High School Program of Study 2024
Anne Arundel County Public Schools
# AACPS Graduation Requirements at a Glance

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**Students must attend high school for four years unless a pre-approved AACPS alternative is satisfied.**

## Minimum Credits Required for Graduation—26

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| **English**            | 4.0              | 1 credit in *English 9*  
1 credit in *English 10*  
1 credit in *English 11*  
1 credit in *English 12* |
| **Social Studies**     | 3.0              | 1 credit in *History of the United States*  
1 credit in *United States Government*  
1 credit in *World History* |
| **Mathematics**        | 4.0              | 1 credit in *Algebra 1*  
1 credit in *Geometry*  
2 mathematics elective credits (*Algebra 2* for college completers)  
Students are required to take a rigorous math course each of the four years the student is enrolled. See the AACPS Possible Math Course Sequence chart in the Mathematics course section |
| **Science**            | 3.0              | 1 credit in *Biology*  
1 credit in *Physical Science*  
1 credit in *Earth Space Science* |
| **Physical Education** | 1.0              | 0.5 credit of *Fitness for Life*  
0.5 credit Physical Education Elective |
| **Health**             | 1.0*             | 0.5 credit in *Health A*  
0.5 credit in *Health B* (beginning with the class of 2025) |
| **Basic Technology**   | 1.0              | For a list of qualifying courses, see “Courses that Qualify for Basic Technology Credit” on page 40 |
| **Fine Arts**          | 1.0              | Music, Art, Dance, and Theatre Arts courses |
| **Citizenship**        | 0.5              | 0.5 credit in *Global Community Citizenship* (beginning with the class of 2023) |
| **Electives**          | 7.5              | Any electives that result in the successful completion of a Completer Program Pathway |

### Completer Program Requirements

Students must choose and follow course selection for a Completer Program Pathway  
(College Completer, Career Completer, or Dual Completer)

### Magnet & Signature Program Requirements

Magnet and Signature programs may require 3, 4, or 5 credits of Science and World Language.
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Four Steps to Graduation

1. Earn a minimum of 26 Credits
2. Complete 75 hours of Service Learning in grades 5–11
3. Choose a Completer Program Pathway

Completer Pathways
(See “Completer Program Pathways” on page 3)

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Procedures for Promotion

Promotion from one grade level to the next is based on the number and types of credits earned.

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To be considered a senior, a student must:
- have completed at least three years in high school,
- have successfully earned 18 credits towards graduation requirements
  and
- be enrolled in a program that allows them to meet all graduation requirements by June of the same academic year.
Get the Most Out of Your Time in High School

Before exiting high school, students will...

...uncover and cultivate their many talents and passions.

...interact with professionals from career fields in which they have interests.

...understand how to put their strengths and skills to use in multiple career areas/clusters.

...participate in professional internships with community or industry mentors.

...plan with school counselors for college and career.

...meet all Maryland high school graduation requirements.

This booklet contains a wealth of information related to the robust programs of study available to AACPS students. As you consider course selections for the next school year, use this guide to determine what you can get out of your high school experience and not just how to get out of high school. Pursue your interests, take risks, and develop new skills that will help you achieve your goals for the future.

Anne Arundel County Public Schools continues to strive to elevate all students and eliminate all gaps. Our focus is to prepare all students for a pathway leading to college, career, and community endeavors. We are committed to preparing our students to become literate, independent, caring, and contributing adults who successfully navigate and positively impact the 21st century global society.

In PreK–12 formal and informal learning settings, we will offer all students important and relevant content, tools, skills, and experiences so every student is able to confidently build and cross their own unique bridge from school to community engagement, workforce participation, and college enrollment.
High School Graduation Requirements

World Languages Requirement
Students may elect to take two credits of a World Language rather than two credits of an advanced technology or a career completer program. A student with the required math courses and two credits of a World Languages meets one of the criteria for qualifying for the University System of Maryland completer. It is recommended that students who elect the World Languages option continue in the program beyond the second level. Some specialized programs, as well as many colleges and universities, require additional credits in World Languages. Check with your school counselor for next steps.

Service Learning Requirement
Service Learning provides students with a means to give back to their community in a meaningful way. MSDE requires students to complete 75 hours of Service Learning for graduation. Anne Arundel County Public Schools integrates this requirement into existing subjects or courses starting in grade 5. Students complete service-learning projects and activities from grades 5 through 11 so that each student, upon completion of grade 11, should have met the service learning graduation requirement.

Service Learning Implementation in AACPS
Students in grade 5 will complete service-learning projects through social studies activities for 5 hours.

Students in grades 6 through 8 will complete service-learning projects for 10 hours in each grade level for a total of 30 hours.

Students in grades 9 through 11 will earn the following service learning hours through service-learning projects in the following courses:
- U.S. Government: 10 hours
- Science (grade 10): 10 hours
- English 11: 10 hours
- Health: 10 hours

Seniors are not exempt from completing the service learning graduation requirement and will complete service learning hours based on a prorated schedule.

High School Credit Earned in Middle School
Maryland State Board of Education policy determines the requirements for students earning high school credit for a course taken in middle school. The Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR 13A.03.02.04) states that credit toward high school graduation may be earned by middle school students if the student has taken a high school level course meeting the local school system curricular objectives.

As a result, middle school students in Anne Arundel County Public Schools must earn a final passing course grade in order to earn high school credit for Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, and Levels 1 and 2 of American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Spanish, or Turkish taken while in middle school.

Additionally, according to AACPS Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 608 II-RA, credit will be awarded upon entering ninth grade. The grade for the course will be calculated in the student’s GPA in the same manner as other high school courses, including courses with weighted grades. Failure to pass the course will result in a negative impact on a student’s high school GPA. In the event that a student is struggling with the high school course and is not earning at least a C, the student and parent/guardian are encouraged to meet with the principal or designee to discuss appropriate options.

Students transferring into AACPS with high school credit from another district will have their course history evaluated by content coordinators to determine if AACPS will acknowledge/accept the credit.

Parents of students enrolled in the above-mentioned courses are asked to sign and return a letter to indicate their understanding of the above information.

• Grade 12 (2nd semester): 5 hours
• Grade 12 (1st semester): 10 hours
• Grade 11: 20 hours
• Grade 10: 30 hours
Completer Program Pathways

Students are required to take a rigorous math course in each of the four years the student is enrolled in high school and to be enrolled in Algebra 2 or beyond during senior year for the College Completer.

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires that high school students enroll in courses that prepare them for postsecondary education, gainful employment, or both. These courses are offered at the high schools and both Centers of Applied Technology and are approved by the Maryland State Department of Education.

The three program completer pathway options are:

- **College completer**
- **Career completer**
- **Dual completer**

In addition to accumulating the required number of credits, students must meet the requirements of one of the following completer programs.

### College Completer

The student pursues a sequence of courses in preparation for postsecondary education upon high school graduation. Minimum requirements include two years of the same World Language (UMD accepts American Sign Language) or two credits in advanced technology courses, and 4 high school math credits that must include Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2.

Each university or college institution has guidelines for evaluating applicants who have not completed all the required courses for admission. In some cases, students who lack a required course are permitted to take it their freshman year in college. In other instances, students are permitted to demonstrate their competency in a given field as an alternative to passing a required high school course. While these represent the minimum high school course requirements for entry into University System of Maryland institutions listed in the chart, individual campuses and programs may have additional admission requirements. Students should seek out these requirements by contacting the admissions director at the campus of choice.

In addition to the University System of Maryland institutions below, Anne Arundel County Public Schools enjoys an excellent working relationship with Anne Arundel Community College (AACC). AACC is an open door institution which admits those who may benefit from postsecondary education in both transfer and career programs.

### Career Completer

The student pursues a sequence of courses to develop skills in preparation for future employment and/or post-secondary education upon high school graduation. Select courses and programs are offered at every high school and both Centers of Applied Technology. These career completer programs are approved by the Maryland State Department of Education and allow students to earn industry certifications and/or college credit while in high school. Please review the charts in the Career Completer Programs section (“Career & Technical Education (CTE) Programs of Choice—Benefits beyond the Diploma” on page 15) for connections between high school coursework and opportunities at Anne Arundel Community College.

Students can select from over 40 Career Completer programs to gain a combination of technical and academic expertise that can be utilized for immediate employment or students may continue their education in colleges, universities, technical schools, or apprenticeship programs.

### Dual Completer

The student pursues courses that fulfill both College and Career Completer requirements.
Graduation Certificates

Maryland High School Certificate
The Maryland High School Certificate of Program Completion (See COMAR 13A.03.02.09E) shall be awarded only to students with disabilities who cannot meet the requirements for a diploma but who meet the following standards:

a. The student is enrolled in an education program for at least 4 years beyond grade 8 or its age equivalent, and is determined by an IEP team, with the agreement of the parents of the student with disabilities, to have developed appropriate skills for the individual to enter the world of work, act responsibly as a citizen, and enjoy a fulfilling life, including but not limited to:
   - Gainful employment
   - Post-secondary education and training
   - Supported employment and
   - Other services that are integrated in the community,

or

b. The student has been enrolled in an education program for 4 years beyond grade 8 or its age equivalent and will have reached age 21 before the first day of the next school year.

The Maryland Summary of Performance that describes the student’s skills shall accompany the Maryland High School Certificate of Program Completion.

The final decision to award a student with disabilities a Maryland High School Certificate of Program Completion will not be made until after the beginning of the student’s last year in high school.

A student with significant cognitive disability may not meet high school graduation requirements if a student:

a. Participates in an Alternative Assessment based on Alternative Academic Achievement Standards (AA-AAAS); and

b. Continues to receive instruction based on Alternative Academic Achievement Standards through high school.

Anne Arundel County Public Schools Citation
An Anne Arundel County Public Schools citation for completion of a four-year high school program may be awarded at graduation ceremonies, if approved by the IEP team, to students with specific developmental disabilities who have not completed their individual high school program of studies and will be leaving the high school and entering an alternative AACPS program (i.e. Vocational Citation Program, On-Campus Transition Program). The student will be awarded the Maryland High School Certificate upon completion of the alternative program.

College & Career Planning

Naviance Student
AACPS has partnered with Naviance Student (formerly known as Family Connection) to provide middle and high school students with a variety of online tools to support student achievement through academic planning. Naviance Student affords students the life, college, and career readiness skills that prepare them for post-graduation.

Naviance Student provides students with 6 key competencies: social-emotional learning, career knowledge, college knowledge, interpersonal skills, academic skills, and transition skills as they matriculate through each grade. Each grade level is assigned activities tasks based on developmental level.

Students and families have access to online resources that assist in communicating with school staff and collaborate on college and career readiness activities. Students research careers, colleges, and scholarships in one location, as well as explore career assessments. They can also create career pathway plans that can be linked to college and career readiness. Students have the ability to request transcripts and staff recommendations for college applications. Students can also create goals and track completion of college and career exploration activities. To find out more about Naviance Student, contact your child’s School Counseling Office.

To sign into your account, go online to: https://succeed.naviance.com/auth/signin
Taking Advanced Courses

Weighted Grading
Students who earn an A, B, or C in an Honors, Advanced Placement (AP), or International Baccalaureate (IB) course are awarded additional quality points, known as weighted grading, as follows:

- An additional 0.5 quality points for an Honors or Honors IB MYP course.
- An additional 1.0 points for an AP or IB DP course.
- No additional points are awarded for grades of D, or E.

For example, an A received in a regular course is worth 4 points toward a student’s GPA. An A received in an Honors or an Honors IB MYP course is worth 4.5 points and in an AP or IB DP course is worth 5 points. These courses may require pre-course assignments as preparation for accelerated classroom learning.

Honors Courses
Honors courses are designed to be challenging while enhancing a student’s ability to employ critical thinking and analysis skills. The level of performance in these courses prepare students for college and career readiness. Honors courses are distinguished by a difference in the depth and scope of work required.

Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB)
AP and IB course offerings support academic rigor in the high school setting. Student commitment is critical. Withdrawal from AP courses will not be considered until the end of the first marking period to allow for acclimation and teaching/learning support. Magnet programs such as IB require a full-year commitment. A decision to drop to a lower level or withdraw from the course completely would come after consultation between the ASP/IB Office, student, teacher, parent, counselor, and administration.

Advanced Placement Courses (AP)
Advanced Placement courses are demanding and challenging courses intended for students who demonstrate potential for college level work. The College Board sponsors the Advanced Placement Program, and it develops, administers, and grades examinations for each advanced placement course. Many universities and colleges grant advanced standing and/or college credit based on student performance on an AP test. Information regarding advanced placement courses and tests are available from high school counseling offices. Students are not required to take an advanced course in order to be eligible to sit for an advanced placement examination. A student’s report card grade for an AP course is determined by the classroom teacher. It is not a reflection of the results of the Advanced Placement test.

IB Middle Years Programme (IB MYP)
IB High School Magnet students in grade 9 IB MYP courses are enrolled in Honors level English, AP or Honors US History, Biology, Algebra 1, Geometry or Algebra 2, French, Italian, Mandarin or Spanish Level 2 or 3, and elective offerings. IB High School Magnet students in IB MYP grade 10 are enrolled in Honors level English, AP or Honors American Government, Chemistry, Geometry, Algebra 2 or Pre-Calculus, French, Italian, Mandarin or Spanish 3 or 4, and elective offerings. Note that not all IB MYP courses receive additional weighting.

International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IB DP)
The IB DP is a rigorous and challenging program of studies for students in grades 11 & 12. The IB program and Diploma are recognized by school systems, colleges, and universities throughout the world. Many colleges grant advanced standing and/or college credit on the basis of performance in the IB Diploma assessments. IB DP students have the option of earning a bilingual IB Diploma.

Students may apply to the Diploma Programme through the second semester of the sophomore year. In addition to the Magnet application process, interested applicants should discuss this opportunity with the IB Coordinator at their zoned school.

The IB Career-related Programme (IB CP)
The IB Career-related Programme (CP) is designed for students interested in pursuing a career-related education in the 11 and 12th grades. It provides students with an excellent foundation to support their further studies, as well as ensure their preparedness for success in the workforce. The CP framework is composed of two or more IB Diploma Programme Courses and three CP Core components: Personal and Professional skills; service learning; and the reflective project.

Other Advanced Courses
Some courses are as challenging and rigorous as AP courses but are not sanctioned by the College Board. These courses receive the same weighted grading as AP courses.
The AACPS Programs of Choice initiative offers a range of specialized fields of study to increase excellence and opportunity for all secondary students. AACPS supports choice for high school students through our Centers of Applied Technology, our Signature programs, four Magnet programs, a Public Charter school, and a Virtual Academy. Through the development of strategic partnerships, schools offer students enriching educational opportunities that appeal to their interests and prepare them for college and career. AACPS students have the unique opportunity to pursue their passion for the arts, sciences, humanities, or trades while building relationships with teachers and leaders in the community.

Centers of Applied Technology (CAT)
Our two Centers of Applied Technology—CAT North and CAT South—provide students with technical and academic skills needed for high wage, high skill, in demand professions. Programs in both centers offer industry recognized certifications, and often, college credit. Students apply theory and knowledge towards increasing skills proficiency in the classroom and develop employable skills through hands-on, real-world experiences. For more information about certifications and college credit earned at the Centers of Applied Technology, please visit “Career & Technical Education (CTE) Programs of Choice—Benefits beyond the Diploma” on page 15, or visit the school’s website:

www.catnorth.org—410-969-3100
www.catsouth.org—410-956-5900

Signature Programs
Signature Programs offer students a series of courses designed to connect classroom instruction with real-world situations and workforce skills relevant to each school’s local community and workforce needs. Every high school offers uniquely themed Signature Program courses for which students can register during the course selection window. Job shadow opportunities, internships, and college courses are also available within each Signature. If interested, visit our website (www.aacps.org/signatures) or call the Signature Office at 410-570-7495.

Magnet Programs
Our four Magnet Programs offer motivated and academically able students the opportunity to engage in a specialized course of study or emphasis on instruction that differs from the traditional curriculum offered in AACPS. Admission to all Magnet Programs is by formal application. If you are interested in any of our Magnet Programs, visit our website (www.aacps.org/magnet) or call the Advanced Studies and Programs Magnet Office at 410-222-5391 x1.

Apex Arts
The Apex Arts program is offered at Annapolis and Broadneck High Schools. Apex Arts’ mission is to provide students with rigorous, immersive, and collaborative artistic experiences that are rooted in the creative process, while preparing them for an array of future opportunities. Through an arts-intensive curriculum, Apex Arts students have the opportunity to foster their artistic passions for audiences and behind the scenes by engaging in their chosen artistic area of focus at school, Studio 39, in premiere arts venues, and numerous exhibition opportunities.

International Baccalaureate Middle Years, Career-related and Diploma Programme (IB MYP/CP/CR/DP)
The International Baccalaureate Middle Years and Diploma Programme is offered at Annapolis, Meade, and Old Mill High Schools for students interested in taking an active role in their local and global communities and connecting their education with the world around them. Through the internationally recognized IB program, students will learn to prepare for success in post-secondary education and as 21st century visionary leaders. The IB MYP prepares students in grades 9 and 10 for the IB DP in grades 11 and 12.

Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics (STEM)
The Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics program is offered at North County and South River High Schools for students interested in a relevant and hands-on education focused on the STEM fields of science, technology, engineering, and math. Through partnerships with local colleges, universities, and STEM professionals, students will develop strong research skills, explore STEM careers, and gain real-world experience through internship opportunities.

BioMedical Allied Health (BMAH)
The BioMedical Allied Health program is offered at Glen Burnie High School for students interested in exploring the fields of the health-care industry. Through partnerships with major hospitals and institutions in the Baltimore-Washington Professional Corridor and through partnerships with local colleges and universities, BMAH students will participate in regular job shadows and internship opportunities to gain real-world experience in the biomedical and allied health fields.

Charter Programs
The Maryland Charter School Act of 2003 was established as an alternative means within the existing public school system to provide innovative learning opportunities and creative educational approaches to improve student education. Maryland’s law emphasizes a focus on innovation and student achievement and in so doing places a premium on
the relationship between the school system and the public charter school applicant.

Public Charter Schools are independent, tuition-free, publicly funded schools that are open to all students on a space available basis. If there are more applicants than seats available a lottery is required by law. Charter schools follow the same laws, policies, and regulations as all public schools. However, charter schools provide families with additional educational choices so that parents can choose to send their child to a school that has an instructional approach that fits their child’s learning needs or academic interests.

For additional information on the AACPS Charter School Program, call 410-224-8572 or visit www.aacps.org/charterschools.

Chesapeake Science Point Public Charter School (CSP)

Chesapeake Science Point Public Charter School—in partnership with students, parents, and the community—will attain educational excellence by providing a rigorous and quality education for middle and high school students with a special focus on science, math and technology while preparing them to excel in an increasingly technological and global society. CPS serves grades K–12. (www.mycsp.org)

The Virtual Academy

The AACPS Virtual Academy (opened in the 2021–22 school year with State approval) continues to offer a virtual-only learning solution for a limited number of students in grades 3–12 who meet the established criteria and have demonstrated virtual learning success. An application process will occur each spring for open grade level seats. Should more students qualify than there are available seats, a random, unweighted lottery process will select students. Acceptance to the Virtual Academy requires a full one-year enrollment commitment.

As a solely virtual learning school, it is understood all students will engage in teaching and learning (including curricular assessments) and co-curricular activities virtually. However, as required by MSDE, all State assessments will be implemented on site at a designated AACPS facility.

For more information please see the Virtual Academy website at www.aacps.org/virtualacademy.

Scheduling

It is the responsibility of the student to evaluate carefully and select courses with help from appropriate teachers, school counselors, or administrators. Parental approval of course selection is required for all students younger than 18 years of age. Students have the right to participate in any part of the curriculum in accordance with nondiscriminatory practices.

• Academic credits are defined as courses offered in the program areas of English, mathematics, science, social studies, World Languages, advanced placement, and computer science.
• The prior approval of the principal is required for a student to take more than four non-academic credits during a school year.
• Students are limited to a maximum of two physical activity classes per semester.
• In Anne Arundel County, all students are strongly encouraged to pursue professional career internship opportunities or college courses through our partnership with AACC as a capstone experience. It is not the practice of AACPS for students other than seniors to receive partial schedules. There are a number of reasons for this, including a need to ensure that students have the ability/opportunity to earn sufficient credits and take the required courses in order to graduate. However, the primary reason that partial schedules are not generally approved for underclassmen is that such a schedule would result in students being unlawfully absent from school, as defined by COMAR 13A.08.01.03
Additional Ways to Earn or Recover Credit

In addition to earning credits during the regular school day and year, credits may be earned, at the discretion of the local school system, through various other programs. No student, however, may earn credit more than once for the same course. Additional ways to earn credit include:

**Summer School**
The summer school program offers students a number of secondary courses and provides students the opportunity to make up work in which they were unsuccessful, to improve grade averages in sequential subjects, and to earn credits to meet high school graduation requirements.

**Evening High School**
The Evening High School Program offers students who are currently attending a daytime high school the opportunity to make up credits or take additional courses. For those students 16 years old or older, who have not completed high school, Evening High School offers an opportunity to complete their high school education and earn a high school diploma.

**Twilight School**
The Twilight Program is an opportunity for ninth and twelfth grade students to take a class or classes for remedial credit. Coursework is taken after school at the comprehensive high school. Twilight School is offered second semester for those students who did not receive credit for a first semester class.

**Maryland Virtual Learning Opportunities (MVLO)**

**Online Campus**
With prior consent of the principal, high school students may enroll in online MVLO courses for high school credit. These online offerings expand the range of learning opportunities offered to students by way of the virtual classroom. Courses are conducted online with the teacher physically separated from the students. Students may be scheduled before, during, or after the school day to work independently on course requirements. The local high school assigns an online support teacher who monitors student progress and communicates with the student, parents, and online teacher as needed. For information, contact your school counseling office. Fees may apply.

**Credit by Examination**
Credit toward high school graduation may be earned for English 12 by passing an examination that assesses student demonstration of locally established curricular objectives. Credit by examination must be approved by the English Curriculum Coordinator on a case-by-case basis. According to COMAR 13A.03.02.04, students who have completed all requirements for the Maryland High School Diploma except for credit in English 12 may earn credit by exam. To earn credit for English 12, the student must:

- declare their intention to test out by the fall of Grade 11.
- take the Advanced Placement Language and Composition Exam and earn a minimum score of three (Students are NOT required to complete the corresponding Advanced Placement course in order to take the exam).
- take the SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Test and earn a minimum score of 650.

**Independent Study Programs**
Independent Study is an opportunity for the student with strong self-discipline, special talents, and interests to undertake an individual project of exceptional depth, breadth, or pace. Guidelines and procedures have been established by the Anne Arundel County Public Schools Office of Curriculum and Instruction to ensure Independent Study courses comply with system policies. The student and the sponsoring teacher design a syllabus to specify outcomes, content, a work plan, and performances for assessment. The program includes regularly scheduled student-teacher conferences and assessments of progress. All sequential coursework in a particular curriculum discipline must have been successfully completed by the student prior to submitting an application for Independent Study. Credit for Independent Study will be assigned on a semester basis and students shall be awarded an unweighted grade of Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory. An AACPS Independent Study application must be completed at the home school and approved by the Director of Curriculum of the specific course at least two weeks prior to the first day of the requested semester.
Early College Access Program (ECAP)

The Early College Access Programs (ECAP), which includes all AACC courses—including Dual Credit and Non-Dual Credit courses, offers approved high school students the opportunity to enroll in college coursework in a variety of academic areas. Tuition and fees for these approved courses will be paid for by AACPS. Students can take any AACC course for which they meet eligibility requirements, some of which are even approved by AACPS for Dual Credit (see below). These college courses can complete the academic day for high school students who are progressing toward high school graduation, provide opportunities for students in subject areas that interest them, allow them to explore potential career pathways, or get a jump start on general education courses that may be transferable.

Dual Credit Courses
For designated AACC courses, students may earn both college and high school credit. Prior written consent from the school principal or designee, after advisement with the school counselor, is required. A list of eligible courses can be found at Courses Eligible for Dual Credit at www.aacps.org/ecap. Dual credit will be awarded only to an AACPS student who has been formally approved by their high school prior to enrolling in an AACC course.

Receiving Dual Credit for ECAP Courses
For dual credit courses, students receiving an AACC grade of ‘A,’ ‘B,’ ‘C,’ or ‘D’ will receive an AACPS grade of ‘S.’ An AACC grade of ‘F,’ ‘FX,’ or ‘I’ will receive an AACPS grade of ‘U.’ Students earning an ‘S’ receive AACPS credit. These courses are not included when calculating a student’s GPA.

ECAP Enrollment Requirements
High school juniors and seniors* who are approved by their secondary school to participate in ECAP must demonstrate their academic readiness for specific courses by:

- being enrolled in a minimum of two half credit classes each semester at the high school and having good academic standing. Note: only students with senior status may be allowed early release from the regular school day.
- maintaining a minimum weighted 2.0 high school GPA.
- meeting AACC course prerequisites.
- meeting required acceptable performance levels on the College’s English/Reading and/or Math Accuplacer assessment or nationally recognized standardized test such as the ACT or SAT.

*Students under the age of 16 may be eligible for dual enrollment at the college (please contact the AACC Office of Admissions and Enrollment Development, csmoore@aacc.edu, and your child’s school counselor).

Other AACC Requirements
Students attending AACC must:
- provide their own transportation.
- attend a new student orientation program to become familiar with AACC policies and procedures.

Costs
The costs of participating in ECAP (tuition and fees) will be paid for by AACPS.

Applying for the Early College Access Program
Students must:
- Complete the ECAP application at www.aacps.org/ecap, fully and legibly.
- Include all required signatures—student, guardian, school counselor, and principal (or designee).
- Present the completed ECAP application to the college at the time of registration or email to cashiersoffice@aacc.edu.

AACC Disability Support Services (DSS)
Students with an IEP and/or 504 Plan may qualify for student supports at AACC. Click on the Disability Support Services link at www.aacps.org/ecap, email dss@aacc.edu, or call 410-777-1411.

For More Information
If you have questions, or would like more information, please contact your child’s school counselor.
Alternatives to 4-Year Enrollment

In recognition of the fact that 4-year enrollment in a public high school may not serve the best interests of some students, the following alternatives shall be made available.

**Early Graduation**

Maryland High School diploma requirements (COMAR 13A.03.02.03) state that students must satisfactorily complete four years of approved study beyond the eighth grade unless an alternative program has been approved by the local Superintendent of schools. In Anne Arundel County Public Schools, the school's Regional Assistant Superintendent, acting as the Superintendent's designee, is authorized to review and approve requests for early graduation. Students will retain status as a junior until verification of completion of all course work is complete using the final report card.

If a student intends to graduate at the end of grade 11, a plan to complete all graduation requirements including credits, state assessments, and student service hours should be discussed with the school counselor and submitted to the principal by July 30th of the summer preceding 11th grade. A school-based committee appointed by the principal will review the request and make a recommendation as to whether the exception to the four-year attendance requirement is in the best interest of the student. The school counselor will keep the packet and contact the parents once a decision has been made.

**Early Admission to an accredited college or vocational, technical, or post-high school**

The student chooses to be a full-time student at an accredited college or approved vocational, technical, or other post-high school rather than attend a fourth year of high school. The student must have met all state competency prerequisites, high school assessments, and service-learning requirements prior to the fourth year. The student must develop a curricular plan which assures that the content of the graduation ‘specified courses’ fulfills the credit requirement and also meets the standards for graduation in the first year of post-secondary study. A written request by the student and parent must be approved by the principal first. Then the student and parent send a letter asking for a waiver of the fourth-year attendance requirement for approval by the superintendent of schools or designee, which is the Regional Assistant Superintendent, with the curricular plan, early admission acceptance letter, and principal’s approval attached. At the conclusion of a full year of study, students must submit a written request for the high school diploma to the superintendent or designee together with an official transcript or letter from the postsecondary school indicating that the student has successfully completed a full year of post-high school work.

**Other Programs**

**GED: General Educational Development Testing**

A Maryland High School Diploma may be awarded for satisfactory performance on approved general educational development tests.

For more information visit https://ged.com/

**Maryland Adult External High School Diploma-AACC**

A Maryland High School Diploma may be awarded for demonstrating competencies in general life skills and individual skills on applied performance tests.

Program is offered at Anne Arundel Community College. For more information contact the Adult Basic Skills Office at (410) 777-1823.
Students who intend to participate in interscholastic athletics in a Division 1 or Division 2 college or university must register with the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse to determine whether the student is a “qualifier” and can practice, compete, and receive athletic scholarships as a freshman.

Students are strongly encouraged to see their counselors to receive more complete information on NCAA eligibility requirements.

For more information, visit https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/

**What are the NCAA course requirements?**

Students enrolling full-time in an NCAA Division 1 or Division 2 college or university must complete 16 core courses (ten before senior year) in the subjects in the table above. Seven of the 10 courses must include a combination of English, mathematics, or natural/physical science that meet the division requirements. These 10 courses become ‘locked in’ at the start of the seventh semester and cannot be retaken for grade improvement. All other students should check with their counselor for course requirements.

**What factors determine whether a student can practice, compete, and receive athletic scholarships as a college freshman?**

Division 1 schools use a sliding scale to determine a student’s eligibility. The required SAT or ACT score is based on a student’s GPA (for the 16 required core courses). The higher the student’s GPA, the lower the required SAT or ACT score. However, a student must earn a minimum 2.000 GPA average in order to qualify to practice and receive scholarships. In order to be eligible to compete, a student must earn a minimum GPA of 2.300.

Division 2 schools require a student earn a minimum of a 2.000 GPA for the 16 required core courses and earn a specified score on the SAT or ACT in order to be eligible to practice, compete, and receive scholarships.

**Which courses qualify?**

Courses that are NCAA approved are designated in this list of courses. The approved list of courses changes every spring. Students should work with their school counselor to make sure that the courses they choose are still accepted by the NCAA.

**What about ESOL courses?**

English as a Second Language (ESOL) courses are not acceptable as NCAA Courses. However, advanced ESOL courses may be used, but must be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Any student who wishes to have advanced ESOL courses considered must contact the college or university they will attend in order to determine initial eligibility and to begin the approval process.

**AACC/ECAP Impact on Athletic Eligibility**

Students participating in college courses during high school may be subject to limitations on athletic eligibility at the college level. Please check with the NCAA for additional information.
While attending Anne Arundel County Public Schools, your child will participate in state-mandated assessments, assessments required for high school graduation, and assessments related to advanced course work and college admissions.

Your child’s academic performance is based on more than assessment scores; however, assessment results are vital to monitor student progress as well as evaluate and improve instruction and curricula to ensure student success.

The Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program

The Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) covers state and federally-mandated assessments in English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA), Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, English Language Proficiency, and Kindergarten Readiness. MCAP also includes Alternate Assessments for selected students.

A brief description follows for each state-mandated and national assessment. Schools will notify parents with specific testing information as each date approaches. Specific questions about any of the assessments can be directed to the School Testing Coordinator at your child’s school.

**English Language Arts/Literacy**
The ELA assessments are end-of-course exams given to students in grades 3–8 and 10. For the ELA assessments students will read and analyze literary and informational passages from published texts. Students will demonstrate their mastery of ELA standards through constructed explication responses to Technologically constructed explication responses to Technologically enhanced items.

**Mathematics**
The mathematics assessments are given in grades 3–8, and once in high school. Middle school students taking high school credit bearing mathematics courses (Algebra 1) will take the test aligned with that particular course. Students in grade 9 who are enrolled in the Algebra I course will take that assessment. Some students in grade 9 who are enrolled in the Geometry or Algebra II course may take that assessment. The mathematics assessment requires students to solve multi-step problems that require reasoning and address real-world situations. Students will demonstrate their ability to reason mathematically, make sense of quantities and their relationships in order to solve and show their understanding through real-world problems.

**Life Science Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (LS-MISA)**
The LS MISA is aligned with the Next Generation Science Standards and will require students in grades 9 or 10 to demonstrate their ability to ask questions and define problems, plan and carry out investigations, construct explanations, and design solutions, and obtain, evaluate, and communicate information. The LS MISA is designed to assess standards in Life Science. The LS MISA will be given as an end of course assessment when students take Biology.

**Social Studies**
The Government Assessment is an end-of-course exam that provides students with the opportunity to demonstrate mastery of the Constitutional framework and democratic process that structures the State and National political system. Students will take the Government Assessment as an end of course assessment when they take the Government course.

**ACCESS for ELLs**
ACCESS for ELLs is the annual English language proficiency assessment for English learners in grades K–12. The assessment measures a student’s English proficiency levels in four domains: Speaking, Reading, Writing, and Listening. Results are reported to parents annually.
Alternate ACCESS for ELLs
The Alternate ACCESS for ELLs is designed for English learners with significant cognitive disabilities who cannot meaningfully participate in the standard ACCESS for ELLs assessment, even with accommodations. In order to participate in the alternate assessment, the EL student must meet certain eligibility criteria. The Alternate ACCESS for ELLs is available for the 1–2, 3–5, 6–8, and students in grades 9–12.

DLM Mathematics, English Language Arts, and Science Alternate Assessment
Students with significant cognitive disabilities who meet eligibility criteria, as determined annually by the student’s IEP team, will take the DLM Assessments in grade 11. These assessments allow students to demonstrate their reading, math, and science abilities in a format best designed for students with special needs and skills.

College Admissions and Preparation Tests
Note: There may be fees associated with these assessments

The PSAT, SAT, and NMSQT (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test)
High school students may opt to take a number of tests offered by the College Board. The PSAT/NMSQT (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) are co-sponsored by the College Board and the National Merit Scholarships Corporation. The PSAT measures critical reading, mathematics, and writing. Only students in the 11th grade may qualify for the National Merit Scholarship. The SAT is used by many colleges and universities as part of their admissions process. The SAT measures a student’s ability to read, analyze, evaluate, and comprehend challenging texts, revise and edit grammar and punctuation, use and cite textual evidence as they read and write, demonstrate skill in analyzing data, and to solve real world mathematical problems. There is a fee associated with this test. The SAT Subject Tests indicate a student’s readiness to take college-level courses in specific subject areas. There are 20 SAT Subject Tests in the areas of English, history, science, mathematics, and language. Some colleges use subject tests to place students into appropriate courses and as an additional data point when determining college admissions.

Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IB DP) Exams
Students enrolled in AP and IB DP courses sit for the corresponding exams in May. Colleges and universities use the Advanced Placement Exam and International Baccalaureate Exam results to determine college preparedness, student motivation, and placement. Students may have the opportunity to earn credit or advanced standing at many of the nation’s colleges and universities. High school students are urged to take the AP Exam in specific subjects such as English, world languages, chemistry, history, calculus, psychology, biology, physics, economics, computer science, environmental sciences, statistics, and fine arts. With the exception of AP Studio Art, which is a portfolio assessment, each AP exam contains a free response section, and a section of multiple-choice questions. The modern language exams also have a speaking component, and the AP Music Theory exam includes an optional sight singing task. Each AP exam is given an overall score of 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5, with 5 indicating a student who is extremely well-qualified to receive college credit and/or advanced placement. A fee is associated with these exams. Pending funding approval, financial assistance may be offered based on student need. More information on the IB Diploma Programme and the IB Diploma Exams can be found in the Programs of Choice sections of this Program of Study or by contacting your school based IB Diploma Programme Coordinator. Check with the school testing coordinator at your child’s school for information on the exams and associated fees.

The ACT
The ACT is a highly respected, widely accepted measure of college readiness. The ACT assesses the degree to which students are prepared for college-level work. It has four main sections—English, Reading, Math, and Science—as well as an optional writing component. All four-year universities in the United States accept the ACT, as do more than 225 universities around the world. Anne Arundel Community College also accepts the ACT, making it a valuable measure for students who want to attend almost any school. There is a fee associated with this exam.

Technical Skill Assessments

Articulated Credit
Students may earn college credit for work completed in high school, based upon an agreement between AACPS and several post-secondary institutions. Students must enroll in that institution and complete specific requirements to receive credit.

Industry Certifications
An industry-recognized occupational or skill credential is a verification of an individual’s qualification and competence in a specific career area. Credentials are typically issued by a qualified third-party such as a vendor, industry association, or governing board after an individual has completed an assessment demonstrating proficiency for a specific skill set.

Proficiency Credit
Students can take an assessment provided by Anne Arundel Community College after completing a designated high school course. Students may earn this transcripted (graded) college credit while still in high school.
Career Completer Programs

To support students’ pursuit of their career goals, AACPS has developed a series of Career Completer programs that allow students to discover and develop their career readiness. We understand that on a path to a post high school career, students will have the choice to go straight into the workforce or pursue further post-secondary education. This is why our programs develop students’ career skills with college credit and/or industry certifications, as appropriate to the career field. Students will graduate from high school prepared to take a confident and informed next step on their career journey.

Anne Arundel Community College Program Pathways

Anne Arundel Community College (AACC) and Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS) are partnering to support the successful transition of students from high school to college and careers. This is an exciting opportunity for students to earn AACC credits while in high school for successfully completing career and technical education programs, including earning career certificates, where appropriate, to further enhance gainful employment upon graduation.

Visit the link under Program Connections for each relevant completer and look for Credit for Previous Learning on the AACC webpage to find out how the high school pathway continues into a corresponding college degree or certificate programs.

College Credit and Industry Certifications

For information on earning college credit and industry certifications, see: “Career & Technical Education (CTE) Programs of Choice—Benefits beyond the Diploma” on page 15.
## Career & Technical Education (CTE) Programs of Choice—Benefits beyond the Diploma

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CPR/AED & First Aid Certification—American Heart Association  
Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)  
Geriatric Nursing Assistant (GNA)  
Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA)  
Pharmacy Technician (ExCPT) |
| **Apprenticeship Maryland Program** | | Maryland Department of Labor State Skill Certificate |
| **Automotive Collision Repair & Refinishing** | | Articulated Credit may be available from affiliated colleges, universities, or organizations.*  
Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Entry-Level Certifications  
Safety and Pollution Prevention Certification (S/P2) |
| **Automotive Technology** | | Articulated Credit may be available from affiliated colleges, universities, or organizations.*  
Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Entry-Level Certifications  
Safety and Pollution Prevention Certification (S/P2)  
EPA Refrigerant Recovery & Recycling Certification (CFC) |
| **Carpentry** | | AACC Proficiency Assessment (3 transcripted credits)†  
NCCER Certification (Core and Level 1 Carpentry)  
Occupational Safety and Health Administration OSHA 10 |
| **Cosmetology** | | Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation Maryland Board of Cosmetologists, Cosmetologist License |
| **Culinary Arts** | | AACC Proficiency Assessment (up to 7 transcripted credits)†  
National Restaurant Association ServSafe Food Manager Certification  
American Culinary Federation (ACF) Certified Fundamental Cook |
| **Electricity** | | Articulated Credit may be available from affiliated colleges, universities, or organizations.*  
NCCER Certification (Core and Level 1 Electricity)  
Registered Apprenticeship Credit available by review  
Occupational Safety and Health Administration OSHA 10  
Registered Apprenticeship Credit available by review  
EPA Refrigerant Recovery Certification |
| **Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC)** | | MD Department of Labor, Licensing, & Regulation HVAC Apprenticeship License  
NCCER Certification (Core and Level 1 HVAC, EPA Core, CFC)  
Occupational Safety and Health Administration OSHA 10  
Articulated Credit may be available from affiliated colleges, universities, or organizations.* |
| **IT Networking Academy (Cisco)** | | AACC Proficiency Assessment (up to 15 transcripted credits)†  
Cisco Certified Networking Associate Certificate (CCNA)  
American Association of Welding D1-1 Certification |
| **Welding** | | NCCER Certification (Core and Level 1 Welding)  
American Welding Society (AWS) Certification  
Occupational Safety and Health Administration OSHA 10 |

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Earning College Credit

AACPS students can earn Proficiency and/or Articulated credit through program connections with Anne Arundel Community College (AACC) and the Community College of Baltimore County (CCBC). For more information visit www.aacps.org/cte.

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*Students who earn CNA/GNA certification during the first semester of T02 may proceed to T703 and complete the program with 6.5 credits. This completer program consists of three choices for Career Concentrators, each ending in a different certification:
- Certified Nursing Assistant
- Pharmacy Technician (CAT-North only)
- Certified Clinical Medical Assistant

**Availability:** CAT North (CNA, CCMA, Pharm Tech) and CAT South (CNA & CCMA)

The Academy of Health Professions 1 is a full year course designed for 11th grade students interested in health-related professions. The primary areas of study include foundations of medicine, health sciences, and structure & function of the human body. Students will also engage in processes and hands-on procedures that are used in the delivery of essential healthcare services. Field trips to explore health career opportunities will be provided. Students can become certified in CPR / First Aid and have the opportunity to earn Proficiency Credits from Anne Arundel Community College. Successful course completion is required to proceed to the Academy of Health Professions Level 2. The Academy of Health Professions 2 course prepares 12th grade students for employment and further post-secondary education. Emphasis is placed on expanding content knowledge and skills that relate to the roles of the Nursing Assistant and Medical Assistant. Hands-on experience in various clinical settings provides exposure to diverse career opportunities. Eligible students have the opportunity to earn Maryland State CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant), GNA (Geriatric Nursing Assistant) CCMA (Certified Clinical Medical Assistant) and Pharmacy Technician certifications and are expected to take the proficiency exam for Anne Arundel Community College credit.

**Prerequisites:** Biology (recommended grade of C or better)

**Recommended:** Chemistry (concurrent enrollment acceptable)

**Foundations of Patient Care**

**Associated Certification(s):** Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Geriatric Nursing Assistant (GNA) Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA) CPR/AED & First Aid Certification— American Heart Association Pharmacy Technician (ExCPT)

**Program Connection:** Anne Arundel Community College

www.aacc.edu/about/schools-of-study/health-sciences/

This program offers college credit: see “Earning College Credit” on page 18.

### Accounting & Finance

**Minimum Credits:** 3

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**Program Connection:** Anne Arundel Community College

www.aacc.edu/programs-and-courses/credit-and-degree-seekers/accounting/
Administrative Services Management

Availability: Broadneck, Chesapeake, Glen Burnie, Meade, Northeast, and Old Mill High Schools

The Business Administrative Services Management Pathway provides students with knowledge of how to effectively utilize technology in the analysis, and communication of ideas; and the management, organization, and examination of information for strategic business decision making. Students are expected to think analytically; improve written and oral communication skills; enhance listening and questioning skills; learn and practice the art of conversation; broaden their awareness of career options; practice decision making and problem solving; learn the importance of communication skills in professional business practice; and utilize data to engender decisions. Upon completion of this program, students will be prepared to sit for the Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) Certification exam, a globally recognized credential desired by academia and business.

Associated Certification(s): Microsoft Office Specialist Certifications

Program Connection: Anne Arundel Community College
[www.aacc.edu/about/schools-of-study/business-and-law/](http://www.aacc.edu/about/schools-of-study/business-and-law/)

Apprenticeship Maryland Program

Availability: All high schools, including the Centers of Applied Technology

The Apprenticeship Maryland Program is coordinated through a partnership between AACPS, the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) and the Maryland Department of Labor (MDOL). The program is for students, ages 16 and up, and is designed to lead to sustainable employment and further education. The program consists of one year of related classroom instruction and a workplace component with an employer (approved by the Maryland Apprenticeship Training Council (MATC) through MDL) of at least 450 hours. The workplace component is a paid (at least minimum wage) mentored, on-the-job, rating/work-based learning plan and a formal agreement among the student, school, and employer.

Automotive Collision Repair & Refinishing

Availability: CAT North and CAT South

The Automotive Collision Repair and Refinishing program provides an opportunity for students to learn how to evaluate and repair structural and non-structural damage to the bodies of automobiles. Students will get hands-on experience straightening metal, preparing surfaces, and painting vehicles

This program is Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Certified by the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF).

Required: T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) …………0.5/sem

Associated Certification(s): Automotive Service Excellence (ASE)
  - Entry-Level Certifications
  - Safety and Pollution Prevention Certification (S/P2)
Automotive Technology

Availability: CAT North and CAT South

An opportunity to learn how to inspect, repair, and adjust automobiles is provided in this two- to three-year course. Positions as Specialist in alignment, engine tune up, fuel injection, brake, engine repair, trouble shooting, air conditioning and electrical systems are found in auto repair centers. This program is Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Certified by the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF). Students enrolled in Auto Technology 1 will be enrolled in C01 (Pre-Engineering).

Required: T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) ........... 0.5/sem
Prerequisite: Current enrollment in Algebra 1

Note: C01 Honors Pre-Engineering (taught concurrently with Level 1 during one semester ....... 0.5sem

Associated Certification(s): Automotive Service Excellence  (ASE)
Entry-Level Certifications
Safety and Pollution Prevention Certification (S/P2)
EPA Refrigerant Recovery & Recycling Certification (CFC)

This program offers college credit: see "Earning College Credit" on page 18.

Aviation Maintenance (Pending State Approval)

Availability: CAT North

Aviation maintenance encompasses the repair, inspection, modification, or complete overhaul of aircraft components. Aviation Maintenance Technicians ensure that aircraft comply with air worthiness regulations and are safe and functioning during flight.

While in this program, students will gain valuable hands-on experience in an airport hangar on actual engines and aircraft. Instructors will guide students through the FAA approved curriculum and hands on training hours. Upon completion of the general skill competencies, students move to practical training where they will learn to repair and overhaul engines and perform required maintenance. This three-year program includes the technical skills, commitment to safety, the ability to follow procedures and document processes, and the 21st century essential skills required for a career in the aviation industry.

Recommended: Algebra 1

Associated Certification(s): FAA General and Powerplant Mechanic Certification

Baking & Pastry

Availability: CAT North

Throughout this two-to-three-year pathway, students will explore business/bakery math, nutrition, hospitality management, and basic/advanced baking skills. Students will have the opportunity to earn the ServSafe certification and the Certified Junior Pastry Culinarian ACF certification. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in work-based learning. Career opportunities include, but are not limited to, cake decorator, baker, caterer, consultant, food service manager. Additionally, students will be fully prepared to continue to higher education. Students could potentially earn college credit through Anne Arundel Community College upon successful completion of the program.

Required: T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) ........... 0.5/sem

Associated Certification(s): American Culinary Federation (ACF)- Certified
Fundamentals Pastry Cook (CFPC)
National Restaurant Association ServSafe: Food Manager

Program Connection: Anne Arundel Community College
www.aacc.edu/about/schools-of-study/continuing-education/hotel-culinary-arts-and-tourism/

This program offers college credit: see "Earning College Credit" on page 18.
Barbering

Minimum Credits: 6.5

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Availability: CAT North

The Barbering Program prepares individuals to become licensed professional barbers. Hair services taught include basic to advanced hair cutting techniques for men and women; fundamentals of shaving, beard, and mustache trimming, skin care, massage, and various chemical services. Emphasis is placed on hygiene, safety, sanitation, and the Maryland State Board of Barbers’ rules and regulations. This 1200-hour program includes classroom instruction, clinical experience, and a work-based learning experience. Upon successful completion of the 1200 hours students are required to take the Maryland State Board of Barbers’ Examination.

Required: T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) ........0.5/sem

Associated Certification(s): Maryland Board of Barbers, Barber License

Building/Industrial Maintenance

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Availability: CAT North

Participants master a variety of skills in the areas required to maintain large industrial buildings. Topics include safety, tools, fasteners, cutting, and welding, pumps, material handling, reading, and understanding construction drawings, piping systems, steam systems, and distillation systems.

Required: T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2)........0.5/sem

Associated Certification(s): NCCER Certification (Core )

Occupational Safety and Health Administration OSHA 10

Business Management

Minimum Credits: 3

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Availability: Annapolis, Arundel, Broadneck, Glen Burnie, Meade, North County, Old Mill, Severna Park, and South River High Schools

A student who completes this program pathway will be able to develop a business plan for a small business. They will apply accounting, marketing, and management concepts to realistic business scenarios. All aspects of managing a business will be discussed in addition to the competencies learned in computer applications, business communications and financial management. The business management program of study recommends that students should have access to work study, mentorship, internship, and job shadow opportunities. Students will also benefit from involvement in national professional organizations such as DECA and the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). Eligible students will have the opportunity to earn college credit through dual enrollment. The student who completes this program will be prepared to work as a management trainee, manage a small business, and continue their education after graduation.

Program Connection: Anne Arundel Community College

www.aacc.edu/about/schools-of-study/business-and-law/business-management/

AACC: This high school completer program offers college credit at Annapolis, Arundel, and Severna Park High Schools. See “Earning College Credit” on page 18.
**Career Transitions**

**Availability:** All high schools except Glen Burnie, and Severna Park

Career Connections and Transition (CCT) combines academics and the real world, providing hands-on learning that puts you at the center of the action. Learn essential skills, explore career interests, and discover your passions, all while planning a pathway to success after high school. CCT also helps develop critical thinking, problem-solving, teamwork, and communication skills, which means you are better prepared for college and career.

This program offers college credit: see "Earning College Credit" on page 18.

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**Carpentry**

**Availability:** CAT North and CAT South

An opportunity to learn to construct new buildings, handle work connected with remodeling, maintenance, and repair is provided in this two- to three-year course. Positions such as rough, finish or maintenance carpenter, inspector, home remodeling, project superintendent, and self-employment are included in the job opportunities. This program is certified by the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) and students may also be eligible to receive proficiency credits from Anne Arundel Community College.

**Required:** T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) ……….. 0.5/sem

**Associated Certification(s):** NCCER (Core and Level 1 Carpentry)

**Occupational Safety and Health Administration OSHA 10**

**Program Connection:** Anne Arundel Community College

www.aacc.edu/about/schools-of-study/science-and-technology/architecture-and-interior-design/

This program offers college credit: see "Earning College Credit" on page 18.

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**CASE—Curriculum for Agricultural Education: Natural Resources**

**Availability:** CAT-North

The CASE Program prepares students to be successful in numerous careers in the agricultural sciences as well as preparing them to further their education at the post-secondary level. This inquiry-based program of study incorporates classroom learning, FFA leadership and career development, as well as outside of the classroom experiences through Supervised Agricultural Experiences (SAE) and other internship opportunities. Students will explore hands-on projects and activities in the areas of land use, water quality, and sources of energy. Study of the natural world including biomes, land, air, water, energy, use and care as well as a focus on issues surrounding man’s interaction with the Earth is addressed in this course.

**Required:** T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) ……….. 0.5/sem

C668 AP Environmental Science (taught concurrently with Level 2) ………... 0.5/sem

This program offers articulated college credit at affiliated Universities.

For more information, please visit www.case4learning.org.curriculum/college-credit-for-your-students.

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**CASE—Curriculum for Agricultural Education: Plant and Animal Science**

**Availability:** Phoenix Academy and Southern High School

The CASE Program prepares students to be successful in numerous careers in the agricultural sciences as well as preparing them to further their education at the post-secondary level. This inquiry-based program of study incorporates classroom learning, FFA leadership and career development, as well as outside of the classroom experiences through Supervised Agricultural Experiences (SAE) and other internship opportunities. Students will work in teams through inquiry-based projects exploring biotechnology research methodology, DNA/gene transfer, biofuels, micro propagation, embryo transfer, transgenic materials, and microbial biotechnology. As a foundation, biochemistry and the regulations, laws, and ethics governing biotechnology will be addressed.

This program offers articulated college credit at affiliated Universities.

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**Computer and Information Sciences**

**Availability:** All high schools, except CAT North, CAT South, Phoenix Academy, and Evening High School

The Information Technology (IT) Software Pathway program, Computer Science, prepares students for further study and careers in the field of Computer Science. Students complete a sequence of four courses, starting with an overview of the Computing and Information Technology field and progressing through a more in-depth study of computer science. Throughout the program, students will learn all aspects of Computer Science including programming, hardware design, networks, graphics, databases and information retrieval, cyber security, software design, programming languages, logic, programming paradigms, translation between levels of abstraction, artificial intelligence, the limits of computations, applications in information technology and information systems, and social issues (Internet security, privacy, and intellectual property).

Upon completion of the program sequence, students may earn college credit for introductory-level Computer Science through Advanced Placement (AP) Computer Science exam(s). In addition, students may earn industry certification as a Microsoft Technology Associate (MTA). Certification options include Software Development Fundamentals (Exam 98-361), Windows Development Fundamentals (Exam 98-362), or Web Development Fundamentals (Exam 98-363). Students in the Computer Science CTE Program of Study are required to take at least one of the assessment options listed above (leading to industry certification and/or early college credit).

**Associated Certification(s):** Software Development Fundamentals (Exam 98-361), Windows Development Fundamentals (Exam 98-362), Web Development Fundamentals (Exam 98-363)

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*If R04 is used to satisfy Basic Technology requirements for graduation, it cannot be used to meet requirements towards this completer program.

†Dual Credit course must be approved by Coordinator of Career and Technical Education prior to enrollment to satisfy completer requirements.
**Construction Design and Management**

**Availability:** Arundel High School

This program is a four course CTE Program of Study. Students will develop an understanding of the built world through the design and construction process. Each course uses a project-based learning approach to advance students’ understanding of the design-build-maintain process. Advanced architectural drafting and design skills are developed through lab-based instruction using Autodesk software tools (AutoCAD and Revit Architecture). Throughout the program, students will develop a portfolio to demonstrate knowledge of each phase of the design and construction management process. Students will also have the opportunity to earn industry certification in AutoCAD. AACPS adopted the MSDE program and will meet all of the standards outlined in the State approved Program of Study. Additionally, each course will be expanded to include 'real-world' projects and problem solving to align with the school’s Signature — Community Development & Global Citizenship.

**Associated Certification(s):** AutoCAD credentialing
Revit Architecture certification

This program offers college credit: see “Earning College Credit” on page 18.

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**Cosmetology**

**Availability:** CAT North and CAT South

Cosmetology provides students an opportunity to learn hair shaping, manicuring, hairstyling, facial massage, make-up, hair coloring and salon management. Graduates of this 1500 hour/three-year program are required to sit for the State licensure exam. This license allows students to be a practicing Cosmetologist when they leave high school.

**Required:** T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) .......... 0.5/sem

**Associated Certification(s):** Maryland Board of Cosmetologists
Cosmetologist License

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**Culinary Arts**

**Availability:** CAT North and CAT South

Students will learn how to use commercial equipment, purchase food, plan menus, provide banquet buffet service, management, cook, bake, and sanitation techniques, and may be eligible to receive sanitation certification. Career opportunities include dining room management or supervisor, food service management or supervisor, food service manager, purchasing agent, proprietor, host/hostess, consultant, dietitian, caterer, or cook/chef. This program is certified by the American Culinary Federation Foundation (ACF).

**Required:** T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) .......... 0.5/sem

**Associated Certification(s):** American Culinary Federation (ACF)
Certified Fundamental Cook
National Restaurant Association ServSafe
Food Manager Certification

**Program Connection:** Anne Arundel Community College
www.aacc.edu/about/schools-of-study/continuing-education/hotel-culinary-arts-and-tourism/

This program offers college credit: see “Earning College Credit” on page 18.

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## Dental Assisting

**Availability:** CAT South

Students will be instructed in the areas of patient care, chairside assistant, business office manager, and dental laboratory assistant. A senior year clinical experience may be available in a dental office.

**Required:** T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) ...........0.5/sem

**Associated Certification(s):**
- American Heart Association CPR
- National Board Radiation Health & Safety
- National Board Expanded Function

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## Drafting and Design Technology

**Availability:** CAT North

Students will be instructed in basic drafting, orthographic projection, sketching drawings, ANSI standard lettering, blueprint reading, CAD, geometric construction, sectioning, auxiliary views, detail, and assembly drawings, inking drawings, architectural layouts of floor plans and elevation drawings. Career opportunities include drafter, engineering technician, mechanical engineer, industrial designer, teacher, architect, and construction superintendent. Students may also be eligible for Proficiency Credits from Anne Arundel Community College.

**Required:** T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) ...........0.5/sem

**Note:** Completion of M20 and M21(Engineering Drawing / CAD 1/2) (C or better) may be taken for two Semesters in the home school’s Technology and Engineering Education Program to satisfy the requirements for T31.

**Program Connection:**
- Anne Arundel Community College
  - www.aacc.edu/about/schools-of-study/science-and-technology/architecture-and-interior-design/
  - www.aacc.edu/programs-and-courses/credit-and-degree-seekers/engineering/

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## Early Childhood Education—Child Development Associate (CDA)

**Availability:** All high schools, except CAT North, CAT South, Phoenix Academy, and Evening High School

The CDA Program of Study aligns with the Child Development Associate (CDA) competencies, Interstate Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium, (InTASC), and National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) standards. This program of study prepares students for further education and careers in early childhood education and care. The program consists of three high school courses that cover child growth and development with an emphasis on preschool, preschool learning environment best practices, and classroom/lab experiences. Students have the opportunity to earn the CDA for Center Based Preschool Programs Students complete 120 clock hours of child development education in the classroom and either 480 hours of experience working directly with children in licensed facilities or one credit of dually-enrolled courses at AACC. In order to be eligible for the CDA certification, students must complete the 480-hour internship. In addition to industry certification, students may also earn college credit. Students can earn the Maryland State 90 clock hours plus 9 hours of communication certification.

**Associated Certification(s):** Child Development Associate (CDA)

**This program offers college credit:** see “Earning College Credit” on page 18.

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### Electricity

**Availability:** CAT North and CAT South

Students will be instructed in wiring diagrams and schematics, electrical safety, wiring methods, blueprint reading, furnace controls, wiring heat lamps and air conditioning electrical motors and starters are provided. Career opportunities include line meter installer, cable splicer, wire-person, inspector, trouble shooter, motor repair person, control expert, distribution panel installer, electrical contractor, or self-employment. This program is certified by the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER).

**Required:** T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) ......... 0.5/sem

**Recommended:** Completion of Algebra 1 (C or better)

**Associated Certification(s):**
- NCCER (Core and Level 1 Electricity)
- Occupational Safety and Health Administration OSHA 10

**This program offers college credit:** see “Earning College Credit” on page 18.

### Food & Beverage Management (ProStart)

**Availability:** All high schools (except Broadneck and Severna Park), Phoenix Academy, and Evening High Schools

The ProStart program introduces high school students to a wide variety of careers within the restaurant, food service and hospitality industry. Students will study and practice professional food preparation, preparation of international cuisines, food safety and sanitation, customer service relations, accounting, cost control, marketing, and an introduction to aspects of lodging management. Students will follow the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation industry standard curriculum with the potential to earn ProStart and ServSafe certifications. Senior year, students must complete a 270-hour work-based learning experience. In addition, for ProStart Certification, the student internship must allow them to complete 52 competency goals plus an additional 130 hours.

**Associated Certification(s):**
- ServSafe Food Manager certification
- Foundation ProStart National Certificate of Achievement (COA)

**Program Connection:** Anne Arundel Community College

[www.aacc.edu/about/schools-of-study/continuing-education/hotel-culinary-arts-and-tourism/]

**This program offers college credit:** see “Earning College Credit” on page 18.

### Graphic Design

**Availability:** CAT North

Students will be introduced to publication design as a means of communication with a focus on studying and applying layout and design concepts used in the fields of graphic design, webpage design and printing. Students use the iMac computer with software applications to learn basic page layout techniques, photo manipulation, advertising design, and digital illustration. Career opportunities exist as a graphic artist, ad designer, web page designer, and pre-press operator.

**Associated Certification(s):** PrintED (Advertising Design)
**Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC)**

**Availability:** CAT North and CAT South

Basic principles and practical applications to the Air Conditioning and Heating Industry are introduced in this course. Electro-Mechanical Theory, basic electricity, and wiring diagrams are studied. Outcomes include trouble shooting, maintenance, wiring diagram, ducting, and repair of central heating and air conditioning systems. Jobs are available in manufacturing, wholesaling, retailing, and building maintenance. This program is certified by the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER).

**Required:** T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) ..........0.5/sem

**Associated Certification(s):**
- NCCER (Core and Level 1 HVAC, EPA Core, CFC
- ASE Refrigerant Recovery Certification
- MD Department of Labor, Licensing, & Regulation HVAC Apprenticeship License
- Occupational Safety and Health Administration OSHA 10

**This program offers college credit:** see "Earning College Credit" on page 18.

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**Homeland Security Emergency Preparedness—Geographic Information Systems**

**Availability:** Meade High School

The Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (HS/EP) Program is a Career and Technical Education instructional program which integrates government, academia, and private sector training/educational initiatives to help students understand how the United States and its interests worldwide are protected against threats to public safety, both natural and manufactured, through effective communication, preparedness, detection, prevention, response, and recovery.

This Geographic Information Systems Completer will train students in the use of advanced 3D imaging software and remote sensing technology. They will study their local and regional communities through hands on projects and in coordination with industry leading business partners. Students will learn and apply geospatial tools when solving GIS problems, conduct spatial analysis to determine the relationships that exist within specified areas, and integrate GPS information to incorporate real time data to three dimensional models.

**Associated Certification(s):** STARS certification

**Program Connection:** Anne Arundel Community College

www.aacc.edu/programs-and-courses/credit-and-degree-seekers/homeland-security-management/

**This program offers college credit:** see "Earning College Credit" on page 18.

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**Interactive Media Production—CAT South**

**Availability:** CAT South

The IMP program will enable students to create a range of projects by combining sound, video, graphics, animation, and web technology. These media tools are used by business and industry to develop content for marketing, training, and entertainment. Students will prepare for the Adobe Creative Suite Certification(s) and have the opportunity to earn college credit toward post-secondary study.

**Associated Certification(s):** Adobe Certified Associate (ACA, Photoshop)

**Program Connection:** Anne Arundel Community College

www.aacc.edu/about/schools-of-study/liberal-arts/visual-arts-and-humanities/

**This program offers college credit:** see "Earning College Credit" on page 18.
**Interactive Media Production—High Schools**

**Availability:** Chesapeake and Severna Park High Schools

The IMP program will enable students to create a range of projects by combining sound, video, graphics, animation, and web technology. These media tools are used by business and industry to develop content for marketing, training, and entertainment. Students will prepare for the Adobe Creative Suite Certification(s) and have the opportunity to earn college credit toward post-secondary study.

**Program Connection:** Anne Arundel Community College

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Q16 Honors Interactive Media Production 1 | 0.5 | 1.0
Q17 Honors Interactive Media Production 2 | 0.5 | 1.0
Q18 Honors Interactive Media Production 3 | 0.5 | 1.0
Q19 Honors Interactive Media Production 4 | 0.5 | 1.0

**IT Networking Academy (Cisco)**

**Availability:** CAT North and CAT South

Students will be taught conceptual and technical skills to design, install, operate, secure, and maintain state-of-the-art computer networks. Each participant will learn theory, component recognition and cabling techniques. Students will also practice hands-on configuration of equipment, network troubleshooting, and cybersecurity concepts. This is a two-year Cisco Systems Certified program, with the goal for completing students to gain Cisco Industry Recognized Certification. Throughout the 2-year program, eligible students will have opportunities to earn Proficiency Credits with Anne Arundel Community College.

**Courses:**
- T58 Honors Cisco Academy 1 | 1.0 | 2.0
- T59 Honors Cisco Academy 2 | 1.5 | 3.0

**Extension**

T607 Honors Cisco Academy 3 | 2.0 | 4.0

**Junior Reserve Officer’s Training Corps (JROTC)**

**Availability:** Annapolis HS (Navy), Meade HS (Army), and Northeast (Marines) High Schools

Anne Arundel County Public Schools offers three Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (JROTC) programs focusing on student leadership, citizenship, and service to the community. Through partnerships with the United States Army (Meade HS), Navy (Annapolis HS) and Marines (Northeast HS), instructors from all three branches prepare students in grades 9-12 for leadership roles while making them aware of their rights, responsibilities, and privileges as American citizens through rigorous instruction and hands-on activities.

JROTC prepares students for life, and they are not under any obligation to join the military. However, if they choose to further their interest in the military, satisfactory completion of the JROTC program can lead to advanced placement credit in the Senior ROTC program (college level) or advanced rank in any of the Armed Forces.

Students in the JROTC program will be given the opportunity to sit for the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) test.

**Courses:**
- X50 Navy / X55 Army / X66 Marine Honors Junior ROTC 1 | 0.5 | 1.0
- X51 Navy / X56 Army / X67 Marine Honors Junior ROTC 2 | 0.5 | 1.0
- X52 Navy / X57 Army / X68 Marine Honors Junior ROTC 3 | 0.5 | 1.0

**Extension**

X53 Navy / ArmyX58 / X69 Marine Honors Junior ROTC 4 | 0.5 | 1.0
Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice

Availability: Glen Burnie High School

Anne Arundel County Public Schools has partnered with the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Institute at Anne Arundel Community College to create the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice CTE program in support of the Signature at Glen Burnie High School. This program combines Career and Technical Education and Early College access and will allow students to graduate with 18 college credits and a certificate in Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice.

Students will gain an understanding of ethical standards and techniques needed to meet current and future challenges facing our community through innovative thinking and real-world experiences in a variety of public service careers that help a community grow and thrive.

The first two AACC courses (AACC course #: CJS111, CJS112) will be offered at Glen Burnie High School for ease of access. The remaining courses (AACC course #: CJS113, LGS215, HLS111, and CJS225) will be taken at the AACC campus at the Glen Burnie Town Center.

Program Connection: Anne Arundel Community College

This program offers college credit: see “Earning College Credit” on page 18.

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Marine Service Technology

Availability: CAT South

Standards and guidelines set by the American Boat & Yacht Council (ABYC) are incorporated in this program and supported by ABYC. Students will learn boat related skills in carpentry, marine wiring, diagnoses and repair of marine engines, painting, refinishing, plumbing, fiber glassing and rigging. Career possibilities include crew member, refinishing, rigging, carpentry, fiberglass fabrication and repair, sales, and cleaning and maintenance.

Required: T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) .......... 0.5/sem

Associated Certification(s): American Boat & Yacht Council (ABYC) Marine Service Technician

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or T702 Marine Service Technology Work-Based Learning

Marketing

Availability: Annapolis, Arundel, Crofton, Meade, North County, Severna Park, and Southern High Schools

In the Marketing pathway, students learn about the consumer’s role, research in global marketing, developing a marketing plan and the importance of ethics and social responsibility. Internships and mentored projects are highly recommended. Graduates may earn college credit through dual enrollment.

Program Connection: Anne Arundel Community College
www.aacc.edu/programs-and-courses/credit-and-degree-seekers/advertising/

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or S32 Marketing Work-Based Learning
or BPA162 Business Communication: AACC (Dual Credit) and BPA127 E-Marketing: AACC

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**Availability:** CAT North

Students will learn to work with brick, block, stone, and concrete. They will be able to estimate the cost of materials, read blueprints, and lay out projects. Career opportunities in this trade offer a promising future for graduates as a Mason tender, Bricklayer, Layout person, Foreman, Estimator, Superintendent, and Contractor. This program is certified by the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER).

**Required:** T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) ......... 0.5/sem

**Associated Certification(s):**
- NCCER (Core and Level 1 Masonry)
- Occupational Safety and Health Administration OSHA 10

### Medium/Heavy Truck and Equipment Technology (Formerly Diesel Power Technology)

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**Availability:** CAT North

The Medium/Heavy Truck and Equipment Technology course prepares the student to service and repair a wide variety of diesel-powered vehicles and equipment. This program provides training in the Inspection, diagnosis, repair, and service of diesel engines, brakes, suspension & steering, electrical/electronic systems, heating, ventilation & air conditioning, preventative maintenance inspection, and hydraulic systems. This course has been developed in partnership with Cummins Power Systems and is certified by the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF).

**Required:** T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) ......... 0.5/sem

**Associated Certification(s):**
- Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Entry-Level Certifications
- Safety and Pollution Prevention Certification (S/P2)
- Associated Equipment Distributors (AED) Certifications

### Natural Resources and Conservation

**Minimum Credits:** 3

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**Availability:** Broadneck High School

The Natural Resources and Conservation program focuses on the studies and activities related to the natural environment and its conservation, use, and improvement. Includes instruction in subjects such as climate, air, soil, water, land, fish and wildlife, and plant resources; in the basic principles of environmental science and natural resources management; and the recreational and economic uses of renewable and nonrenewable natural resources.

