

High School Courses

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Recommended Courses:

Pathways to Success – High School (Elective Credit)

Pathways to Success is a course designed to help the students learn important skills to be successful in both school and life including goal setting, study skills, dealing with the pressures that teens face, and planning for a future career. It also covers skills needed to navigate in the 21st Century including communication, Internet usage and safety, and digital citizenship.

Health – High School (Health Credit)

This semester-long high school course establishes patterns of behavior that help you achieve complete health. This is accomplished by having a balance of physical, mental, social, and emotional well-being. Developing a healthy body and a healthy mind paves the way for active, productive, and successful lives. All materials are provided online.

Computer Applications – (Computer Apps/Elective Credit)

Computer Applications is a comprehensive course to develop and apply basic skills in computer applications. Students will brush up on basic computer and keyboarding skills, and explore applications for documents, spreadsheets, and presentations. Students will also gain experience with online collaborative documents and presentations through Google Docs and Prezi (student required to secure their own free Google and Prezi accounts). This course will work for any version of Microsoft Office 2003-2010. Requirements: Microsoft Office (2003, 2007, or 2010) with Word, Excel and PowerPoint; Google account; Prezi account (<http://prezi.com>).

US History 10A (History Credit)

From the discovery of the New World, to the Pilgrims, through the Revolution and the War of 1812, this course charts early American history. Whether you like geography, military history, or those quirky little hats with buckles, this course has something for you! The course includes online readings, videos, online activities and presentations.

Speech (Speech Credit)

This course emphasizes the basic principles of effective communication and public speaking skills. Students will present speeches in several different genres (informative, persuasive, expository) and record a number of mini voice speeches as well. Assignments and activities will focus on Idaho Core standards and emphasize listening, speaking, viewing, collaborating, comprehending, presenting and attaining knowledge and ideas.

Other Courses of Interest:

Fashion & Interior Design (Elective Credit)

In this course, you'll explore what it is like to work in the industry by exploring career possibilities and the background that you need to pursue them. Get ready to try your hand at designing as you learn the basics of color and design then test your skills through hands-on projects. In addition, you'll develop the essential communication skills that build success in any business. By the end of the course, you'll be well on your way to developing the portfolio you need to get your stylishly clad foot in the door of this exciting field. Required: Access to a sewing machine is required.

Fundamentals of Health Professions (Elective Credit)

This one-semester course meets Idaho standards for PTE - Health Professions (not general health standards). Fundamentals of Health Professions introduces you to the healthcare industry by providing the background required for all jobs in healthcare and a basic understanding of human anatomy and physiology. The course serves as the prerequisite for students planning to enter the

CNA, basic EMT, pharmacy technology, or other healthcare programs. The skills learned in this course are transferable to many health occupations. Other topics include; anatomy & physiology, medical terminology, ethics and safety and industry leadership.

Intro to Law and Justice (Elective Credit)

This semester course is designed to introduce you to many of the key principles and ideas of the American criminal justice system. You will gain an understanding of the steps taken and decisions made in the investigation, accusation, trial, verdict, and sentencing of a criminal defendant. You will become familiar with the structures of the federal and state court systems, the effect and scope of their decisions, and the precedents they set for future cases. A major area of study will involve an investigation of our 4th, 5th, 6th, and 8th Amendment rights and how individual rights are balanced with public policy.

Intro to Veterinary Studies (Elective Credit)

As animals play an increasingly important role in our lives, scientists have sought to learn more about their health and well-being. Taking a look at the pets that live in our homes, on our farms, and in zoos and wildlife sanctuaries, this course will examine some of the common diseases and treatments for domestic animals. Toxins, parasites, and infectious diseases impact not only the animals around us, but at times...we humans as well! Through veterinary medicine and science, the prevention and treatment of diseases and health issues is studied and applied.

Music Appreciation (Elective Credit)

Music is part of everyday lives and reflects the spirit of our human condition. To know and understand music, we distinguish and identify cultures on local and global levels. This course will provide students with an aesthetic and historical perspective of music, covering a variety of styles and developments from the Middle Ages through the Twentieth First Century. Students will acquire basic knowledge and listening skills, making future music experiences more informed and satisfying. This course meets the requirements of a humanities credit.

Mythology & Folklore (Humanities Credit)

Mighty heroes. Angry gods and goddesses. Cunning animals. Since the first people gathered around fires, mythology and folklore has been used as a way to make sense of humankind and our world. Beginning with an overview of mythology and different kinds of folklore, students will journey with ancient heroes as they slay dragons and outwit gods, follow fearless warrior women into battle, and watch as clever monsters outwit those stronger than themselves. They will explore the universality and social significance of myths and folklore, and see how these are still used to shape society today. This class meets the requirements of a humanities credit.

Psychology (Elective Credit)

The intention of the course is to show you a variety of aspects of psychology and to give you a small glimpse into what drives human behavior. Since we cannot cover each topic in depth, the course includes some projects that will require you to dig deeper into some areas on your own than we are able to in the reading material. At the end of this course, you will not be able to diagnose a friend with a mental illness or explain your annoying sibling's behavior completely, but you may find that you understand some of their responses to certain situations a little better. You may even find that you have an interest in pursuing this subject at a more advanced level in future courses. Above all, remember that no two people are alike and that no theory or psychologist can predict or explain every behavior. Psychology is known as a "soft science", because the research is often based on people's emotions and their thoughts rather than on things that are more specifically measurable.

Spanish 1A (Humanities Credit)

¡Bienvenidos a la clase de Español! This is a communicative beginning high school level Spanish course. You will begin developing your Spanish proficiency through interacting online via audio and text. Requirements: Speakers and a microphone are required to participate in our voice discussion boards and to communicate online in Spanish with your classmates. Each unit contains graphics and sounds that introduce the basics of communication, including grammar and vocabulary. Textbook is available online: EMC - Aventura 1 ISBN: 978-0-82193-967-3

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