIT POLICY

Flexible credit is a program implemented by the State of Ohio as a way for students to earn credit through alternative means. Students must have the permission of the Principal and submit a Flexible Credit application by the required deadline. These credits will be listed on the student's transcript in addition to the required 24 credits earned at Elyria Catholic High School but will not be calculated into the student's grade point average. Application deadline is April 1 for first semester courses and October 1 for second semester courses.

ONLINE LEARNING POLICY

Online classes may be offered in order to expand course offerings, provide alternatives when minimum enrollments are not met, or when scheduling conflicts occur. Online coursework is available through outside programs. Students must receive approval from their counselor and the principal prior to scheduling an online course.

NCAA INFORMATION

The criteria for playing a Division I or Division II sport has become more challenging. Both divisions require a minimum of 16 Core Courses as follows:

*Must also meet Ohio & Elyria Catholic graduation requirements

Division I

- 4 years of English
- 3 years of Math (Algebra I or higher)
- 2 years of Science (1 year of lab)
- 1 year of additional English, Math or Science
- 2 years of Social Science
- 4 years of additional courses (from any subject area above as well as World Languages.)
- 10 core courses required before beginning of senior year; seven must be in areas of English, Math or Science.

Division II

- 3 years of English
- 2 years of Math (Algebra I or higher)
- 2 years of Natural/Physical Science (1 year of lab)
- 3 years of additional English, Math or Natural/ Physical Science
- 2 years of Social Science
- 4 years of additional courses (from any subject area above as well as World Languages.)

GPA

Division 1:

- GPA in core courses is 2.3

Division 2:

- GPA in core courses is 2.2

It is necessary for student athletes to:

- Take two years of a foreign language
- Meet with his/her Counselor
- Create a profile on the NCAA Eligibility Center

For further information, go to www.eligibilitycenter.org
Or call: 317-/223-0700 or 877-622-2321

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Our Counseling Department supports the mission of Elyria Catholic High School. It is created upon the principles of the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) national model of nine standards grouped within three domains: academic, college/career and personal/social. To best support our students, we meet with them individually, in the classroom setting, and in small groups. We work as a team with administration, teachers, parents and community resources to advocate for students' best interests.

GRADE 9

Counselors teach lessons in classrooms monthly to discuss academic, social/emotional, and college and career topics. Counselors explain the importance of taking courses of rigor and present an overview of the career exploration/college search process. Also, counselors discuss the social/emotional/behavioral challenges of adolescence and the support system provided by the EC Community. Counselors also use Naviance to explore students' strengths and how that could help to explore potential careers.

GRADE 10

Counselors teach lessons in classrooms monthly to discuss academic, social/emotional, and college and career topics. Counselors also administer a career exploration questionnaire to sophomores through Naviance. After completing the 180 question assessment, the students are given their Holland Code and asked to explore careers that are related to their personality. A Safe Dating curriculum is presented in their classes.

GRADE 11

Counselors teach lessons in classrooms monthly to discuss academic, social/emotional, and college and career topics. Juniors also take the PSAT/MNSQT in October. Counselors explain the results in Theology class. Also, juniors start to research colleges – a minimum of five- through Naviance. They will add the colleges to their *colleges I'm thinking about* list in Naviance. Parents are encouraged to view this list and start the conversation regarding college visits.

During the second semester all juniors meet with their counselor for an individualized college/career search session. Parents are welcome to attend. Parents are encouraged to attend a presentation on the college search process in the second semester. ACT will be given in the spring. Please check the Elyria Catholic website for further information.

GRADE 12

Counselors teach lessons in classrooms monthly to discuss academic, social/emotional, and college and career topics. Seniors also receive instructions in regards to the procedure for applying to colleges: applications, transcript request process, letters of recommendation, scholarships, and financial aid. Counselors meet with students frequently throughout the fall to assist in this process. Parent meetings are held as a group and by appointment to discuss the college application and financial aid process.

EC STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES (SSS)

As a diocesan *Better Together School*, inclusion across the curriculum is our goal and a number of services are offered to assist students in reaching their full potential. All services are determined based on a student's current ETR, IEP, Service Plan (SP), and/or Accommodation/504 Plan as required by the State of Ohio.

Elyria Catholic is committed to providing a rigorous curriculum while meeting students where they are academically and socially/emotionally as outlined in their educational plan. In addition, related services are provided in the areas of speech therapy, occupational therapy, and a behavior specialist.

Students are placed in a co-taught math and/or English class which includes a general education teacher and an intervention specialist. It is at Elyria Catholic's discretion for students whose IEP qualifies them for academic support beyond the co-taught inclusion classroom, will be supported in a small classroom with an intervention specialist in the area(s) of math and/or English.

Accommodations, as well as assistance in select subjects, are offered in the general education classroom for students needing curricular support. Students requiring modifications, as outlined in their educational plan, should consult with the intervention specialist assigned and/or the department chair for additional information.

Students who qualify receive one daily guided support period with an intervention specialist, tutor and/or academic coach. Attendants/aides do not provide instruction during class or guided support period. Attendants/aides are under the educational supervision of the case manager and department chair to provide support to students based on their current educational plan.

Elyria Catholic High School is a provider for the Autism, John Peterson, EdChoice Traditional, EdChoice Expansion, and Autism Academic Education Plan.

The district of residence is no longer responsible for providing your child with a free and appropriate public education (FAPE), and you are waiving FAPE for our child once you have accepted one of these scholarships. Thus, the Individual Education Plan (IEP) becomes a parental guidance document not a mandated document of education services and supports. Elyria Catholic requires a total of 24 credits to earn a high school diploma. Failure to earn the total requirement due to failed classes will result in a credit recovery program.

Elyria Catholic is required by the Diocese of Cleveland to meet Ohio graduation requirements through the administration of the Alternative Assessment (IOWA). Students failing to meet this requirement will be offered an alternate pathway.

The Student Support Services Department consists of licensed mild to moderate intervention specialists, tutors, academic coaches, and student attendants/aides.

For additional information please contact the Student Services Department chair.

COURSE OFFERINGS SUMMARY 2025 - 2026

+ = ½ CREDIT • = ¼ CREDIT * = ONLINE COURSE (W) = WEIGHTED COURSE

THEOLOGY	Musical Arts	Honors Physics (W)
Theology 9	+Practical Music	Human Anatomy & Physiology
Theology 10	+Guitar	AP Biology (W)
Theology 11	+Piano I	AP Chemistry (W) 2026-2027
Theology 12	+Marching Band	
	+Concert Band	SOCIAL STUDIES
CONSUMER SCIENCES	Visual Arts	Modern World History
Business	+Introduction to Art	United States History
+ Marketing	+Applied Arts	Honors United States History
+ Investing in the Stock Market	Art I	American Government
+ Accounting I	Art II w/Digital Art	Honors American Government
Entrepreneurship	Art III/AP Studio Art/2D Drawing	AP United States History (W)
Sports & Entertainment Marketing	Art IV/AP Studio Art/2D Drawing	AP US Government & Politics (W)
	+Intro to Photoshop	+Introduction to Psychology
Technology		+Introduction to Sociology
+ Computer Applications	HEALTH/PHYS. ED.	+Introduction to Philosophy (CCP)
+ Intro to Coding & Game Design	+ Health	+World Geography
AP Computer Science Principles (W)	+ Physical Education	+Early American History
	+ Lifetime Personal Fitness	
ENGLISH	+ Lifetime Recreational Activities	
English 9	+ Strength in Faith: High School Weightlifting	WORLD LANGUAGE
Honors English 9 (W)		Spanish I
English 10	MATH	Honors Spanish I (W)
Honors English 10 (W)	Algebra I	Spanish II
English 11	Honors Algebra I)W_	Honors Spanish II (W)
Honors English II (W)	Geometry	Spanish III
English 12	Honors Geometry)W)	Honors Spanish III (W)
AP English Literature & Comp. (W)	Algebra II	
+CCP College Composition 161	Honors Algebra II)W_	
+CCP College Composition 162	Algebra III	
+Creative Writing	+Probability & Statistics	
Journalism & Yearbook	+Introduction to College Algebra	
Journalism & Yearbook II	AP Pre-Calculus (W)	MULTIDISCIPLINARY
+Film Appreciation	AP Calculus AB (W)	+ Foods and Nutrition
Christian Symbolism J.R.R. Tolkien		
&Fantasy Literature	SCIENCE	
	Biology	
FINE & PERFORMING ARTS	Honors Biology (W)	
Dramatic Arts	Physical Science	
+Intro to Theatre Tech	Chemistry	
+Theatre Tech & Stagecraft	Honors Chemistry (W)	
+Theatre I	Environmental Science	
+Theatre II	Forensic Science	
+Musical Theatre	+Applied Science & Technology	
+Broadcasting I/II	+Engineering I	
+Concert Choir	+Engineering II	
+History of Rock I	+Engineering III	
	Physics	

AP, CCP courses are weighted 1.0 quality point higher than the letter grade per semester; Honors courses are weighted 0.5 quality points higher than the letter grade per semester

FOUR YEAR EDUCATION PLAN

FRESHMAN YEAR

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Credits</u>
1. Theology 09	1
2. English	1
3. Mathematics	1
4. Science	1
5 Modern World History	1.0
6. Physical Education	.25
** (or use PE waiver)	See Page 23 for Physical Education Waiver Guidelines
7. Health	0.5
8. _____	_____
CREDITS FRESHMAN YR.	_____

SOPHOMORE YEAR

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Credits</u>
1. Theology	1
2. English	1
3. Mathematics	1
4. Science	1
5. United States History	1
6. Lifetime Personal Fitness	0.25
** (or use PE waiver)	See Page 26 for Physical Education Waiver Guidelines
7. Health	0.5
8. _____	_____
9. _____	_____
CREDITS SOPHOMORE YR.	_____
TOTAL CREDITS	_____

***Technology Integration Credit:** All students at Elyria Catholic will receive a half (0.5) technology credit freshmen year for direct technology integration in their classrooms.