Anne Arundel County Public Schools has partnered with the Anne Arundel Community College’s School of Science, Technology, and Education to create the Natural Resources and Conservation CTE program. This program combines Career and Technical Education and Early College access and will allow students to graduate with 12 college credits.

**Associated Certification:** FAA Remote Pilot License- Part 107 Certificate
### Plumbing

**Availability:** CAT North

Students will be instructed in the areas of soldering, brazing, repairing sinks and toilets, repairing water heaters, reading blueprints, and designing bathrooms. A senior year internship is available, which can lead to an Apprenticeship program. Career opportunities exist as plumber, gas fitter, maintenance engineer, engineer, steam fitter, sprinkler system mechanic, boiler mechanic, plumbing sales representative, service person or estimator. This program is certified by the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER).

**Required:** T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2)...........0.5/sem

**Associated Certification(s):** NCCER (Core & Level 1 Plumbing)
Occupational Safety and Health Administration OSHA 10

**Program Connection:** Community College of Baltimore County

**This program offers college credit:** see "Earning College Credit" on page 18.

### Print Media Technology

**Availability:** Phoenix Academy

Students will have the opportunity to learn all aspects of the printing process including digital printing, digital file management, offset lithography, binding, and finishing, and production planning. Students will learn to use iMac computers, Adobe Suite, computer to plate system, printing press, and bindery equipment. Students will develop an understanding of inventory and cost control, electronic prepress and employment responsibilities. Career opportunities include pressman or bindery operator, prepress technician, production planning, purchasing, and customer service.

**Associated Certification(s):** PrintED
(Graphic Communication, Digital File Prep, Press Operation)

### Project Lead the Way (PLTW)—Biomedical Sciences

**Availability:** Glen Burnie and Northeast High Schools

The goal of the program is to increase the number of students pursuing careers in the biomedical sciences, including healthcare. Students who complete the program are prepared for employment and further education at two- and four- year college levels. Stevenson University, the Maryland PLTW Biomedical Sciences Affiliate University, will offer four (4) transcripted credits for its first semester majors biology course (BIO 113). The credit will be offered for those students who complete the entire PLTW biomed sequence of courses and score at least 80% on each end-of-course assessment.

For more information on college credit available to PLTW students, please visit: https://www.pltw.org/experience-pltw/student-opportunities
Project Lead the Way (PLTW)—Pre-Engineering

**Availability:** Crofton, Glen Burnie, Meade, Severna Park, and South River High Schools

Project Lead the Way (PLTW) is a CTE instructional program that incorporates the national standards of The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, the National Science Standards, and the International Technology and Engineering Educators Association. The program prepares students for further education and careers in engineering and engineering technology. The list of courses provided meet the criteria of the Project Lead the Way Program. Specialty courses are selected by the school and not all courses listed are offered at every PLTW school.

**Program Connection:** Anne Arundel Community College

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* If M25/M26 is used to satisfy Basic Technology requirements for graduation, Students must take 2.0 credits after M27.

Teacher Academy of Maryland

**Availability:** Chesapeake, Glen Burnie, North County, Severna Park, and South River High Schools

The Teacher Academy of Maryland prepares students who are seeking careers in K–12 education. This program will prepare students, through a series of courses that include supervised lab teaching and an internship, where they will create and deliver lesson plans in Elementary and Middle school classrooms.

Aligned with curriculum developed by Towson University, this program offers the potential for post-secondary college credit and scholarship opportunities at participating post-secondary schools. For more information please visit https://www.towson.edu/coe/centers/teacheracademy/.

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Transportation, Logistics, and Cargo Security

**Availability:** North County High School

Through partnerships with BWI Marshall Airport, the Port of Baltimore, and the Maryland Office of Tourism, this completer program exposes students to a range of careers involved in the transportation logistics field. Students will experience purposeful, real-world learning, career opportunities, transportable credentials, and higher education experiences. This program combines Career and Technical Education with Early College Access and will allow students to graduate with 18 college credits and a Certification in Transportation, Logistics, and Cargo Security, while preparing them to earn the Global Logistics Associate (GLA) Industry Certification. The program is a combination of courses developed by both AACPS and AACC. The six AACC courses are taken through the dual credit program.

**Associated Certification(s):** Transportation, Logistics, and Cargo Security Certificate (AACC) Global Logistics Associate (GLA) Industry Certification

**Program Connections:** Anne Arundel Community College

This program offers college credit: see "Earning College Credit" on page 18.
**Welding**

**Availability:** CAT North and CAT South

Students will be instructed in blueprint reading, oxy-acetylene welding and cutting, brazing, arc welding, plasma cutting and welding, and pulse MIG welding. Career opportunities exist as production welder, machine operator, job shop welder, fabricator, pipeline, welder, sheet metal mechanic and welder, construction welder, and welding shop owner. This program is certified by the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER).

**Required:** T86 Technical Math (taught concurrently with Level 2) .......... 0.5/sem

**Associated Certification(s):**
- American Association of Welding D1-1
- NCCER (Core and Level 1 Welding)
- American Welding Society (AWS) Certification
- Occupational Safety and Health Administration OSHA 10

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How to read a course description:

The course description is an overview of the content of the course and may contain additional information, such as student expectations, class assignments, and details about exams and certifications.

Prerequisite(s): Requirements needed before a student can take this class.

CTE—NCAA—DUAL (XX0000)

This course meets the requirements of specific programs:

CTE — Career and Technical Education Program
NCAA — National Collegiate Athletic Association
(see “NCAA Eligibility” on page 11)
DUAL — Anne Arundel Community College Dual Credit Courses
A student can take an equivalent AACC course and earn both college and high school credit
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The Anne Arundel County High School visual arts program is designed to offer all students personal enrichment as well as provide a high quality, sequential program of study for students who are planning an art or art-related career. Art courses offer opportunities to learn, explore, and concentrate on the visual art concepts while including activities in all major areas of art. The inquiry-based curriculum fosters the creative potential in each student. Critical thinking and expression of ideas in art forms will help students to appreciate the value of art in meeting 21st Century challenges, relate art to life, social, and community issues. All art courses are offered on an elective basis.

Design elements and principles will be stressed along with two- and three-dimensional activities — painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, photography, and mixed media — at all levels. Many materials, tools and processes are used to make art so that students will: develop a knowledge of design as the basis for artwork; identify design qualities in natural and man-made forms; apply skills while making art objects; judge art qualities; develop a knowledge of how to use materials, tools and techniques; and become familiar with the important role of art in the history of humankind.

Fine Arts Graduation Requirement — 1.0 Credit
Most Art courses meet the fine arts requirement. Additional fine arts courses can be found in the Dance, English (Theater Arts), and Music program sections.

Foundations of Studio Art Exemption
Students who demonstrate mastery of standards found in the Foundations of Studio Art course, through a portfolio review and assessment conducted by the Visual Arts department chairperson, may be exempted from the Foundations of Studio Art prerequisite and become eligible to enroll directly into a level 1 visual arts course.

G19 | Foundations of Studio Art 0.5sem
This course provides the foundation for the visual arts high school program of study. Students will experience a variety of media and processes while exploring two- and three-dimensional art problems in drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, and mixed media. Critical and creative thinking skills will be integrated into all studio experiences.

G30 | Drawing for Fashion 1 0.5sem
The course will prepare students for further study in the area of fashion design, fashion illustration, textile design, and marketing while developing an understanding of the connection between design and drawing. Students will produce individual sketchbooks/breadth of their media experience, design concepts related to fashion design, and their growth in the drawing of the human figure. Students will be exposed to varied aspects of the fashion industry, including fashion design and related career opportunities.
Prerequisite(s): Foundations of Studio Art

G31 | Drawing for Fashion 2 0.5sem
The student will explore more advanced aspects of fashion illustration, fashion design, textile design, and marketing using visual arts media. Students will expand development of sketchbooks and portfolios related to fashion design and the drawing of the human figure. The resulting portfolio will show evidence of personal development through studio work, outside experiences, and sketchbook/journals. Students will be encouraged to make artistic choices that have been influenced by outstanding fashion designers leading to an individual style based on personal aesthetic criteria.
Prerequisite(s): Drawing for Fashion 1

G35 | Photo & Digital Processes 1 0.5sem
Photography and Digital Processes 1 is the introductory class for the study of photographic processes. Use of the digital camera/device and/or analog camera and the manipulation of student generated images on the computer will serve as a basis for exploring various media. The class is structured around creating photographic or digital imaging emphasizing visual arts principles. It will introduce the student to the principles of contemporary media as a verbal and visual means of communication in today’s society. Students will be challenged to solve art problems by studying the work of master photographers and digital artists. A sketchbook/journal will serve as a resource for technical information, processes, idea generation, and written commentary.
Prerequisite(s): Foundations of Studio Art

DUAL (JG3500)

G36 | Photo & Digital Processes 2 0.5/sem
Photography and Digital Processes 2 courses builds upon skills, concepts and techniques developed in Photography and Digital Processes 1. Through experimentation, observation, and teacher direction, students will be challenged to create expressive works influenced by master contemporary photographers, digital artists, and other career connections. Students will expand their repertoire of software, styles, and techniques. Student’s original photographs serve as a source of ideas. All digital imaging should come from student generated artwork/ photography or family archival photographs. Further exploration of the Adobe Creative Cloud is part of the photographic process of the course. The curriculum is aligned with the MD State Dept. of Education Visual Arts Standards while embedding 21st century skills.
Prerequisite(s): Photo & Digital Processes 1
This course is the introductory course to three-dimensional art. The emphasis of this course is on developing a body of related two-dimensional art processes: ceramics, sculpture, crafts, and mixed media. Students will be challenged to develop a personal style by creating expressive works of art based on a variety of artists, art movements, and techniques. A process portfolio and sketchbooks/journals will reflect personal aesthetic choices in the development of a body of work. 

Prerequisite(s): Foundations of Studio Art

G46 | Studio 2: 2D Art  0.5/sem

In this course students will solve problems that focus on ways to approach two-dimensional design. Activities will include painting and drawing from life, ways to represent the human figure from observation, portraiture, printmaking and on and off the press and contemporary crafts. Emphasis is placed on creative problem solving, use of the sketchbook/journal and the influence of master artists and cultural exemplars.

Prerequisite(s): Studio 1: 2D Art

G47 | Honors Studio 3: 2D Art  0.5/sem

The emphasis of this course is on developing a body of related two-dimensional works (drawing, painting, printmaking, crafts, mixed media), based on a personal idea or theme. The resulting portfolio will show evidence of artistic development through studio work, influences by master artists, outside experiences and sketchbook/journals. 

Prerequisite(s): Studio 2: 2D Art

G48 | AP Studio Art 2D Design  [FY] 0.5/sem

Students in this course develop their 2-D Design Portfolio according to the requirements of the College Board’s Advanced Placement Program. Portfolios will be developed that demonstrate a concentration, breadth, and quality. Students will be encouraged to submit a portfolio for Advanced Placement credit.

G55 | Studio 1: 3D Art  0.5/sem

This course is the introductory course to three-dimensional art processes: ceramics, sculpture, crafts, and mixed media. Through experimentation, observation and teacher direction, the student will be challenged to develop a personal style by creating expressive works of art based on a variety of artists, art movements and techniques. A process portfolio and sketchbooks/journals will reflect personal aesthetic choices in the development of a body of work.

Prerequisite(s): Foundations of Studio Art

G56 | Studio 2: 3D Art  0.5/sem

In this course students will solve problems and focus on three-dimensional art forms. Design solutions are explored in sculpture, contemporary crafts, and ceramics in traditional and non-traditional ways. The sketchbook/journal issued for recording ideas, influences from master artists and cultural exemplars, working out solutions to problems, and reflecting on results.

Prerequisite(s): Studio 1: 3D Art

G57 | Honors Studio 3: 3D Art  0.5/sem

The emphasis of this course is on developing a body of related three-dimensional works (ceramics, sculpture, crafts, mixed media) based on a personal idea or theme. The resulting portfolio will show evidence of personal development through studio work, outside experiences and sketchbook/journals. Students will be encouraged to make artistic choices that have been influenced by master artists leading to an individual style based on personal aesthetic criteria.

Prerequisite(s): Studio 2: 3D Art

G58 | AP Studio Art 3D Design  [FY] 0.5/sem

Students in this course develop their 3-D Design Portfolio according to the requirements of the College Board’s Advanced Placement Program. Portfolios will be developed that demonstrate a concentration, breadth, and quality. Students will be encouraged to submit a portfolio for Advanced Placement credit.

G61 | AP Studio Art Drawing  [FY] 0.5/sem

The AP Studio Art Program is designed for highly motivated students who are seriously interested in the study of art. Portfolios will be developed that demonstrate a concentration, breadth, and quality. Students will be encouraged to submit a portfolio for Advanced Placement credit.

G62 | AP Art History  [FY] 0.5/sem

This college level course involves the study of art history from prehistoric times to the present day. The content of the course will allow students to be able to analyze elements of artwork, become familiar with media and techniques or art production and the ability to recognize and identify periods and styles. Additionally, analytical comparative essays will explore themes, styles and purposes of art. This course culminates in the Advanced Placement Art History test to earn college credit.

Recommended: Students who register for this course are encouraged to concurrently enroll in AP European History in order to strengthen conceptual understanding.
Seminar: AP Art History provides students with the assistance they need to successfully complete their coursework. **Prerequisite(s):** Concurrent enrollment in AP Art History

**G01 | Unified Visual Arts & Leadership 1–4** 0.5/sem

Affords students with and without disabilities the opportunity to focus on creativity as a means of expression through a variety of techniques as exemplified and demonstrated by the masters. All mediums, both 2D and 3D, will be explored through the elements of art and principles of design. This collaborative and cooperative environment will allow students to work at their own pace and skill level. The peer leaders will explore leadership traits such as communication, listening, group work, and critical thinking in order to best support in an inclusive environment.

**G87 | Department Aide—Art** No credit

Fine and Performing Arts Aide courses offer students the opportunity to assist instructors in preparing and organizing course curricula. Students may provide tutorial or instructional assistance to other students.

If you have questions about any of the courses or programs described in this book, contact your School Counselor.
Career & Technical Education

Career and Technical Education courses are designed to provide challenging opportunities for students to develop knowledge and skills in a career field. Students may use this acquired knowledge for entry-level employment and/or further education at a college, technical or business school, or an apprenticeship program. Courses are offered at the high schools and at the Centers of Applied Technology. For additional information, see the Programs of Choice or Career Completer sections.

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Business

Business today is integrated. What does that really mean? It means that with all the technical advances and increasing globalization, new challenges and unanticipated questions arise. Business professionals need to understand the big picture of business and finance to anticipate and address these types of new challenges. A business executive needs to understand marketing, legal and management, finances, as well as possess technical literacy. Business education courses prepare students to continue their education at a postsecondary institution or begin employment immediately after high school.

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<td>Students are introduced to accounting through manual and computer processes in the basic accounting cycle, including accounting for payroll, merchandising, special procedures, and partnerships. Excel spreadsheets, internet connection activities, and/or accounting software with QuickBooks are used to reinforce learned concepts.</td>
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<td>Students apply accounting methods to partnerships and corporations. QuickBooks software and simulations are included for students to apply accounting principles and procedures. Students taking this course are eligible to participate in a paid or unpaid internship.</td>
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Prerequisite(s): Principles of Accounting and Finance

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<td>This course provides a foundational understanding of the role of business in a global society. Students will learn to analyze the functions of business, forms of business ownership, management concepts, marketing, production and distribution, and accounting and finance. Students will explore entrepreneurial concepts to generate business ideas as well as the ability to plan and manage projects in order to achieve objectives. Students will learn Microsoft Office skills to generate business communications and forms. This course includes development of communication skills necessary for success in the workplace and college.</td>
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This course covers the fundamentals of business finance, from business and workforce opportunities. The course will provide Microsoft® Office Specialist (MOS) certification opportunities which provide industry-leading assessments of skills and knowledge.

Prerequisite(s): Honors Marketing 1

CTE–DUAL (JQ3101)

This course provides students with the study of information systems. Students develop managerial and technical skills for business support operations while incorporating problem solving techniques. Students will develop interpersonal teamwork and leadership skill through business simulations to develop a high-level work ethic. Students can elect to test for the Microsoft® Certified Application Specialist (MCAS) exams for certification. Seniors taking this course are eligible to participate in an internship learning experience.

Prerequisite(s): Introduction to Microsoft® Office, Microsoft® Office Applications (xls/dbf), Microsoft® Office Applications (doc/ppt)

CTE–DUAL (JQ4001)

This course covers the fundamentals of business finance, from business ownership and financial planning to the basics of financial accounting. Students will also learn important consumer topics including budgeting and money management, banking and credit, saving and investing, and strategies for protecting financial resources.

CTE

Students will explore the concepts of word processing, databases, spreadsheets, introductory presentations and the common features of all applications. The course provides students with the basic skills needed to format academic papers and presentations. The information and skills that students learn in this introductory course prepares them for their future studies in Microsoft® Office Applications (doc/ppt) and Microsoft® Office Applications (xls/dbf).

CTE–DUAL (JQ5000)

In this course students will develop advanced skills using spreadsheets and database software. Using Microsoft® Office Excel and Access, students will acquire skills that will prepare them for future academic and workforce opportunities. The course will provide Microsoft® Office Specialist (MOS) certification opportunities which provide industry-leading assessments of skills and knowledge.

Prerequisite(s): Introduction to Microsoft® Office

CTE–DUAL (JQ6400)

In this course students will develop advanced document, word processing and presentation skills. Using Microsoft® Office Word and PowerPoint, students will acquire skills that will prepare them for future academic and workforce opportunities. The course will provide Microsoft® Office Specialist (MOS) certification opportunities which provide industry-leading assessments of skills and knowledge.

Prerequisite(s): Introduction to Microsoft® Office

CTE

Learning about careers and gaining real-world job experience provides great preparation to high school students as they plan their futures. Students in this course will learn how to effectively plan for their future incorporating both employment, education and training goals, build financial literacy skills, and integrate Maryland’s Skills for Success as they begin to manage their career and educational choices. A variety of career and interest assessments, as well as portfolio development, and workplace readiness skills prepare students for the work-based learning/internship experience.

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Students in this course will apply the knowledge gained in Career Connections to the practical experience of their internship/ work-based learning placement. Students will continue to research and refine their career options through the process of self-awareness, career awareness, exploration, and preparation. In addition, students will learn how to meet employer’s expectations, use skills on the job, communicate effectively in the workplace, and learn to manage their personal finances. They will learn the components of the financial planning process as well as apply financial literacy skills towards managing personal finances.

Prerequisite(s): Q22 Career Connections.

Concurrent enrollment: S249 Workplace Immersion (Student must intern 135 hours at an approved site).

CTE

Experiences in careers are an important element of the development process. This course is not the same as a short-term job; it has structured learning goals, provided supervision and offers an experiential learning component that can strengthen a resume. Career Experiences can expand knowledge of oneself and provide students with insight to the career fields that interest them. Students will also gain marketable skills related to the field and make important contacts. This course allows students to apply classroom knowledge in the workplace. A minimum of 135 hours required.

Prerequisite(s): Teacher recommendation and approval from Work-Based Learning Facilitator. Student must provide their own transportation.

S05 | AAWDC Career X

Students in the Career X program will engage in a variety of activities directed at examining their personal interests, work values, and potential career goals. Through job readiness activities, field trips, and job shadowing, students are afforded the opportunity to develop plans for their “next steps” in the world of work and will explore occupations that directly align with their career interests. Students who successfully complete the activities and submit a portfolio may qualify for an internship that is closely associated with their career goals. Available at Meade and North County High School Only.
Q12 | Business Law  0.5sem
This course provides coverage of legal topics including the sources of law, the judicial system, criminal law, civil (tort) law, the formation and performance of contracts, the Uniform Commercial Code (sales transactions), competing interests of buyers and sellers (consumer law), and the ownership and transfer of personal property. Current issues such as ethics, workplace issues, and computer crime are discussed.

DUAL (Q1200)

Q87 | Department Aide—Business  No credit
Business Aide courses offer students the opportunity to assist instructors in preparing and organizing course curricula. Students may provide tutorial or instructional assistance to other students.

Computer Science

Students interested in careers in computer science, the sciences and engineering, or interested in studying programming languages, should consider enrolling in one or more of the computer science programming courses.

R06 | Foundations of Computer Science  [FY] 0.5/sem
This course is designed to introduce students to the breadth of the field of computer science through an exploration of engaging and accessible topics. Rather than focusing the entire course on learning particular software tools or programming languages, this course is designed to focus on the conceptual ideas of computing and help students understand how certain tools or languages are utilized to solve particular problems. This course covers a broad range of topics in computing such as software & app development, data theory & analysis, cryptography, computer hardware, web development and the global impacts of computing. This course satisfies the Basic Technology graduation requirement.

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R04 | AP Computer Science Principles  [FY] 0.5/sem
AP Computer Science Principles offers a multidisciplinary approach to teaching the underlying principles of computation. This course introduces students to a wide range of computational topics in 7 categories: Algorithms, Abstraction, Data & Information, Programming, Global Impact of Digital Technology, Creativity, & The Internet. AP Computer Science Principles will give students the opportunity to use current technologies to solve problems and create meaningful computational artifacts. Together, these aspects of the course make up a rigorous yet manageable curriculum that aims to broaden participation in computer science. This course is intended to prepare students for the AP Computer Science Principles Exam. This course satisfies the Basic Technology graduation requirement if not used for Computer and Information Sciences Completer.
Prerequisite(s): Algebra 1 is recommended.

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R20 | AP Computer Science A  [FY] 0.5/sem
This course serves as a rigorous introduction to object-oriented programming using the Java programming language. Topics covered include input/output, conditionals, loops, functions/methods, basic data structures, and advanced object-oriented programming concepts. The course is intended to prepare students for the AP Computer Science A Exam.
Prerequisite(s): Algebra 2 (B or better)
or concurrent enrollment in Algebra 2
Recommended: Honors Computer Science Programming — Java or AP Computer Science Principles

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R22 | **Advanced Computing**  
0.5sem  
(FY)  
A weighted, project-focused course provides an in-depth exploration into a vast array of topics in computing, including advanced software development, game design & development, mobile app programming, web development, network security, databases and more. Students who complete this course will have a thorough understanding of the variety of subtopics in computing, enabling them to make informed decisions in their post-secondary pursuits.  
Prerequisite(s): AP Computer Science A

R84 | **Honors Computer Science Programming—Python**  
0.5sem  
Learn computer programming in Python, a versatile, fun and easy to learn coding language that is great for first-time learners. Learn the fundamentals of object-oriented software development including variables, data types, conditionals, loops and more. Students will apply Python skills to tackle practical data science challenges. Proficiency in Python can lead to career opportunities in a variety of fields. No prior programming experience is necessary.

R844 | **Cybersecurity Fundamentals**  
0.5sem  
Learn the fundamentals of cybersecurity and the basics of the Linux operating system. Build skill sets to address needs in both offensive and defensive cybersecurity. Examine the psychology behind cyber technologies and cyber-crime, as well as the ethics of past, present, and future technologies.

R845 | **Intro to Web Development**  
0.5sem  
Learn how to use HTML and CSS to develop webpages while mastering basic web development concepts and the importance of art and creativity in the design.

Q77 | **Web Development**  
0.5sem  
Students will explore fundamentals of web design, software development, and data collection in a fun project-based curriculum using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript. Students will begin to explore how to create dynamic, functional webpages and websites.

Q78 | **Advanced Web Development 1**  
0.5sem  
Students will continue to explore the fundamentals of web design, software development and data collection in a project-based curriculum with a heavier focus on JavaScript and user interface design.  
Prerequisite(s): Web Development or Intro to Web Development (0.25)

Q79 | **Honors Advanced Web Development 2**  
0.5sem  
Students will explore advanced concepts of web design, software development and data collection in a project-based curriculum with a heavy focus on advanced JavaScript, the most widely used programming language in the world. Students will use JavaScript and multiple libraries to create professional web pages that engage and interact with the users.  
Prerequisite(s): Advanced Web Development 1

R31 | **Honors Cybersecurity 1**  
0.5sem  
This is a one semester, introductory cybersecurity course. The overarching goal of the course is to introduce students to the foundational concepts, principles, and tools of cybersecurity. The course covers 4 big ideas outlined in the National cybersecurity curriculum guidelines: ethics, establishing trust, ubiquitous connectivity, data security, system security, adversarial thinking, risk, and implications. Students will study historical events, relevant laws & policies in privacy and security, and social and economic implications of digital technology.  
Prerequisite(s): Honors Cyber Security A

R32 | **Honors Cybersecurity 2**  
0.5sem  
This is the second half of the introductory cybersecurity course. The overarching goal of the course is to introduce students to the foundational concepts, principles, and tools of cybersecurity. The course covers 4 big ideas outlined in the National cybersecurity curriculum guidelines: ethics, establishing trust, ubiquitous connectivity, data security, system security, adversarial thinking, risk, and implications. Students will study historical events, relevant laws & policies in privacy and security, and social and economic implications of digital technology.  
Prerequisite(s): Honors Cyber Security A

R34 | **Honors Data Science 1**  
0.5sem  
This course is an exploration of the broad topic of Data Science and its applications in business, economics, politics, mathematics, life sciences and more. Students will build upon their knowledge from Python 1 and Data Mining 1 by diving deep into the Data Scientist’s toolbox. Topics include the fundamentals of analysis and problem-solving techniques, algorithm development, data representation, and data analysis.  
Prerequisite(s): Honors Data Science 1

R34 | **Honors Data Science 2**  
0.5sem  
This course is a deeper exploration of the broad topic of Data Science and its applications in business, economics, politics, mathematics, life sciences and more. Students will build upon their knowledge from Honors Data Science 1 by diving deep into the more technical aspects of Data Science. Topics include software development with pseudocode and Java, web applications and structure, data representation, and data analysis.  
Prerequisite(s): Honors Data Science 1
Family & Consumer Sciences

Family and Consumer Sciences courses prepare students for the work required in family life and careers based on family and consumer sciences skills. All courses are part of the elective offerings and are open to all students.

Courses that prepare students for careers fall into one of the following categories:

1. Required courses that are part of a prescribed sequence for a career completer program
2. Elective courses that are highly recommended as part of various career completer programs

H26 | Child Development Internship (Early Childhood) | 1.0sem
Seniors who desire an experience to fulfill the requirements of the Early Childhood completer program may apply for an internship to prepare for post-secondary education, gainful employment, or both in a setting outside the school. Students seeking an Early Childhood Career Internship must have excellent attendance and the child development teacher’s recommendation. Only available at Annapolis High School and Meade High School. Students must provide transportation and meet the requirements of the internship program.

H35 | Child Growth & Development (Birth through Adolescence) | [FY] 0.5/sem
This course focuses on the learning and development of children from birth through adolescence. Topics include theories of development, the role of caregivers, family, health, safety, and contemporary issues. Students will explore special challenges to growth and development and will have opportunities for guided observation of children in a variety of settings. This course prepares students to continue in either the Early Childhood—Child Development Associate CTE completer (Pre-Kindergarten) or the Teacher Academy of Maryland CTE completer (K-12). Both programs prepare students for entry into a career as an educator.

H41 | Learning Environment for Preschool | [FY] 0.5/sem
This year long course focuses on learning environments for preschool care. Discover the relationship of health, nutrition, and safety to learning. Students will establish and maintain a safe, healthy learning environment that provides appropriate mealtime experience and promotes good nutrition for preschool care. Students will continue to explore physical, intellectual, communication, and creative competencies for preschool child care. The preschool classroom environment will support social and emotional development and provide opportunities for positive guidance. Students will continue to develop components of a professional CDA Preschool portfolio.

Prerequisite: Successful completion of Child Growth and Development.

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H43 | Honors Child Development Associate Portfolio & Review | [FY] 0.5/sem
This is the culminating course for the Preschoolers pathway in the Child Development Associate (CDA) Program of Study. This course provides opportunities for students to link course content to theory in Early Childhood Education as well as apply knowledge in a classroom setting. Students will complete the CDA Preschool professional portfolio and prepare for the CDA certification exam.

Prerequisite: Successful completion or current enrollment in Learning Environment for Preschool

H27 | Child Development Associate (CDA) Internship | [FY] 1.5/sem
Students complete 480 experiential learning hours in a licensed program serving 4-year-old children. This course is facilitated through our Work Based Learning Office and may occur off campus.

Prerequisite: Successful completion or current enrollment in Child Development Associate Review and Portfolio. Students must provide transportation and meet the requirements of the internship program.

H36 | Honors Teaching as a Profession | [FY] 0.5/sem
This course focuses on the profession of teaching – its history, purposes, issues, ethics, laws and regulations, roles and qualifications. Emphasis is placed on identifying the current philosophical and social perspectives of American education. Students will explore modern teaching practices and pedagogy, conduct classroom observations and field experiences in multiple settings to further their pursuit of a career in education. They will continue to develop their instructional portfolio, working towards an internship as part of the Teacher Academy of Maryland CTE completer program. Available at Chesapeake, Glen Burnie, North County, Severna Park, and South River High School only.

Prerequisite: Successful completion Child Growth and Development.

H37 | Honors Foundations of Curriculum & Instruction | [FY] 0.5/sem
This course explores curriculum delivery models in response to the developmental needs of all children. Emphasis is placed on the development of varied instructional materials and activities to promote learning, classroom management strategies, and a supportive classroom environment. Students will explore basic theories of motivation that increase learning. Students will participate in guided observations and field experiences to critique classroom lessons in preparation for developing and implementing their own. Students will continue to develop the components of a working portfolio to be assembled upon completion of the internship. Available at Chesapeake, Glen Burnie, North County, Severna Park, and South River High School only.

Prerequisite: Successful completion H Teaching as a Profession.

H25 | Decisions for Responsible Parenting | 0.5sem
Learn about one of the most important jobs you will ever have — being a parent. Learn about parenting from the prenatal stage through adolescence.

Recommended: Grades 10–12 only.

H30 | Fashion Design 1 | 0.5sem
This course introduces students to designing and making garments and accessories. Individualized projects will be used to further develop the student’s skills.
This course introduces students to the intermediate techniques associated with fashion design and the principles of clothing construction and accessories. Individualized projects will be used to further develop the student’s skills. Prerequisite(s): Fashion Design 1

Students will study the science of nutrition as it relates to individual food choices that maximize healthy behaviors, and public health. Topics include the six major nutrient components of food along with wellness, obesity, eating disorders, sports nutrition, and prevention of chronic diseases. Issues facing society will include food safety, technology, use of supplements and botanicals. Practical lessons will involve lab work. Students who successfully complete Honors Nutrition A & B and pass the final exam with at least a C may earn articulated credit in the Dietetics Program while enrolled at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

Students continue to build on the skills and healthy food preparation techniques developed in Honors Nutrition A. Topics include the remaining micronutrient components of food along with obesity, eating disorders, wellness throughout the life cycle and prevention of chronic diseases. Issues facing society will include food safety, technology, use of supplements and botanicals. Emphasis is placed on dispelling common nutrition myths and on questioning nutrition information presented in the media. Students will understand the concepts they are learning in their classroom lessons while perfecting skills in the art of producing delicious, nutritious recipes. Students who successfully complete Honors Nutrition A & B and pass the final exam with at least a ‘C’ may earn articulated credit in the Dietetics Program while enrolled at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

Prerequisite(s): Honors Nutrition A

Culinary Skills and Hospitality Management 1 prepares students with the skills and knowledge they will need for success in the foodservice/hospitality industry. Students are offered instruction in various subject areas ranging from marketing, menu management, food/labor costing and much more. On the job training along with classroom instruction enables students to experience all aspects of operating and managing a foodservice establishment. Students have the opportunity to earn a nationally recognized ProStart certification if they successfully complete the academic, work experience components and pass the final exam. Students are expected to take the Level 2 exam and the ServSafe certification exam. Successful completion of the Level 1 and 2 exams in conjunction with the ProStart work experience will enable the student to earn the ProStart National Certificate of Achievement. Up to a possibility of 7 articulated with AACC—see teacher for more information.

Prerequisite(s): Honors Culinary, Hospitality Management 1 (C or better)

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This course will focus on hands-on, industry application of the skills students acquired in CSHM 1 & 2. Students will have teacher-guided freedom to develop and cost menus, market their ideas and prepare/deliver a variety of weekly items. Students may also be afforded the opportunity to cater for in-house events. This course will allow students to apply the skills they acquired ad take them to the next level by incorporating them for start to finish in this class.

Prerequisite(s): Honors Culinary Skills and Hospitality Management 2 (C or better)

Seniors who have completed the required courses Honors Culinary Skills & Hospitality Management 1 and 2 must complete one of the following:

- 270 hours work-based learning for AACPS completer, or
- 400 hours internship for ProStart Certification. Students seeking an internship experience must have excellent attendance and the recommendation of the ProStart teacher.

Prerequisite(s): Culinary Skills & Hospitality Management 1 & 2 ProStart Completer. Students must provide transportation and meet the requirements of the internship program.

CTE

Family and Consumer Science Aide courses offer students the opportunity to assist instructors in preparing and organizing course curricula. Students may provide tutorial or instructional assistance to other students.

No credit
Technology & Engineering Education

Technology & Engineering Education is an applied education program that relies on project-based learning to prepare students to be technologically literate. Through participation in “hands-on” experiences in various technical environments students will see the connection that exists between technology, math, science, and engineering concepts. They will also utilize the design process to effectively solve “real-world” problems. Technology & Engineering education courses are both required and elective. One basic Technology & Engineering Education credit is required for graduation. The program is composed of introductory courses and advanced courses. Some courses are only offered at specific high schools. Students can become eligible to receive college credits or industry certifications upon successful completion of required coursework in the Technology & Engineering Education program.

