

Summer 2019 Course Description Handout



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Algebra (Credit Recovery):

This course will focus on the development of the four basic operations with algebraic expressions, relations and functions, applications of algebraic concepts in real world problems, graphing functions, systems of equations, and an introduction to quadratics and exponential functions. See Mrs. Liebnitz or Mr. Figg with questions.

Band: Intermediate/Advanced Band is for students who have completed at least one year in band. Various styles of music will be rehearsed and performed. On June 28, 2019 we will have a concert at Warrensburg Middle School at a time to be determined. Students who participate will begin earning letter points toward their band letter for the 2019-2020 school year. The course will be offered from 10:00 – 12:00 at Warrensburg Middle School June 4-7th (Tuesday-Friday) and June 10-28 (Monday – Thursday). Any students who are also interested in helping with beginning band please see Mrs. Ray or Mrs. Sekelsky.

Contemporary Issues:

The focus of this course is for the student to understand current domestic and foreign policy issues through a wide range of media including FANSchool. In FANSchool, students draft different countries and earn points based on how often their countries are mentioned in the news. Trading countries and seeing how they stack up against their classmates creates a fun, competitive atmosphere that enables students to get excited about studying current events, reading the news, and learning about the world. See Ms. Staponski with questions.

Family & Individual Health: This class is designed to prepare any student to meet future physical, social and emotional health challenges. This class includes current information on nutrition, eating disorders, mental health, handling emotions, reproductive health; STD’s including AIDS, First Aid, CPR, as well as many other health-related topics. **This credit will satisfy the health credit normally mandated for sophomores.** The course will be offered as a hybrid course with 10 hours of online coursework and meeting dates from 8am- 1pm as follows: June 5th – 7th (Wed.-Fri.), June 10th -14th (Mon.- Fri.), and June 17th-18th (Mon.-Tues.). There will be a mandatory meeting date on June 3rd or 4th with more information to come.

Fighting Without Fists: Public Speaking and Communication in our Modern World: Aside from basic public speaking, this course is designed to offer opportunities to explore a variety of communication assignments. **This course may be taken for dual credit (3 credit hours COMM 1000) through the University of Central Missouri.** Students will learn about the role of communication in our lives, delivery styles, research, gestures, organizational techniques, and effectiveness of language. Students should expect to explore, in a variety of ways, a social issue of their own choosing. Assignments will include informative and persuasive speaking. This course will allow for differentiation based on needs and skills of students enrolled. It might include things like basic debate, group discussion, artistic representation of a social issue, and oral interpretation of literature. The course will be offered at WHS Tuesday, June 4 – Friday, June 14 (8:00am - 1:00pm/8:00am –3:00pm alternating days) with an additional 12 hours online. See Mrs. Bushmeyer with questions.

Horror Literature: Welcome to the lair of horror literature! Dark minds over the centuries have scared the wits out of their readers by harping on our most subconscious of fears. Open readings, historical explorations, and rarely seen films will round out this experience. This course surveys the literature of terror, from its 18th century origins to the present day, including such authors as Mary Shelley, Edgar Allan Poe, Bram Stoker, H.P. Lovecraft, Richard Matheson, John Lindqvist, and Stephen King. This is an all-day ½ credit English course open to upcoming sophomores, juniors, or seniors. The course will be offered from 8:00 – 3:30 at the high school, June 4-7 (Tuesday-Friday) - June 10-14 (Monday-Friday) See Mr. Prael with questions.

Introduction to Literature (Honors): (½ unit of credit) Introduction to Literature is a Communication Arts elective. The course introduces the genres of fiction, poetry, and drama as well as to the terminology used in literary analysis. Introduction to Literature improves reading, analysis, and Critical thinking Skills.

DUAL Credit opportunity through State Fair Community College

You may choose to take dual credit, which means that you receive credit for high school and college concurrently. This class is considered **LIT 101** Introduction to Literature, which is often required as a core class and/or can be used as an elective at the collegiate level. It is worth 3 credit hours in college credit. **For more information, see the dual credit handbook.**

Mythology: This course focuses on the various mythologies, with particular emphasis on Greek and Roman. Students research gods, goddesses, heroes, philosophy, and the origin, function, and purpose of myth within societal values and rituals. This course illustrates the influence mythology on the art, literature, and culture of the modern world through incorporation of daily reading and writing assignments along with quizzes, test, technology-based projects, and oral presentations. The class will meet June 3- June 14th 8:00-2:30 (Monday-Friday).