See Page 4 for graduation and college admissions requirements

JUNIOR YEAR

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Credits</u>
1. Theology	1
2. English	1
3. Mathematics	1
4. Science	1
5. American Government	1
6. Fine Arts	1
7. _____	_____
8. _____	_____
9. _____	_____
CREDITS JUNIOR YEAR	_____
TOTAL CREDITS	_____

SENIOR YEAR

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Credits</u>
1. Theology	1
2. English	1
3. Mathematics	1
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____
6. _____	_____
7. _____	_____
8. _____	_____
CREDITS SENIOR YEAR	_____
TOTAL CREDITS	_____

TOTAL CREDITS FOR FOUR YEARS_____

THEOLOGY

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Grades</u>
Theology 9	9
Theology 10	10
Theology 11	11
Theology 12	12

GRADE 9 “The Bible: The Living Word of God” / “Jesus Christ: God’s Love Made Visible”

Code: #711

Credit: 1

Length: Year

Required of and limited to all ninth grade students, *The Bible* provides an introduction to Sacred Scriptures and to the unfolding of salvation history, with particular focus on Jesus Christ as the fulfillment of salvation history. Revelation, both divine and natural, is explored, as are inspiration, interpretation, and exegesis. This course guides the students in coming to know the people of salvation history and the history of salvation as revealed in the New Testament. The students also learn about the role of the scriptures in the life of faith for the individual as well as for the life of the Church.

In *Jesus Christ* the students encounter Jesus Christ, the second person of the Trinity, the Incarnation, Jesus, salvation, and discipleship as a response to God’s love.

GRADE 10 “The Paschal Mystery: Christ’s Mission of Salvation” / “The Church: Christ in the World”

Code: #721

Credit: 1

Length: Year

Required of and limited to all tenth grade students, *The Paschal Mystery* explores the goodness of creation, Original Sin, and the promise of a messiah as a starting point of this course, which explores our salvation through the Paschal Mystery. The students encounter the mystery and glory of the suffering, death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus Christ. The course also explores how the Paschal Mystery influences our daily lives, our prayer, and our participation in the life of the Church.

The Church guides the students in exploring and understanding the Catholic Church, as well as its origin, structure, and mission. Additionally, the course addresses the roles of the hierarchy, those in religious life, and the laity in supporting the mission of the Church. Particular attention is paid to the global presence of the church as a light to all people.

GRADE 11 “The Sacraments: Encounters with Christ” / “Christian Morality”

Code: #731

Credit: 1

Length: Year

Required of and limited to all eleventh grade students, *Sacraments* is an in-depth study of the celebration of God’s grace through the seven sacraments. Students will discover that Catholic Sacramental theology involves more than just a general understanding of the seven official sacraments. They will demonstrate an understanding of concepts underlying the Catholic sacramental vision; sacramental awareness, grace, symbols, rituals, and prayer. Students will make the necessary connections in understanding the true value of sacramental living.

Christian Morality centers on the concepts learned in Sacramental Living. Topics include a basic understanding of morality, conscience, law, ethical teachings of Jesus and the Church, sexuality, respect for life and the dignity of the human person. The process of moral decision-making is applied to real life experiences in the light of Christian moral principles. The students learn what it means to live as a disciple of Christ and how the Church strengthens this discipleship.

GRADE 12 “Current Church Topics and Death & Dying” / “Christian Life Choices” / “Social Justice” & “Comparative Religions” (each subject is one quarter in length)

Code: #741

Credit: 1

Length: Year

Required of and limited to twelfth grade students, *Current Church Topics* will examine relevant events in our society as they relate to living our faith. Classroom work entails opportunities for written and shared reflections on the Christian experience in the 21st Century. Students will research and examine political, social, economic, and cultural structures in a seminar-like format. Students should expect a good deal of independent studying.

The students will also address Catholic doctrine on death and dying. In addition, key aspects of developing an adult spirituality will be discussed.

Students will examine *Christian Life Choices*. In this morality course, students investigate the growth process of human identity and its impact on decision-making. Students will analyze the theory and practice of love, communication, dating, and intimacy. They consider the married, single, religious, and ordained life styles in the light of Christian revelation and Church teachings.

Social Justice examines the Christian call for peace and justice. Students are given the opportunity to look at the Biblical foundations for the call to action for justice. Particular emphasis is placed on contemporary moral issues and the call to address these problems in a peaceful, non-violent way. Issues are studied from a gospel perspective of the vocational call to transform oneself and society.

Comparative Religions is an introductory survey of religious traditions focusing on Christianity, Fundamentalism, Islam, Judaism, and Hinduism.

CONSUMER SCIENCES

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Prerequisites</u>
<u>BUSINESS</u>		
Marketing	9, 10, 11, 12	
Investing in the Stock Market	11, 12	
Accounting I	10, 11, 12	
Entrepreneurship	10, 11, 12	
Sports and Entertainment Marketing	10, 11, 12	Marketing
<u>TECHNOLOGY</u>		
Computer Applications	9, 10, 11, 12	
Intro to Coding & Game Design	10, 11, 12	
AP Computer Science Principles (W)	10, 11, 12	

BUSINESS

MARKETING

Code: #502

Credit: 0.5

Length: Semester

Marketing is one of the largest and most exciting career areas in business today. Marketing is also increasingly important to many non-business organizations as well. Topics include basic functions of marketing and management with an emphasis on advertising, public relations, and promotions. This class takes a realistic look at the whole marketing process.

INVESTING IN THE STOCK MARKET

Code: #515

Credit: 0.5

Length: Semester

This course will develop the student's knowledge of the stock market and introduce the students to the stock selection process. This course challenges the student to read the stock market table, select stocks, read an annual report, and evaluate stocks. Mutual funds, bonds, stocks and other types of investments are covered. This class takes a realistic look at the whole investing process. Students will be involved in a virtual stock market where they will be able to make decisions on buying and selling stocks and mutual funds.

ACCOUNTING I

Code: #541

Credit: 0.5

Length: Semester

Accounting I addresses the Accounting Cycle: nature of accounts and techniques of recording, classifying, and summary decisions and provides a procedure from the handling of debits and credits to completion of business statements and reports. It provides a background for business principles and practices and furnishes a foundation for more advanced study as well as an introduction to automate accounting concepts and principles.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP**Code: #509****Credit: 1.0****Length: Year**

Students will learn all that is involved with starting your own business. Students will study famous entrepreneurs throughout history. Students will understand the process of determining a business opportunity, preparing a business plan, determining a market using research, and developing a plan to organize and promote the business. The students will have hands-on experience with an actual product that they come up with.

SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT MARKETING**Code: #514****Credit: 1.0****Length: Year****Prerequisite: Marketing**

In this course, students will learn about the various college and professional sports programs and leagues. We will look at how heavily the consumer is marketed to, while watching or participating in sports. Discover the entertainment industry from talent agents to the many award shows (Grammy's, Emmy's, Oscar's, Tony's and more). Discuss and analyze movies such as Moneyball, 42 and learn about the biographies of top celebrities and athletes. Plan, create and design your own stadium for Elyria Catholic and develop a business to make it work. Market a product by performing a sales presentation and experience owning your own Sports Franchise or Hotel by participating in a classroom simulation.

TECHNOLOGY**COMPUTER APPLICATIONS****Code: #531****Credit: 0.5****Length: Semester**

This course focuses on practical applications of computers and familiarizes the student with fundamental terminology and concepts of information technology, as well as major production applications including word processing, spreadsheets, data base management systems, and may include graphics, data communications and desktop publishing, media technology, and gaming.

INTRO TO CODING & GAME DESIGN**Code: #534****Credit: 0.5****Length: Semester**

Coding is an engaging course that explores a variety of basic computational thinking and programming concepts through a project-based learning environment. The course uses Snap!, an approachable visual block-based programming language, with a robust toolset, perfect for introducing students to computer programming for the first time. Every unit culminates in a comprehensive project and roughly 75% of student time is spent building projects and practicing the skills they are learning.