M10 | Digital Design 0.5sem
This course develops skills and knowledge in the use of information and communication technology. Course topics include graphic arts design, screen printing, digital photography, corporate & desktop publishing, media production, computer graphics & imaging.

M11 | Video Production 0.5sem
This course focuses on more advanced communication technology by building upon what was learned in Digital Design to refine and enhance a variety of technical communication skills. Skills and understandings developed in Digital Design will be expanded to incorporate still/video camera equipment as well as systems, processes, and other devices used in the telecommunications industry.

M13 | Technological Design 1 0.5sem
Students experience exciting activities in the areas of entertainment, recreation, and information technologies. Students work in engineering teams to apply technology, science, and mathematics concepts and skills to solve design problems and create innovative solutions. Students will use criteria such as design effectiveness, public safety, and ethics to evaluate their designs. This course satisfies the Basic Technology graduation requirement.

M14 | Technological Design 2 0.5sem
This course provides the student with the opportunity to use the engineering design process to solve complex issues in the areas of medical and biotechnology fields. Working in teams, students will identify the problem, engineer a solution and report findings. The activities allow students to choose their place on an engineering team and contribute their talents to accomplish the ultimate goal. This course satisfies the Basic Technology graduation requirement.

M16 | Introduction to Robotics Engineering 0.5sem
The objective of this course is to use a hands-on approach to introduce the basic concepts in robotics, focusing on robots and illustrations of current state of the art research and applications. Course information will be tied to lab experiments; students will work in teams to build and test increasingly more complex VEX-based robots, culminating in an end of semester robot contest. This course introduces fundamental concepts in robotics. In this course, basic concepts will be discussed, including sensors, path planning, kinematics, feedback, stressing the importance of integrating sensors, effectors, and control.

M17 | Honors Project Management 0.5sem
The Project Management Fundamentals course will prepare students for the Project Management Institute Project Management Ready certification. Students will be introduced to foundational project management knowledge, including basic business analytics and agile project management methods. These skills will be applied to scenario-based activities to hone management skills through problem based learning.

M18 | Energy/Power/Transportation 0.5sem
This course develops a depth of understanding about a wide array of energy sources and controls by engaging students in hands-on, project-based activities in mechanical power, fluid power, and electrical power. Students will construct and test a variety of transportation systems, participate in reverse engineering activities, and develop skill working with the tools, equipment, and measurement devices used by engineers and technologists.

M20 | Engineering Drawing & Design/CAD 1 0.5sem
In this course, students will learn how technical drawing techniques & symbolism are used to convey ideas in the language of engineering. Students will create drawings by both traditional board drawing and computer aided design software. Instrument usage, measurement & computational accuracy, visualization & perception, problem solving, and technical communication skills will be developed.

M21 | Engineering Drawing & Design/CAD 2 0.5sem
This course is intended to continue the development of the student’s competencies in the language of engineering but with an increased emphasis on developing an in-depth understanding of specialty topics such auxiliary representation, intersections & development, threads & fasteners, assembly drawing, charts, graphs & diagrams. Although instrument drawing will continue, increased understanding of CAD operations & techniques will be developed.

M22 | Architect Design/Development 1 0.5sem
This course provides students with an opportunity to develop skills in the preparation of architectural plans using some traditional technical drawing equipment as well as computer aided design (CAD) applications such as Autodesk Revit. This course is an advanced level course for those students that are interested in a technology-based career path such as civil engineering, architecture, construction, construction supervision, and technical design.

M23 | Architect Design/Development 2 0.5sem
This course is intended to continue the development of competencies learned in level 1 while refining and enhancing their drawing skills through continued practice and more rigorous experiences with CAD software and content specific to detail drawing, pictorial rendering, and model building. Students that complete Engineering Drawing/CAD &
This is a Project Lead the Way (PLTW) course that applies principles of engineering and includes the development of problem-solving skills used to solve real-world engineering problems. The course of study includes: Introduction & Perspective of Engineering, Design Process, Communication & Documentation, Engineering Systems & Manufacturing Processes, Materials & Materials Testing, Thermodynamics, Engineering for Quality & Reliability, and Dynamics. Available at North County, Chesapeake Science Point, Crofton, Glen Burnie, Meade, Severna Park and South River High Schools only. Can be used for Basic Technology credit but cannot be used again toward a CTE completer.

Recommended: Algebra 1

This course provides an overview of engineering and engineering technology and includes the development of problem-solving skills used to solve real-world engineering problems. The course of study includes: Overview & Perspective of Engineering, Design Process, Communication & Documentation, Engineering Systems & Manufacturing Processes, Materials & Materials Testing, Thermodynamics, Engineering for Quality & Reliability, and Dynamics. Available at North County, Chesapeake Science Point, Crofton, Glen Burnie, Meade, Severna Park and South River High Schools only. Can be used for Basic Technology credit but cannot be used again toward a CTE completer.

Recommended: Algebra 1

This course provides the student with a study of the core technologies used in the aviation and aerospace enterprise. Students will follow the engineering design process to design, build, and test a number of aircraft and rockets.

This is a Project Lead the Way (PLTW) course that applies principles of robotics and automation. The course builds on computer solid modeling skills developed in Honors Engineering Design. Students use CNC equipment to produce actual models for their three-dimensional designs. Available at Meade High School only.

Prerequisite(s): Honors Principles of Engineering, Honors Engineering Design (IED)

This course focuses on hands-on, problem-based activities to introduce manufacturing and construction concepts related to the Standards for Technological Literacy. During each Learning Unit, students are asked to use a four-phase learning cycle to develop plausible solutions to related Primary Challenges. Designing a Custom Family Home for a Client is one example of a Primary Challenge experienced in this course.

Prerequisite(s): Honors Principles of Engineering, Honors Engineering Design and Development 1 (IED), and Honors Digital Electronics

Students work in teams to research, design, and construct a solution to an open-ended engineering problem. Students apply principles developed in the four preceding courses and are guided by a community mentor. They must present progress reports, submit a final written report and defend their solutions to a panel of outside reviewers at the end of the school year. Available at Glen Burnie, Meade, Severna Park and South River High Schools only.

Prerequisite(s): Honors Principles of Engineering, Honors Engineering Design and Development 1 (IED), and Honors Digital Electronics
This course will engage students in the study of basic human physiology and biomedical engineering to clinical medicine and physiology. They have the opportunity to work on an independent project with a mentor or advisor from a university, medical facility, or research institution. 

Prerequisite(s): Honors Principles of Biomedical Sciences (PBS), Honors Human Body Systems (HBS), Honors Medical Interventions (MI).

**M77 | Intro to Construction Design & Management [FY] 0.5/sem**

This course provides an overview of the design and construction process as well as an introduction to the many career options within the field of construction. Students will be introduced to core concepts in design and construction including construction methods and materials; fundamental elements of design; and innovative technologies including Green Construction and Design. Students will be introduced to design software as they complete basic design projects, such as a bridge design, floor plans and elevation plans. This course also includes career exploration activities and research regarding the construction industry. Available at Arundel High School only.

Prerequisite(s): Introduction to Construction Design and Management

**M79 | Honors Advanced Design and 3-D Modeling [FY] 0.5/sem**

Students will work in teams to fully develop designs and a construction management plan for a pre-determined site. In this year-long project, students begin with the legal description and topography of the site and create a proposal for development. The construction design project must meet the client’s needs, budget, and the site characteristics. Students will generate a series of plans to be included with the proposal for submission to an industry review panel for approval. Upon completion of the course, students will demonstrate advanced design/drafting skills and be prepared for the AutoCAD certification exam. Available at Arundel High School only. 

Prerequisite(s): Introduction to Construction Design and Management and Principles of Construction Design

**M80 | Honors Advanced Construction Management [FY] 0.5/sem**

This course builds on an understanding of the construction design process to advanced knowledge and skill in construction management. In this course, students will be required to work in teams to complete a project from existing plans. The year-long project will focus on building codes and standards; coordination of the construction process; estimating, planning, and scheduling; and site management. Students will complete a portfolio of their design and construction management projects for review by an industry panel. Available at Arundel High School only.

Prerequisite(s): Introduction to Construction Design and Management and Principles of Construction Design
This course will introduce students to Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources with "hands-on" activities and projects. Students’ experiences will involve the study of communication, sciences of agriculture, plants, animals, natural resources, and agricultural mechanics. While surveying the opportunities available in agriculture and natural resources, students will learn to solve problems, conduct research, analyze data, work in teams, and take responsibility for their work, actions, and learning. Students will also explore career and post-secondary opportunities in each area of the course.

This course is part of the Curriculum for Agricultural Science Education (CASE). Available at Southern High School and Phoenix Academy only.

**Prerequisite(s):** Introduction to Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources

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**M53 | Introduction to Agriculture, Food, & Natural Resources**  
(FY) 0.5/sem

This course will introduce students to Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources with "hands-on" activities and projects. Students’ experiences will involve the study of communication, sciences of agriculture, plants, animals, natural resources, and agricultural mechanics. While surveying the opportunities available in agriculture and natural resources, students will learn to solve problems, conduct research, analyze data, work in teams, and take responsibility for their work, actions, and learning. Students will also explore career and post-secondary opportunities in each area of the course.

This course is part of the Curriculum for Agricultural Science Education (CASE). Available at Southern High School and Phoenix Academy only.

**Prerequisite(s):** Introduction to Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources

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**M54 | Honors Principles of Agricultural Sciences/Plants**  
(FY) 0.5/sem

This course will introduce students to the principles of Agricultural Science and plants. Students’ experiences will involve the study of plant anatomy and physiology, classification, and the fundamentals of production and harvesting. Students will research the value of plant production and its impact on the individual, the local, and the global economy. This course is part of the Curriculum for Agricultural Science Education (CASE). Available at Southern High School and Phoenix Academy only.

**Prerequisite(s):** Introduction to Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources

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**M55 | Honors Principles of Agricultural Sciences/Animal**  
(FY) 0.5/sem

This course will introduce students to various experiences in animal science concepts with "hands-on" activities, projects, and problems. Students’ experiences will involve the study of animal anatomy, physiology, behavior, nutrition, reproduction, health, and marketing. Students will acquire skills in meeting the nutritional needs of animals while developing balanced, economical rations, as well as select animal facilities and equipment that provide for the safe and efficient production, housing, and handling of animals. This course is part of the Curriculum for Agricultural Science Education (CASE). Available at Southern High School and Phoenix Academy only.

**Prerequisite(s):** Introduction to Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources

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**M56 | Honors Animal & Plant Biotechnology**  
(FY) 0.5/sem

This is a specialization course in the CASE Program of Study. It provides students with experiences in industry appropriate applications of biotechnology related to plant and animal agriculture. Students will complete hands-on activities, projects, and problems designed to build content knowledge and technical skills in the field of biotechnology. Available at Southern High School and Phoenix Academy only.

**Prerequisite(s):** Introduction to Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources followed by either Principles of Agricultural Sciences/Animal or Principles of Agricultural Sciences/Plant

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**M59720 | Honors Environmental Science Issues**  
1.0/sem

This is a specialization course in the CASE Program of Study. It provides students with experiences in research, analysis, and sustainable solutions to environmental issues. Students are immersed in inquiry-based exercises that develop data acquisition and analysis techniques, critical thinking and evaluation abilities related to environmental issues. Available at the Center of Applied Technology North.

**Prerequisite(s):** Honors Natural Resources/Ecology

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**M58 | Honors Agricultural Research & Development**  
(FY) 0.5/sem

This course is the capstone course designed to culminate students’ experiences in agriculture, based on the pathway of study they pursued. This class is taken as the fourth credit for the complete program. Students need to have credits in M53, M56, and either M54 or M55 to be eligible for the capstone course. Research and Development could be taken in tandem with Biotechnology as a senior completing the program in three years. Available at the Center of Applied Technology-North, Southern High School and Phoenix Academy only.

**Prerequisite(s):** Honors Principles of Agricultural Sciences/Plants

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**M840 | Engineering Design Concepts**  
0.5sem

Learn how professionals in engineering fields use a project-based approach to solve engineering challenges. We will discover, practice, and refine the use of all the steps in the Engineering Design Process. Students will design prototypes of devices, engage in hands-on exploratory labs that explore various manufacturing processes such as rapid prototyping. Students will gain confidence by solving problems in team structured environments. This course satisfies the Basic Technology graduation requirement.

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**M844 | Practical Programming**  
0.5sem

This course incorporates engineering design principles to solve various real life engineering projects. Design, build and test an amusement park ride or design and build a new household system that solves a homeowners problem. The engineering design process will be used as a framework to guide student solutions and designs. Programable micro controllers with ‘drag and drop’ programming software and various sensors will be tools used to accomplish robotic system challenges. This course satisfies the Basic Technology graduation requirement.

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**M845 | Mobile Application Development (Mobile Apps)**  
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Design, develop, test, and debug your own App creation.

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**M46 | Renovation DIY – Home Improvement**  
0.5sem

Learn and practice DIY skills for carpentry, plumbing, and electrical in a hands-on environment which can enhance your understanding of how these skills are beneficial to home ownership.

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**M87 | Department Aide—Technology & Engineering Education**  
No credit

Technology & Engineering Education Aide courses offer students the opportunity to assist instructors in preparing and organizing course curricula. Students may provide tutorial or instructional assistance to other students.
Dance

In Anne Arundel County, all Dance courses are offered on an elective basis for Fine Arts credit, Physical Education elective credit, or General Elective credit, based on the student’s academic needs. Dance courses include studies in the major areas of dance — technique, history, creating original dance movement, the choreographic process, aesthetic criticism, and performance. The National Core Arts Standards and the Maryland State Dance Standards are the basis for the high school dance curriculum that includes creative thinking, expression through movement, and appreciation for the art form as integral parts of the program.

All Dance students perform in semester dance concerts. Students learn to appreciate dance as an art and as a valuable aspect of life, become a knowledgeable arts audience, and have opportunities to work cooperatively to create and produce dance.

All students are expected to wear appropriate dance attire during dance education classes for the purpose of ensuring the safety and instruction of each participant.

There are three dance pathways:

**Foundations of Dance and Dance 2–4 classes**
- for students, beginners through advanced, who are interested in dance. No audition is required, however teacher approval is required to bypass Foundations of Dance.

**Foundations of Dance for Athletes and Dance for Athletes 2–4 classes**
- for those students wishing to use dance training techniques to enhance athletic performance. No audition is required. Prerequisite or Teacher approval is needed to bypass Foundations of Dance for Athletes.

**Honors Dance Company 1–4 classes**
- for serious dance students who are selected by audition. Dance Company is co-curricular. Students have both an academic class and an after-school rehearsal and performance obligation in order to receive honors credit.

**Fine Arts Graduation Requirement — 1.0 Credit**
All Dance courses meet the fine arts requirement. Additional fine arts courses can be found in the Art, English (Theater Arts), and Music program sections.

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**L02 | Foundations of Dance**
0.5/sem

Foundations of Dance promotes a focus on beginning levels of dance technique and performance. Students will explore units in ballet, modern, jazz, tap, hip hop, concert choreography and performance. Each unit will emphasize instruction in history, technique, vocabulary, observation and analysis of dance works, choreographic and performance exercises and demonstration of mastery through projects and presentations.

**DUAL (JL0200)**

**L03 | Dance 2–4**
0.5/sem

Dance 2, 3, & 4 emphasizes increased technical proficiency in dance and performance. Students will explore units in ballet, modern, jazz, tap, hip hop, concert choreography and performance. Each unit will emphasize instruction in history, technique, vocabulary, observation and analysis of dance works, choreographic and performance exercises and demonstration of mastery through projects and presentations. 

**Prerequisite(s): Foundations of Dance or prior permission from the teacher.**

**L11 | Foundations of Dance for Athletes**
0.5/sem

Foundations of Dance for Athletes focuses on enhancing and refining athletic performance through dance techniques, conditioning, and training in the art of dance. Students will build knowledge of the five components of skill-related physical fitness (agility, coordination, balance, power, and speed), while also exploring the complimentary Elements of Dance (body, energy, space, and time) through creative expression and performance.

**Prerequisite(s): Foundations of Dance for Athletes or prior permission from the teacher.**

**L12 | Dance for Athletes 2–4**
0.5/sem

Dance for Athletes 2, 3, & 4 emphasizes continued skill development and refinement through a variety of higher-level movement patterns and dance techniques. Students will continue to build knowledge of the five components of skill-related physical fitness (agility, coordination, balance, power, and speed), while also exploring the complimentary Elements of Dance (body, energy, space, and time) through creative expression and performance. This course explores the intersection of dance technique and the mind body connection.

**Prerequisite(s): Foundations of Dance for Athletes or prior permission from the teacher.**

**L18 | Honors Dance Company 1–4**
[FY] 0.5/sem

Dance Company classes are performance emphasis and goal-based with students involved in research, choreography, and every aspect of dance production. Technical proficiency, academic knowledge, portfolio building, continued improvement and growth in dance, and public dance performances are expected. For students to receive honors credit, they must participate in the after-school co-curricular component of this course.

**Prerequisite(s): Audition**

**L10 | Unified Dance and Leadership 1–4**
0.5/sem

This course will allow students with and without disabilities to focus on beginning levels of dance technique and creative movement in a collaborative and cooperative environment. Students will explore leadership characteristics, communication and listening skills, group work, and critical thinking skills in order to provide support in an inclusive environment.
English

Strong literacy skills in reading, writing, listening, and speaking are critical skills for career and college success. The program of studies in English is designed to cultivate in each of our student’s proficiency in and appreciation of language and literature. Texts selected for study in English classes reflect a variety of genres, cultures, and time periods. Texts are selected for their complexity and literary merit.

Students must earn a minimum of four credits in English 9 through 12 in order to graduate. The English program further provides a rich array of electives such as theater arts, journalism, media studies, and all aspects of publication. Students are encouraged to participate in a rigorous program of required English courses and English electives. English

Graduation Requirements — 4 Credits

- English 9
- English 10
- English 11 (or an AP English)
- English 12 (or an AP English)

Required Assessments

To meet graduation requirements, all students must take the Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) in English 10.

Fine Arts Graduation Requirement — 1.0 Credit

All theater courses meet the Fine Arts requirement. Additional fine arts courses can be found in the Art, Dance, and Music program sections.

A097 | Honors English 9  [FY] 0.5/sem
Honors English 9 builds upon students’ prior knowledge of grammar, vocabulary, word usage, and the mechanics of writing and includes the four aspects of language use: reading, writing, speaking, and listening. This course introduces and defines various genres of literature, including world literature, from a spectrum of time periods with writing expectations aligned to reading selections. Honors English 9 challenges students to apply analytic and critical skills to complex texts and to complete rigorous assignments. Students may be assigned reading over the preceding summer.

NCAA

W80410 | Accessing English 9  1.0sem
Taken during the first semester of the freshman year, access to English 9 is a highly differentiated reading intervention that accelerates instruction and allows struggling readers to experience success. The program directly addresses individual needs through adaptive and instructional software, high-interest literature, and direct instruction in reading, writing, and vocabulary skills. This reading intervention is provided for students who have been identified as needing focused and intensive reading instruction in order to access the English 9 curriculum. Students are placed in this program only after testing or evaluation.

A09143 | Daily English 9 (S1)  0.5qtr
Daily English 9 builds upon the skills acquired in the Access to English 9 course as well as students’ prior knowledge of grammar, vocabulary, word usage, and the mechanics of writing. Daily English 9 includes the four aspects of language use: reading, writing, speaking, and listening. This course introduces and defines various genres of literature, including world literature, from a spectrum of time periods with writing expectations aligned to reading selections.

Prerequisite(s): Accessing English 9

NCAA

A09244 | Daily English 9 (S2)  0.5qtr
Daily English 9 builds upon the skills acquired in the Access to English 9 course as well as students’ prior knowledge of grammar, vocabulary, word usage, and the mechanics of writing. Daily English 9 includes the four aspects of language use: reading, writing, speaking, and listening. This course introduces and defines various genres of literature, including world literature, from a spectrum of time periods with writing expectations aligned to reading selections.

Prerequisite(s): Accessing English 9 and Daily English 9 (S1)

NCAA

A109 | Daily English 10 w/Reading  [FY] 0.5 English & 0.5 Elective/sem
This daily course (meeting on both A and B days) is designed for students who need additional reading support. The course builds upon students’ prior knowledge of grammar, vocabulary, word usage, and the mechanics of writing and includes the four aspects of language use: reading, writing, speaking, and listening. This course introduces and defines various genres of literature, including world literature, from a spectrum of time periods with writing expectations aligned to reading selections.

Prerequisite(s): Accessing English 9 and Daily English 9 (S1)

NCAA

A99 | Daily English 9 w/Reading  [FY] 0.5 English & 0.5 Elective/sem
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Prerequisite(s): Accessing English 9 and Daily English 9 (S1)

NCAA

A090 | English 9  [FY] 0.5/sem
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In English 10 students continue to develop reading and writing skills. Students read a variety of genres of literature, primarily American, from a spectrum of time periods. Emphasis is placed on literary conventions and stylistic devices. Through frequent reading and research assignments based upon readings, students strengthen skills in logical writing patterns, word choice, usage, and techniques of using evidence from research.

**English 11**

In English 11 students continue to develop reading and writing skills. Students read a variety of genres of literature, primarily American, from a spectrum of time periods. Emphasis is placed on literary conventions and stylistic devices. Through frequent reading and research assignments based upon readings, students strengthen skills in logical writing patterns, word choice, usage, and techniques of using evidence from research.

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**Honors Film & Writing**

The Film and Writing course will support students as they gain a deeper understanding of complex cinematic concepts. This course is designed to use film as a springboard for high-level discussion, analytical reading, and purposeful writing. The course allows students to become familiar with the interpretive language of film, to cultivate the reading of film as text, and to create writing artifacts that critically analyze film.

**AP English Literature & Composition**

In this culminating, college-level English course, students apply critical and analytical skills to classical and contemporary written works of romance, comedy, tragedy, and satire/irony. Students learn through close reading, explication, comparative analysis, seminar, and extensive writing about literature. Students are required to complete outside reading during the preceding summer. AP English Literature and Composition prepares students for success on the AP exam and to be effective readers and writers in college and in their careers.

**Seminar: AP English Literature & Composition**

This course prepares those students, who require additional practice, guidance, and experiences beyond those available in their AP English Literature and Composition course, for success on the AP English Literature and Composition exam and to be effective readers and writers in college and in their careers. Students receive intensive assistance in the concepts and skills tested by the AP English Literature and Composition exam.

**AP English Language & Composition**

Students take this course in junior or senior year to study rhetoric, composition, and grammar at the university level. Students analyze authors' language, detail, style, intended audience, and patterns of rhetoric. Students complete required reading during the preceding summer. The reading and writing skills honed in this course complement the skills required in AP English Literature and Composition. This course prepares students for the AP exam and to be effective readers and writers in college and in their careers.

**Honors English 12**

Honors English 12 blends composition and literature into a cohesive whole and continues to develop students' skills in writing, research, language, speaking, and listening. Students demonstrate increasing independence in critical and comparative analyses of selected challenging literature, including contemporary works, and in applying writing and language skills to develop multi-paragraph essays and presentations based on their reading and research. Students may be assigned reading over the preceding summer.

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A06 | Theatre Arts 1 0.5/sem
This course is a one or two semester elective introduction to theatre as a collaboration among actors, directors, producers, and technicians. It focuses on the process of theatrical production both on and backstage. Students develop body movement, voice, and character; direction; set, costume, and basic light and sound design; and other theatrical skills and knowledge. By applying creative dramatics, using multi-media, performing, and creating a design portfolio, students demonstrate and extend their theatrical skills. This course contributes to the fine arts graduation requirement.

DUAL (JA06000)

A07 | Theatre Arts 2 0.5/sem
Students specialize in areas of interest and apply this specialty working on production teams to design and perform excerpts from Lapine and Sondheim’s Into the Woods. Students form theatre companies within the class to apply their skills to a complete, student-selected, musical script within the class, and to participate in a full production at their school. The expectations for the Theatre Arts 2 course exceed the State of Maryland Essential Learner Outcomes for Theatre. This course contributes to the fine arts graduation requirement.

Prerequisite(s): Theatre Arts 1

DUAL (JA07000)

A08 | Theatre Arts 3 0.5/sem
Theatre Arts 3 allows students to expand their understanding of theatre beyond improvisation and script reading, which are the foci of Theatre Arts 1 and Theatre Arts 2. In this class students explore the historical aspects of theatre, examine the business side of theatrical production, build portfolios, and prepare for auditions. This class prepares students for the world of theatre beyond acting. This course contributes to the fine arts graduation requirement.

Prerequisite(s): Theatre Arts 2

DUAL (JA08000)

A14 | Journalism 0.5sem
Students explore the role of journalists in a free society in terms of journalistic philosophy, ethics, law, and history. They participate and reflect upon all of the components of journalism such as design and opinion. This journalism course is the foundation course for Newspaper 1 and Yearbook 1.

NCIA–DUAL (JA14000)

A17 | Creative Writing 0.5sem
Creative Writing offers students the opportunity to develop and improve their technique and individual writing style in poetry, short story, drama, essays, and other forms of prose. Students study exemplary writing from various genres to obtain a fuller appreciation of the form and craft. Using reading and journal keeping as sources of ideas, students pursue individual interests and develop their creative writing skills.

NCIA–DUAL (JA17000)

A21 | Academic Writing 0.5sem
Students learn and practice modes of writing most common to AP and college courses: exposition, argument, on demand, and documented writing. Through frequent practice and guided revision, students improve the unity, coherence, and emphasis in their writing while continuing to develop their mastery of word choice, sentence fluency, and conventions. This course is intended as a preparation or companion course for any AP course.

NCIA–DUAL (JA21000)

A30 | Media Production 2 0.5sem
Media Production 2 extends and applies knowledge gained in Media Production 1, especially in extending the course beyond television where possible, focusing on media projects, film study, and career exploration.

Prerequisite(s): Media Production 1

A35 | Newspaper 1–4 0.5/sem
Students design a school newspaper by collaboratively learning and applying the following aspects of production: national criteria, codes of ethics, coverage, writing and editing, graphics, design, publishing software, organization of staff and resources, business operations, and budgeting. Students who elect to take the course more than once refine and expand their knowledge and skills, accept increasing responsibility for production, and assume leadership roles.

Prerequisite(s): Journalism

A40 | Yearbook 1–4 0.5/sem
Students publish a yearbook by collaboratively learning and applying the following aspects of production: technology, theme, design, layout, graphics, writing and editing, photography, organization of staff and resources, business operations, and budgeting. They analyze publications using national criteria and develop a code of ethics. Students who elect to take the course more than once refine and expand their knowledge and skills, accept increasing responsibility for production, and assume leadership roles.

Prerequisite(s): Journalism

A45 | Literary Magazine 1–4 0.5/sem
Students study/apply design fundamentals and advanced publishing techniques to contribute to a literary publication with a thematic concept. They evaluate a variety of professional and student media, develop and apply a code of ethics, and create plans to ensure diversity and wide participation. Students who elect to take the course more than once refine and expand their knowledge and skills, accept increasing responsibility for production, and assume leadership roles.

Recommended: Journalism
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<td>Speech</td>
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<td>Students prepare informative and persuasive speeches, collect evidence from authoritative sources, and analyze arguments and strategies. This course provides strong foundational skills in public speaking for careers in public relations, law, politics, or communications.</td>
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<td>Students perform informative and persuasive speaking and practice extemporaneous and oral interpretations skills as preparation for interscholastic competition culminating in debate. Students who elect to take the Speech and Debate course develop leadership skills in expressive and competitive discourse.</td>
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<td>Honors Contemporary Voices</td>
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<td>College-bound juniors and seniors analyze issues, perspectives, and author's craft in a range of multicultural works through guided and independent study, seminar, and writing. While the subjects may be historical, the voice of each author is decidedly contemporary in that it gives full expression to a frank examination of human sexuality, of violence, and of social and economic status; therefore, parents must give written permission to register a student in this course.</td>
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<td>Foundations of Language &amp; Literacy 1-2</td>
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<td>This course is designed to meet the needs of striving readers who will participate in a research-based reading intervention program that builds phonemic awareness, phonics, reading comprehension, academic vocabulary, and writing skills. Students who need extra support in decoding, including Special Education students and English-Language learners, will be assigned to this course.</td>
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<td>Approved alternate intervention programs are available for individual students with unique learning needs requiring a reading intervention in addition to receiving services for special education. Enrollment in an alternative reading intervention program requires approval from resource staff from the Division of Curriculum and Instruction on an individual student, on a case-by-case basis. An alternative program may be necessary when a student's needs in reading require an intervention that is not one of the Tier 2 or Tier 3 interventions listed on the AACPS Reading Continuum (credit bearing coursework).</td>
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<td>A84</td>
<td>Theater Technology and Management</td>
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<td>Produce, program, and manage visual scenes and audio design for a live-theater production after learning how to use behind-the-scenes technology. This course contributes to the Fine Arts credit requirements.</td>
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<td>Students in grades 10-12 prepare for the PSAT and SAT by developing and applying strategies to strengthen their mathematical, reading and writing abilities and test-taking skills. Through focused instruction, practice with actual test items, and independent activities, students diagnose their individual needs and implement a program to improve their immediate scores and their greater academic performance in high school and beyond.</td>
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<td>English Aide courses offer students the opportunity to assist instructors in preparing and organizing course curricula. While serving in this capacity, students may provide tutorial or instructional assistance to other students.</td>
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English Language Development (ELD)

Through an asset-based approach to language, ELD courses foster the development of academic literacy, mathematical competence, and social growth among English learners (ELs). Standards-aligned instruction in listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills supports equitable access to grade-level academic curriculum for ELs.

Initial placement in ELD courses is determined by an English language proficiency screening or scores on WIDA ACCESS for ELLs. Subsequent course placement is determined by teacher and counselor recommendations based on credit accumulation, progress toward English language proficiency, and time in U.S. schools.

AACPS allows for a total of two ELD course credits to be applied as English credit. English Learners must take English 10 and at least one other English course (English 9, 11, or 12) in order to meet graduation requirements. ELD credits not used toward English credit may be applied for World Languages credit.

Course Placement and Sequence for English Learners (see table, next page)

Course placements for English Learners (ELs) should be decided based on a dynamic evaluation of the student’s prior education, grade level, English proficiency, and time in country. For example, some ELs are long-term and have been in U.S. Schools for more than six years; others are newcomers who may arrive with international credit on a high school transcript. Like all students, ELs enter high school with various academic and linguistic strengths as well as individual talents and interests. Counselors should consider course placement on a case-by-case basis in collaboration with stakeholders including the ELD teacher.

Scheduling Considerations

Graduation Requirements

Students must complete the state-assessed courses required for graduation by the end of Grade 11. These are English 10, Algebra I, US Government, and the LS MISA Pathway Science Courses. These courses are indicated within the table in bold.

English Credit

To earn an English credit and meet their ELD service requirement, students must take either a ELD co-taught English course or a standard English course paired with an ELD class, ELD Advisory, or ELD Learning Strategies.

ELD I, II, III, IV or V may be counted for up to two English credits toward graduation, in combination with English 10 and another English course (9, 11, or 12).

Internationally registering students who earn a 3.5 or above on the WIDA Screener assessment may be awarded English credit for international study of English.

Math Credit

Transitional Math at the high school level must be taught by a certified math teacher. Transitional Math can count for up to two mathematics credits.

World Language Credit

ELD I, II, III, IV or V course credits not applied as English credit may be applied as World Languages credit. English Learners may still enroll in advanced World Languages courses to support native language literacy development. English Learners may also choose to pursue World Languages study of a third language.

E94010/20 | ELD Newcomer 0.5sem

English Learners in the “entering phase” are introduced to essential aspects of the English language. The ELD Newcomer course develops students’ foundational literacy skills and introduces students to the academic expectations of U.S. high schools. Biliteracy supports are available to English Learners.

Concurrent Enrollment: ELD I—only for English Learners who have experienced prolonged educational interruptions or who are pre-literate in their native language.
Students begin to express academic ideas in English using phrases students' ability to access grade-level content material with some specific content language, including cognates and expressions with students' ability to access grade-level content material with substantial support their transition to the U.S. educational system. Social and academic language is based on the five WIDA Standards. Students refine their grammatical structures with occasional variation. Students produce simple and compound expressions in English. Biliteracy supports are available to English Learners. The course provides students with cultural knowledge to support their transition to the U.S. educational system.

Prerequisite(s): ELD I is an appropriate initial placement for students who have been in U.S. schools for less than one year and whose English proficiency level is 1.0–1.9.

Note: This course should not be repeated by students who took ELD I in middle school.

**ELD II**

English Learners in the "emerging phase" begin to communicate using essential aspects of the English language. The ELD II course develops students' ability to access grade-level content material with substantial linguistic support. Instruction in social and academic language is based on the five WIDA Standards. Students produce grammatically complex sentences that express multiple related ideas. Students employ repetitive structures and sentence patterns and appropriately use language conventions. Students read and understand language across content areas. Students comprehend and produce common forms and expressions in English. Biliteracy supports are available to English Learners.

Prerequisite(s): ELD II is an appropriate initial placement for students who have been in U.S. schools for less than two years and whose English proficiency level is 2.0–2.7, or for students who have completed ELD I.

Note: This course should not be repeated by students who took ELD II in middle school.

**ELD III**

English learners in the "developing phase" consistently integrate aspects of English into their communication. The ELD III course develops students' ability to access grade-level content material with some linguistic support. Instruction in social and academic language is based on the five WIDA Standards. Students produce simple and compound grammatical structures with occasional variation. Students refine their ability to employ repetitive structures and sentence patterns and to appropriately use language conventions. Students read and understand specific content language, including cognates and expressions with multiple meaning across content areas. Biliteracy supports are available to English Learners.

Prerequisite(s): ELD III is an appropriate initial placement for students whose English proficiency level is 2.8–3.4, or for students who have completed ELD II.
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Health

Health Education courses in Anne Arundel County are focused on building health-literate students. Health literacy refers to the ability to obtain, interpret, and understand basic health information and services to maintain or improve their own health and health others. These comprehensive skills-based Health Education courses prepare students to become health-literate 21st Century learners as responsible members of society, self-directed learners, effective communicators, critical thinkers, and problem solvers.