Online Personal Finance – 996400: Prerequisite: None (Grades 11 -12)

Content: Understanding and managing personal finances are key to one’s future financial success. This one-semester online course is based on the Missouri Personal Finance Competencies and presents essential knowledge and skills to make informed decisions about real world financial issues. Students will learn how choices influence occupational options and future earning potential. Students will also learn to apply decision-making skills to evaluate career choices and set personal goals. The course content is designed to help the learner make wise spending, saving, and credit decisions and to make effective use of income to achieve personal financial success. Other requirements include: computer and reliable Internet access, Microsoft Word, Excel & PowerPoint or be able to download the OpenOffice Software (free). ***This course is only offered during the summer. This course may be taken as dual credit through University of Central Missouri FIN 1820 (3 credit hours).*** See Mrs. Smith in room 116 with questions. There will be limited seats available and 2019-20 seniors will have priority.

Personal Fitness (Boys): This elective course is structured to emphasize total body fitness in a strength and conditioning development program. Lifting techniques will be covered as well as discussions of primary and secondary muscles used in specific lifts and physiological changes due to strength development. The course will also include power lifting techniques combined with prioritization in a strength development program. A conditioning program focused on anaerobic capacity, speed, power, and flexibility will also be introduced. Knee training exercises will be emphasized daily. Students will also be introduced to team, individual, and innovative activities during summer school. Students must be prepared to participate fully at each class session to build a strong muscular strength and endurance base. The course will be offered from 7:00 – 9:30 at the high school June 3rd-August 1st (Monday – Thursday). See Coach Brown, Coach Cavanah or Coach Nimmo with questions.

Personal Fitness (Girls): This elective course is structured to emphasize total body fitness in a strength and conditioning development program. Lifting techniques will be covered as well as discussions of primary and secondary muscles used in specific lifts and physiological changes due to strength development. The course will also include power lifting techniques combined with prioritization in a strength development program. A conditioning program focused on aerobic fitness, anaerobic capacity, speed, power, and flexibility will also be introduced. Knee training exercises will be emphasized daily. Students must be prepared to participate fully at each class session to build a strong muscular strength and endurance base. The course will be offered from June 3- July 11 (Monday – Friday) 7:30 – 10:00. See Coach Fleeman or Coach Stammersky with questions.

PLATO On-line Credit Recovery Lab:

PLATO LAB is a self-paced computerized curriculum recovery program. This lab will interest students who need to repeat a semester or more of core area subjects for credit. Successful completion of each PLATO section earns 0.5 credits. It is possible for highly motivated students to complete more than one PLATO section during summer school. Note: Credit is awarded upon successful completion of each online course. All enrolled students will attend class as follows:

8:00 – 12:00, Monday, June 3 - Thursday, June 26

*Note: Pending enrollment numbers, this class **MAY** be divided into 2 sessions.

If the class needs to be divided, please circle your preferred session:

8:00 – 10:00

10:00 – 12:00

COURSES AVAILABLE (counselor approval required for enrollment):

MATH: Algebra II, Geometry

COMARTS: ComArts I, II, & III, Informational Reading, Workplace Writing, Structure of Writing, Business English A/B

SCIENCE: Physical Science, Biology, Earth & Space Science

SOCIAL STUDIES: World History, American History, African Global Studies, Physical Geography, Social Issues, Contemporary World

MISC: Art Appreciation & History, Health, Personal Finance, Physical Education, Computers for College & Career A

Sports Literature: Sports Literature is a Language Arts class that will examine the unique relationship between sports and society through literature by contemporary authors, columnists and other media. Reading in the course is selected to be high-interest and thought provoking. Text selections will include informational text, poetry, biographies, and commentary. Writing in this course will include argument, informative, and narrative pieces. This class is open to all sophomores through seniors who have aspirations or strong interest in the sports world and its impact on a large literary audience. This is a hybrid class that will include an online component as well as classroom meetings from June 3rd -14th (Mon.-Fri.) from 8:00-1:00.

Villains, Bad Guys, and Generally Unpleasant People: In books, movies, and even music, people love the villain. Strangely, we are sometimes disappointed when the hero wins. This class will embrace the "bad guy" in all his or her facets. From Shakespeare to modern graphic novels, we will learn about what makes these characters so appealing, and how to create your own walking nightmare. From fictional cowboys in black hats to real-life mobster mamas, we take a walk on the dark side of the soul. This is an all-day ½ credit English course open to upcoming sophomores, juniors, or seniors. The course will be offered from 8:00 – 3:30 at the high school June 17-June 21 (Monday-Friday) and June 24-27 (Monday-Thursday).

See Mr. Prael with questions.

See any counselor or assistant principal with general summer school questions.



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