AP COMPUTER SCIENCE PRINCIPLES (W)**Code: #535****Credit: 1.0****Length: Year**

AP Computer Science Principles (AP CSP) offers a multidisciplinary approach to teaching the underlying principles of computing, including problem solving, working with data, understanding the Internet, cybersecurity, and programming. Students will be introduced to the creative aspects of programming, abstractions, algorithms, large data sets, the Internet, cybersecurity concerns, and computing impacts. They will learn how to creatively address real-world issues and find relevant solutions while using the same tools and processes that artists, writers, computer scientists, and engineers utilize to bring ideas to life. Students will develop an increased awareness of how computing and technology influences the world around them while broadening their understanding of computer science for use in a diversity of majors and careers.

ENGLISH

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Prerequisites</u>
English 9	9	None
Honors English 9 (W)	9	Entrance Exam Scores, Writing Sample, 8th Grade Teacher Rec.
English 10	10	English 9
Honors English 10 (W)	10	Maintain B average or better in English 9 Honors and Teacher Recommendation, Maintain A Average in English 9 for at least 3 Quarters, Teacher Recommendation
English 11	11	English 10
Honors English 11 (W)	11	Maintain B average or better in English 10 Honors and Teacher Recommendation, Maintain A average in English 10 for at least 3 Quarters, Teacher Recommendation
English 12	12	English 11
AP Literature (W)	12	English 11 (Should consult with teacher before enrolling)
CCP College Composition 161	9-12	LCCC Requirements
CCP College Composition 162	9-12	LCCC Requirements
<u>Electives</u>		
Creative Writing	9, 10, 11, 12	None
Film Appreciation	9, 10, 11, 12	
Journalism & Yearbook	10, 11, 12	Faculty Recommendation
Journalism & Yearbook II	11, 12	Faculty Recommendation
Christian Symbolism	11, 12	
in the Works of J.R.R. Tolkien & Fantasy Literature		

SUMMER READING: *The English Department recognizes the importance of encouraging students to become lifetime readers and writers; therefore, all students are encouraged to maintain reading skills over the summer months. Summer reading lists will be available by the fourth quarter. Honors, AP, and CCP 161 students are required to read additional selections as determined by the instructor. Students will be required to submit annotated copies of summer reading texts during the first week of school. Instructions with examples will be provided to the students in the fourth quarter.*

HONORS ENGLISH: The Honors English Program is designed for the highly motivated student who exhibits advanced language skills and strong study habits. At the second semester of Freshman year, various criteria are assessed (regular and punctual attendance, study habits, academic performance including timeliness of turning in assignments, test scores, vocabulary skills, standardized test scores, critical thinking ability, self-motivation and class participation) to determine if the Honors Program may be a good fit for the student. Focus is on the student's likelihood of success in the program. Departmental recommendation is required. Because of the more complex material covered, Honors, AP, and CCP courses are weighted if the student achieves a final grade of C or better. Students must maintain at least a B average or Better in all 4 Quarters to remain in the Honors Program. Students who wish to move into the Honors Program must maintain an A or better average in at least 3 of the 4 quarters and meet all other criteria for the Honors Program. Students wishing to move up to the Honors Program are also required to submit a writing sample to the teacher of the Honors Course in response to a given prompt.

ENGLISH 9: SURVEY OF GENRES AND COMPOSITION**Code: #011****Credit: 1****Length: Year**

This introductory course prepares students for the rigors of writing, reading, speaking and listening instruction, focusing on basic skills in composition, grammar, literature, and vocabulary. Instruction in composition includes formulating a thesis statement and writing the five-paragraph essay. An introduction to research methods and MLA format is included. The proper use of grammar and vocabulary is emphasized. Students experience an in-depth study of literary genres to identify main ideas and narrative elements. Contextual examination of these elements allows students to expand their critical thinking skills and improve their study skills.

ENGLISH 9 HONORS: ACCELERATED EXPLORING GENRES AND COMPOSITION (W)**Code: #010****Credit: 1****Length: Year****Prerequisite: Writing Sample,
Entrance Exam Scores, &
Teacher Recommendation**

This accelerated survey course challenges the students' writing, reading, speaking and listening abilities. Instruction includes multi-faceted composition on complex topics. Research methods are explored, and the use of the MLA format is expected. Students encounter an array of literary genres to identify main ideas and narrative elements. Contextual examination of these elements allows students to expand their critical thinking skills and improve their writing and communication skills.

ENGLISH 10: EARLY AMERICAN LITERATURE & SOCIAL JUSTICE**Code: #021****Credit: 1****Length: Year**

Students continue to practice paragraph writing, thesis composition, and essay development with emphasis on properly citing direct quotes from sources. The analysis of selected works from various nations and cultures continues to build upon the understanding of theme and conflict and encourages advanced critical thinking skills--such as inference and application--to provide awareness and a deeper understanding of our richly diverse global community. This base is used as a template to examine and compare with the beginnings of American literature, thus, providing students with a well-rounded view of the world and America. Reading, vocabulary, and spelling skills are taken from selections in major genres: short story, novel, essay, poetry, and drama, as well as some nonfiction selections.

ENGLISH 10 HONORS: AMERICAN LITERATURE & SOCIAL JUSTICE (W)**Code: #020****Credit: 1****Length: Year****Prerequisite: English 9 Honors
and Teacher Recommendation
or Student must meet the
requirements for entering the
Honors Program & receive
Teacher Recommendation**

Honors English 10 explores the literature of the United States from Native American works to the 21st Century Age of Technology, presenting the literature both chronologically and thematically. The theme of social justice and what it means to be an American will be stressed throughout the year through various multicultural and American texts. This class emphasizes reading, writing, and speaking about the literary genres of fiction, nonfiction, novel, short story, essay, drama, poetry, and film. Vocabulary development and preparation for standardized testing will continue to be developed.

ENGLISH II: MODERN AMERICAN LITERATURE & RESEARCH**Code: #031****Credit: 1****Length: Year**

The study of present-day American literature is a primary focus of this course. Selected fiction and nonfiction works in the forms of short stories, novels, and dramas are explored to ascertain the zeitgeist of the country, especially as it applies to race, class, and gender. Writing assignments are given in a variety of modes in relation to the literature read, including a personal narrative, and a persuasive research paper. Standardized test preparation is conducted by way of practicing and improving test-taking skills.

ENGLISH II HONORS: MODERN AMERICAN LITERATURE AND RESEARCH (W)**Code: #030****Credit: 1****Length: Year**

**Prerequisite: Honors English 10
Teacher Recommendation or
Student must meet the
requirements for entering the
Honors Program & receive
Teacher Recommendation**

Honors English 11 explores literature in the United States from the early twentieth century through modern - day America presented in chronological order. Selected fiction and nonfiction works in the forms of short stories, novels, poetry and dramas are explored through the lens of the American Dream to ascertain the zeitgeist of the country. The students will continue to develop reading skills, writing skills, and a sensitivity to stylistic sophistication of mature works of literature and connected criticisms. Composition work includes writing expository and persuasive essays, literary analyses, and the personal narrative. Research skills will be utilized to create an argumentative research paper and presentation. Discussion skills are refined; panel presentations are introduced. Vocabulary development is continued.

ENGLISH 12: WORLD LITERATURE & COLLEGE/CAREER READINESS WRITING**Code: #041****Credit: 1****Length: Year**

This course promotes student application of independent written and oral communication skills, as well as critical thinking and problem-solving strategies learned over the first three years of the English program. Time management and organizational skills will be expected from students in this class to foster preparation for college/career readiness. Selected World masterpieces and relevant nonfiction selections will comprise the literary concentration of the course and will serve as reference material for skills enhancement. The course includes segments that emphasize the development of a personal writing style as well as writing geared towards success in the academic and professional arenas.

AP ENGLISH LITERATURE (W)**Code: #040****Credit: 1****Length: Year**

This course aims to round out the student's background of solid literary training and culminates in the required advanced placement test at the end of the senior year. Reading mature literary works and writing analytical and creative college-level papers are a part of the course. Author's stylistic elements will be closely examined as related to the theme and purpose of work. Students also develop advanced discussion skills, including impromptu and formal panel.

CCP COLLEGE COMPOSITION 161**Code: #CCPENGL161****Length: Semester****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: Meet LCCC
Criteria**

Composition 161 is a holistic approach to the study of critical thinking, reading and writing through the development of student writing communities, collaborative teaching/learning, and intensive skills building, including an introduction to the research process. Completion of ENGL 161 and ENGL 162 fulfills the requirement for freshman composition at Lorain County Community College.

CCP COLLEGE COMPOSITION 162**Code: #CCPENGL162****Length: Semester****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: Meet LCCC
Criteria/CCP 161**

College Composition 162 continues to build on the foundational writing skills offered in CCP 161, as well as exposure and implementation of strategies for argumentation and secondary research leading to an extensive research paper suitable for publication.