Core health concepts include mental and emotional health, substance abuse prevention, family life and human sexuality,* safety and violence prevention, healthy eating, and disease prevention and control. Skills Based Health Education supports and promotes health enhancing behaviors for all students. The health skills embedded in the units include analyzing influences, accessing information, interpersonal communication, decision making, goal setting, self-management, and advocacy.

*The Family Life and Human Sexuality unit was developed in accordance with the standards and procedures established in Maryland State Regulation 13A.04.18.01. Students may be excused from this unit of the program upon written request from their parent or guardian. Appropriate alternate instruction will be provided.

Health Graduation Requirement — 1.0 Credit*

• 0.5 credit in Health A (9th or 10th grade)
• 0.5 credit in Health B (11th or 12th grade)

L70 | Health A 0.5sem
This course is designed for students to learn and demonstrate health skills necessary to maintain or improve health and wellness. The health skills include analyzing influences on health behaviors, accessing valid information, interpersonal communication, decision making, goal setting, advocacy, and practicing health enhancing behaviors. Through these health skills, students acquire functional knowledge about the following core health concepts: substance abuse prevention, family life and human sexuality,* safety and violence prevention, healthy eating, and disease prevention and control.

Prerequisite(s): Health A

L71 | Health B 0.5sem
This course will use the introductory instruction from Health A to expand on the development of skills, attitudes, and behaviors that will enable them to make decisions that promote healthy behaviors. Students will engage in inquiry and problem-solving approaches utilizing a developmentally appropriate progression of content related to health education concepts.

Prerequisite(s): Health A

For students entering grade 9 in Fall 2021 and beyond.

L67 | Introduction to Health Professions 0.5sem
This course introduces students to professional health careers, medical terminology, and technology. Education and certification requirements for professional health careers are explored. Guest speakers provide work-based learning experiences.

Prerequisite(s): Health A

L75 | Human Sexuality 0.5sem
This is an advanced level course with an emphasis on promoting life enhancing health behaviors relating to one’s sexuality. Content focus is on sexuality, decision making, relationships, protecting one’s own health, human reproduction, and social issues.

Prerequisite(s): Health A and Parental/Guardian Permission Form to be obtained from School Counseling

L95 | Drugs in Society 0.5sem
This elective course will examine the issues related to use, misuse and abuse of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs. Students will take an in-depth look at specific substances of abuse and explore methods of prevention, intervention, and treatment for addiction. An emphasis is placed on the skills needed to identify the impact of family, peers, culture, media, and technology on drug use behaviors; knowing how to access valid drug prevention information, use interpersonal communication, decision-making, goal setting, and advocacy skills to apply personal health enhancing practices.

Prerequisite(s): Health A
Mathematics

After completing the required courses of Algebra 1 and Geometry, students may choose from a set of rigorous courses such as Function Focus, Algebra 2, Financial Algebra, Foundations of College Algebra, Pre-Calculus, Statistical Analysis, Advanced Placement Statistics, Advanced Placement Calculus, and/or Linear Algebra. The selection of the appropriate mathematics course for each student should be based on individual needs and educational goals. Students with an interest in mathematics should also consider new courses available in Global IT Applications and Global Technology Concepts.

Mathematics Graduation Requirements — 4.0 Credits

- 1 credit in Algebra 1
- 1 credit in Geometry
- 2 mathematics elective credits
  (Algebra 2 for college completers)

Students are required to take a rigorous math course each of the four years the student is enrolled.

Required Assessments

To meet graduation requirements, all students must take the Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) in Algebra 1.

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**D297 | Honors Algebra 2**  
([FY] 0.5/sem)  
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**Prerequisite:** Algebra 1 (C or better)  
**Recommended:** Geometry credit or concurrent enrollment in Geometry.  

**D80 | ELD Transitional Math 9–12**  
(0.5/sem)  
High School ESOL Transitional Math is a math course to build background knowledge and foundational skills in mathematics for students with interrupted or limited formal education. Key mathematical concepts from grades 2 through Algebra including numbers, operations, decimals, fractions, ratios, percentages, number theory, integers, statistics, graphs, tables, and algebraic thinking are embedded with math language development and discourse instruction. Only English learners scoring below Algebra readiness on the International Math Assessment are to be scheduled for this course. Students may take this course repeatedly during high school, but only the first two instances of passing this course will count toward math graduation requirements.  
**Note:** Can be taken for Transitional Math Elective Credit

**D41 | Foundations of College Algebra**  
([FY] 0.5/sem)  
This course reviews and extends intermediate and advanced algebra topics through rigorous manipulation of mathematical concepts. Concepts include systems of equations, polynomial, rational, exponential, and logarithmic functions. This course is designed to prepare students for success in the first credit bearing mathematics course in post-secondary educational settings. Graphing calculator or software is required.  
**Prerequisites:** Algebra 2  

**D81 | Statistical Analysis: Making Inferences from Data**  
(0.5sem)  
Students will develop an understanding of statistics through real-world application and hands-on learning via projects, experiments, and technology explorations. This is an experiential course where students will collect, organize, and analyze data from experiments and sample surveys to make inferences about a larger population or process.  
**Recommended:** Algebra 2

**D82 | Statistical Analysis: Using Probability to Make Decisions**  
(0.5sem)  
Probability may be known as the science of uncertainty, but with an understanding of the nature of chance and variation in the real world, students can make sense of seemingly random phenomenon. Through exploration, simulation and play, students will formulate rules and develop models to determine the probability of specific events and outcomes and use their understanding of probability to make decisions and predictions.  
**Recommended:** Algebra 2
D84 | **Introduction to Logic: Networks and Algorithms** 0.5qtr
Develop deeper thinking and reasoning skills through Encryption Algorithms, Cryptography, and Conversion of Bases and by exploring logic puzzles and games.
Prerequisite(s): Algebra 1 & Geometry

D01 | **Financial Algebra—Daily Living** 0.5sem
Building on their understanding of linear and exponential relationships and systems of equations, students will learn how credit cards and student loans work, how money works. Students will develop a solid foundation of money related topics including budgeting, taxes, credit cards, saving, and investing opportunities.
Prerequisite(s): Algebra 1

D02 | **Financial Algebra—Life and Business Planning** 0.5sem
Building on function relationships explored in Algebra 2, in this course students will develop a solid understanding about how such topics as student loans, car loans, mortgages, the stock market, investing, operating a business and more are entrenched in mathematics.
Recommended: Algebra 2

D17 | **Honors Pre-Calculus** (FY) 0.5/sem
This course integrates the study of trigonometry, analytic geometry, and advanced algebraic topics into a logical approach to the solution of real-world problems. This course is a prerequisite for Advanced Placement Calculus. Graphing calculator or software required.
Prerequisite(s): Algebra 2

D586 | **Seminar: AP Calculus AB** [FY] 0.5 Elective credit/sem
Students will develop their ability to function as independent learners in the AP Calculus AB course. This course is recommended for students who require additional practice, guidance, and experiences beyond those available in the standard AP Calculus AB course.
Recommended: Concurrent enrollment in AP Calculus AB

D598 | **AP Calculus BC** [FY] 0.5/sem
This college level course is the study of differentiation and techniques, sequences and series, and vector calculus. Students who successfully complete this course will be prepared to take the AP Calculus BC test and may be awarded up to two semesters of college credit with a successful score. Graphing calculator required.
Prerequisite(s): AP Calculus AB

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D608 | **AP Calculus AB and BC Combined** [FY] 1.0/sem
AP Calculus AB is a college level course studying differential and integral calculus based on further development of properties and graphs of relations and functions. Through inquiry-based learning, students will develop mathematical critical thinking and reasoning skills. AP Calculus BC is a college level course studying differentiation and techniques, sequences, and series, and vector calculus. Through inquiry-based learning, students will develop mathematical critical thinking and reasoning skills.
Prerequisite: Honors Pre-Calculus (C or better)

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D626 | **Seminar: AP Calculus AB** [FY] 0.5 Elective credit/sem
Students will develop their ability to function as independent learners in the AP Calculus AB course. This course is recommended for students who require additional practice, guidance, and experiences beyond those available in the standard AP Calculus AB course.
Recommended: Concurrent enrollment in AP Calculus AB

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D63 | **Calculus 3**  
(FY) 0.5/sem  
Multivariable Calculus presents the main concepts and computational tools of higher dimensional calculus. It is equivalent to a third semester calculus course. The topics include vectors in Euclidean space, vector analysis, analytic geometry of three dimensions, curves in space, partial derivatives, optimization techniques, multiple integrals, vector fields, Green's theorem, Divergence theorem, and Stokes' theorem.  
**Prerequisite(s):** AP Calculus AB/BC credit. This course is in the hybrid learning format.

D32 | **Function Focus**  
0.5sem  
Utilizing previously generalized knowledge about solving and graphing functions embedded in real life situations, students will think like a mathematician. Explore how applications of mathematics relate to the environment and our physical world.  
**Prerequisite(s):** Algebra 1 & Geometry

TBD | **PSAT/SAT Prep (English & Mathematics)**  
0.5sem  
Students in grades 10-12 prepare for the PSAT and SAT by developing and applying strategies to strengthen their mathematical, reading and writing abilities and test-taking skills. Through focused instruction, practice with actual test items, and independent activities, students diagnose their individual needs and implement a program to improve their immediate scores and their greater academic performance in high school and beyond.  
**Recommended:** Geometry and Algebra 2

D87 | **Department Aide—Math**  
No credit  
Mathematics Aide courses offer students the opportunity to assist instructors in preparing and/or organizing. Students may provide tutorial or instructional assistance to other students.

If you have questions about any of the courses or programs described in this book, contact your School Counselor.
The Anne Arundel County high school music program is comprehensive in scope and breadth and is offered for all student levels and interests. In a world where much importance is being attached to 21st century skills, high school music courses are ideal settings for the development and broadening of those skills. Music classes are both rigorous and stimulating and offer students many opportunities for creative, innovative thinking that encourages problem solving and collaboration.

Students are required to earn at least one full credit in Fine Arts by the end of their senior year. Most students begin their high school music study with a performance-based course, such as band, orchestra, chorus, vocal ensemble, musical theater, jazz band, guitar, or piano. These performance courses are then offered in subsequent years, with increased rigor and performance opportunities for each level and with an honors option in the second through fourth year. Music for Life is a broad-based course, designed to focus on the function and value of music in people’s lives across cultures. Students will also find the opportunity to explore the science of music and music’s unique contribution to history and civilization in Music Theory, Music History and Literature, and Advanced Placement Music Theory. Students may also choose from elective courses like Music Technology and Vocal Technique; classes which extend and reinforce core learning in music.

Students enrolled in their appropriate school performance ensemble have the opportunity to participate in organizations such as All County Ensembles, All State music experiences, solo and ensemble festivals, and other enrichment musical activities.

**Fine Arts Graduation Requirement — 1.0 Credit**

All Music courses meet the Fine Arts requirement. Additional fine arts courses can be found in the Art, Dance, and English (Theater Arts), program sections.

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This is a performance emphasis course with acoustic guitar as the primary medium. Comprehensive activities in reading, creating, and listening to music are included. Students will perform a variety of music literature and styles in ensemble and solo performance. The course title indicates year enrolled. Prerequisite(s): Guitar 1 is open to all students. Guitar 2-4 require completion of the previous course in the series or permission of the instructor.

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This is a performance emphasis course that includes additional comprehensive activities in reading, creating, and listening to music as well as developing an understanding of history, vocabulary, structure, and symbols. Students will play a wide repertoire of keyboard music literature alone and in ensembles. Opportunities for public solo or group performance will be available. The course title indicates year enrolled. Prerequisite(s): Piano & Keyboard 1 is open to all students. Piano & Keyboard 2-4 require completion of the previous course in the series or permission of the instructor.

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This course will include individual concepts of vocal production as well as choral techniques appropriate for a large ensemble. A wide repertoire of choral music and experiences will be used for the development of comprehensive musicianship. The course designation indicates year enrolled. Students will be expected to advance to the next appropriate level of ability in Chorus and Vocal Instruction. After school activities and rehearsals are integral to the course, and grades may reflect such participation. The number of required non-school hour performances and practices during a school year varies by school. The course designation indicates year enrolled. Prerequisite(s): Chorus Mixed 1 is open to all students. Honors Chorus Mixed 2-4 require completion of the previous course in the series.

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This course emphasizes correct vocal production and the choral techniques of ensemble singing. Comprehensive musicianship will be emphasized through a varied vocal repertoire. Students will be expected to master at least one appropriate level in Chorus and Vocal Instruction. Public musical performances will be expected. After school activities and rehearsals are integral to the course, and grades may reflect such participation. The number of required non-school hour performances and practices during a school year varies by school.

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This course will stress correct vocal production and techniques of solo singing. It will include sight-singing, the basic fundamentals of music and a wide repertoire of vocal music emphasizing comprehensive musicianship. Students will be expected to master at least one appropriate level in Chorus and Vocal Instruction. Opportunities for performance will be available based on the student’s ability. After school activities and rehearsals are integral to the course, and grades may reflect such participation. The number of required non-school hour performances and practices during a school year varies by school.
This course will stress correct vocal production and techniques involving
the treble voice. Comprehensive musicianship will be emphasized through
a study of varied repertoire appropriate to treble voice ranges. Students
will be expected to master at least one appropriate level in Chorus and
Vocal Instruction. Public musical performances will be expected. After
school activities and rehearsals are integral to the course, and grades
may reflect such participation. The number of required non-school
hour performances and practices during a school year varies by school.
**Prerequisite(s):** Chorus—Treble 1 is open to all students. Honors Chorus
—Treble 2–4 require completion of the previous course in the series or
permission of the instructor.

This course provides an opportunity for students who have reached
the necessary degree of maturity in playing a wind or percussion instrument
to perform in a group and as a soloist. Development of comprehensive
musicianship will be emphasized through a wide repertoire of original
band literature, transcriptions, and arrangements. The course title indicates
the year enrolled. Students will be expected to advance to the next
appropriate level of ability in Performance Competencies for Instrumental
Music. After school activities and rehearsals are integral to the course, and
grades may reflect such participation. The number of required non-school
hour performances and practices during a school year varies by school.
**Prerequisite(s):** Band 1 is open to students with previous wind
instrument or percussion experience or by permission of the instructor. Honors Band 2–4 require completion of the previous course in the series or
permission of the instructor.

This course emphasizes good tone production, balance, and
interpretation of music within a small group. Comprehensive
musicianship is emphasized through a study of varied instrumental
repertoire. After school activities and rehearsals are integral to the
course, and grades may reflect such participation. The number of
required non-school hour performances and practices during a school
year varies by school.
**Prerequisite(s):** Instrumental Ensemble: Percussion 1 is open to students
with previous percussion experience or by permission of the instructor. Honors Instrumental Ensemble: Percussion 2–4 require completion of the
previous course in the series or permission of the instructor.

This course focuses upon the use and value of music in people's lives. It
encourages students to view music in a social context rather than as
abstract Information to be learned for its own sake. It presents music as
a natural and essential ingredient of one's own life and of human life in
all cultures. The course shows how people express themselves through
music. Finally, Music for Life exemplifies how music is a common
denominator for the human experience across the globe.

This course provides an opportunity for students who have reached
different styles of jazz from the big band era as well as dance music,
rack, and popular music of the present day. Improvisation and stylistic
playing will be emphasized to develop comprehensive musicianship.
Public musical performances will be expected. After school activities and
rehearsals are integral to the course, and grades may reflect such participation. The number of required non-school hour performances and practices during a school year varies by school.

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This course provides an opportunity for students who have reached the necessary degree of maturity in playing an orchestral, string, wind, or percussion instrument to perform in a group. Development of comprehensive musicianship will be emphasized through a wide repertoire of original string and orchestra literature, transcriptions, and arrangements. The course title indicates the year enrolled. Students will be expected to advance to the next appropriate level of ability in Performance Competencies for Instrumental Music: Strings. After school activities and rehearsals are integral to the course, and grades may reflect such participation. The number of required non-school hour performances and practices during a school year varies by school.

Prerequisite(s): Orchestra 1 is open to students with previous wind instrument or percussion experience or by permission of the instructor. Honors Orchestra 2–4 require completion of the previous course in the series or permission of the instructor.

This course is designed to familiarize the student with the building blocks of music. Rhythm, melody, harmony, form, and analysis are the key components of this course. Students will use standard music notation to read, write, and understand the structure of music. Sight singing, ear-training, and creating through composing and arranging are important components of this course.

This course will provide students with an introduction to style periods of music history, prominent composers, and exemplary music literature. Students will become familiar with the most important instrumental and vocal genres by carefully listening to, describing, and analyzing representative compositions.

This course will survey the development of musical theater in Europe and America. Comprehensive training in the skills and techniques necessary for the staging of a musical production will be emphasized. The culminating activity may be the staging of a musical production for public performance.

This high school course is offered to students who wish to pursue the study of music theory in a course equivalent to a college introductory course in music theory. This is a college level course designed to earn college level credit for those students scoring at an acceptable level on the College Board Examination. Students will study all interval, scale, and triad forms, notation, simple acoustics, tuning, and temperament, and structures of music. Students will study part-writing and harmonic progressions in tonal music with a strong emphasis given to listening skills, particularly those involving recognition and comprehension of compositional techniques. Sight singing, ear training, and creating through composing and arranging are also components of the course.

Prerequisite(s): Prior permission from the teacher.
Physical Education

Physical Education classes provide opportunities for all students to improve lifelong health, fitness, and activity-related skills. Physical Education presents information that challenges students to improve personal fitness levels and to participate in individual and team activities. Physical Education is an essential component in the education of the whole child, linking cognitive knowledge to physical activity and social interaction.

Students are required to earn at least one full credit of physical education by the end of their senior year. Fitness for Life, the required high school physical education class, is the foundation of individual lifetime fitness concepts. Additional courses are offered to support and extend individual fitness goals and interests. Personal fitness elective courses include personal fitness, strength and conditioning, and walking. Sport oriented elective courses are offered in lifetime and team sports. Leadership and inclusive elective courses are offered in Unified Physical Education and Leadership as well as Unified Dance and Leadership. A variety of other dance courses also satisfy the physical education requirements for graduation (see Dance).

All students are expected to wear appropriate attire during physical education classes for the purpose of ensuring the safety and hygiene of each participant.

Phys. Ed. Graduation Requirements — 1.0 Credit

- Fitness for Life (0.5 credit)
- Physical Education or Dance Elective (0.5 credit)

L04 | Foundations of Stretch Your Wellness 0.5sem
This course serves as an introduction to the wellness activity of yoga and mindfulness. It will introduce a brief history of yoga, the anatomical benefits, and the physical practice of yoga as it pertains to relaxation techniques, breathing exercises, specific postures, healthy diet, and positive thinking. Through the exploration of the four components of mindfulness, students will learn healthy ways to relieve stress and promote a lifetime of wellness.

L09 | Unified Physical Education and Leadership 1–4 0.5/sem
This course will allow students with and without disabilities to gain knowledge, experience, and skills in recreation sports, leisure activities, team/individual sports, fitness, and dance in a collaborative and cooperative environment. All students will explore leadership characteristics, communication and listening skills, group work, and critical thinking skills in order to provide support in an inclusive environment.

L14 | Foundations of Lifetime Sports 0.5/sem
This course provides students with knowledge, experience, and an opportunity to develop skills in more than one recreational sport or outdoor pursuit (such as spike ball, ladder golf, corn hole, table tennis, frisbee golf, Kan Jam, bocce ball, etc.).

L15 | Lifetime Sports 2–4 0.5/sem
Lifetime Sports 2, 3, & 4 extends students’ experiences in recreational sports and outdoor games they can pursue throughout life. Students increase knowledge and skill proficiency in these sports and activities.

L37 | Foundations of Team Sports 0.5/sem
Students will learn rules, terms, historical background, and basic skills for a variety of sports. This course incorporates the sports education model, allowing the students to explore leadership, communication, and teamwork opportunities. The student will be able to understand team strategy in a competitive situation.

L37–1 | Foundations of Team Sports Baseball 0.5sem
Students will learn rules, terms, historical background, and basic skills of baseball. The student will be able to understand team strategy in a competitive situation.

L37–2 | Foundations of Team Sports Basketball 0.5sem
Students will learn rules, terms, historical background, and basic skills of basketball. The student will be able to understand team strategy in a competitive situation.

L37–3 | Foundations of Team Sports Football 0.5sem
Students will learn rules, terms, historical background, and basic skills of football. The student will be able to understand team strategy in a competitive situation.

L37–4 | Foundations of Team Sports Lacrosse 0.5sem
Students will learn rules, terms, historical background, and basic skills of lacrosse. The student will be able to understand team strategy in a competitive situation.
Students will learn rules, terms, historical background, and basic skills of soccer. The student will be able to understand team strategy in a competitive situation.

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L37–5 | **Foundations of Team Sports Soccer** | 0.5sem

Students will improve their knowledge of game rules and basic skills of baseball through the refinement of participation and increased depth of knowledge in team strategies. Students will increase their experience in teamwork through competitive situations in addition to experiencing coaching and officiating opportunities.

L37–6 | **Foundations of Team Sports Volleyball** | 0.5sem

Students will learn rules, terms, historical background, and basic skills of volleyball. The student will be able to understand team strategy in a competitive situation.

L38 | **Team Sports 2–4** | 0.5/sem

Students will improve their knowledge of game rules and basic skills of baseball through the refinement of participation and increased depth of knowledge in team strategies. Students will increase their experience in teamwork through competitive situations in addition to experiencing coaching and officiating opportunities.

L38–1 | **Team Sports Baseball 2–4** | 0.5/sem

Students will improve their knowledge of game rules and basic skills of baseball through the refinement of participation and increased depth of knowledge in team strategies. Students will increase their experience in teamwork through competitive situations in addition to experiencing coaching and officiating opportunities.

L38–2 | **Team Sports Basketball 2–4** | 0.5/sem

Students will improve their knowledge of game rules and basic skills of basketball through the refinement of participation and increased depth of knowledge in team strategies. Students will increase their experience in teamwork through competitive situations in addition to experiencing coaching and officiating opportunities.

L38–3 | **Team Sports Football 2–4** | 0.5/sem

Students will improve their knowledge of game rules and basic skills of football through the refinement of participation and increased depth of knowledge in team strategies. Students will increase their experience in teamwork through competitive situations in addition to experiencing coaching and officiating opportunities.

L38–4 | **Team Sports Lacrosse 2–4** | 0.5/sem

Students will improve their knowledge of game rules and basic skills of lacrosse through the refinement of participation and increased depth of knowledge in team strategies. Students will increase their experience in teamwork through competitive situations in addition to experiencing coaching and officiating opportunities.

L38–5 | **Team Sports Soccer 2–4** | 0.5/sem

Students will improve their knowledge of game rules and basic skills of soccer through the refinement of participation and increased depth of knowledge in team strategies. Students will increase their experience in teamwork through competitive situations in addition to experiencing coaching and officiating opportunities.

L38–6 | **Team Sports Volleyball 2–4** | 0.5/sem

Students will improve their knowledge of game rules and basic skills of volleyball through the refinement of participation and increased depth of knowledge in team strategies. Students will increase their experience in teamwork through competitive situations in addition to experiencing coaching and officiating opportunities.

L51 | **Foundations of Walking Wellness** | 0.5sem

This course is an introduction to the lifetime wellness activity of walking. Students are provided with an understanding of the importance that nutrition and exercise have on the pursuit of healthy living. Various walking activities are embedded throughout the course which engage the learner and increase participation.

L52 | **Walking Wellness 2–4** | 0.5/sem

This course extends the students’ opportunity for participating in the lifetime wellness activity of walking. It provides students with nutritional information consistent with healthy living and teaches them to set goals that require a commitment to physical fitness in pursuit of a healthy lifestyle.

L56 | **Foundations of Personal Fitness** | 0.5sem

This course exposes students to a variety of fitness options including Cardiorespiratory Fitness, Resistance Training and Flexibility. Students will have the opportunity to explore nutrition options to help them make healthy lifestyle decisions. By completing this course, students will have a better comfort level when self-selecting fitness options at workout facilities outside of school.

L57 | **Personal Fitness 2–4** | 0.5/sem

This course extends the students’ opportunity to explore a variety of fitness options including Cardiorespiratory Fitness, Resistance Training, and Flexibility. Students will have the opportunity to explore nutrition options to help them make healthy lifestyle decisions. By completing this course, students will have a better comfort level when self-selecting fitness options at workout facilities outside of school.

L58 | **Foundations of Strength & Conditioning** | 0.5/sem

Students are engaged in an individualized program designed to incorporate physical fitness components and improve physical condition. Weight room procedures and safety precautions are stressed in this beginning level course. Students will focus on technique rather than the amount of weight lifted.

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L59 | **Strength & Conditioning 2–4** | 0.5/sem

Students will continue a systematic training program to refine techniques for strength and conditioning. Students will have an opportunity to develop greater strength and to design, with instructor assistance, an individualized strength and conditioning program.

L72 | **Sports Medicine** | 0.5sem

The course is designed for students interested in fields such as athletic training, physical therapy, medicine, fitness, exercise physiology, kinesiology, nutrition, and other sports-medicine related fields. This class includes classroom work as well as hands-on application in order to provide students with an avenue to explore these fields. Through these connections, students will understand the importance that exercise, nutrition, treatment modalities, and rehabilitation play in athletic health. Students will study basic anatomy and the psychological impact of athletic injuries, along with assessment and treatment techniques as they apply to athletic injuries.
L19 | Stretch, Flow, and Restore | 0.5sem
This course is an extension of Foundations of Stretch Your Wellness. Students will build upon their knowledge of the core yogic principles, components of mindfulness, and connections to how yoga and mindfulness promote lifelong wellness to synthesize the differences between Restorative yoga and Integrative yoga as it relates to real life simulation opportunities. Through the analysis of specific yogic styles and unique mindfulness practices students will synthesize the differences between Vinyasa Flow and Yoga Nidra as it relates to real life simulation opportunities.
Prerequisite: Foundations of Stretch Your Wellness

L87 | Department Aide—HPED | No credit
The Health, Physical Education and Dance Aide course offers students the opportunity to assist instructors in preparing and organizing course curricula. Students may provide tutorial or instructional assistance to other students.

If you have questions about any of the courses or programs described in this book, contact your School Counselor.
Scientific literacy has become a necessity. Everyone needs to use scientific information to make choices that arise in every day life. In the workplace, jobs demand advanced skills, requiring people to learn, reason, think critically, make decisions, and solve problems.

Students who have combined Performance Level Descriptors (PLDs) of 6 or higher on the ELA/Math MCAP assessments may enroll in Honors Biology in grade 9. All other students should enroll in Environmental Science in grade 9 followed by enrollment in Standard or Honors Biology in grade 10. Both pathways require students to take a Life Science End of Course Assessment (LS MISA) at the end of their Biology course.

In 10th grade, students who have completed Honors Biology will take Honors/Standard Chemistry or, in a limited number of school programs, Environmental Science.

In 11th grade, students should enroll in the core lab-based courses (Chemistry, Earth/Space Science, and Physics). Students may also choose from elective courses which have a particular science focus and extend and reinforce core learning.

Dissection is one of the many instructional methods that may be used in high school science. Students may request one of the alternatives to dissection in these classes. Alternatives may include such materials as videotapes, charts, diagrams, and textbook overlays.

Science Graduation Requirements — 3.0 Credits

- 1 credit in Life Science of a MISA aligned course
- 1 credit in Physical Science
- 1 credit in Earth/Space Science or a course with the topics of Earth/Space Science integrated

Required Assessments

To meet graduation requirements, all students must take the Life Science Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (LS MISA). This assessment is given at the end of the Biology and Systems Science courses.

High School Science Graduation Requirements (MSDE COMAR)

In order to fulfill the MSDE COMAR science graduation requirement, students must earn 1 full credit in each of the following three science domains (3 credits total):

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**C65 | Environmental Science**
(FY) 0.5/sem

Environmental Science is rigorous interdisciplinary study of the world around us. In this course, students explore the interrelationships among the biological, physical, and chemical components of the environment and examine the interactions between and among the components. The units are project-based, enabling students to apply their learning to real-world environmental issues.

**NCAA**

**C260 | Biology**
(FY) 0.5/sem

Biology courses are designed to provide information regarding the fundamental concepts of life and life processes. All coursework is aligned to Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) for life sciences. Upon completion of their biology course, all students must take a Life Science End of Course Assessment (LS MISA) to meet state graduation requirements.

**NCAA**

**C264 | Biology (Daily)**
(FY) 0.5/sem

Biology courses are designed to provide information regarding the fundamental concepts of life and life processes. All coursework is aligned to Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) for life sciences. Upon completion of their biology course, all students must take a Life Science End of Course Assessment (LS MISA) to meet state graduation requirements.

**NCAA**

**C267 | Honors Biology**
(FY) 0.5/sem

Biology courses are designed to provide information regarding the fundamental concepts of life and life processes. All coursework is aligned to Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) for life sciences. Upon completion of their biology course, all students must take a Life Science End of Course Assessment (LS MISA) to meet state graduation requirements. The Honors Biology curriculum incorporates the Essential Knowledge and Performance Expectations described by the College Board to prepare students for success in Advanced Placement Biology.

**Prerequisite(s):** Combined PLDs of 6 or higher on the ELA/Math MCAP assessments.

**NCAA**

**C450 | Chemistry**
(FY) 0.5/sem

Chemistry courses involve studying the composition, properties, and reactions of substances. Students learn about the structure and function of atoms and states of matter in the Universe. Throughout their coursework, students use mathematics practices and computation to analyze chemical processes. Each Chemistry unit ends with a project to allow students to apply their learning to how chemistry is used in the real world.

**Prerequisite(s):** Algebra 1 or concurrent enrollment in Algebra 1 and Participation in LS MISA

**NCAA**

**C457 | Honors Chemistry**
(FY) 0.5/sem

Chemistry courses involve studying the composition, properties, and reactions of substances. Students learn about the structure and function of atoms and states of matter in the Universe. Throughout their coursework, students use mathematics practices and computation to analyze chemical processes. Honors Chemistry uses Essential Knowledge and Performance Expectations from the College Board Standards to prepare students for Advanced Placement Chemistry. Each Chemistry unit ends with a project to allow students to apply their learning to how chemistry is used in the real world. Additionally, students enrolled in Honors Chemistry complete a research project.

**Prerequisite(s):** Algebra 1 or concurrent enrollment in Algebra 1 and Biology or Honors Biology

**NCAA**

**C30 | Earth/Space Systems Science**
(FY) 0.5/sem

Earth and Space Systems Science is a study of Earth, a complex and dynamic 4.6-billion-year-old system of rock, water, air, and life. A partnership with the NASA Goddard enhances the learning experience.

**Prerequisite(s):** Participation in LS MISA

**NCAA**
This redeveloped course is for Newcomers only. Students will have been identified through the WIDA Screener or ACCESS for ELLs as being in the "entering" phase of English language development. The goal of this specially designed course is to provide the pre-requisite background knowledge, skills, and vocabulary that English Learners need to be successful in Environmental Science, Biology, and LS MISA. The course should be offered concurrently with ESOL I only for English Learners who have experienced prolonged educational interruptions. It is recommended that it be coupled with a semester of ESOL Science II.  

Note: Can be taken for Science Elective Credit. Please see page 38 for suggested course placement by English proficiency and time in U.S. schools.

ESOL Science II is a continuation of Newcomers ESOL Science I course. Through participation in this one semester course, students will experience lessons that practice science and engineering skills while exposing them to rigorous scientific vocabulary and concepts, building upon the educational framework they experienced in ESOL Science I.  

Note: Can be taken for Science Elective Credit. Please see page 38 for suggested course placement by English proficiency and time in U.S. schools.

Physics courses involve the study of the forces and laws of nature affecting matter, such as equilibrium, motion, momentum, and the relationships between matter and energy. Students use science equipment and principles of mathematics to learn how matter and energy behave. Topics include forces, electricity and magnetism, heat, waves, and theories of modern physics. Each unit concludes with a real-world project to help students make connections between what they study and how physics applies in the real world.  

Prerequisite(s): Algebra I and Participation in LS MISA

Physics courses involve the study of the forces and laws of nature affecting matter, such as equilibrium, motion, momentum, and the relationships between matter and energy. Students use science equipment and principles of mathematics to learn how matter and energy behave. Topics include forces, electricity and magnetism, heat, waves, and theories of modern physics. Honors Physics incorporates Essential Knowledge and Performance Expectations described by the College Board to prepare students for the Advanced Placement Test in Environmental Science and the opportunity to earn college credit.  

Prerequisite(s): Concurrent enrollment in the related AP science course

In this course students evaluate environmental issues and examine alternative solutions for resolving and/or preventing them. This course prepares students for the Advanced Placement Test in AP Chemistry and the opportunity to earn college credit.  

Prerequisite(s): Biology and Chemistry. Chemistry may be taken concurrently.

Students learn the principles of physics equivalent to a first-semester algebra-based college physics course. Topics include Newtonian mechanics (including rotational dynamics and angular momentum); work, energy, and power; mechanical waves and sound. Electric circuits will also be introduced. This course prepares students for the Advanced Placement Test in AP Physics 1 and the opportunity to earn college credit. Students do not need an introductory physics course to enroll in AP Physics 1. Students may go directly to AP Physics 1 as their first physics course in high school if the math requirements have been satisfied.  

