FRESHMEN ELECTIVE – COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

BASIC ART
Course: ART101/ART102  Grade Level: 9-12  YEAR / 1.0 credit  Credit Area: Art/CTE
This course will focus on career explorations of designs and professional productions of art. Art elements and principles will be the main focus of this course. Design concepts for appreciating art or using techniques to make art more effective will be demonstrated and used for the premise of learning. Differing mediums of Pencil, Ink, Water/Acrylic/Painting, Charcoal, Pastels, and Pen are a few of the 2-Dimensional tools used for this process.

3D DESIGN
Course: ART105/ART106  Grade Level: 9-12  YEAR / 1.0 credit  Credit Area: Art/CTE
In this course you will be creating 2 and 3 dimensional sculpture art using pyrography, intarsia, metal smith, steam punk, and crafting techniques. You will be exploring your own creativity and should have a "thinking outside the box" attitude. You will work independently to create sculptures in Paper, metal, wood, polymer clay, and variety of found materials. You will use proportion to create emphasis, balance, and unity into each project. You will transform old and found objects into your works of art. You will have a variety of materials to select from wood, metal, polymer clay, and found objects. You will work collaboratively to make artistic decisions and select products in which you will display your artwork in an organized and engaging manner.

CERAMICS
Course: ART220/ART221  Grade Level: 9-12  YEAR / 1.0 credit  Credit Area: Art/CTE
Students will research careers in professional productions in art fields of ceramic to gather data of income of range skills necessary to earn a profit and create a personal investigation work book/career journal to compare the data. Hand building techniques pinch pot, coiling, slab work will be the main premise for learning. Differing glaze applications will be demonstrated before the final low firings.

STAINED GLASS
Course: ART301/ART302  Grade Level: 9-12  YEAR / 1.0 credit  Credit Area: Art/CTE
Students will research different pathways in the professional productions of stain glass or glass fusion art field to gather career data and necessary skills to earn a profit and create a personal portfolio. Students will be introduced to basic stained glass techniques and safety procedures before beginning a project. Cutting, scoring glass, breaking, sand blasting, foiling, grinding, soldering, framing, and wax coating techniques will be demonstrated and used for the premise of learning.

BEAD & WIRE JEWELRY
Course: ART402/ART403  Grade Level: 9-12  YEAR / 1.0 credit  Credit Area: Art/CTE
Students will explore and understand jewelry design and business opportunities within the jewelry industry. Students will demonstrate their knowledge by creating a working portfolio. Students will be introduced to terminology, techniques and safety procedures before they begin each jewelry projects. Metal smith techniques will be the main focus. Sawing, soldering, filing, sanding, fusion, wire wrap, and beading will be the premise of learning.

BAND
Course: MUS101/MUS102  Grade Level: 9-12  YEAR / 1.0 credit  Credit Area: Art
Prerequisite: Some Band Experience, permission from instructor
The class is a performance-based class. There are 3 areas of the band that all students take part in; Concert Band, Marching Band, and Pep Band. Concert Band is our focal point. All the activities revolve around Concert Band. Marching Band has two seasons. Pep Band performs at all basketball games, both boys and girls until they are over. 1st quarter is mostly marching band (Scottie Uniform), 2nd & 3rd quarter is mainly concert band (Black and White), 4th Quarter is both Marching Band and Concert Band.
JAZZ ENSEMBLE
Course: MUS301 Grade Level: 9-12 YEAR / 0.5 credit Credit Area: Art
Prerequisite: Must Be In Concert Band; by audition only
The class is a performance-based class. Concert Band is our focal point. All the activities revolve around Concert Band. To be in Jazz Band you must be in Concert Band. All students must be cleared by the director to be a part of this class. There are at least 2-3 Jazz performances, and 1 contest per year. Class meets zero period each day and starts at 7:00 am.

CHOIR
Course: MUS304/MUS305 Grade Level: 9-12 YEAR / 1.0 credit Credit Area: Art
Chorus courses develop student’s vocal skills within the context of a large choral ensemble in which they can perform a variety of styles. These courses are designed to develop student’s vocal techniques and their ability to sing parts.

MICROSOFT ACADEMY II
Course: BUS211 Grade Level: 9-12 SEM / 0.5 credit Credit Area: CTE
Students will learn the practical applications of Advanced Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook. Students will learn proper procedures when creating documents suitable for coursework, professional purposes and personal use. Microsoft Professional Certifications and up to 2-12 YVC credits can be earned.

AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES
Course: AGR104/AGR105 Grade Level: 9-12 YEAR / 1.0 credit Credit Area: CTE/Science
This course is designed to introduce students to the global agriculture industry, leadership skills, and opportunities available to students in agriculture. Topics covered by this class will include agriculture history and economics, animal science, plant science, agricultural equipment operation, natural resource management, and the National FFA Organization. FFA Membership is highly recommended as several activities associated with this class require FFA membership.

BEGINNING WOODS
Course: AGR196 Grade Level: 9-12 SEM / 0.5 credit Credit Area: CTE/Art
Woodshop is for those students who like to build things out of wood. Students will learn to use wood equipment and construct several projects that they will be able to take with them. If you are interested in Engineering or the Construction Trades, want to learn how to build stuff, or just want to get out of the classroom, Woodshop is a class you should take. FFA membership is provided (no cost) and students will have the opportunity to participate in FFA activities.

BEGINNING METALS
Course: AGR250 Grade Level: 9-12 SEM / 0.5 credit Credit Area: CTE/Art
Metal shop is for students who want to learn how to weld and make things using metal. Students will learn to use Arc and MIG welders and other metal equipment to construct projects and test welds. If you are interested in Engineering, Metalworking, or the Construction Trades, or just have the shop as your classroom, Metal shop is a class you should take. FFA membership is provided (no cost) and students will have the opportunity to participate in FFA activities.

BODY FITNESS
Course: PHY110 or PHY111 Grade Level: 9-12 SEM / 0.5 credit Credit Area: PE
This course focuses on 5 components of fitness: Cardio Respiratory Endurance, Muscular Strength, Body Composition, Muscular Endurance, and Flexibility. Students will also work on skills, drills, rules and concepts of sport games and activities. Students’ grades will be based on participation, attitude, and behavior. Written assignments will be required as well.

SPANISH 1
Course: WLA103/WLA104 Grade Level: 9-11 YEAR / 1.0 credit Credit Area: World Language
Students will be introduced to the alphabet, the structure and phonics of the language. The student will learn vocabulary dealing with topics such as salutations, clothing, weather, food, furnishings, colors, numbers, emotions, animals, and classroom objects. All this material will be studied in both written and oral activities. The class is presented both in Spanish and English by the teacher to expose students to an intensive amount of native spoken Spanish. Students should be prepared to purchase a Spanish-English Dictionary and index cards. Students will also be asked to keep a Spanish-only 3-ring binder. Students must earn a passing grade in first semester in order to continue in the course.