CREATIVE WRITING**Code: #033****Length: Semester****Credit: 0.5**

The goal of this semester-long course is to provide individualized instruction which allows students to sharpen their writing skills. Students will complete a portfolio of written work through independent writing, group work, and writing conferences with the instructor. Not only will students read works by published writers, but also the written work of their peers in various stages of drafting with the opportunity to provide meaningful and constructive feedback.

FILM APPRECIATION**Code: #049****Length: Semester****Credit: 0.5**

Students will examine and study notable works of film throughout the history of motion pictures. They will be required to note the important features and techniques used in creating these works of art. Students will become familiar with the different aspects of film vocabulary and conventions to better understand the art. Assessments will include presentations, research papers and essay analysis.

JOURNALISM AND YEARBOOK**Code: #075****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisites: Faculty
Recommendation**

This elective course develops fundamental journalism skills in writing, graphics, and layout. Students learn how to write news stories, profiles, and captions and develop basic photography and videography skills. Advanced graphic editing software is used: Adobe Premiere Pro, Adobe Photoshop, and Yearbook Avenue. Gaining competency in these areas ultimately allows for the organization, editing, and production of Elyria Catholic's yearbook, ECHO. Students are required to meet regular deadlines, promote the yearbook, and pitch/sell advertisements. These experiences allow them to develop important transferable skills applicable in college and future careers.

JOURNALISM AND YEARBOOK II

Code: #076

Length: Year

Credit: 1

**Prerequisites: Faculty
Recommendation**

Building on the foundational skills acquired in Yearbook/Journalism I, this advanced course delves deeper into the art of journalism and yearbook creation, with a primary focus on editing and mentorship. Students must have successfully completed Yearbook/Journalism I as a prerequisite.

In Yearbook/Journalism II, students will acquire advanced editing skills including layout design and content organization and mentorship skills by providing guidance to Yearbook/Journalism I students through yearbook/journalism editorial roles. Students will hone their effective communication strategies in their editorial roles through giving constructive feedback to Yearbook/Journalism I students. They will develop leadership by taking initiative in project planning (page concepts and topics for journalism articles) and will foster a sense of team collaboration through their mentorship.

Christian Symbolism in the Works of J.R.R. Tolkien & Fantasy Literature

Code: 052

Length: Year

Credits 1

Prerequisite: None

Christian Symbolism in the Works of J.R.R. Tolkien is an English Elective that will explore how Tolkien's faith influenced his writing of *The Lord of the Rings*. Christian Symbols and parallels to the life of Christ will be at the heart of study for this course. Students will also reflect on their own faith and relationships with peers and God through their reading, journaling, class discussions, group discussions and various assignments & projects.

There will be an emphasis on ELA Standards relating to Symbolism and Characterization including, but not limited to:

RL 9-10.3	RL 11-12.2
RL.9-10.9	RL 11-12.12
RL 9-10.10	RL 11-12.3
W 9-10.1	W 11-12.1

Note: While there is no prerequisite for this course, there will be a considerable amount of reading.

FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Prerequisites</u>
<u>DRAMATIC ARTS</u>		
Intro to Theatre Tech	9, 10	
Theatre Tech and Stagecraft	10, 11, 12	Intro to Theater Tech
Theater I	9, 10, 11, 12	
Theater II	9, 10, 11, 12	
Musical Theater	9, 10, 11, 12	
Broadcasting I*	11, 12	
Broadcasting II*	11, 12	
<u>MUSICAL ARTS</u>		
Concert Choir	9, 10, 11, 12	
History of Rock I*	9, 10, 11, 12	
Practical Music*	9, 10, 11, 12	
Piano I	9, 10, 11, 12	
Guitar	9, 10, 11, 12	
Marching Band	9, 10, 11, 12	
Concert Band	9, 10, 11, 12	
<u>VISUAL ARTS</u>		
Introduction to Art	9, 10	
Applied Arts	11, 12	
Art I	9, 10, 11, 12	
Art II/with Digital Art	10, 11, 12	Art I
Art III/ AP Studio Art/2DDrawing	11, 12	Intro to Art/Intro to photoshop
Art IV/ AP Studio Art/2D Drawing	12	Teacher Recommendation
Intro to Photoshop/Illustrator	10, 11, 12	Teacher Recommendation

*Will not count as performing art credits.

DRAMATIC ARTS

INTRO TO THEATRE TECH

Code: #848A

Credit 0.5

Semester (Fall)

Intro to Theatre Tech will introduce students to the fundamental skills of producing a theatrical production. Scenery, props, costumes, makeup and stage management will be explored as well as the marketing aspects needed to have a successful staged musical or play. Using script analysis, students will understand and apply the creative process used behind the scenes.

THEATRE TECH AND STAGECRAFT

Code: # 848

Credit 0.5

Semester (Spring)

Theatre Tech Stagecraft introduces students to a practical approach to technical and production aspects. Students learn the skills needed to construct scenery, design lights, and implement a sound system. Students are trained in the basic usage of tools, and lumber. Students will play an active role in the current mainstage production. The final project is the selection and analysis of a play and the design of a scale model.

MUSICAL THEATER

Code: #854

Credit 0.5

Length: Semester

Musical Theater will explore the evolution and history of musical theatre. Additionally, students will learn how to select appropriate audition materials, basic dance footwork and choreography needed for musical theatre involvement. Students will also learn how a musical theatre production makes it to stage. The studying and analyzing of major musical theater works will lead to a deeper appreciation of theatre, dance, and music. Field trips will be taken, when available and possible.

THEATER I

Code: #818B

Credit: 0.5

Length: Semester

Theatre I will provide students a basis for multiple methods of communications in preparing them for theatre production. Students will learn the theory of communication along with verbal and non-verbal elements when speaking. Students will study the verbal and non-verbal theatre conventions through acting projects. They will also be introduced to composition in set design, production jobs in theatre, and directing.

THEATRE II

Code: #828B

Credit 0.5

Semester

Theatre II allows students to explore various acting techniques through research and application, as well as develop improvisational skill, critique plays, develop characters, analyze scripts, prepare for auditions, and direct. Class instruction is performance and application based with a series of proficient student directed performances. **MAX 18**

MUSICAL ARTS

CONCERT CHOIR

Code: #876

Credit: 0.5

Length: Semester

Concert Choir is designed to help students develop their vocal technique, regardless of previous level of experience. No previous experience singing in a choir is necessary to join the class. A variety of music styles will be learned and performed by the students at the Christmas and Spring concerts. Students will sing as a member of an ensemble, but will have the opportunity to sing solos or in small groups based on student interest. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in the Lorain County and/or O.M.E.A. Solo and Ensemble Contests as a soloist or member of a small ensemble and the Great Lakes Conference Honors Choir.

HISTORY OF ROCK I

Code: #869

Credit 0.5

Length: Semester

Students learn the history and evolution of rock 'n' roll. Music will cover from the 1940's-1960's. The class will include analyzing music and its influence, learning the history surrounding the musicians and their music and what makes rock 'n' roll different from other music. Opportunities for field trips may include the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. **This course does not count as a performing art credit, but as an elective.**

PRACTICAL MUSIC**Code: #872****Credit 0.5****Length: Semester**

Students learn how to use music when they don't play an instrument or engage in recreational music making. The class will teach the science and psychology of music and its effects on us and its benefits, including improved memory, decreased anxiety, decreased depression and more. Students will analyze their daily lives and how music can fit into it with the assistance of a board-certified music therapist. **This course does not count as a performing art credit, but as an elective.**

PIANO I**Code: #899****Credit: 0.5****Length: Semester**

Piano I is open to all students at Elyria Catholic High School who are interested in learning how to play the piano. This class will start at a beginner's level and walk each student through reading music and basic piano technique. The semester culminates in a recital of all piano students.

GUITAR**Code: #867****Credit: 0.5****Length: Semester**

Guitar class is open to all students at Elyria Catholic High School who are interested in learning how to play the guitar. This class will start at a beginner's level and walk each student through reading music and basic guitar technique such as: strumming patterns, chords, and finger picking. There will be plenty of opportunities for students to showcase their progress to the class with a song of their choosing. The semester culminates in a recital with all guitar students.

MARCHING BAND**Code: #894****Credit: 0.5****Length: Semester**

The Panther Marching Band of Spirit performs a variety of music at both school and community-related events. These events include football games, pep rallies, a Christmas concert, parades, and other special events. Some of these events are held outside of the semester. Marching Band meets daily during the school day and after school every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday during football season to learn music and drills- times are adjusted towards the end of the season for the Christmas concert and music theory. Students registering for Marching Band will be required to participate in camp held in early August. A \$100 fee will be added to supplement the purchase of supplies such as t shirts, polos, and a bag.