Prerequisite(s): Concurrent enrollment in the related AP science course
C578 | AP Physics 2  
[FY] 0.5/sem  
Students learn the principles of physics equivalent to a second-semester college course in algebra-based physics. The course covers fluid mechanics; thermodynamics; electricity and magnetism; optics; atomic and nuclear physics. This course prepares students for the Advanced Placement Test in AP Physics 2 and the opportunity to earn college credit.  
Prerequisite(s): AP Physics 1 and Pre-Calculus or concurrent enrollment in Pre-Calculus  
NCAA

C576 | Seminar: AP Physics 2  
[FY] 0.5 elective credit/sem  
Students focus on enhancing the science skills and concepts that will support success in AP Biology, AP Chemistry, or AP Physics. This course is for students who need additional practice in scientific inquiry and mathematics or for students taking an AP Science course for the first time. Students take the seminar course that corresponds to their specific AP course.  
Prerequisite(s): Concurrent enrollment in the related AP science course

C70 | AP Physics 1 and 2 Combined  
[FY] 1.0/sem  
AP Physics 1 is an algebra-based, introductory college-level physics course that explores topics such as Newtonian mechanics (including rotational motion); work, energy, and power; mechanical waves and sound; and introductory, simple circuits. AP Physics 2 is an algebra-based, introductory college-level physics course that explores topics such as fluid statics and dynamics; thermodynamics with kinetic theory; PV diagrams and probability; electrostatics; electrical circuits with capacitors; magnetic fields; electromagnetism; physical and geometric optics; and quantum, atomic, and nuclear physics. Through inquiry-based learning, students will develop scientific critical thinking and reasoning skills.  
Prerequisite(s): Successful completion of or concurrent enrollment in Pre-Calculus.

C598 | AP Physics C  
[FY] 0.5/sem  
Students learn the principles of physics equivalent to a second-semester college course in calculus-based physics. The course covers fluid mechanics; thermodynamics; electricity and magnetism; optics; atomic and nuclear physics. This course prepares students for the Advanced Placement Tests in AP Physics C and the opportunity to earn college credit.  
Prerequisite(s): Calculus or concurrent enrollment in Calculus  
NCAA

C596 | Seminar: AP Physics C  
[FY] 0.5 elective credit/sem  
Students focus on enhancing the science skills and concepts that will support success in AP Physics. This course is for students who need additional practice in scientific inquiry and mathematics or for students taking an AP Science course for the first time. Students take the seminar course that corresponds to their specific AP course.  
Prerequisite(s): Concurrent enrollment in the related AP science course

C80 | Astronomy  
0.5sem  
Astronomy courses offer students the opportunity to study the solar system, stars, galaxies, and interstellar bodies. Students learn about the large-scale structure of the universe, the history of the universe, and what scientists think will be the fate of the universe.  
Prerequisite(s): Participation in LS MISA  
NCAA

C25 | Exercise Science  
0.5sem  
In this course, students use kinesthetic and exercise testing mechanisms to monitor, evaluate and apply cause and effect relationships. They study physical activity, body systems, nutrition, biomechanics, social psychological, and motor learning principles. Students will assess the advantages and disadvantages of physical activity on the body’s development and performance and will partake in a variety of hands-on and self-exploratory tests. Strategies integral to this course include applying real-world exercise experiences and issues that plague individuals across age spectrums, working collaboratively in groups for multidisciplinary project-based learning, and providing connections across content (physical education, health, and science).  
Prerequisite(s): Human Anatomy and Physiology

C33 | Forensic Science: CSI  
0.5sem  
This course presents an in-depth study of the human body and examines all major systems, tissues, and muscle groups to help students understand how these systems interact and maintain homeostasis. In this course, students build on prior knowledge of the human body to investigate the role of systems from a chemical and physical perspective. Activities may involve animal dissection.  
Prerequisite(s): Participation in LS MISA  
NCAA

C40 | Human Anatomy & Physiology  
0.5sem  
This course presents an in-depth study of the human body and examines all major systems, tissues, and muscle groups to help students understand how these systems interact and maintain homeostasis. In this course, students build on prior knowledge of the human body to investigate the role of systems from a chemical and physical perspective. Activities may involve animal dissection.  
Prerequisite(s): Participation in LS MISA  
NCAA

C81 | Marine Biology  
0.5sem  
Students use scientific skills and processes to study the marine world. Students analyze marine organisms and their environment, including the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries.  
Prerequisite(s): Participation in LS MISA  
NCAA

C75 | Oceanography  
0.5sem  
In this course students use the principles of chemistry and physics to study the oceans. Students investigate the materials and physical processes that have shaped oceans.  
Prerequisite(s): Participation in LS MISA  
NCAA

C50 | Science Research 1  
[FY] 0.5/sem  
Students use the scientific method to solve problems. Students develop skills in designing experiments, collecting, and analyzing data. Students work individually or as part of a team to complete a research project and enter the project in a science competition.  
Prerequisite(s): Science Research 1  
NCAA

C52 | Honors Science Research 2: Design  
0.5sem  
This course continues independent research in science with a focus on engineering. Students will work in a small group to design a new or technology according to the ExploraVision competition.  
Prerequisite(s): Science Research 1  
NCAA
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C53 | Honors Science Research 3: Project 0.5sem
Students should take this course in the fall of their junior year. Students complete an off-campus research project in an academic, government, or corporate laboratory during the spring of junior year or the summer between junior and senior year. Students will complete research in a lab working on their project during spring and summer. Each student will seek a mentor to guide his or her research project. The mentorship will be in a STEM area.
Prerequisite(s): Science Research 2

C41 | Honors Zoology [FY] 0.5/sem
Zoology courses provide students with an understanding of animals, the niche they occupy in their environment or habitat, their life cycles, and their evolutionary relationships to other organisms. In this course, students study the organisms of the animal kingdom. Students study animal systems through dissection and comparative analysis. Students who are opposed to laboratory dissection should consider choosing an alternate science course.
Prerequisite(s): Participation in LS MISA

C87 | Department Aide—Science No Credit
Science Aide courses offer students the opportunity to assist instructors in preparing and/or organizing lab materials. Students may provide tutorial or instructional assistance to other students.

If you have questions about any of the courses or programs described in this book, contact your School Counselor.
Social Studies

Social Studies courses draw upon the wealth of information and insight to be found in anthropology, history, psychology, economics, geography, political science, and sociology. The curriculum encourages students to apply the lessons of the past to the problems of the present. Students learn to utilize inquiry and problem-solving techniques to become vital participants in shaping and directing the future of our local, national, and world communities.

Social Studies Graduation Requirements — 3.0 Credits

- History of the United States or AP United States History
- World History or AP World History: Modern
- U.S. Government or AP U.S. Government and Politics

Required Assessments
All students must take either the MCAP American Government or AP US Government and Politics assessment to meet state graduation requirements.

B01 | Maryland History | 0.5sem
Students will examine political, economic, and social events of Maryland from the colonial period to the present. This course is recommended for students interested in exploring American studies in detail.

B11 | Honors Humanities | 0.5sem
Students will study art, literature, music, and philosophy from Ancient Times through the Modern Era. Students will examine major works from the performing arts, fine arts, literature, and philosophy and consider how these works were influenced by their historical, political, and economic settings. This course is recommended for students interested in exploring global studies in detail.

B20 | History of the US | (FY) 0.5/sem
Students will concentrate on the historical period from the late 1800's to the present. Students will engage in inquiry, problem solving and critical thinking skills to identify major issues of each time period and analyze their importance to the United States today. Topics of special interest will include the social, political, and economic shifts that have occurred for groups including Indigenous Peoples, women, African Americans, Asian Americans, Hispanic Americans, religious minorities, LGBTQ+ individuals and Americans with disabilities. Students will investigate these shifts through the World Wars, the Depression, Civil Rights Movements, the Cold War, and in Post-9/11 America. In this course, students will be expected to read, analyze, and draw conclusions from primary source documents.

B207 | Honors History of the US | (FY) 0.5/sem
Students will concentrate on the historical period from the late 1800's to the present. Students will engage in inquiry, problem solving and critical thinking skills to identify major issues of each time period and analyze their importance to the United States today. Topics of special interest will include the social, political, and economic shifts that have occurred for groups including Indigenous Peoples, women, African Americans, Asian Americans, Hispanic Americans, religious minorities, LGBTQ+ individuals and Americans with disabilities. Students will investigate these shifts through the World Wars, the Depression, Civil Rights Movements, the Cold War, and in Post-9/11 America. In this course, students will be expected to read, analyze, and draw conclusions from primary source documents.

For BMAH and STEM students, this course may be offered as a hybrid.

B290 | World History | (FY) 0.5/sem
Students will explore significant historical events and cultures in world history with an emphasis on understanding themes and analyzing historical evidence found among and between world civilizations. In order to understand the dynamics of modern world history and current global events, students will develop an understanding of how people have historically interacted economically, politically, culturally, and militarily. Students will be expected to read and analyze primary source documents including works of art, literature, and music in this course.

B297 | Honors World History | (FY) 0.5/sem
Students will explore significant historical events and cultures in world history with an emphasis on understanding themes and analyzing historical evidence found among and between world civilizations. In order to understand the dynamics of modern world history and current global events, students will develop an understanding of how people have historically interacted economically, politically, culturally, and militarily. Students will be expected to read and analyze primary source documents including works of art, literature, and music in this course.

B318 | AP World History: Modern | (FY) 0.5/sem
Students will develop greater understanding of the evolution of global processes and interaction through their study of world history from circa 1200 CE to the present. The course highlights the nature of changes in international frameworks and their causes and consequences, as well as comparisons among major societies. This course prepares students for the Advanced Placement exam in World History: Modern. The successful completion of this course will meet the graduation requirement for world history. This course is recommended for students interested in exploring global studies in detail.

B316 | Seminar: AP World History | (FY) 0.5 elective credit/sem
Students will develop their ability to function as independent learners in the Advanced Placement World History course. This course is recommended for students who require additional practice, guidance, and experiences beyond those available in the standard AP World History course or for students taking an AP Social Studies course for the first time.
B328 | AP U.S. Government & Politics [FY] 0.5/sem
This course provides students with an analytical perspective on government and politics the United States. This course will prepare students for the Advanced Placement exam in U.S. Government and Politics. Students may take this course to meet the graduation requirement in U.S. Government and the opportunity to earn college credits. This course is recommended for students interested in exploring government, law, and leadership and American studies in detail. They will investigate critical public issues and apply what they have learned about government to the solving of real-world problems in their community—earning 10 hours toward their service-learning graduation requirement.

B326 | Seminar: AP U.S. Government & Politics [FY] 0.5 elective credit/sem
Students will develop their ability to function as independent learners in the Advanced Placement U.S. Government and Politics course. This course is recommended for students who require additional practice, guidance, and experiences beyond those available in the standard AP U.S. Government and Politics course or for students taking an AP Social Studies course for the first time.

B380 | US Government [FY] 0.5/sem
Students will study the structure and functions of government and politics in the United States, analyze the role of the U.S. government in world affairs, and how democratic principles and practices have evolved by studying Supreme Court cases, and civil and criminal law. They will investigate critical public issues and apply what they have learned about government to the solving of real-world problems in their community—earning 10 hours toward their service-learning graduation requirement.

B387 | Honors US Government [FY] 0.5/sem
Students will study the structure and functions of government and politics in the United States, analyze the role of the U.S. government in world affairs, and how democratic principles and practices have evolved by studying Supreme Court cases, and civil and criminal law. They will investigate critical public issues and apply what they have learned about government to the solving of real-world problems in their community—earning 10 hours toward their service-learning graduation requirement. For STEM students, this course may be offered as a hybrid.

B41 | Honors Social Issues 0.5sem
Students will identify, analyze, and articulate an informed response to 21st century issues and problems that impact global societies, and are “shared” by groups of people. In order to use academic and civic dialogue to respond, students will need to locate and examine the current events, news media publications, and data sets related to a variety of contemporary topics and social issues. Students will be required to use a framework of academic research, sociological investigation, and civic action to engage with and respond to social issues, developing critical thinking, communication, and civil public discourse skills.

B42 | AP Comparative Government & Politics [FY] 0.5/sem
Students will examine the models used to interpret political relationships and institutions found in national politics around the world in order to apply them to specific countries and their governments. This course will prepare students for the AP examination in Comparative Government and Politics and the opportunity to earn college credits. This course is recommended for students interested in exploring government, law, and leadership, and American studies in detail.

B43 | Honors Constitutional History & Law 0.5sem
Students will study significant Supreme Court cases in U.S. history for a better understanding of how the Constitution protects the liberties and rights of the people. Current issues being heard by the Supreme Court will be analyzed. This course is recommended for students interested in exploring government and law in detail.

B45 | Criminal Justice 0.5sem
In this course, students will investigate issues of crime and justice, the police, the courts, corrections, and juvenile justice. Students will critically analyze the historical impact and future of the criminal justice system in the United States of America. This course is recommended for students interested in exploring government, law, and leadership in detail.

B498 | AP European History [FY] 0.5/sem
Students will study the achievements and accomplishments of European civilization from 1450 to the present. Students will be expected to analyze issues in class and to be able to express their thoughts in a logical manner, both orally and in writing. This course will prepare students for the Advanced Placement exam in European History and the opportunity to earn college credits. This course is recommended for students interested in exploring European studies in detail. Recommended: Students who register for this course are encouraged to concurrently enroll in AP Art History in order to strengthen conceptual understanding.

B496 | Seminar: AP European History [FY] 0.5 elective credit/sem
Students will develop their ability to function as independent learners in the Advanced Placement European History course. This course is recommended for students who require additional practice, guidance, and experiences beyond those available in the standard AP European History course or for students taking an AP Social Studies course for the first time.

B508 | AP US History [FY] 0.5/sem
Students will study United States history from the pre-colonial period to the present. Students will be expected to analyze issues in class and to be able to express their thoughts in a logical manner both orally and in writing. The successful completion of this course will meet the graduation requirement for United States History. This course will prepare students for the Advanced Placement exam in U.S. History and the opportunity to earn college credits.
B507 | Honors Historical Inquiry

In this course, students will extend their knowledge and understanding of the key themes in the AP US History course. Students will also refine their historical thinking skills through a variety of research projects, document-based activities, simulations, and debates. This course will prepare students for both the rigor of the disciplinary literacy portions of AP US History exam, as well as subsequent AP History courses. Historical Inquiry is mandatory for high school freshman taking the AP US History course.

B51 | AP Economics—Macro

Macroeconomics includes the study of national income and price determination, and economic performance measures, economic growth, and international economics. Students will be expected to analyze issues in class and to be able to express their thoughts in a logical manner both orally and in writing. This course will prepare students for the Advanced Placement Examination in Macroeconomics and the opportunity to earn college credits.

B52 | AP Economics—Micro

Microeconomics includes the study of the principles of economics that apply to the functions of individual decision-makers, both consumers and producers, within the larger economic system; and the role of government in promoting greater efficiency and equity in the economy. Students will be expected to analyze issues in class and to be able to express their thoughts in a logical manner both orally and in writing. This course will prepare students for the Advanced Placement Examination in Microeconomics and the opportunity to earn college credits.

B56 | Honors Economics

Students will study the principles of economics, including the concept of choice, supply, and demand and the relationship of labor and management. Students will also develop an understanding of the role of government and international economic interdependence.

B59 | General Psychology

Students will learn the research methods in psychology used to understand human behavior and development. They will learn about the physical systems of the body and how they affect emotions and behaviors as well as learning theories and social interaction.

B60 | Psychology of the Individual

Students will study people and their interactions with others. They will discuss self-concept, develop an understanding of how people function as individuals and as members of groups, and understand the impact of social institutions.

Prerequisite(s): General Psychology

B61 | AP Psychology

Students will study the behavior and mental processes of human beings. This includes the facts, principles, and phenomena associated with each of the major subfields in psychology. Students are expected to analyze issues in class and to be able to express their thoughts in a logical manner, both orally and in writing. This course will prepare students for the Advanced Placement exam in Psychology and the opportunity to earn college credits.

B62 | Sociology

In this course, students will study the field of Sociology; the study of social life, social change, and the social causes and consequences of human behavior. Students will use a social science research model to investigate contemporary American issues of social inequality, patterns of behavior, forces for social change and resistance, and how social systems work.

B69 | Honors Comparative Religions

Students will study the beliefs of the world’s five major religious groups: Judaism, Christianity, Buddhism, Hinduism, and Islam. They will analyze similarities and differences among the beliefs and practices of these world religions. Students will be required to read primary source material, including religious texts, in this course. This course is recommended for students interested in exploring global studies in detail.

B70 | Honors International Studies

This course is for students with a strong interest in world affairs. Students will examine the actions of nations and analyze responses to these actions. Students will also recognize that decision-making is based on accurate information and knowledge of how to deal with particular world situations. This course is recommended for students interested in exploring global studies in detail.

B718 | AP Human Geography

Students investigate the nature, perspective, and methods of geography, population, cultural patterns and processes, use maps and spatial data sets; define regions and evaluate the regionalization process; and characterize and analyze changing interconnections among places. This course will prepare students for the Advanced Placement exam in Human Geography and the opportunity to earn college credits. This course is recommended for students interested in exploring global studies in detail.

B798 | AP African American Studies

AP African American Studies is an interdisciplinary course that examines the diversity of African American experiences through direct encounters with authentic and varied sources. Students explore key topics that extend from early African kingdoms to the ongoing challenges and achievements of the contemporary moment. Given the interdisciplinary character of African American studies, students in the course will develop skills across multiple fields, with an emphasis on developing historical, literary, visual, and data analysis skills. This course foregrounds a study of the diversity of Black communities in the United States within the broader context of Africa and the African diaspora.
**Seminar: AP Human Geography** 0.5 elective credit/sem
Students will develop their ability to function as independent learners in the Advanced Placement Human Geography course. This course is recommended for students who require additional practice, guidance, and experiences beyond those available in the standard AP Human Geography course or for students taking an AP Social Studies course for the first time.

**Honors Women’s History** 0.5sem
Students will examine the changing roles of women in United States history. They will analyze the social, economic, and legal-political status of women in different eras in U.S. history. Students will also investigate the causes and consequences of issues that affect women in contemporary American society (e.g. violence, poverty, education, equal opportunity). In this course, students will be expected to be able to read and analyze primary source documents, including works of art, literature, and music. This course is recommended for students interested in exploring American studies in detail.

**Honors African American History** 0.5sem
Through the investigation of local and national historic events, students will examine the achievements of African Americans in their struggle for political, economic, and social equality throughout American history. Students will also examine the achievements of African Americans in their struggle for political, economic, and social equality. Students will also investigate the causes of issues that continue to face African Americans in society today. Throughout the course students will read and analyze primary sources. This course is recommended for students interested in exploring American studies in detail.

**ELD Social Studies 1 (HS)** 0.5/sem
ESOL Social Studies 1 is a content-based language development course for students new to the United States. Students will become familiar with the language and content of geography, history, culture, and government of the United States. English learners will develop the language and background knowledge essential for their equitable participation in U.S. History and Government courses. This course provides an opportunity to build the capacity of immigrant students to draw on their unique international experiences in order to foster civic participation their new country. This course is most appropriate for students also enrolled in the ESOL I course.

*Note: Can be taken for Social Studies Elective Credit*

**LGBTQ+ Studies** 0.5sem
This course is an interdisciplinary exploration of the historical emergence and construction of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning (LGBTQ+) history and culture. The course is designed for all students interested in learning more about the LGBTQ+ community and its history. The course will investigate LGBTQ+ History in the United States with a large focus on the sociopolitical aspects of history as an avenue to apply disciplinary literacy skills. Students will engage in activities that will further develop important critical thinking and inquiry skills.
World Languages

The AACPS World Languages program strives to educate and motivate students to become global citizens in an increasingly complex and changing world through the study of languages and cultures other than their own. The goal of the AACPS world language program is to prepare students to participate in a multilingual society by communicating with other people of diverse backgrounds. Students will gain a deeper understanding of their own culture and the cultures of others to gain new perspectives, increase self-awareness, and to cultivate curiosity that develops the capacity to live and work with people of diverse backgrounds.

Note—Language offerings vary at each school.

World Languages Graduation Requirements—
Students must be enrolled and successfully pass a minimum of 2 credits of the same language of study. (Credits earned do not have to be consecutive.)

Students must enroll and successfully complete a minimum of two credits of the same language of study. The World Language program strongly recommends that students go beyond the minimum language requirement as communication skills are highly regarded by employers and institutions of higher learning alike. The ability to communicate in a language other than English is a valuable and marketable skill in our global society. Additionally, students who continue their studies and meet requirements of a qualifying score on the AP or IB level exams may be awarded the MSDE Seal of Biliteracy.

E01 | American Sign Language 1  [FY] 0.5/sem
Designed to introduce students to the basics of American Sign Language and culture of the deaf community and others who use sign language as a means of communication. Emphasis will be placed on the development of the students' receptive and expressive skills. Students will learn to introduce themselves, provide biographical information, talk about likes and dislikes, describe their families, their school day, their environment, and lifestyles. Students communicate in the target language through reading, listening, speaking and writing. The proficiency target is novice high.

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E02 | American Sign Language 2  [FY] 0.5/sem
Designed to extend students experience with American Sign Language and culture of the deaf community and others who use sign language as a means of communication. Students communicate on a variety of topics pertaining to pop culture, the impact of technology in our daily lives, travel, celebrations, rites of passage, and sharing our stories. The proficiency target is intermediate low. Emphasis will continue to be placed on the development of the students' receptive and expressive skills. The proficiency target is intermediate low.

NCAA

E03 | Honors American Sign Language 3  [FY] 0.5/sem
ASL 3 expands language competence on topics that require more critical thinking skills. These topics include how to have a healthy lifestyle, investigating future professions, careers, volunteering opportunities, and the environment. The proficiency target is intermediate mid.

NCAA

E04 | Honors American Sign Language 4  [FY] 0.5/sem
ASL 4 delves deeply into global topics such as immigration, multiculturalism, identity, family roles, responsibilities, customs and traditions as well as leisure and science and technology. Emphasis will continue to be placed on the development of the students' receptive and expressive skills. The proficiency target is intermediate mid to intermediate high.

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E11 | French 1  [FY] 0.5/sem
E21 | Chinese 1  [FY] 0.5/sem
E41 | German 1  [FY] 0.5/sem
E48 | Italian 1  [FY] 0.5/sem
E61 | Spanish 1  [FY] 0.5/sem
E80 | Spanish for Native & Heritage Speakers 1  [FY] 0.5/sem

Designed to introduce students to language and culture. The Level 1 courses prepare students to communicate authentically in the target language about familiar topics on everyday life. Students communicate in the target language through reading, listening, speaking and writing. Students share their own culture while learning about the practices, products, and perspectives of the target culture. The proficiency target is novice high.

NCAA—DUAL (JE1101/02) French 1
NCAA—DUAL (JE2101/02) Chinese 1
NCAA—DUAL (JE4101/02) German 1
NCAA—DUAL (JE4801/02) Italian 1
NCAA—DUAL (JE6101/02) Spanish 1

E12 | French 2  [FY] 0.5/sem
E22 | Chinese 2  [FY] 0.5/sem
E42 | German 2  [FY] 0.5/sem
E49 | Italian 2  [FY] 0.5/sem
E62 | Spanish 2  [FY] 0.5/sem
E81 | Spanish for Native & Heritage Speakers 2  [FY] 0.5/sem

Students expand their ability to communicate through speaking, writing, listening and reading in a culturally appropriate manner about topics related to daily life such as, pop culture, the impact of technology in our daily lives, travel, celebrations, rites of passage, and sharing our stories. Level 2 students continue learning about the products, practices, and perspectives of the target cultures. The proficiency target is intermediate low.

NCAA

E80 | Spanish for Native & Heritage Speakers 1  [FY] 0.5/sem
Students continue to expand their ability to communicate through speaking, writing, listening, and reading in a culturally appropriate manner about a variety of familiar topics, requiring more critical thinking skills. These topics include how to have a healthy lifestyle, investigating future professions, careers, volunteering opportunities, the impact of our daily habits on the environment, and discussing sustainability. Level 3 expands students’ knowledge of relationships among the products, practices, and perspectives of target language countries and cultures. The proficiency target is intermediate mid.

AP Language and Culture is equivalent to an intermediate level college course in the language. Students cultivate their understanding of the language and culture by applying interpersonal, interpretive, and presentational modes of communication in real-life situations as they explore concepts related to 6 AP themes: family and communities, personal and public identities, beauty and aesthetics, science and technology, contemporary life, and global challenges. Students develop their reading and listening skills through authentic resources that require a high level of critical thinking. Students engage in an exploration of culture in both contemporary and historical contexts. The course develops students’ awareness and appreciation of cultural products, practices, and perspectives. Students examine their own culture and compare it to that of the target language countries. Students may be eligible for the Maryland Seal of Biliteracy with a minimum score of a 4 or 5 on the corresponding AP Language and Culture Exam. The proficiency target is intermediate high.

Students focus on enhancing skills and concepts that will support success in AP Spanish Language & Culture. This course is for students who need additional practice in interpersonal, presentational, and interpretive modes of communication in the target language. Concurrent enrollment in AP Spanish Language is required.
Designed by the College Board to parallel college-level Introduction to Hispanic Literature courses, AP Spanish Literature examines literature from around the world where Spanish is the native language. This course includes a variety of genres and time periods to ensure that students are exposed to reading and interpreting moderately difficult prose to express critical opinions and literary analyses in oral and written Spanish (an ability equivalent to having completed a third-year college-level Spanish Language course). Students may be eligible for the Maryland Seal of Biliteracy with a score of 4 or 5 on the corresponding AP Language and Culture Exam.

If you have questions about any of the courses or programs described in this book, contact your School Counselor.
Certificate of Completion Courses

These courses are designed to meet the Individualized Education Program (IEP) needs of students with disabilities and provide specialized instruction and real-life experiences to prepare students with significant disabilities for life beyond high school. The following courses utilize a variety of strategies and instructional methods to provide students with specialized instruction in English, science, social studies, mathematics, and vocational programs.

Maryland High School Certificate

The Maryland High School Certificate of Program Completion (See COMAR 13A.03.02.09E) shall be awarded only to students with disabilities who cannot meet the requirements for a diploma but who meet the following standards:

a. The student is enrolled in an education program for at least 4 years beyond grade 8 or its age equivalent, and is determined by an IEP team, with the agreement of the parents of the student with disabilities, to have developed appropriate skills for the individual to enter the world of work, act responsibly as a citizen, and enjoy a fulfilling life, including but not limited to:
   • Gainful employment
   • Post-secondary education and training
   • Supported employment and
   • Other services that are integrated in the community, or
b. The student has been enrolled in an education program for 4 years beyond grade 8 or its age equivalent and will have reached age 21 before the first day of the next school year.

The Maryland Summary of Performance that describes the student’s skills shall accompany the Maryland High School Certificate of Program Completion.

The final decision to award a student with disabilities a Maryland High School Certificate of Program Completion will not be made until after the beginning of the student’s last year in high school.

A student with significant cognitive disability may not meet high school graduation requirements if a student:

a. Participates in an Alternative Assessment based on Alternative Academic Achievement Standards (AA-AAAS); and
b. Continues to receive instruction based on Alternative Academic Achievement Standards through high school.

Additional Opportunities Available for Students Earning a Certificate of Program Completion

Anne Arundel County Public Schools offers several programs (outside of the high school) to help students with significant disabilities make successful transitions from school to adult life. Students must apply and meet eligibility requirements to participate in one of these programs. Students who participate in either program will graduate from his/her high school receiving a Certificate of Achievement/Citation and will receive their Maryland High School Certificate of Program Completion upon successful completion of the program. Please contact your transition facilitator if you have any questions or would like additional information about the program.

On-Campus Transition Program (OCTP)

A two-year program at Anne Arundel Community College for students who have been identified with a developmental disability and are within their last two years of entitlement with AACPS. The OCTP allows learning opportunities and experiences with age-appropriate peers by participating in selected community college courses and campus activities. Life skills, functional academic, and self-determination instruction are provided by an AACPS Special Education teacher and supported by AACPS teaching assistants. Course selections will vary from year to year but are typically in the areas of art, health, and physical education.

Project SEARCH

A one-year, business-led transition program that takes place entirely at the host business for students in their last year of entitlement with AACPS. Project SEARCH provides real-life work experiences to help students make successful transitions from school to employment. Total workplace immersion facilitates a seamless combination of classroom instruction, career exploration, and relevant job-skills training through strategically designed internships. Project SEARCH is an international trademarked and copyrighted program model, which focuses solely on employment for Project SEARCH interns.

N19 | English/Reading 9–12 [FY] 0.5/sem
Coursework is designed to enhance the transition from school to adult life/work. The course will develop skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing, as specified in the Individualized Education Program (IEP) for each student enrolled as well as the Essential Elements (based on the Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards).

N29 | Mathematics 9–12 [FY] 0.5/sem
Coursework is designed to enhance the transition from school to adult life/work. The course will develop skills in both mathematical concepts and real-world problem solving as specified in the Individualized Education Program (IEP) for each student enrolled as well as the Essential Elements (based on the Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards).
N39 | **Social Studies 9–12**  
(FY) 0.5/sem  
Coursework is designed to enhance the transition from school to adult life/work. The course will develop skills in history, economics, geography, government, and real-world problem solving as specified in the Individualized Education Program (IEP) for each student enrolled. The course content is a bridge between the general education content standards and relevant curriculum for students with significant cognitive disabilities.

N49 | **Science 9–12**  
(FY) 0.5/sem  
Coursework is designed to enhance the transition from school to adult life/work. The course will develop scientific skills, processes and concepts, and real-world problem solving as specified in the Individualized Education Program (IEP) for each student enrolled as well as the Next Generation Science Standards. The course content will be a bridge between the general education content standards and relevant curriculum for students with significant cognitive disabilities.

N730 | **Community Skills 9–12**  
(FY) 0.5/sem  
This course provides students with information about a wide range of subjects to assist them in becoming wise consumers and productive adults. These courses often emphasize goal setting, decision-making, and setting priorities; money and time management; relationships; and the development of self.

N950 | **Community Vocational Program 11–12**  
No Credit  
This course provides students with work experience in a field related to their interests. Goals are typically set cooperatively with teacher, student, and employer. This course may include classroom activities as well, involving further discussion regarding experiences that students encounter in the workplace.

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Interdisciplinary Courses

X01 | Office Aide
Office Aide courses offer students the opportunity to assist in preparing, organizing, or delivering materials to teachers and/or students.

X02 | Media Aide
Media Aide courses offer students the opportunity to assist in preparing, organizing, or delivering materials to teachers and/or students.

X04 | School Counseling Aide
School Counseling Aide courses offer students the opportunity to assist in preparing, organizing, or delivering materials to teachers and/or students.

X12 | AP Capstone: Seminar
The Advanced Placement (AP) Capstone is built on the foundation of two new AP courses — AP Seminar and AP Research. It is designed to complement and enhance the in-depth, discipline-specific study provided through other AP courses. AP Seminar provides sustained practice of investigating issues from multiple perspectives and cultivates student writing abilities so they can craft, communicate, and defend evidence-based arguments. Students are empowered to collect and analyze information with accuracy and precision and are assessed through a team project and presentation, an individual written essay and presentation, and a written exam.

X15 | AP Capstone: Research
The Advanced Placement (AP) Capstone is built on the foundation of two new AP courses — AP Seminar and AP Research. It is designed to complement and enhance the in-depth, discipline-specific study provided through other AP courses. The AP Capstone curriculum fosters inquiry, research, collaboration, and writing skills through the intensive investigation of topics from multiple perspectives.

X20 | Alternative Credit
This offering includes all individual work-study programs and experiences occurring outside the school which award credit towards graduation but do not result in money payment to the student. Plans for alternative credit experiences can originate with the student, teacher, a community group or individual. Alternative credit experiences of particular note are those leading to community service and accelerated research study. Community service credit may be used to meet the one credit Practical Arts requirement. Alternative credit is elective in nature and usually awarded as alternative credit in a particular content area. It is important that these experiences match well with the student's general education plan and interests. Students interested in alternative credit should seek the advice of a counselor.

X21 | Gifted & Talented Mentorship
0.5/sem
Tutoring Practicum courses provide students with the opportunity to offer tutorial assistance to their peers or to younger students. After an initial training period during which students learn how to work with other students and how to make use of the available resources (e.g., staff, written material, audiovisual aids, and so on), students engage in tutoring and assisting others who need or request help.

X40 | PSAT/SAT Prep (English & Mathematics)
0.5sem
Students in grades 10-12 prepare for the PSAT and SAT by developing and applying strategies to strengthen their mathematical, reading and writing abilities and test-taking skills. Through focused instruction, practice with actual test items, and independent activities, students diagnose their individual needs and implement a program to improve their immediate scores and their greater academic performance in high school and beyond.

Recommended: Geometry and Algebra 2)

X42/3/4 | Student Leadership 1/2/3
0.5/sem
In this class, students will explore leadership traits and characteristics, goal setting, decision-making, communication and listening skills, conflict resolution and problem solving, group work and team building, meeting skills, project planning, financial literacy, ethics, organizational skills, critical thinking skills and civic responsibility. Students will study, practice, and develop the processes associated with individual and group leadership. This class would develop and evaluate leadership traits and characteristics through a leadership-in-action model.

X43 | Financial Literacy
0.5sem
In this class, students will study the practical and real-life applications of economic theory through consumer decision making. Consumer saving, investing, budgeting, use of credit, insurance, housing, career development. Student Seminar addresses five major skill areas: Self-Knowledge, Life Skills, Educational Development, Work Ethics and Career Planning. The activities contained in these five areas have been developed in accordance with the Maryland School-To-Work initiative.

X45–9/0/1/2 | Student Seminar 9/10/11/12
0.25/sem
The major theme of Student Seminar is to help students with the numerous decisions that must be made in their educational and career development. Student Seminar addresses five major skill areas: Self-Knowledge, Life Skills, Educational Development, Work Ethics and Career Planning. The activities contained in these five areas have been developed in accordance with the Maryland School-To-Work initiative.

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X03 | Innovation through Project-Based Learning 9  [FY] 1.0/sem
This course will engage students in a project-based learning approach (PBL) while providing a pathway to a vibrant venue for applying content standards relevant to student’s lives. Students will work collaboratively with their teachers, peers, and community partners to create projects that take into account student interests and align with content standards. While focusing on an end product, course standards are extended and applied as students become engaged in their learning. Students will complete problem/project-based modules focused on a current STEM and Humanities topic or project that is relevant in today’s workplace/world. This course will expose students to and develop skills in Problem/Project-based learning, Socratic Dialogue, and collaborative teamwork. Once students complete a project, it will be presented to a public audience. This course will enable students to make the connection between relevant real-world experiences and core subject areas, preparing them to gain important work and life skills. Available only at Mary Moss at J. Albert Adams Academy and will be graded using S or U.

N61 | Coping Skills 1-4  0.5/sem
This course teaches students the social skills needed to prepare students to be successful in classroom and community settings. Topics may include self-control, self-expression, obeying rules, decision-making, appropriate situational behavior, interacting with others, and maintaining relationships. Students may develop independence, self-confidence, and self-reliance. This course is available to students with a Section 504 Plan or an Individualized Education Plan (IEP).

N62 | Learning Strategies 1-4  0.5/sem
This course prepares students for success in high school and/or for postsecondary education. This course is structured to provide each student with instruction aligned to individualized plans (e.g. 504/ IEP) and independent learning opportunities. Course topics may vary according to the students enrolled, but include skills designed to increase school engagement such as: self-determination skills (goal setting, problem solving, self-monitoring, and self-evaluation); self-awareness skills (interests, strengths, learning styles, managing stress); learning behaviors (time management, organization, study skills). This course is available to students with a Section 504 Plan or an Individualized Education Plan (IEP).

If you have questions about any of the courses or programs described in this book, contact your School Counselor.
AVID
(Advancement Via Individual Determination)

AVID, Advancement Via Individual Determination, is a college readiness system for elementary through higher education that is designed to increase school-wide learning and performance. Although AVID serves all students, the AVID elective focuses on the students in the academic middle who have the desire to go to college and the willingness to work hard. AVID puts students on the college track: acceleration instead of remediation. The formula is simple — raise expectations of students and, with the AVID support system in place, they will rise to the challenge. At the secondary grade levels (6th–12th grades), AVID is an academic elective course taken during the school day. Students are selected to enroll in an AVID class after an application process. Students learn organizational and study skills, work on critical thinking and asking probing questions, get academic help from peers and tutors, and participate in enrichment and motivational activities that make college attainable. Students enrolled in AVID are typically required to enroll in at least one of their school's most rigorous classes, such as honors or Advanced Placement, in addition to the AVID elective.

Students may wear an AVID cord during graduation if the following requirements are met:

1. Successfully complete and AP/IB course and take the accompanying exam and/or earn college credit for at least one course.
2. Take the SAT or ACT.
3. Complete the senior AVID data and submit it to the AVID Center on time.
4. Participate in the AVID elective course for at least three full high school years. Years do not have to be consecutive, but the third year must be the full senior year.
5. Apply and be accepted into at least one four-year college.
6. Have an unweighted GPA of at least 2.75.
### JROTC

**Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps**

Anne Arundel County Public Schools offers three Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (JROTC) programs focusing on student leadership, citizenship, and service to the community. Through partnerships with the United States Army (Meade HS), Navy (Annapolis HS) and Marines (Northeast HS), instructors from all three branches prepare students in grades 9–12 for leadership roles while making them aware of their rights, responsibilities, and privileges as American citizens through rigorous instruction and hands-on activities.

**Skills emphasized across all three branches:**
- Leadership
- Citizenship
- Physical fitness
- Character

JROTC prepares students for life and they are not under any obligation to join the military. However, if they choose to further their interest in the military, satisfactory completion of the JROTC program can lead to advanced placement credit in the Senior ROTC program (college level) or advanced rank in any of the Armed Forces.

With the onset of the 2023–24 school year, AACPS is moving to a Magnet/Cluster structure for all three JROTC Leadership Programs.

- **Navy JROTC Cluster**: Annapolis HS, Broadneck HS, Crofton HS, South River HS, Southern HS
- **Army JROTC Cluster**: Arundel HS, Glen Burnie HS, North County HS, Meade HS,
- **Marines JROTC Cluster**: Chesapeake HS, Northeast HS, Old Mill HS, Severna Park HS

Similar to CAT Centers, the JROTC Magnets will remain partial-day programs with students engaging at the host site for periods 3 and 4 on an alternating day basis. This will allow them to remain members of the home school community while pursuing JROTC.

### AVID Tutor 1–2

The AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) academic elective class utilizes trained tutors to guide the AVID students toward academic and personal excellence. Tutors are active participants in the learning, growth, and personal development of the AVID students. AVID tutors are trained in the AVID tutorology process and facilitate sessions with students. Juniors and seniors may apply to become AVID Tutors by meeting with the AVID Site Coordinator and completing a request for alternative credit.

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Navy JROTC

The purpose of Navy JROTC is to instill in students the value of citizenship, service to the United States, personal responsibility and a sense of accomplishment. Specific goals for the Naval Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (NJROTC) program and course work include patriotism, developing informed citizens and responsible citizens; promoting habits of orderliness and precision; developing a high degree of self-discipline and leadership; promoting an understanding of the basic elements and requirements for national security; developing respect for and an understanding of the need for constituted authority in a democratic society; providing incentives to live healthy and drug-free lives; developing leadership potential; promoting high school completion; providing information on the military services as a possible career.

The NJROTC program is offered to students in grades 9–12. These courses are available at Annapolis High School but may be taken by students enrolled at other high schools that are willing to provide their own transportation, providing there is room at Annapolis. All uniforms, texts, insignia, and training materials are provided.

X50 | Honors Navy Junior ROTC 1 [FY] 0.5/sem
Naval Science 1 is the first of the Naval Science program. The NJROTC program emphasizes each person’s responsibilities in democratic society. The program includes classroom instruction, physical fitness, and military drill, wearing the correct uniform, practicing military customs and courtesies, and basic leadership training. Students will be introduced to leadership theories on ethics and values. Instructional topics also include naval ships and aircraft, citizenship, and U.S. government and other forms of government, wellness, and fitness, geography and survival skills. The program is designed to motivate students to use the skills learned in NJROTC to be successful in high school, in advanced education and in other education and training. Students must meet grooming and discipline standards.

X51 | Honors Navy Junior ROTC 2 [FY] 0.5/sem
This course continues the instruction offered in Naval Science 1 at an advanced level. The second level course is intended to meet the needs of cadets who desire further training in Naval subjects and to gain additional leadership experiences. Topics include: Maritime History, Leadership, Maritime Geography, Meteorology, Astronomy, Physical Science, and Oceanography. Naval Science 2 and 3 topics may be alternated annually if approved by the senior instructor. Students must meet grooming and discipline standards.

X52 | Honors Navy Junior ROTC 3 [FY] 0.5/sem
This course continues the instruction offered in Naval Science 1 and 2 at an advanced level. The third level course is designed to meet the needs of cadets who desire advanced training in Naval subjects and to gain additional leadership experiences while holding cadet officer positions. Cadets may also be selected to staff positions. Topics include: National Security, Naval Operations and Support Functions, Military Law, International Law, Ship Construction, Shipboard Organization, Seamanship, Navigation, Naval Weapons and Aircraft. Naval Science 2 and 3 topics may be alternated annually if approved by the senior instructor. Students must meet grooming and discipline standards.

X53 | Honors Navy Junior ROTC 4 [FY] 0.5/sem
This course continues the instruction offered in Naval Science 1, 2, and 3 at an advanced level. The fourth level course is designed to meet the needs of senior cadets participating in the full four-year NJROTC program. Fourth year NJROTC cadets comprise the majority of the command staff responsible for planning, organizing, and administering unit activities. Cadets also receive course work in advance leadership and organizational theory; ethics and workshops on college preparation; and career exploration. Students must meet grooming and discipline standards.

Army JROTC

Students may take anywhere from one semester to eight semesters of AJROTC, earning from 0.5 to 4 elective credits. These courses prepare students for responsible leadership roles while making them aware of their rights, responsibilities, and privileges as American citizens. All uniforms, texts, insignia, and training materials are provided. All classes maintain a focus on physical fitness through routine physical training. Additionally, all cadets complete the entire National Endowment for Financial Education (NEFE) six phase High School Financial Planning Program. Cadets may have the opportunity to participate in several co-curricular activities offered by JROTC:

- JROTC Leadership Challenge and Academic Bowl (JLAB): a competitive program that imparts values of leadership and citizenship while preparing for higher education milestones like college entrance exams.
- JROTC Raider Challenge: A competitive program for JROTC Cadets in five different fitness and skill events.
- Drill Competitions: Programs for traditional drill formations including regulation and exhibition/pageantry categories.
- JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge (JCLC): Approximately ten percent of students in the program are afforded the opportunity to attend a six day camp conducted at Fort A.P. Hill, VA, where cadets are provided the opportunity to participate in a safe, healthy, and fun training environment that is both physically and mentally challenging, to provide hands-on training designed to develop leadership, discipline, teamwork, and self-confidence. Cadets are provided adventure training not normally available on campus in order to practice leadership in a challenging environment and allow them to participate in citizenship-building exercises in a military setting.
The Marine Corps JROTC program, is designed to instill in high school students a value of citizenship, character, service to the United States, personal responsibility, and a sense of accomplishment. It prepares high school students for responsible leadership roles while making them aware of their rights, responsibilities, and privileges as American citizens. The program is a stimulus for promoting graduation from high school and it provides instruction with rewarding opportunities that will benefit the student, community, and nation.

The Marine Corps JROTC program is a cooperative effort on the part of the Marine Corps and the host institution to provide secondary school students with opportunities for total development. Satisfactory completion of the program can lead to advanced placement credit in the Senior ROTC program or advanced rank in the Armed Forces.

The Marine Corps JROTC program is one of the Marine Corps' contributions to assisting America's youth to become better citizens. The program produces successful students and productive adults, while fostering in each school a more constructive and disciplined learning environment. This program makes substantial contributions to many communities and ultimately to the nation's future. It is the centerpiece of the Department of Defense's commitment to America's Promise for Youth as it emphasizes community service and teen anti-drug efforts.

This program is offered to students in grades 9–12. These courses are available at Northeast High School but may be taken by students enrolled at other high schools that are willing to provide their own transportation, providing there is room at Northeast. All uniforms, texts, insignia, and training materials are provided.

The Level 1 course focuses on building character and development of leadership. It is designed to:

• Create informed, patriotic, and responsible citizens,
• Develop responsible young adults who are physically, mentally, and morally fit,
• Develop informed and civic-minded young adults prepared for higher education, civilian careers, and public service, and
• Instill discipline, respect, and responsibility through military-related subjects and activities.

Cadets are expected to wear designated Marine Corps uniforms on a weekly basis and adhere to appropriate grooming standards.

The Level 2 cadets focus on leadership principles, Esprit De Corps, citizenship, and personal growth and responsibilities. Cadets will demonstrate leadership theory, style, and principles. Cadets will additionally perform leadership roles within the Cadet Company and extracurricular activities. These activities include Drill Team/Color Guard, Raider (physical fitness) team, Air Rifle Team, orientation trips, community service projects, and social events.

The Level 3 course builds upon the knowledge and experience attained during Leadership Education 1 and 2. The course continues to stress classroom instruction and practical application in leadership education, citizenship, personal growth and responsibility, self-discipline, and character development. Training includes leadership, physical fitness, drill, and ceremonies, military customs and courtesies, general military subjects, air rifle marksmanship. During this year, there is also an increased emphasis on the consideration and exploration of post high school educational and career opportunities.

The Level 4 course allows senior cadets the opportunity to serve as both a training facilitator for the MCJROTC instructional staff and as a mentor for junior cadets. Senior cadets are expected to display positive attitudes, requisite leadership ability, and perform in leadership roles within the MCJROTC cadet organization. Senior cadets are also assigned to Leadership Education I–III classes; modeling leadership, serving as a role model, conducting training, and/or mentoring junior cadets as a means to enhance their leadership education and prepare them for a career after high school.
A Signature is a theme chosen by a school and its surrounding community to connect classroom instruction with real-world situations and workforce skills. A Signature brings together educators with local business and community leaders to make classroom instruction relevant, interesting, and challenging for all students and expands opportunities that connect to the 21st century workplace. Each of the 13 comprehensive high schools in Anne Arundel County offers a unique Signature Program providing enrichment to the educational experience. These programs align with AACPS Strategic Plan to eliminate the achievement and opportunity gaps by providing all students with access to rigorous coursework with immersive experiences.

There are multiple opportunities for students to participate in the school’s Signature Program. Signature specific classes will be available to all students on a space-available basis. Students who participate in the Signature are able to choose from specially designed courses, co-curricular and career opportunities enhanced with the school’s unique theme. These may include seminars with leaders in their field, internships, mentoring, technical and community college courses, online learning, and other real-world experiences. Students may develop individual pathways and create a portfolio that demonstrates their unique skills and talents surpassing information found in a traditional high school transcript.

In each Signature Pathway, students take two full years of Signature Explorations classes. At most schools, the Explorations 1 requirement is satisfied by completing the one semester course, Global Community Citizenship (see below), and the one semester Explorations 1B course along with the full year Explorations 2 course. Pathway students at Arundel, Meade, and Severna Park high schools take the year-long Explorations 1 and 2 classes in addition to Global Community Citizenship.

Global Community Citizenship is an introductory Signature course designed to explore the values and diversity of our local, national, and global communities. Through Project-Based Learning, students will identify and discuss issues, events, and essential questions relevant to the community which will allow them to understand their role in demonstrating civic virtues. Students will consider the cultural and technological influences that have shaped our modern society and consider how these impact the students’ social options in the future. Students will begin with self-exploration to understand what events, traditions, and circumstances have shaped their views, behaviors, and goals followed by them exploring the cultures, religions, and traditions of people in our community. Strategies integral to this course include the ability to discuss and debate mature topics and themes respectfully, a level of comfort with a variety of non-print mediums, working collaboratively in groups and participating in multi-disciplinary project-based learning. This course is a graduation requirement for all students.
Annapolis High School

The Change Engineering Signature Program redefines the classroom and awakens the intellectual curiosity of young leaders by empowering them to transform their world. We teach them the positive benefits of change and provide them the leadership and a toolkit to methodically identify, analyze, plan, implement, and create change.

**X06−0 | Change Engineering Exploration 1B** 0.5sem

The Change Engineering Exploration 1 course provides an opportunity for students to define, recognize, and manage change while fostering changemaking potential with impact by analyzing the structure for creating change. In Ex1, students foster community membership through leadership and stewardship. This is a semester course. Available at Annapolis High School Only.

**X072— | Explorations 2: Signature Capstone** [FY] 0.5/sem

This full-year course expands upon the content of Explorations 1 with deeper learning and rigorous content while leading students through a long-term Capstone experience within the lens of the school-specific Signature theme. The capstone experience is designed to provide students an opportunity to explore an area of high interest while also learning important career-essential skills such as time management, budgeting, research skills, and presentation skills.

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**Junior Year, Fall Semester** (at Annapolis HS)

**ESI103 Honors Entrepreneurship (Proficiency Credit)** 3 credits

Discover and practice the components of entrepreneurship, idea generation, creative thinking, and opportunity recognition. Experiment using entrepreneurial methods and evaluate potential business ideas. Compare and analyze various strategies entrepreneurs have used to start and grow their businesses.

*Dual (JEN002)*

**Junior Year, Spring Semester** (at Annapolis HS)

**ESI104 Entrepreneurship: Sales and Marketing for Small Business** 3 credits

This course will emphasize tools and skills that small business owners need to market their business successfully on a small scale and small budget. The salesmanship portion of the course will focus equally on the effectiveness of a good sales presentation and the importance of good customer service after the sale to ensure future sales. The intended audience is who plan to own or manage small businesses and need to develop more skills in marketing and sales. Skills to be mastered include preparing a marketing plan for a small business, developing a realistic marketing budget, planning the sales presentation, and providing a training manual for sales personnel to be hired in the future.

*Dual (JEN003)*

**Senior Year, Fall Semester** (AACC Arnold Campus)

**BPA120 Small Business Management** 3 credits

This course explores the principles and practices involved in and necessary for owning and operating a small business. Areas of study include assessment of qualification for business ownership, market determination, site locations, capital and credit requirements, risk management and insurance, record-keeping, and personnel management. The purpose of this course is to provide information to prospective and new small business operators.

*Dual (JBE019)*

**BPA201 Financial Accounting** 3 credits

In this course, students will learn the principles of financial accounting for the corporate entity. Study accrual-based accounting and the accounting cycle. Analyze and record financial transactions; prepare financial statements; and learn to account for receivables, inventories, fixed assets, liabilities, and shareholders’ equity.

**OR**

**BPA200 Foundations of Accounting** 3 credits

In this course, students will learn principles of financial and managerial accounting from a user approach. Develop basic skills in understanding and interpreting financial statements. Apply financial and managerial accounting concepts to managing businesses.

*Dual (JBE018) (1.0 credit)*

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Senior Year, Spring Semester (AACC Arnold Campus)

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In this course, students will learn legal consequences in the launch and operation of a business. Examine practical ways to minimize liability in areas such as business organization and management, obligations created by contracts and torts, and relationships between employers and employees and between creditors and debtors. Study government regulation and property interests, and intellectual property law.

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In this course, students will earn the process of business planning in this capstone course and work on a semester-long comprehensive business plan for a new venture or existing business. Learn from guest speakers and individual meetings with the instructor with a focus on applied learning. Explore the use of computer software to aid in planning and managing a new venture. Designed for individuals interested in starting a new venture, acquiring an existing business, or working in industries that serve entrepreneurs and managers. Lab fees reduced for this course.

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Compare theories as they apply to consumer decision making. Apply theories to make practical choices regarding consumer saving, investing and budgeting. Discuss the use of credit, insurance, housing, career choice, retirement and estate planning.

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Explore college academic support services and faculty expectations. Examine study skills, note taking, strengthening memory and concentration, and time management. Assess your own learning style, choose a career path, set goals, and develop an educational plan. Transition to college and develop tools to ensure your academic success.

Arundel High School

Community Development & Global Citizenship

Community Development is a way of working with communities and importantly a way of looking at all the careers involved in making a society successful and sustainable. Global Citizenship encourages people to consider their individual impact on the wider community including participation in political, economic, social, cultural, and environmental conditions in which they live.

**X06--1 | Community Development/Global Citizenship Ex 1**

0.5/sem

In the semester-driven Community Development and Global Citizenship Explorations Course, students will identify and discuss issues, events, and essential questions relevant to youth in a globalized society, consider the cultural and technological influences that have shaped our modern society, and consider how these impact the students social and professional options in the students’ future. A gaming component is integrated to support engagement and Ex 1 alignment. Available at Arundel High School only.

**X22 | Community Development/Global Citizenship Ex 1 with Gaming**

0.5/sem

In the semester-driven Community Development and Global Citizenship Explorations Course, through a gaming frame, students will identify and discuss issues, events, and essential questions relevant to youth in a globalized society, consider the cultural and technological influences that have shaped our modern society, and consider how these impact the students social and professional options in the students’ future. Available at Arundel High School only.

**Note:** This is an alternative to X06--1

**X072 | Explorations 2: Signature Capstone**

[FY] 0.5/sem

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Discover and practice the components of entrepreneurship, idea generation, creative thinking, and opportunity recognition. Experiment using entrepreneurial methods and evaluate potential business ideas. Compare and analyze various strategies entrepreneurs have used to start and grow their businesses.

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Explore the way that business is related to, and interacts with, individuals, groups, and institutions in the 21st century. Learn the terminology and concepts of the functional areas of business, setting the foundation for interpreting and analyzing the legal, social, and ethical issues facing business (both the institution and its members) today. Examine global awareness and cultural diversity throughout the course. Prepare for a career in business and/or a business career in the arts, sciences, and technologies.

Dual (JBE007)

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An introduction to the principles governing the distribution of goods and services at various levels of distribution. The management viewpoint is stressed, and emphasis is on making decisions regarding product, price, promotion, and place.

Dual (JBE013)

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Examine all aspects of business communications. Focus on written reports and proposals, oral presentations including interviewing skills and persuasive proposals as well as electronic communications including email, social media, and business research on the Internet.

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Examine the principles and practices involved in managing a small business. Topics include business planning, legal issues and forms of small businesses, financial management, human resources management, marketing, customer relationship management, family businesses and e-commerce. Provides information to current or prospective managers of existing small businesses.

### Senior Year, Spring Semester (AACC Arnold Campus)

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Learn the core concepts of an eMarketing campaign. Explore email marketing, online advertising, social media, viral marketing, website copywriting and design, and other electronic tools used in supporting a traditional marketing campaign.

Dual (JBE017)

### Additional AACC Course Considerations

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Explore the factors affecting the success or failure of businesses operating abroad. Analyze general theories of trade and economic development, specific organizations and monetary systems, the foreign forces impacting business and management applications.

Dual (JBE017)

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Dual (JBE018) (1.0 credit)

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In this course, students will learn principles of financial and managerial accounting from a user approach. Develop basic skills in understanding and interpreting financial statements. Apply financial and managerial accounting concepts to managing businesses.

Dual (JBE018) (1.0 credit)
Environmental Literacy embraces the idea that everything we do affects the environment, and the environment affects everything we do. In our program, students are taught to examine environmental issues not only in science, but also in subjects such as economics, health, and government through field experiences, guest speakers, and student led classroom activities.

**Environmental Literacy Exploration 1B**

Through the Environmental Literacy Explorations course, students survey environmental issues related to sustainability and the connectedness of environmental awareness to personal and career opportunities. Using project-based learning, students will investigate topics such as biodiversity, environmental economics, pollution/restoration, and advocacy. Available at Broadneck High School only.

**Explorations 2: Signature Capstone**

This full-year course expands upon the content of Explorations 1 with deeper learning and rigorous content while leading students through a long-term Capstone experience within the lens of the school-specific Signature theme. The capstone experience is designed to provide students an opportunity to explore an area of high interest while also learning important career-essential skills such as time management, budgeting, research skills, and presentation skills.

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### AACC Courses

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Learn basic techniques used to repair, restore, and create ecosystems. Emphasis is placed on the diverse ecosystems of Maryland. Investigate how water quality is improved through established forest and meadow habitats, tidal and non-tidal wetlands, underwater grass meadows, and dune systems as well as through the construction of rain gardens and vegetated storm water treatment systems. This course does not satisfy a lab science requirement.

**AACC Arnold Campus**

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Utilize geospatial technology and apply foundational concepts in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) to collect, store, analyze, and display natural and social science data. Demonstrate knowledge and application of fundamental cartographic principals and analytical methods using industry standard hardware and software.

**Senior Year, Fall Semester**

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<td>General Botany</td>
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Gain an introduction to members of the plant kingdom and their closest relatives. Learn the unique life strategies of plants that are the basis for their importance to humans and their role in shaping global ecology. Through an examination of plant form and function, students will learn how and why plant life defines the biological potential of both terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems.

**Prerequisite:** eligibility for ENG 101/101A and eligibility for any gen ed math or a score of 27 or better on the Arithmetic Placement Test or a B or better in MAT 005

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**Senior Year, Spring Semester (AACC Arnold Campus)**

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**Senior Year, Either Semester** (AACC Arnold Campus)

In addition, students must successfully complete **one** course each semester at AACC from the list below:

**BIO101 Fundamentals of Biology** 4 credits
Study the basic biological principles common to living organisms and insights into the scientific methods used to determine those principles. Topics include biological molecules, cell structure and metabolism, biological organization, homeostasis, reproduction and development, and heredity and evolution.

**Prerequisite:** Eligibility for ENG 101/ENG 101A and either eligibility for any general education math or a score of 27 or better on the Arithmetic Placement Test, or a “B” or better in MAT 005. This is recommended for students who did not earn a 4 or better on the AP Biology Assessment.

**OR**

**BIO104 Principles of Evolution and Ecology** 4 credits
Investigate the major evolutionary and ecological processes that operate in the natural world. Explore the diversity of life forms on Earth and human impacts on that diversity. Collect, quantify, interpret and present empirical data in order to gain a foundation in the scientific and communication skills used to develop scientific knowledge.

**OR**

**BIO107 Environmental Science** 4 credits
Investigate major issues in contemporary environmental science with special emphasis on scientific reasoning and the skills needed to resolve contemporary problems. Perform field and laboratory exercises focused on ecosystem dynamics, habitat assessment, pollution, resource management and environmental restoration. Students must attend occasional scheduled field trips.

**Dual (JSC005)**

**OR**

**COM111 Fundamentals of Oral Communication** 3 credits
Learn about public speaking theory, and develop the skills needed to speak effectively in various situations. Learn about clear oral expression, informed critical thinking, research techniques, rhetorical modes, and group communication. Write and deliver several speeches.

**Dual (JC0001)**

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**Chesapeake High School**

**Information Management**

Information Management and the technology used to manage information impacts every facet of our lives. The Information Management Signature Program will help students prepare for and be more effective in their careers by teaching them the principles of Information Management through the IM Process—Acquire>Organize>Distribute>Reflect.

**X06—3 | Information Management Exploration 1B** 0.5sem
The introductory Signature course in Information Management will address the variety of methods used to collect, protect, manage, and finally, apply information personally, publicly, and privately. Available at Chesapeake High School only.

**X072— | Explorations 2: Signature Capstone** (FY) 0.5/sem
This full-year course expands upon the content of Explorations 1 with deeper learning and rigorous content while leading students through a long-term Capstone experience within the lens of the school-specific Signature theme. The capstone experience is designed to provide students an opportunity to explore an area of high interest while also learning important career-essential skills such as time management, budgeting, research skills, and presentation skills.

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**AACC Courses**

**Fall and Spring Semester Junior Year** (at Chesapeake HS) to be determined

**Optional**

**ACA100 Student Success (AACC credit only)** 1 credit
Explore college academic support services and faculty expectations. Examine study skills, note taking, strengthening memory and concentration, and time management. Assess your own learning style, choose a career path, set goals, and develop an educational plan. Transition to college and develop tools to ensure your academic success.

**Dual (JC0003)**
Crofton High School, the newest high school in Anne Arundel County, will follow the lead of the other 12 comprehensive high schools in creating and implementing a Signature program. Community members and interested business and industry partners worked almost an entire year to identify a Signature theme which encompasses the interests, resources, jobs/careers and “feel” of the Crofton community—Safety and Security in the Digital Age. An Integrated Community Stakeholders Team (ICST) will then be formed to work with school and community members to develop a course of study and additional real-world opportunities for students, which will prepare them for careers or higher education within that theme.

### X06-12 | Safety and Security in the Digital Age Exploration 1B

0.5sem

is a broad survey of current issues, opportunities, college, and careers options within the Signature theme of Safety and Security in the Digital Age. The purpose is to contextualize learning, making connections between rigorous academic courses and workforce relevance to the new Signature theme, supporting the goals of eliminating the achievement gap. The following workforce-relevant career topics will be among those considered for inclusion in Crofton’s Signature Program by the Integrated Community Stakeholder Team (ICST) tasked with leading the Signature Program and helping to develop the curriculum:

- Personal Safety (physical, social/emotional, and mental safety)
- Community Safety (public safety related to police, fire, justice, environmental health, animal control, military, transit authority, department of corrections, etc.)
- Information Security (information privacy and security, anti-piracy)
- Safety and Security within the Healthcare Arena (Technology Use & HIPAA Compliance)
- Emergency/Crisis Disaster Management
- Safety and Health in the Workplace
- Financial Security
- Intellectual Security (Intellectual Property Rights, brand protection, licensing)
- Building Safety (codes, permits, laws, etc.)
- Ergonomics
- Safety and Security Training

### AACC Courses

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Develop an understanding of computer technology within the context of the cyber domain in our connected world. Learn about the basic structure of hardware, software, and network systems, the threats these systems face, and how to defend them. Use hands-on lab experiences to develop the foundational skills needed to maintain and protect computer systems.

Learn the fundamental building blocks that form a modern network including protocols, topologies, hardware and network operating systems. Develop the networking knowledge and skills related to TCP/IP, Ethernet, and wireless transmission and security. Learn to maintain and troubleshoot existing local area networks.

#### Junior Year, Spring Semester (at Crofton HS)

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Learn the current risks and threats to an organization’s data together with ways to safeguard critical electronic assets, including network services, devices, traffic and data. Develop a foundation to prepare for further study in other specialized security fields. This course addresses the core material of the CompTIA Security+ exam objectives.

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Describe the devices and services used to support communications in data networks and the Internet. Describe the role of protocol layers in data networks. Design, calculate, and apply subnet masks and addresses in IPv4 and IPv6 networks. Explain Ethernet concepts such as media, services, and operations. Build simple Ethernet networks using routers and switches. Use Cisco command-line (CLI) commands to perform basic router and switch configurations. Utilize network utilities to verify small networks and analyze data traffic.

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Explore switching concepts such as VLAN and trunking technologies. Configure and troubleshoot a small switched network. Explain how vulnerabilities can be mitigated to enhance network security. Learn the purpose and operation of routing concepts. Explain the benefits and operations of DHCP. Discuss network concepts such as WLANs, LAN redundancy and link aggregation.

This full-year course expands upon the content of Explorations 1 with deeper learning and rigorous content while leading students through a long-term Capstone experience within the lens of the school-specific Signature theme. The capstone experience is designed to provide students an opportunity to explore an area of high interest while also learning important career-essential skills such as time management, budgeting, research skills, and presentation skills.

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Optional

**CTS120 Introduction to Linux**  
4 credits
Learn the basic elements of the Linux operating system including the hierarchical file structure. Create and edit files, write shell programs and provide system security. Hands-on experience with a multi-user Linux system is provided and emphasized.

**ACA100 Student Success (AACC credit only)**  
1 credit
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**Glen Burnie High School**

**Public Service**

Students gain an understanding of ethical standards and techniques needed to meet current and future challenges facing our community through innovative thinking and real-world experiences in a variety of public service careers that help a community grow and thrive.

**X06--4 | Public Service Exploration 1B**  
0.5sem  
The Public Service Explorations 1B course exposes students to aspects of service as provided by private, public, or non-government agencies. Units covered in the course include criminal justice, law enforcement, national security, social policy, citizenship, and leadership. Students will be provided with opportunities to attend field experiences, explore careers and colleges of interest, and interact with professionals within the public service sector. Available at Glen Burnie High School only.

**X072— | Explorations 2: Signature Capstone**  
(FY) 0.5/sem  
This full-year course expands upon the content of Explorations 1 with deeper learning and rigorous content while leading students through a long-term Capstone experience within the lens of the school-specific Signature theme. The capstone experience is designed to provide students an opportunity to explore an area of high interest while also learning important career-essential skills such as time management, budgeting, research skills, and presentation skills.

**X35 | 911 Training**  
(FY) 0.5/sem  
This course prepares students for careers in Police/Fire/Rescue call centers. Through direct classroom instruction, observation of emergency call center activities and through simulations and practice activities, students will learn use of CAD, Vesta, and Vela call software; the laws, policies, and procedures for receiving and screening emergency calls and transmitting dispatch orders; communication skills; social/emotional skills allowing them to provide an appropriate response to specific situational emergencies; mapping location skills. Following successful completion of a written exam, practical simulation testing, and on the job training, students will be qualified for employment by the Anne Arundel County Police Department (AACPD) as 911 Call Takers. Only seniors will be eligible to take this course, as one must be 18 years old by the completion of the class in order to be hired by AACPD. Available at Glen Burnie High School only.
### AACC Courses

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A survey of history, development, and philosophy of law enforcement. Introduces the local, state, and federal agencies involved in the administration of criminal justice. The court and trial process are included.

Dual (JCJ002)

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Study of line activities of uniformed police with emphasis on patrol. Areas of study include traffic enforcement, investigation, juvenile crime, vice prevention and other operations.

Dual (JCJ003)

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Studies the history and philosophy of corrections in federal, state and community systems along with probation, parole, and other methods of rehabilitating offenders.

Dual (JCJ004)

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Examines pertinent aspects of federal and state criminal law. Includes basic elements of law and specific issues of interest to law enforcement. Discuss recent court decisions relating to crimes against the person and property.

Dual (JLG001)

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Introduces students to the vocabulary and important components of Homeland Security. Explores the state, national, and international laws impacting Homeland Security. Includes an examination of the most critical threats confronting Homeland Security.

Dual (JHL004)

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Provides a historical analysis of the moral and ethical issues encountered in policing, corrections, probation, parole, prosecution, and criminal defense. Examines the consequences of ethical transgressions in the various areas of criminal justice practice. Topics include history of the criminal justice system, regulation of criminal justice professionals, professional discipline, police brutality, police misconduct, police-community relations, correctional misconduct and violations of policy and law. Explores the process for investigation of acts of misconduct and unethical behavior in the criminal justice field.

Dual (JCH004)

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Explore college academic support services and faculty expectations. Examine study skills, note taking, strengthening memory and concentration, and time management. Assess your own learning style, choose a career path, set goals, and develop an educational plan. Transition to college and develop tools to ensure your academic success.

Dual (JCJ005)
Will identify, promote, and prepare our students for college and career opportunities in the field of Homeland Security and all of its applications. To incorporate STEM and Language/Cultural content and knowledge throughout all of the curriculum areas, to embed the career skills and experiences in all of our co-curricular events and empower our students to become leaders in their future educational and career endeavors.

**X06--5** | **Homeland Security Exploration 1**  
[FY] 0.5/sem  
The Homeland Security Explorations 1 and 2 courses incorporate technologies that are applied in practical work environments and related to homeland security and emergency management. In this year-long course, we examine various policy measures and practices as they relate to democratic values, civil responsibilities, and liberties. Available at Meade High School only.

**X072—** | **Explorations 2: Signature Capstone**  
[FY] 0.5/sem  
This full-year course expands upon the content of Explorations 1 with deeper learning and rigorous content while leading students through a long-term Capstone experience within the lens of the school-specific Signature theme. The capstone experience is designed to provide students an opportunity to explore an area of high interest while also learning important career-essential skills such as time management, budgeting, research skills, and presentation skills.

**X11** | **Honors Homeland Security Counterterrorism & Intelligence**  
[FY] 0.5/sem  
This course provides an in-depth view of terrorism, transnational criminal enterprise, and the intelligence process. Students will explore social and economic issues, government policies in relation to terrorism and the role of law enforcement in counterterrorism. Topics will include a historical and contemporary study of domestic and international terrorism, psychological and sociological features of terrorism, and the impact of 9/11 on American security policies. Students will also examine the intelligence process and explore intelligence collection methodologies, intelligence tasking processes, and intelligence analysis practices. Available at Meade High School only.