CONCERT BAND**Code: #892****Credit: 0.5****Length: Semester**

Students in Concert Band come from a variety of skill levels. Concert Band performs a wide variety of music including show tunes, marches, traditional concert band repertoire and today's original works. This group performs for school events, including the winter and spring concerts, and Commencement. Students also have the opportunity to attend the Lorain County and/or O.M.E.A. Solo and Ensemble Contest as a soloist or member of a small ensemble.

BROADCASTING I/II

Code: #086A/086B

Credit: 0.5

Length: Semester

Students will learn the process of creating video packages for publication in various formats including Live Stream, DVD, internet, and YouTube. Students will learn to produce a video from start to finish. Students will create scripts, use cameras correctly, record the event, and use Adobe Premiere post production. They will be introduced to production technology, including the New Tech Tri-Caster in order to produce professional quality productions. **This course does not count as a performing art credit, but as an elective.**

VISUAL ARTS

INTRO TO ART

Code: #821

Credit: 0.5

Length: Semester

This course will introduce students to principles of design and elements of art. Foundational drawing skills will be introduced which includes: artistic techniques, value, positive/negative space, linear perspective and portraits. Painting and color theory will be included. Brief 3D ceramics and sculpture will be investigated. Art projects will have undertones of famous artists and eras.

APPLIED ARTS

Code: #810

Credit: 0.5

Length: Semester

Applying Art to life, 2D/3D designs with emphasis on improving drawing, painting, crafting techniques, and observation skills. Students will create artworks that demonstrate understanding of materials, processes, tools, media, techniques and composition. Family traditions and cultures will be explored. Students will use the elements of art and the principles of composition and design to communicate their ideas in a variety of visual forms.

ART I

Code: #801

Credit: 1

Length: Year

Students will explore the following areas of study: art history, elements and principles of design, linear perspective, drawing in a variety of media, color theory, portraiture, vector and raster software, figure drawing and basic ceramics. Students will learn technical art skills and artistic processes with a wide variety of mediums. (Concentration on Drawing, Painting, 2D and printmaking) Written artist statements will accompany all final art projects, group critiques and individual artist focus/style will aid creativity. Weekly drawing homework and work outside of class will be expected. Students will complete a portfolio of six pieces, at least.

ART II/DIGITAL ART

Code: #802

Credit: 1

Length: Year

Prerequisite: Art I, Intro to Photoshop or Intro to Art

Students will explore the following areas of study: art history, art critique, explore all the principles of design, illustrations, digital art, painting in a variety of paints, advanced ceramics/sculpture and advanced drawing. Students will continue to develop their personal style. Written artist statements will accompany all final art projects, group critiques and individual artist focus/style will aid creativity. Weekly drawing homework and work outside of class will be expected. Students will complete a portfolio of eight pieces, at least.

ART III / AP STUDIO ART/2D DRAWING**Code: #803AP****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: Teacher Rec.**

The AP Studio Art Program consists of three portfolio exams—2-D Design, 3-D Design, and Drawing—corresponding to the college foundation courses. Portfolios allow flexibility of coursework while guiding students to produce college-level quality, sustained investigation, and selected artworks. The Drawing portfolio addresses issues such as line quality, light and shade, rendering of form, composition, surface manipulation, the illusion of depth, and “mark-making. Drawing (analog and digital), painting, printmaking, and mixed media work are among the possibilities for submission. Still images from videos or films are accepted. Composite images may be submitted. Portfolios are evaluated based on standardized scoring descriptors aligned with skills and understanding developed in college foundation courses. Students will participate in oral critiques and artist statements consisting of materials, processes and ideas. At the end of the course they must have a portfolio of 15 sustained investigation pieces and 5 selected works. Students are to keep an art journal. Summer work is required. AP exam fee is \$100.00. All students must submit an AP portfolio ART IV / AP

ART IV / AP STUDIO ART/2D DRAWING**Code: #804AP****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: Teacher Rec.**

The AP Studio Art Program consists of three portfolio exams—2-D Design, 3-D Design, and Drawing—corresponding to the college foundation courses. Portfolios allow flexibility of coursework while guiding students to produce college-level quality, sustained investigation, and selected artwork. This portfolio is designated for work that focuses on the use of two-dimensional (2-D) elements and principles of art and design, including point, line, shape, plane, layer, form, space, texture, color, value, opacity, transparency, time, unity, variety, rhythm, movement, proportion, scale, balance, emphasis, contrast, repetition, figure/ground relationship, connection, juxtaposition, and hierarchy. Students should consider how materials, processes, and ideas could be used to make work that exists on a flat surface. Students will participate in oral critiques and artist statements consisting of materials, processes and ideas. At the end of the course they must have a portfolio of 15 sustained investigation pieces and 5 selected works. Students are to keep an art journal. Summer work is required. AP exam fee is \$100.00. All students must submit an AP portfolio.

INTRODUCTION TO PHOTOSHOP/ILLUSTRATOR ***Code: #825****Length: Semester****Credit: 0.5**

Students will learn the components Photoshop to utilize photography and manipulation of digital images as a means of artistic expression. Topics will include cropping, resizing, color adjustment, retouching, clipping, layering, technology as a drawing tool and fonts. Class requirements: A digital camera (can be a camera phone)

HEALTH / PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Courses

Grades

Health	9
Physical Education	9, 10
Lifetime Personal Fitness	10, 11, 12
Lifetime Recreational Activities	12
Strength in Faith: High School Weightlifting	9, 10, 11, 12

Physical Education Waiver Guidelines

Students who complete two (2) seasons of school-sponsored and approved activities (interscholastic athletics, marching band, or cheerleading) have the option of waiving the physical education requirement for graduation.

Students will not receive credit for these activities; they still need all the required credits for graduation, including their elective credits. With this option however, students may take other electives in place of physical education.

Credit Flex for Physical Education Credit

Earning credit for Physical Education is also available through the Credit Flex program. Students who are interested in this option should consult the Elyria Catholic website for additional information.

HEALTH

Code: #910

Credit: 0.5

Length: Semester

This course is concerned with the students acquiring the knowledge necessary to make responsible decisions regarding their total health. Incorporated into the presentation of body structure, functions, and disorders are the influences of the physical, social, mental, and spiritual aspects of total well-being.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Code: #920

Credit: 0.25

Length: Semester

This course is concerned with the skill development of the student and implementing more advanced strategies in individual and team activities. The student who is unable to participate will actively perform a constructive function based on the extent of the limitation.

LIFETIME PERSONAL FITNESS

Code: #923

Credit: 0.25

Length: Semester

The purpose of this course is to: (a) acquire knowledge of physical fitness concepts, (b) understand the influence of lifestyle on health and fitness, and (c) begin to develop an optimal level of fitness through various fitness activities such as weight training, aerobics, and self-defense. Students will evaluate their own fitness levels and discover ways to improve them. Upon completion of the class, students will have a respect for all aspects of fitness and be able to design a program to meet their own personal fitness needs.

LIFETIME RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES**Code: #931****Credit: 0.25****Length: Semester**

This course provides an opportunity for upperclassmen to continue participation in lifetime sports and recreational activities. There will be an emphasis on individual and team activities. Students are responsible for participation fees in some outside activities.

STRENGTH IN FAITH: HIGH SCHOOL WEIGHTLIFTING**Code: #914****Credit: 0.25****Length: Semester**

This high school weightlifting class focuses on building physical strength while fostering spiritual growth through Christian values. Students will learn proper lifting techniques, develop personalized fitness programs, and explore the importance of discipline, perseverance, and teamwork—values rooted in Christian teachings.

MATHEMATICS

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Prerequisites</u>
Algebra I	9	Department Recommendation
Honors Algebra I (W)	9	Department Recommendation
Geometry	9,10	Department Recommendation
Honors Geometry (W)	9, 10	Department Recommendation
Algebra II	10, 11	Department Recommendation
Honors Algebra II (W)	10, 11	Department Recommendation
Algebra III	12	Department Recommendation
Probability & Statistics	11, 12	Department Recommendation
Introduction to College Algebra	12	Department Recommendation
AP Pre-Calculus (W)	11, 12	Department Recommendation
AP Calculus AB (W)	12	Department Recommendation

Typical Math Sequences

Algebra I	➡	Geometry	➡	Algebra II	➡	Algebra III
Algebra I	➡	Geometry	➡	Algebra II	➡	Intro to College Algebra/ Probability & Statistics
Algebra I	➡	Geometry	➡	Honors Algebra II	➡	AP Pre-Calculus (W)
Honors Algebra I	➡	Honors Geometry	➡	Honors Algebra II	➡	AP Pre-Calculus (W)
Honors Algebra I	➡	Honors Geometry & Honors Algebra II	➡	AP Pre-Calculus (W)	➡	AP Calculus AB
Geometry	➡	Algebra II	➡	Intro to College Algebra/ Probability & Statistics	➡	AP Pre-Calculus (W)
Honors Geometry	➡	Honors Algebra II	➡	AP Pre-Calculus (W)	➡	AP Calculus AB

Please Note:

1. Initial placement is made with reference to standardized test scores and previous math class grades.
2. Changes in the sequences of courses may be made with the approval of the Mathematics Department. For example, a student enrolled in Honors Algebra I as a freshman may, if approved, take both Honors Geometry and Honors Algebra II as a sophomore in order to enroll in AP Calculus as a senior.
3. The use of calculator technology is an integral part of each course. The use of calculators on tests and quizzes remains at the discretion of the instructor.

ALGEBRA I**Code: #211****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

This course encompasses such topics as first and second degree equations, graphing, linear functions, ratio and proportions, and many other topics which will help the student recognize the importance of mathematics. He/she will master algebraic skills needed to solve problems dealing with a variety of mathematical and science-related situations. Scientific calculators are required technology for all students.

HONORS ALGEBRA I (W)**Code: #210****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

This course emphasizes the theoretical and logical study of the structure of mathematical ideas in solving problems ranging from everyday applications to the sciences. The student will apply algebraic skills and concepts to various problem-solving situations. Material will be covered at a faster pace in order to better prepare the student for advanced mathematics and science courses. Scientific calculators are required technology for all students.

GEOMETRY**Code: #221****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

This course includes both plane and solid geometry topics and poses a challenge to the student to reason deductively and to think logically. The formal proof method is taught, but greater emphasis is placed on the application of concepts so that the student can apply these concepts to the work-a-day world. Scientific calculators are required technology for all students.

HONORS GEOMETRY (W)**Code: #220****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

Topics in both plane geometry and solid geometry will be discussed, emphasizing deductive reasoning and logical reasoning. The student will be expected to master material at a faster pace. More emphasis will be placed on the structure of the mathematical system and on logical deduction and proof. Scientific calculators are required technology for all students.

ALGEBRA II**Code: #231****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

This course is necessary for the development of more advanced mathematical skills and concepts. Effort will be made to deepen the student's understanding of the structure of the real and complex number systems. Topics covered include linear, quadratic, exponential, and logarithmic functions, polynomial and rational expressions, systems of equations and inequalities, complex numbers, and problem-solving. **Graphing calculators are required technology. The TI-84 Plus is used for instruction.**

HONORS ALGEBRA II (W)

Code: #230

Length: Year

Credit: 1

**Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

This course will emphasize the logical and analytical method in mathematics. Every effort will be made to develop the student's mathematical maturity and problem-solving techniques. Some of the topics covered include functions, complex numbers, exponential and logarithmic functions, and trigonometric functions. **Graphing calculators are required technology. The TI-84 Plus is used for instruction.**

ALGEBRA III

Code: #241

Length: Year

Credit: 1

**Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

Students will continue their study of algebraic concepts and skills. Students will explore logarithmic functions, complex numbers, and conics. Skills involving factoring, rational expressions, exponential functions, and problem solving will be mastered. Students will also explore personal finance concepts applicable to real life scenarios including loans, interests, and taxes.

PROBABILITY & STATISTICS

Code: #248

Length: Semester

Credit: 0.5

**Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

This course will offer the student a practical approach to methods of displaying and interpreting data. The student will learn how to “fit” lines and curves and will explore measurement, probability, statistics and simulation. This course may be taken alone or in combination with Introduction to College Algebra. Students are encouraged to have a graphing calculator. **The TI-84 Plus is used for instruction.**

INTRODUCTION TO COLLEGE ALGEBRA

Code: #254

Length: Semester

Credit: 0.5

**Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

This course will offer the student a thorough development of relations and functions. Topics include the analysis of polynomial, absolute value, rational, root, exponential and logarithmic functions. Piecewise-defined functions, inverses of functions and composition of functions will also be featured. **Graphing calculators are required technology. The TI-84 Plus is used for instruction.**

AP PRE-CALCULUS (W)

Code: #240AP

Length: Year

Credit: 1

**Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

AP Precalculus prepares students for other college-level mathematics and science courses. Through regular practice, students build deep mastery of modeling and functions, and they examine scenarios through multiple representations. The course framework delineates content and skills common to college precalculus courses that are foundational for careers in mathematics, physics, biology, health science, social science, and data science. **Graphing calculators are required technology. The TI-84 Plus is used for instruction.**

AP CALCULUS AB (W)

Code: #246

Length: Year

Credit: 1

**Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

This study of differential calculus of one variable discusses the topics of limits, continuity, techniques of differentiation, and applications of derivatives. The course continues with the study of the definite integral and its applications, calculus of transcendental functions, and techniques of integration. Upon completion the student may elect to take the AB portion of the AP Calculus Test. **Graphing calculators are required technology. The TI-84 Plus is used for instruction.**

SCIENCE

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Prerequisites</u>
Physical Science	9, 10	
Biology	10	
Honors Biology (W)	9	Department recommendation
ELECTIVE SCIENCES		
Applied Science & Technology	9, 10, 11, 12	
Engineering I	10, 11, 12	
Engineering II	11, 12	Engineering I
Engineering III	11, 12	Engineering I & II
ADVANCED SCIENCES		
Chemistry	10, 11, 12	C in current Science and Math
Honors Chemistry (W)	10, 11	A in Biology and Algebra I, or B in Honors Biology and Honors Math
Environmental Science	11, 12	Department recommendation
Forensic Science	12	Department recommendation
Physics	11, 12	C in Chemistry and current Math, enrolled in Algebra II
Honors Physics (W)	11, 12	A in Chemistry and Math, or B in Honors Chemistry and Honors Math, enrolled in Algebra II/Honors
Human Anatomy & Physiology	11, 12	B in Biology, C in Chemistry
AP Biology (W) (2025-2026)	11, 12	B in Chemistry, Biology, Algebra II; Physics recommended
AP Chemistry (W) (2026-2027)	11, 12	B in Chemistry and Algebra II; Physics recommended

Typical Science Sequence

Physical Science ► Biology ► Environmental Science ► Chemistry or Forensic Science

Physical Science ► Biology ► Chemistry ► Forensic Science or Physics or Human Anatomy & Physiology or Environmental Science or AP Biology or AP Chemistry

Biology (2024-2025) ► Physical Science ► Chemistry ► Forensic Science or Environmental Science or Physics or Human Anatomy & Physiology

Honors Biology ► Chemistry ► Physics or Honors Physics ► Human Anatomy&Physiology
Honors Chemistry or Human Anatomy & Physiology or AP Biology or AP Chemistry

Please Note:

1. All courses require department recommendation
2. Initial placement is made with reference to standardized test scores, previous science class grades, and math placement.
3. AP Chemistry and AP Biology are offered on alternating years. AP Chemistry will be offered in 2026-2027 and AP Biology will be offered 2025-2026.
4. With department approval students may take 2 science classes junior and/or senior year.

***Students enrolled in Advanced Placement (AP) courses are required to take the AP Exams at the end of the year.**

PHYSICAL SCIENCE**Code: #302C****Credit: 1****Length: Year**

Physical science introduces students to key concepts and theories that provide a foundation for further study in other sciences and advanced science disciplines. Physical science comprises the systematic study of the physical world as it relates to fundamental concepts about matter, energy and motion. A unified understanding of phenomena in physical, living, Earth and space systems is the culmination of all previously learned concepts related to chemistry, physics, and Earth and space science, along with historical perspective and mathematical reasoning.

BIOLOGY**Code: #321****Credit: 1****Length: Year**

Biology is a course that includes inquiry-based laboratory experiences that engage students in asking valid scientific questions and gathering and analyzing information. This course investigates the composition, diversity, complexity and interconnectedness of life on Earth. Fundamental concepts of heredity and evolution provide a framework through inquiry-based instruction to explore the living world, the physical environment and the interactions within and between them. Students engage in investigations to understand and explain the behavior of living things in a variety of scenarios that incorporate scientific reasoning, analysis, communication skills and real-world applications.

HONORS BIOLOGY (W)**Code: #325****Credit: 1****Length: Year****Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

Honors Biology is designed for the above average freshmen who would benefit from an accelerated science program. This course encourages students to think creatively and develop problem solving skills. The same topics covered in Biology will be addressed in this course with greater depth. Biology is a course that includes inquiry-based laboratory experiences that engage students in asking valid scientific questions and gathering and analyzing information. This course investigates the composition, diversity, complexity and interconnectedness of life on Earth. Fundamental concepts of heredity and evolution provide a framework through inquiry-based instruction to explore the living world, the physical environment and the interactions within and between them. Students engage in investigations to understand and explain the behavior of living things in a variety of scenarios that incorporate scientific reasoning, analysis, communication skills and real-world applications.

CHEMISTRY**Code: #331****Credit: 1****Length: Year****Prerequisite: C in current
Science and Math,
Department Recommendation**

Chemistry introduces students to key concepts and theories that provide a foundation for further study in other sciences as well as advanced science disciplines. Chemistry comprises a systematic study of the predictive physical interactions of matter and subsequent events that occur in the natural world. The study of matter through the exploration of classification, its structure and its interactions is how this course is organized. Investigations are used to understand and explain the behavior of matter in a variety of inquiry and design scenarios that incorporate scientific reasoning, analysis, communication skills and real-world applications. An understanding of leading theories and how they have informed current knowledge prepares students with higher order cognitive capabilities of evaluation, prediction and application.

HONORS CHEMISTRY (W)**Code: #330****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: A in Biology and Algebra I or B in Honors Biology and Honors Math, Department Recommendation**

Honors Chemistry is designed for the above average student who would benefit from an accelerated science program. The same topics covered in Chemistry will be addressed in this course with greater depth. Chemistry introduces students to key concepts and theories that provide a foundation for further study in other sciences as well as advanced science disciplines. Chemistry comprises a systematic study of the predictive physical interactions of matter and subsequent events that occur in the natural world. The study of matter through the exploration of classification, its structure and its interactions is how this course is organized. Investigations are used to understand and explain the behavior of matter in a variety of inquiry and design scenarios that incorporate scientific reasoning, analysis, communication skills and real-world applications. An understanding of leading theories and how they have informed current knowledge prepares students with higher order cognitive capabilities of evaluation, prediction and application.

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**Code: #360****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: Department Recommendation**

Environmental science incorporates biology, chemistry, physics and physical geology and introduces students to key concepts, principles and theories within environmental science. Investigations are used to understand and explain the behavior of nature in a variety of inquiry and design scenarios that incorporate scientific reasoning, analysis, communication skills and real-world applications.

FORENSIC SCIENCE**Code: #347****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: Department Recommendation**

In this elective science course, students will have the opportunity to explore scientific principles while analyzing physical evidence from crime scenes and examining case studies. Students will evaluate data, draw logical conclusions, and formulate probable solutions. Technology will be utilized to evaluate crime scenes and communicate the results. Forensic science integrates concepts from chemistry, physics, biology, earth science, and anatomy.

PHYSICS**Code: #341****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: C in Chemistry and Math, Enrolled in or completed Algebra II, Department Recommendation**

Physics elaborates on the study of the key concepts of motion, forces and energy as they relate to increasingly complex systems and applications that will provide a foundation for further study in science and scientific literacy. Physics requires an understanding of algebraic and trigonometric functions. Students engage in investigations to understand and explain motion, forces and energy in a variety of inquiry and design scenarios that incorporate scientific reasoning, analysis, communication skills and real-world applications.

HONORS PHYSICS (W)**Code: #343****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: A in Chemistry and Math or B in Honors Chemistry and Honors Math, Enrolled/completed Algebra II/Honors, Department Recommendation**

Honors Physics is designed for the above average student who would benefit from an accelerated science program. The same topics covered in Physics will be addressed in this course with greater depth. Physics elaborates on the study of the key concepts of motion, forces and energy as they relate to increasingly complex systems and applications that will provide a foundation for further study in science and scientific literacy. Honors Physics requires an understanding of algebraic and trigonometric functions. Students engage in investigations to understand and explain motion, forces and energy in a variety of inquiry and design scenarios that incorporate scientific reasoning, analysis, communication skills and real-world applications.

HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY**Code: #365B****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: B in Biology, C in Chemistry, Department Recommendation**

Human Anatomy and Physiology comprises a systematic study in which students will examine human anatomy and physical functions. This course will explore the various organ systems of the human body, their structures and functions, and how organ systems interact to maintain homeostasis. Study of this course will be enhanced by laboratory explorations and required dissections. Students will analyze descriptive results of abnormal physiology and evaluate clinical consequences. A workable knowledge of medical terminology will be demonstrated. This course is recommended for students who have a strong interest in biological or medical fields.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT BIOLOGY (W)**Code: #327****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: B in Algebra II, Chemistry/Honors, B in Biology/Honors, Dept. Rec.**

Advanced Placement Biology is a college level biology course. This advanced course is intended for future science majors and pre-med students. This course is structured around the four big ideas articulated in the AP Biology curriculum framework provided by the College Board: evolution, cellular processes including energy and communication, genetics and information transfer, and interactions. Essential to this course is a conceptual understanding of science as a process rather than the accumulation of facts, the unifying themes in biology, application of biological knowledge, and critical thinking of environmental, social, and experimental concerns. Experience in scientific inquiry, inquiry-based laboratory work, and independent study will be a significant component of this course. Upon completion of this course, the student may elect to take the AP Biology exam.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CHEMISTRY (W)**Code: #333****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: B in Algebra II,
Chemistry/Honors, Department
Recommendation**

AP Chemistry is a college level chemistry course. This advanced course is intended for future science, engineering, and pre-medical students. This course is structured around the six big ideas articulated in the AP Chemistry curriculum framework provided by the College Board: structure of matter, properties of matter (characteristics, states, and forces of attraction), chemical reactions (including acid/base and redox reactions), kinetics, thermodynamics, and equilibrium. Laboratory work will be a significant part of the course, including a strong emphasis on scientific inquiry and data analysis. This rigor and pace of this class is consistent with college courses and students are expected to actively participate in class discussions, laboratory investigations, and online assignments associated with the textbook. Online summer assignments are required. Upon completion of this course, the student may elect to take the AP Chemistry exam.

APPLIED SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**Code: # 340****Length: Semester****Credit: 0.5**

The purpose of this course is to provide students with the maximum hands-on experience with the experimental equipment in Elyria Catholic High School's Maker Space Lab. This includes learning how to use, calibrate and maintain the equipment as well as producing digital artifacts. To that end, students will learn 3D modeling and Graphic Design.

ENGINEERING I**Code: # 353****Length: Semester****Credit: 0.5**

This will be a survey course looking at a wide range of engineering fields and subsequent educational and occupation opportunities. This course will focus on basic and intermediate learnings in varied disciplines along with real life applications and use of Maker Space Lab Equipment.

ENGINEERING II**Code: #353B****Length: Semester****Credit: 0.5****Prerequisite: Engineering I**

Engineering II is a continuation of the Engineering I class, with a focus on developing a more in-depth working knowledge of the engineering design process. To that end, students develop a project with the instructor that they can independently work towards over the course of the semester.

ENGINEERING III**Code: #353C****Length: Semester****Credit: 0.5****Prerequisite: Engineering I &
Engineering II**

Engineering III is a continuation of the Engineering II class. Students taking this class will be expected to use their skills and knowledge to develop a project benefitting the school.

SOCIAL STUDIES

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Prerequisites</u>
Modern World History	9	
United States History	10	
Honors United States History	10	A in Modern World History; Department Recommendation
American Government	11	
Honors American Government	11	A in United States History or B in Honors United States History; Department Recommendation
<u>Electives</u>		
AP United States History (W)	11, 12	Department Recommendation
AP U.S. Government & Politics (W)	12	Department Recommendation
Introduction to Psychology	11, 12	
Introduction to Sociology	11, 12	
CCP Introduction to Philosophy (W)	11, 12	LCCC Requirements
World Geography	9, 10	
Early American History	9, 10	

MODERN WORLD HISTORY

Code: #115

Credit: 1

Length: Year

This course is designed to help students gain an understanding of the development of the modern world through study of world history from the Enlightenment through present day as well as to prepare them for success in future social studies classes. The students will develop intellectual skills through class discussion, note taking, and writing assignments. The course emphasizes reading informational texts, analyzing historical sources, writing, and organizational skills.

UNITED STATES HISTORY

Code: #131

Credit: 1

Length: Year

This course examines the history of the United States of America from 1877 to the present. The federal republic has withstood challenges to its national security and expanded the rights and roles of its citizens. The episodes of its past have shaped the nature of the country today and prepared it to attend to the challenges of tomorrow. Understanding how these events came to pass and their meaning for today's citizens is the purpose of this course. The concepts of historical thinking introduced in earlier grades continue to build with students locating and analyzing primary and secondary sources from multiple perspectives to draw conclusions.

HONORS UNITED STATES HISTORY**Code: #131H****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: A in Modern
World History; Department
Recommendation**

This course examines a challenging and comprehensive history of the United States of America from 1877 to the present. Students in the honors class will be expected to challenge themselves academically and desire a rigorous course of study with more reading and writing. In this course, students will explore various facets of U.S. history. The federal republic has withstood challenges to its national security and expanded the rights and roles of its citizens. The episodes of its past have shaped the nature of the country today and prepared it to attend to the challenges of tomorrow. Understanding how these events came to pass and their meaning for today's citizens is the purpose of this course. As students examine each era of history, they will analyze primary sources and carefully research events to gain a clearer understanding of the factors that have shaped U.S. history.

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT**Code: #153****Length: Year****Credit: 1**

During the year of American Government, students will investigate the workings of the three branches of government. In addition, students will study the U.S. Constitution and its democratic safeguards in order to understand their civil liberties and rights guaranteed by the document. Other topics include state and local governments, economic principles, financial literacy, political parties, and the election process.

HONORS AMERICAN GOVERNMENT**Code: #153H****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: A in United States
History or B in Honors United
States History; Department
Recommendation**

A yearlong examination of government in America, both past and present, this course offers a challenging, comprehensive study of the U.S. Government and Politics, including a full look at the operation of the three branches of the federal government, and an investigation of federalism between national and regional levels of government, as are the forms and functions of state and local systems. This course also includes an in-depth study of how the Bill of Rights, other Amendments, and Supreme Court cases have advanced individual freedoms and civil rights. The course will include a student-led civic participation project. This course has a required summer assignment.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT UNITED STATES HISTORY**Code: #140****Credit: 1****Length: Year****Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

Advanced Placement United States History is a college-level class designed for self-motivated, high-achieving students who wish to study the course of U.S. history in greater depth and breadth. Original documents and opposing viewpoints of history are integrated into the program. Political, economic, social, religious, and cultural movements form the basis of reading and discussion. The course is "paced to finish," emphasizing critical reading, writing, analysis, and discussion. It prepares students to take the AP exam in U.S. History which can earn college credit. This course may be taken by eleventh and twelfth grade students as an elective following the successful completion of the U.S. History course.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

Code: #150

Length: Year

Credit: 1

**Prerequisite: Department
Recommendation**

Advanced Placement American Government and Politics is a college-level class designed for self-motivated, high-achieving students who wish to study the course of U.S. Government and Politics in greater depth and breadth. The course is “paced to finish,” emphasizing critical reading, writing, analysis, and discussion. It prepares students to take the AP exam in U.S. American Government and Politics which can earn college credit. The content of the course includes an in-depth study of 9 Foundational Documents, 14 landmark Supreme Court cases, and a full investigation of the Constitution. Cooperation between national and regional levels of government is explored, as are the forms and functions of state and local systems. This course may be taken by twelfth graders as an elective who have successfully completed the American Government course.

INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY

Code: #104

Length: Semester

Credit: 0.5

Introduction to Psychology is designed to introduce students to a behavioral science. The course will acquaint students with some of the major pioneers in psychological thought and their theories in areas such as emotions, behavior, and learning. These ideas will be a tool by which students will gain a better understanding of themselves and others.

INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

Code: #107

Length: Semester

Credit: 0.5

Introduction to Sociology is an elective course that studies human society and social behavior. Sociology teaches students to look at life in a scientific, systematic way. This course deals with the social atmosphere that helps to make us who we are and how we behave. Sociology will cover topics such as culture, violence, deviance, social control, socialization and personality, group behavior, social class, and social institutions. The key component of this course is to study ourselves and the society that influences our behavior.

CCP INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY (W)

Code: PHL Y 151G

Length: Semester

Credit: 1

**Prerequisite: Meet
LCCC criteria**

This College Credit Plus elective course is an introduction to philosophy. It is an investigation of life's deepest questions: What exists (Metaphysics)? What is the human person (Philosophical Anthropology)? How do we know things (Epistemology)? How should we live (Ethics)? This course will introduce the philosophical thought of thinkers throughout the ages (e.g. Socrates, Plato, Aristotle, St. Thomas Aquinas, Descartes, Kant, Nietzsche) and have students examine their own questions about life, the universe, and everything.

WORLD GEOGRAPHY**Code: 114****Credit: 0.5****Length: Semester**

World Geography is a Semester long elective class that studies physical geography and human geography. The World Geography course provides students with an analytical view of how geographic factors have an influence on human behavior. Students will examine how the physical and cultural geographic factors contribute to varying levels of cooperation within the major world regions. With Physical Geography we will study landforms, climates, and ecosystems. With Human Geography we will explore the cultural, economic, and political aspects of different regions.

EARLY AMERICAN HISTORY**Code: 125****Credit: 0.5****Length: Semester**

This Semester long class will explore American history from early Native American societies and the Age of Exploration through the Civil War era. This elective course will examine the early history of the United States, from the Colonial Era through Reconstruction and cover key historical events such as the American Revolution and the Civil War.

WORLD LANGUAGE

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Prerequisites</u>
Spanish I	9,10,11	Pre-EC: English grade B average, Math grade B average; 9th grade EC grades: English grade B average, Math grade B; Former Spanish Teacher Recommendation
Honors Spanish I (W)	9,10,11	Placement exam score and Department Recommendation, Former Spanish Teacher Recommendation
Spanish II	9,10,11,12	Spanish I, Former Spanish Teacher Recommendation from 1B, A average
Honors Spanish II (W)	9,10,11,12	Placement exam score and former Department Recommendation, Spanish I, A average, Honors Spanish I, B+ average
Spanish III	10,11,12	Spanish II, B+ average, Honors Spanish II B, Dept. Rec.
Honors Spanish III (W)	10,11,12	Spanish II A average, Honors Spanish II B+ average and Dept. Rec.
Spanish IV (W)	11, 12	Spanish III B+ average, Honors Spanish III B average, Dept. Rec.

Typical Foreign Language Sequences

Spanish I ➡ Spanish II ➡ Spanish III ➡ Spanish IV

Honors Spanish I ➡ Honors Spanish II ➡ Honors Spanish III ➡ Spanish IV

Please note: 1) A “B+” average is required for Level IV.

FINAL GRADES IN JUNE CAN OVERRIDE A TEACHER’S APPROVAL SIGNATURE FROM JANUARY.

- 1) In the event of a failing grade in Level I, it is recommended that a student not begin a new language until junior year or at teacher discretion.
- 2) Transfer students wishing to continue in a foreign language are required to take a placement examination.
- 3) Not all students will be allowed to begin in the 9th grade. Test scores will determine the starting point.

SPANISH I**Code: #401****Credit: 1****Length: Year****Prerequisites: Pre-EC: English grade B average, Math grade B average, 9th grade EC grades: English grade B average, Math grade B, Former Spanish Teacher Recommendation**

In Spanish I, the student receives instruction in listening, speaking, reading skills and writing skills. Conversation is stressed during class time. The student becomes aware of cultural diversity in the areas of social customs, food, sports, education. Basic grammar and vocabulary are presented.

HONORS SPANISH I (W)**Code:401H****Credit: 1****Length: Year****Prerequisites: Placement exam score, and Dept. Rec.
Former Spanish Teacher Rec.**

In Honors Spanish I, the student receives instruction in listening, speaking, reading skills and writing skills. Conversation is stressed during class time. The student becomes aware of cultural diversity in the areas of social customs, food, sports, education. Basic grammar and vocabulary are presented. A more in-depth approach of content and culture will be taken in regard to the performance objectives of Spanish I.

SPANISH II**Code: #402****Credit: 1****Length: Year****Prerequisites: Spanish I,
Former Spanish Teacher Rec.**

Spanish II consists of more intensive practice in listening, speaking, writing, and reading skills and learning vocabulary, grammar, and verb tenses.

HONORS SPANISH II (W)**Code: #402H****Credit: 1****Length: Year****Prerequisites: Placement exam score, and Dept. Rec.,
Spanish I: A Average,
Honors Spanish I: B+ Average**

Honors Spanish II consists of a more intensive practice in listening, speaking, writing, and reading skills and learning vocabulary, grammar and verb tenses. There will be more of an emphasis placed on conversation and student interaction. A more in-depth approach of content and culture will be taken in regard to the performance objectives of Spanish II.

SPANISH III**Code: #403****Credit: 1****Length: Year****Prerequisite: Spanish II: B+ average, Honors Spanish II: B average or Department\ Recommendation**

Spanish III reinforces previously learned grammar and verb tenses, as well as newly presented materials and vocabulary.

HONORS SPANISH III (W)**Code: #403H****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: Spanish II: A
average, Honors Spanish II: B+,
Department Recommendation**

Honors Spanish III reinforces previously learned grammar and verb tenses, as well as newly presented materials and vocabulary. The goal of increasing the four skills of listening, speaking, writing, and reading to an intermediate level will be emphasized throughout this course. This course goes beyond the performance objectives of Spanish III in regard to the extent of the content that is taught.

SPANISH IV**Code: #404****Length: Year****Credit: 1****Prerequisite: Spanish III B+
average, honors Spanish III B
average, and Department
Recommendation**

Spanish IV provides opportunities to gain deeper insights into the nature and structure of the Spanish language and to engage in the study of literature, history, geography, and culture of the Spanish-speaking countries. This class is strongly recommended for juniors who took Spanish III in their sophomore year and for seniors who do not plan on taking the Spanish AP test.

MULTIDISCIPLINARY

Course

Foods and Nutrition

Grades

11, 12

Prerequisites

FOODS AND NUTRITION

Code: #604

Credit: 0.5

Length: Semester

Students will gain knowledge and skills in acquiring and practicing a healthy lifestyle using the dietary guidelines. They will evaluate information related to food technology, nutrition and safety. Students assume the responsibility for meal planning, nutrition, time and resource management in the foods lab when preparing healthy foods. This class is a combination of lecture and food preparation.