**X31** | **Honors Geographic Information Systems 1**  
0.5sem  
Students will be introduced to Geographic Information system (GIS) and Remote Sensing (RS) technology to study their local and regional communities. This course is open to all students and is the foundation of the STARS Entry-Level GIS Technician Certification. Available at Meade High School only.

**X32** | **Honors Geographic Information Systems 2**  
0.5sem  
This MSDE approved course will help the student learn the skills required to work on and/or build a Geographic Information Systems/Remote Sensing project. Students and teachers will follow a course of hands-on instructions to learn skills ranging from introductory digital mapping to image analysis. In this second course on the path to STARS Entry-Level GIS Technician Certification, students are introduced to each skill with a real-world application and led through the problem-solving process. Follow-up applied practice application will direct the student to apply acquired skills to cases in the local community using the supplied data. This repetition will set the stage for further student-driven projects. Available at Meade High School only.

**X33** | **Honors Geographic Information Systems 3**  
0.5sem  
In GIS 3, students will learn to apply those skills. Students will learn and apply Spatial Analyst and 3D Analyst. The ArcGIS Spatial Analyst extension allows students to examine the spatial relationships within a specific area as well as study site suitability. The ArcGIS 3D Analyst extension allows students to gain a different perspective on their environment by modeling surfaces three dimensionally. Students will also learn methods of integrating external hardware in order to incorporate real-time data from GPS units in order to accurately survey their community. Combined with a trouble-shooting unit and general review of skills acquired in Course 2, Course 3 can become an invaluable tool. Available at Meade High School only.

**X34** | **Honors Geographic Information Systems 4**  
0.5sem  
In GIS 4, an MSDE approved course, students will learn and apply Spatial Analyst and 3D Analyst. The ArcGIS Spatial Analyst extension allows students to examine the spatial relationships within a specific area as well as study site suitability. The ArcGIS 3D Analyst extension allows students to gain a different perspective on their environment by modeling surfaces three dimensionally. Students will also learn methods of integrating external hardware in order to incorporate real-time data from GPS units to accurately survey their community. Available at Meade High School only.
### AACC Courses

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<td>Focus on technology-based crimes. Explore cyber offenses including information warfare, cyber terrorism, information theft, data corruption and disruption of service. Discuss computing devices as instruments furthering exploitation of children, organized crime, and other criminal acts. Identify vulnerabilities within national and private infrastructures, assess risks and structure security measures.</td>
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<td>Examines intelligence analysis and its indispensable relationship to the security management of terrorist attacks and other threats. Explores vulnerabilities of our national defense and private sectors, as well as the threats posed to these institutions by terrorists, man-made disasters, and natural disasters. Students will discuss substantive issues regarding intelligence support of Homeland Security measures implemented by the United States and explore how the intelligence community operates.</td>
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IT3 connects students to the career opportunities in their immediate community, creates college and career pathways through partnerships with community and business partners at BWI Marshall Airport, the Port of Baltimore, Maryland state transportation agencies, the Maryland Office of Tourism, international trade associations and many other IT3-related organizations. Opportunities are made visible to students so they can step into a rich future.

X06—6 | International Trade, Transportation, & Tourism Exploration 1B 0.5sem
Focusing on International Trade, Transportation and Tourism, the North County Signature Explorations course relies on small group problem-based projects to expose students not only to current issues in these industries but also to viable career pathways after high school. Major topics include leadership and management, international business, policy and regulations, finance and economics, and professional culture. Available at North County High School only.

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X072— | Explorations 2: Signature Capstone [FY] 0.5/sem
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AACC Courses
The suggested course sequence is as follows:

Junior Year (at North County HS)

BPA235 Introduction to Transportation & Logistics 3 credits
Surveys the organization and operations of the commercial transportation industry and its impact on the bottom-line of today’s modern businesses. Course topics include the legal and regulatory environment, costing and pricing, major transportation options, managing transportation partnerships and the use of information and technology in the logistics sector. The course also includes an industry-specific “current issues” component, an “employment opportunities” section that explores the industry job market and a look at the technologies and issues that will shape the future of transportation and logistics.

[Dual (JBE001)]

BPA237 Supply Chain Management 3 credits
Introduces students to the global supply chain with an emphasis on supply sources, distribution, production planning, information systems, customer service, inventory management, warehouse management, supply chain relationships and challenges facing managers today. Students completing the course will understand supply chain management systems and relationships and will be able to integrate information regarding the flow of materials across the supply chain.

Prerequisite(s): BPA 235 or permission of department chair.

Dual (JBE003)

BPA275 Internship in Business 1 (Proficiency Credit) 3 credits
A course designed to give students in business technology areas an opportunity to acquire practical experience with classroom learning. Objectives are set by the supervising employer, the student, and the faculty member.

Prerequisite(s): Permission of instructor or department chair.
Alternate: BPA 111 if AACC programming decisions reflect virtual learning or a location cannot be secured.

Dual (JBE005)

Senior Year (AACC Glen Burnie Town Center)

BPA236 Intro to Airport and Seaport Operations 3 credits
Surveys the organization and operations of the commercial transportation industry and its impact on the bottom-line of today’s modern businesses. Course topics include the legal and regulatory environment, costing and pricing, major transportation options, managing transportation partnerships and the use of information and technology in the logistics sector. The course also includes an industry-specific “current issues” component, an “employment opportunities” section that explores the industry job market and a look at the technologies and issues that will shape the future of transportation and logistics.

Dual (JBE002)

continued
**BPA238 Domestic & International Freight Operations** 3 credits
Examines current issues and best practices in the area of domestic and international freight operations. Course topics include transportation providers, regulation and policy, carrier strategies, costing and pricing, information systems, transportation management, and the negotiation and bidding process.

**Prerequisite(s):** BPA 235 or permission of department chair.

Dual (JBE004)

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**HLS213 Transportation and Border Security** 3 credits
Provides an in-depth view of modern border and transportation security. Specific topics include security for seaports, ships, aircraft, trains, trucks, pipelines, buses, etc. Focuses on the technology needed to detect terrorists and their weapons as well as includes discussion on legal, economic, political, and cultural aspects of the problem. Lab fee $20.

**Prerequisite(s):** HLS 111 or BPA 235 or permission of director.

Optional

**ACA100 Student Success (AACC credit only)** 1 credit
Explore college academic support services and faculty expectations. Examine study skills, note taking, strengthening memory and concentration, and time management. Assess your own learning style, choose a career path, set goals, and develop an educational plan.

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Dual (JHL001)

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**Northeast High School**

**Human Performance**

Students will explore how health, fitness, leisure, financial security, and environment influence quality of life among individuals and communities. In a project/problem-based environment, integrated with human performance coursework, students solve real-world local and global problems with their peers using cutting-edge technology, job shadow experiences, and internships.

X06--7 | **Human Performance Exploration 1B** 0.5sem

The Human Performance Exploration 1B course will provide an introduction and overview for students to explore how health, fitness, leisure, financial security, and environment influence quality of life among individuals and communities. In a project/problem-based environment, integrated with human performance coursework, students solve real-world local and global problems with their peers using design thinking and engineering processes, cutting-edge technology, job shadow experiences, and internships. Available at Northeast High School only.

X071 | **Human Performance Exploration 2** 0.5/sem

The Human Performance Exploration 2 includes a deeper dive into the Exploration 1 curriculum with an:

- Investigation into the power of mindfulness. Students while designing and building healthy seating for workplace light feature for a public space,
- Exploration of engineering principles and ergonomics while designing and building healthy seating for workplace and home; and
- Completing a Capstone project, inclusive of financial literacy.

X072— | **Explorations 2: Signature Capstone** [FY] 0.5/sem

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**Recommended:** Grades 10-12
PLTW Biomedical Science

M35 | **Honors Principles of Biomedical Sciences (PBS)**  
[FY] 0.5/sem
This course introduces the biomedical sciences through exciting hands-on projects and problems. Student work involves the study of human medicine, research processes and an introduction to bioinformatics. Key biological concepts including homeostasis, metabolism, inheritance of traits, feedback systems, and defense against disease are embedded in the curriculum. Engineering principles including: the design process, feedback loops, fluid dynamics, and the relationship of structure to function are incorporated in the curriculum where appropriate.

M36 | **Honors Human Body Systems (HBS)**  
0.5sem
This course will engage students in the study of basic human physiology, especially in relationship to human health. Students will use a variety of monitors to examine body systems (respiratory, circulatory, and nervous) at rest and under stress, and observe the interactions between the various body systems.  
Prerequisite(s): Honors Principles of Biomedical Sciences (PBS).

M37 | **Honors Medical Interventions (MI)**  
[FY] 0.5/sem
This course will engage students in the study of basic human physiology, especially in relationship to human health. Students will use a variety of monitors to examine body systems (respiratory, circulatory, and nervous) at rest and under stress, and observe the interactions between the various body systems.  
Prerequisite(s): Honors Principles of Biomedical Sciences (PBS).

M39 | **Honors Biomedical Innovations**  
[FY] 0.5/sem
In the final course of the PLTW Biomedical Science sequence, students build on the knowledge and skills gained from previous courses to design innovative solutions for the most pressing health challenges of the 21st century. Students address topics ranging from public health and biomedical engineering to clinical medicine and physiology. They have the opportunity to work on an independent project with a mentor or advisor from a university, medical facility, or research institution.  
Prerequisite(s): Honors Principles of Body Systems (PBS), Honors Human Body Systems (HBS), Honors Medical Interventions (MI).

AACC Courses

The suggested course sequence is as follows:

**Junior Year, Fall Semester (at Northeast HS)**

HEA100 Assessment and Theory of Fitness and Health  
3 credits
Create a physically active, individualized exercise program with guidance from the course instructor. Use cardiovascular and weight training equipment in the college fitness center to improve and maintain health and wellness. Conduct pre and post-assessments to evaluate physical fitness. Examine the topics of physical activity, nutrition, weight management, stress, cardiovascular health and related wellness behaviors. Investigate the role of each dimension’s impact on lifelong wellness and health, behavior change strategies as they relate to health promotion efforts.

**Junior Year, Spring Semester (at Northeast HS)**

HEA101 Foundations of Health, Exercise, and Sport  
3 credits
Examine the disciplines and subdisciplines in exercise science. Discuss the scientific basis that underlies health, exercise, and sport. Collect, analyze, and interpret laboratory data related to the diverse functions of the human body. Identify career opportunities within exercise science and allied health, including requirements for advanced study and appropriate coursework for the profession.

**Optional**

ACA100 Student Success (AACC credit only)  
1 credit
Explore college academic support services and faculty expectations. Examine study skills, note taking, strengthening memory and concentration, and time management. Assess your own learning style, choose a career path, set goals, and develop an educational plan. Transition to college and develop tools to ensure your academic success.
The mission of the International Economics & Finance Signature at Old Mill High School is to collaborate with the Old Mill community to equip and grow students with the skills and knowledge necessary to make informed financial decisions and positively contribute to local and global economies as innovators and leaders.

**X06--8 | International Economics & Finance Exploration 1B**  
0.5sem

In International Economics and Finance Explorations 1 students will develop an economic way of thinking, an understanding of major issues in economics, and financial literacy skills through project and game-based inquiry learning and collaboration with experts in their community. Students will begin to develop a personal financial portfolio focused around their future goals and practice in making wise investment choices through career investigation and participation in the Stock Market Game. This course satisfies 0.5 credit of Signature Explorations 1 requirement for pathway students.

**X072— | Explorations 2: Signature Capstone**  
[FY] 0.5/sem

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**BPA138 Business and Professional Ethics**  
3 credits  
Explores the moral landscape of today’s business environment. Discusses ethical issues and dilemmas of professionals in business, public administration, accounting and other professions.  
*Dual (JBE023)*

**BPA217 Small Business Accounting**  
3 credits  
Use Quickbooks® software (Windows®-based) for the study of computerized accounting systems with emphasis on the application of accounting theory and practice. Complete projects for both a service and merchandising company, including creating a company, recording transactions for revenue and expenses, entering payroll data, adjusting accounts, reconciling bank accounts and closing the accounting cycle. Use a personal computer for downloading, installing, naming, opening, and saving electronic files.

**Optional**

**ACA100 Student Success (AACC credit only)**  
1 credit  
Explore college academic support services and faculty expectations. Examine study skills, note taking, strengthening memory and concentration, and time management. Assess your own learning style, choose a career path, set goals, and develop an educational plan. Transition to college and develop tools to ensure your academic success.  
*Dual (JBE022)*

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**Severna Park High School**

**Business, Innovation, & Leadership**

Students work collaboratively to analyze the organizations of businesses, current national and international business policies and trends through case studies, field trips, and guest industry specialists. They will work in teams to solve an innovative project-based businesses challenge and formally present their idea to community stakeholders.

**X06019 | Business Innovation & Leadership Exploration 1A**  0.5sem  
**X06029 | Business Innovation & Leadership Exploration 1B**  0.5sem  
In the two-part, year-long Business, Innovation, & Leadership Signature Explorations course, students will gain a basic understanding of business practices, roles, and systems, by designing innovative strategies and products. Through participation in case studies, students will investigate the world beyond their immediate environment and learn how to effectively communicate their ideas with diverse audiences. They will work in teams with a mentor from the Integrated Community Stakeholder partnership to solve an innovative project-based business challenge. Students will formally present their idea to their mentor, community stakeholders, and students. Available at Severna Park High School only.

**X072— | Explorations 2: Signature Capstone**  
[FY] 0.5/sem  
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Discover and practice the components of entrepreneurship, idea generation, creative thinking, and opportunity recognition. Experiment using entrepreneurial methods and evaluate potential business ideas. Compare and analyze various strategies entrepreneurs have used to start and grow their businesses.

Dual (JEN002)

#### Junior Year, Spring Semester (at Severna Park HS)

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Explore the way that business is related to, and interacts with, individuals, groups, and institutions in the 21st century. Learn the terminology and concepts of the functional areas of business, setting the foundation for interpreting and analyzing the legal, social, and ethical issues facing business (both the institution and its members) today. Examine global awareness and cultural diversity throughout the course. Prepare for a career in business and/or a business career in the arts, sciences, and technologies.

Dual (JBE007)

OR AACPS Business Management offering

#### Senior Year, Fall Semester (AACC Arnold Campus)

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Examine all aspects of business communications. Focus on written reports and proposals, oral presentations including interviewing skills and persuasive proposals as well as electronic communications including email, social media, and business research on the Internet

Prerequisite: Eligibility for ENG 101/ENG 101A.

Dual (JBE008)

#### Senior Year, Spring Semester (AACC Arnold Campus)

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Learn principles of financial accounting for the corporate entity. Study accrual-based accounting and the accounting cycle. Analyze and record financial transactions, prepare financial statements, and learn to account for receivables, inventories, fixed assets, liabilities, and shareholders’ equity.

Prerequisite: Eligibility for ENG 101/ENG 101A and eligibility for any general education math course or permission of department chair.

Dual (JBE018)

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Learn about public speaking theory, and develop the skills needed to speak effectively in various situations. Learn about clear oral expression, informed critical thinking, research techniques, rhetorical modes, and group communication. Write and deliver several speeches.

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Explore college academic support services and faculty expectations. Examine study skills, note taking, strengthening memory and concentration, and time management. Assess your own learning style, choose a career path, set goals, and develop an educational plan. Transition to college and develop tools to ensure your academic success.

Dual (JC0001)
Global Communications & Public Affairs

Global Communications and Public Affairs combines government relations, media communications, issue management, corporate and social responsibility, information dissemination, technology, and strategic communications advice.

X061-0 | Global Communications & Public Affairs Exploration 1B  
0.5sem

This course will provide students with an understanding of international and intercultural communications in a multimedia world. In a project/problem-based environment, integrated with advanced coursework, students solve real-world local and global problems with their peers using cutting-edge technology, discussions, and case studies. The course will cover a variety of global issues including diversity of news and mass communications; emerging trends in global business communication and media; advances in technology; global sources and systems of communication; ethical and legal issues; and the role and impact of advertising and public relations in the global marketplace. Available at South River High School only.

X072— | Explorations 2: Signature Capstone  
[FY] 0.5/sem

This full-year course expands upon the content of Explorations 1 with deeper learning and rigorous content while leading students through a long-term Capstone experience within the lens of the school-specific Signature theme. The capstone experience is designed to provide students an opportunity to explore an area of high interest while also learning important career-essential skills such as time management, budgeting, research skills, and presentation skills.

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**AACC Courses**

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In this course students will examine the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights. Analyze cases focusing on governmental powers and limitations, due process, free speech, privacy rights and religious freedoms and apply these concepts to today’s constitutional issues.

Dual (JLG004)

**Junior Year, Spring Semester (at South River HS)**

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In this course, students focus on the historical perspective of discrimination based on race, gender, national origin, ethnicity, disability, religion, sexual orientation, and gender identity using United States Supreme Court decisions and federal legislation as well as extrajudicial data and experiences to address and analyze civil rights issues of discrimination, exploitation, and differential treatment in the law and society. Gain perspective on the social and historical structures in place that both advance discrimination and provide remedies for resolving the effects of discrimination. Topics include local government reaction to federal civil rights legislation, voting rights, marriage and reproductive rights, contract rights, employment, education, public accommodation, and property rights.

Dual (JLG005)

**Senior Year, Fall Semester (at AACC Arnold Campus)**

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Examines pertinent aspects of federal and state criminal law. Includes basic elements of law and specific issues of interest to law enforcement. Discuss recent court decisions relating to crimes against the person and property.

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In this course, students identify the dimensions of wellness and the various factors that promote optimal health for individuals and their communities. Describe the current and emerging issues in health promotion and disease prevention and evaluate evidenced-based methods to control risk factors in diverse populations. Examine topics and health behavior strategies to optimize and enhance quality of life. OR

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Note: Eligibility for ENG 101 or ENG 101A is strongly recommended.

Dual (JCO001)
Senior Year, Spring Semester (at AACC Arnold Campus)

**LGS253 Business Law**  
3 credits  
Study basic principles of law and their impact on common business transactions. Explore sources of law, the judicial system, a wrongdoer’s liability for harm to society (crimes) and to the injured party (torts), the formation and performance of contracts, the ownership and transfer of personal and real property, principals and their agents and factors to be considered in choosing the form of a business (partnership and corporations) to be organized.  
Dual (JLG002)

**LGS111 Introduction to Paralegal Studies**  
3 credits  
Gain a general perspective of the legal system and the role of paralegals within that system. Topics include court systems, jurisdiction, legal research and writing, civil procedure, criminal law and procedure, legal ethics, investigation and interviewing techniques, torts, contracts, family law, estates and trusts, and alternative dispute resolution. Evaluate client scenarios and understand the variety of lenses upon which the law may be viewed.  
Dual (JLG006)

Optional

**ACA100 Student Success (AACC credit only)**  
1 credit  
Explore college academic support services and faculty expectations. Examine study skills, note taking, strengthening memory and concentration, and time management. Assess your own learning style, choose a career path, set goals, and develop an educational plan. Transition to college and develop tools to ensure your academic success.  
Dual (JPH001)

General Offerings beyond the Pathway

Fall Semester (at South River HS)

**BPA111 Introduction to Business**  
3 credits  
Explore the way that business is related to, and interacts with, individuals, groups, and institutions in the 21st century. Learn the terminology and concepts of the functional areas of business, setting the foundation for interpreting and analyzing the legal, social, and ethical issues facing business (both the institution and its members) today. Examine global awareness and cultural diversity throughout the course. Prepare for a career in business and/or a business career in the arts, sciences, and technologies.  
Dual (JBE007)

Spring Semester (at South River HS)

**LGS100 Introduction to the Law**  
3 credits  
Survey topics and skills related to law and jurisprudence. Analyze the history and development of the law and describe how the law affects individuals, government, and businesses in today’s society. Discuss constitutional law principles, judicial decision-making, the state and federal court systems. Examine substantive criminal law, family law, contracts, torts, property, and procedural law.  
Dual (JLG003)

**HEA111 Personal and Community Health**  
3 credits  
In this course, students identify the dimensions of wellness and the various factors that promote optimal health for individuals and their communities. Describe the current and emerging issues in health promotion and disease prevention and evaluate evidenced-based methods to control risk factors in diverse populations. Examine topics and health behavior strategies to optimize and enhance quality of life.  
Dual (JPH001)
Southern High School

Students, through exposure to the Signature theme become design-thinkers with vital workforce skills such as communication, collaboration, critical thinking, and creativity. They assess needs, apply global awareness and learning, design new ways of doing and develop new products appropriate to evolving needs. Students use a Design Process: Investigate, Interpret, Ideate, Experiment, Evolve.

X061-1 | Design: Preservation & Innovation Exploration 1B  0.5sem
Students will learn how to apply a design-based model to approach, understand and solve complex real-world challenges utilizing both traditional and outside-the-box design thinking perspectives in an innovative, interactive, collaborative environment. Students will attend field experiences, explore careers and colleges of interest, and interact with professionals to acquire practical knowledge and investigate pathways for future explorations. Course topics may include design thinking, graphic design, media design, urban planning, architecture, agriculture design, and landscape design. Available at Southern High School only.

X072— | Explorations 2: Signature Capstone  [FY] 0.5/sem
This full-year course expands upon the content of Explorations 1 with deeper learning and rigorous content while leading students through a long-term Capstone experience within the lens of the school-specific Signature theme. The capstone experience is designed to provide students an opportunity to explore an area of high interest while also learning important career-essential skills such as time management, budgeting, research skills, and presentation skills.
### Senior Year, Spring Semester (Online or at Southern HS)

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**ART170 Web Design 1**

In this course, students study concepts integral to designing for the Web, including Web design history, XHTML, CSS, image preparation/optimization, site planning, FTP and design using industry standard applications. Explore the designer's role within professional, cultural, and historical contexts.

**ART166 Graphic Design 1**

In this course, students use creative and critical thinking skills to research, generate concepts, and create solutions to a broad range of design problems. Learn fundamentals of conceptualization, type and image integration, design-thinking practices, and design terminology. Explore design history and contemporary examples in the field. Develop production techniques using industry software, presentation methods, reflection, and critique.

**Optional**

**ACA100 Student Success (AACC credit only)**

Explore college academic support services and faculty expectations. Examine study skills, note taking, strengthening memory and concentration, and time management. Assess your own learning style, choose a career path, set goals, and develop an educational plan. Transition to college and develop tools to ensure your academic success.
The CAT Magnet program is an educational choice that allows students to be both career and college ready. Students have the opportunity to add value to their overall education by earning industry-recognized certifications and college credit while still in high school. Students who complete a CAT program fulfill the completer path needed for graduation. Additionally, since most of the CAT magnet programs are two-year programs, many students complete coursework necessary to be career completers as well as college completers (DUAL completers).

Students entering high school apply online to participate in a program at Center of Applied Technology North or South. If selected and accepted, the student takes courses at both their home school and one of the two Centers of Applied Technology—CAT-North or CAT-South. The location is determined by the student’s home school.

The CAT centers offer 26 different Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs which are guided by industry standards and are embedded in a framework of career clusters key to Maryland’s economy. Please note that not all programs are available at both centers. For a complete list of program descriptions please see pg. 119.

**Arts, Media, and Communication**
- Interactive Media Production
- Digital Imaging/Video
- Simulation & Gaming
- Graphic Design
- Print Media Technology

**Construction and Development**
- Building/Industrial Maintenance
- Carpentry
- Integrated Design/CAD
- Electricity
- Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC)
- Masonry
- Plumbing
- Welding

**Consumer Services, Hospitality, and Tourism**
- Baking and Pastry
- Barbering
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Arts

**Environmental, Agriculture, and Natural Resources**
- Curriculum for Agricultural Science Education: Natural Resources (CASE)

**Health and Biosciences**
- Nursing Assistant
- Medical Assistant
- Pharmacy Technician
- Dental Assisting

**Information Technology**
- IT Networking Academy (Cisco)

**Manufacturing, Engineering, and Technology**
- Drafting and Design Technology

**Transportation Technology**
- Automotive Collision Repair/Refinishing
- Automotive Technology
- Marine Service Technology
- Medium/Heavy Truck and Equipment Technology

CAT Students may be selected for National Technical Honor Society membership which recognizes excellence in Career and Technical Education. CAT students may join SkillsUSA, a national leadership organization for CTE students. Members can develop leadership skills and compete in program related skill areas at the regional/state/national level. CAT graduates are focused on their future. They have the skills and training needed to enter the workforce, but they also have a clear picture of how continuing education beyond high school will lead to advancement within their chosen career field.
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<td>Career Explorations provides students with an opportunity to experience four different career programs during one semester. Although this course is not required for acceptance into a Level One Magnet program, it allows students to explore possible areas of career interest before applying to a Level One program. This course is open to students in grades 9 and 10.</td>
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<td>**T86</td>
<td>Technical Mathematics**</td>
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<td>Many programs offered at the Centers of Applied Technology provide students with an opportunity to earn one mathematics elective credit towards graduation. The curriculum for each program is designed to prepare students to meet industry certification standards and incorporates the mathematical practices that students will utilize in their chosen industry.</td>
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<td>**C01</td>
<td>Honors Pre-Engineering**</td>
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<td>In this course, students apply the principles of physics to everyday life. Students use mathematics to study motion, forces, energy, and other concepts of physics. This program is available at the Centers of Applied Technology North and South and provides students an opportunity to earn science elective credit.</td>
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<td>Foundations of Patient Care**</td>
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<td>In this course, students learn the foundation of skills and health concepts as it relates to pursuing a career in health care. Students will participate in a variety of hands-on lab settings learning about the equipment, materials, and safety rules used in the delivery of essential health care services. Fundamentals of medical terminology, body systems, infection control and legal issues in health care are covered in this course. Students learn introductory health care record documentation skills and anthropometric conversions. The information gained can be of significant value in career planning and expanding a student’s interests and abilities. Available only at CAT-South.</td>
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Magnet Programs

The following courses are available only to students enrolled in a Magnet Program.

The Magnet Programs in Anne Arundel County support the shared Programs of Choice vision to offer all students and families choice in their education.

Students apply online to participate in a Magnet Program and, if selected and accepted, the student takes courses at their Magnet School, located at one of the public schools in the county. The Magnet School is determined by program and the student’s home school. Students entering high school may apply for one of the following Magnet Programs in AACPS:

• International Baccalaureate Programme (IB) at Annapolis High School, Old Mill High School, and Meade High School;
• Apex Arts at Annapolis High School and Broadneck High School;
• Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) at North County High School and South River High School
• STEM BioMedical/Allied Health (BMAH) at Glen Burnie High School.

Apex Arts

Annapolis and Broadneck High Schools

Apex Arts’ mission is to provide students with rigorous, immersive, and collaborative artistic experiences that are rooted in the creative process, while preparing them for an array of future opportunities. Students focus their study in a specialized arts area of interest (Primes): Creative Writing, Dance, Film & New Media, Music (Band, Guitar, Orchestra, Piano, or Vocal), Theatre (Acting or Design & Production), or Visual Arts. Apex Arts auditions are open to all students in Anne Arundel County as part of the shared Programs of Choice vision to offer all students and families choice in their education. (For more information about the Magnet application process, visit www.aacps.org/magnet).

Apex Arts students will be challenged both academically and artistically through advanced coursework and arts-intensive co-curricular opportunities. In addition to the extensive instruction that each student will receive in his or her chosen Prime, all students will be exposed to a variety of other artistic disciplines while in the program. Apex Arts students will receive instruction from qualified teachers and Artists-in-Residence to develop the skills needed to be a well-rounded artist or performer. Upon graduation, students will be prepared to pursue a career in an arts field or attend an arts school, conservatory, or four-year institution of higher learning.

Beyond the regular school day, Apex Arts students will participate in Apex + instruction and Professional Arts Experiences. In Apex +, students will explore a range of opportunities in a variety of settings outside of the traditionally scheduled school day. During their Professional Arts Experience (which may occur on weekends and/or evenings), students will have the opportunity to attend Master Classes with professional artists, see professional productions and exhibits, and create their own work to perform or present publicly.

Additionally, students will develop skills and knowledge within the business world of the arts industry. They will be able to think collaboratively to promote one’s own artistic vocation or avocation. Apex Arts courses are only available to students enrolled in the Apex Arts Magnet Programs.
Mandatory Courses

9th–12th Grade Requirement—All Primes

P59 | **Apex + (High School) 1–4** [FY] 0.5/sem
Apex + explores the artistic and design process through interdisciplinary problem-based learning modules providing students with a global view of the creative process and the application in creative and collaborative thinking and design.

11th Grade Requirement—All Primes

P15 | **Honors Apex Arts Business for the Arts** 0.5sem
This course is designed to introduce students to the fundamental skills necessary to thrive in business settings as creative professionals. The course will focus on professional etiquette, verbal and written communication skills, career explorations, branding, and marketing through project-based learning experiences. Students will learn how to integrate these skills and habits into their creative process as well as apply them to other businesses. Mock interviews and networking experiences will be embedded into the course with local community partners in the arts, allowing students to learn about career opportunities and put their new skills into practice. This course is required for all junior level Apex Arts students.

12th Grade Requirements—All Primes

P32 | **Honors Apex Arts Senior Capstone Collaborative** [FY] 1.0/sem
This required course provides the Apex Arts senior with the support to conceive, create, and produce an original collaborative performance, artwork, or exhibition (production, art exhibit, ensemble musical or dance performance, recitation, design exhibit, film screening). Students’ work review occurs throughout the beginning of the course, followed by a final review prior to the presentation of the senior capstone project collaborative exhibition/performance. The capstone must contain work done predominantly during the senior year. The performance/exhibition is selected, designed, and constructed by the student in collaboration with other student artists and/or professional artists or art companies. Assessment is based on the development of an artistic process portfolio. Limited to seniors in the Apex Arts Magnet Program only. Students must also register for Apex Arts Senior Capstone Solo. This course is available at Studio 39 only.

P31 | **Honors Apex Arts Senior Capstone Solo** [FY] 1.0/sem
This required course provides the Apex Arts senior with the support to conceive, create, and produce an original individual artwork (production, art exhibit, musical, or dance performance, recitation, design exhibit, film screening). It must contain work done predominantly during the senior year. The performance/exhibition is selected, designed, and constructed by the student. Assessment is based on the development of an artistic process portfolio. Limited to seniors in the Apex Arts Magnet Program only. Students must also register for Apex Arts Honors Senior Capstone Collaborative. This course is available at Studio 39 only.

Prime Specific Courses

Creative Writing

P05 | **Honors Apex Arts Creative/Dramatic Writing 1** [FY] 0.5/sem
Students will explore various writing techniques to shape their identity as writers. Using literature as a model, students will write imaginatively while incorporating multiple writing traits to a variety of literary genres (poetry, non-fiction, fiction, and drama). By engaging in personal creativity and opportunities for self-expression, students will learn to provide feedback in a writer’s workshop, publish work in an electronic portfolio and submit to the school literary magazine as well as local, regional, and national literary competitions. Guest authors and poets will be used to enhance the working classroom. This course is available at Annapolis High School only.

P06 | **Honors Apex Arts Creative/Dramatic Writing 2** [FY] 0.5/sem
This course will enable students to continue their development of a personal writing style building upon the principles and experiences of Apex Arts Creative and Dramatic Writing 1. Utilizing a variety of literature models, students will expand their capabilities for imaginative writing and deepen their understanding of successful creative writing traits. Students will explore literary genres in a more in-depth way to develop products, critique peer and professional writing and publish work in external publications. This course is available at Annapolis High School only.

P77 | **Honors Apex Arts Creative Writing: Genre Studies 1** [FY] 0.5/sem
Genre Studies 1 is designed for students in the third year of the Apex Arts Magnet Program on the Creative Writing prime. This course provides intensive study of four specific styles of creative writing: short stories and novels, poetry, and lyrics, playwriting, and creative non-fiction. In-depth analysis of classic and contemporary works from each genre leads to extensive research and development results in the production of original works to be published. Works written in this course will be further developed and produced in the Media Writers Workshop Level 3 course in which students are concurrently enrolled. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

P78 | **Honors Apex Arts Creative Writing: Genre Studies 2** [FY] 0.5/sem
Genre Studies 2 is designed for students in the fourth year of the Apex Arts Magnet Program in the Creative Writing prime. This course provides intensive study of four specific styles of creative writing: memoir and creative non-fiction, magical realism, fantasy, and professional publication. In-depth analysis of classic and contemporary works from each genre leads to extensive research and development results in the production of original works to be published. Works written in this course will be further developed and produced in the Apex Arts Honors Senior Capstone Solo course in which students are concurrently enrolled. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

P10 | **Honors Apex Arts Media/Writers Workshop 1** [FY] 0.5/sem
Students will explore various forms of technology to infuse elements of that technology into original forms of creative and dramatic writing. Since this course is taught simultaneously with Creative Writing & Dramatic Writing 1, the same goals will be reflected while teaching how to create/draw/construct through various applications. This course is available at Annapolis High School only.
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This course will further develop the Apex Arts Dance Prime students’ stamina and physical abilities at an advanced level with challenges of more complex combinations at the barre and in the center. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

In this advanced level ballet course students focus on integrating energy and strength to artistic movements. The level of difficulty is increased while students exhibit higher degrees of proper line and placement as they move throughout the class. Students take on the role as choreographer creating and producing original compositions. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

This course emphasizes proficiency in modern dance. The advanced level challenges the student with refining complex combinations. This course will focus on original composition in choreography. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

This course introduces additional technologies through which professionals participate in creative expression. The emphasis will be placed on the production of a publicly shared finished product. Students will also explore historical works and suggest/plan how technology infusion could enhance them. Since this course is taught simultaneously with Creative Writing/Dramatic Writing 2, the same goals will be reflected while teaching how to create/draw/construct through various technological applications. This course is available at Annapolis High School only.

This course will provide Performing & Visual Arts Magnet Program Dance Prime students, with and without extensive training, the first year of modern dance instruction that is dedicated to a fundamental understanding of anatomically sound placement and movement. This course will establish the habits that will serve students throughout a long career in the field. The contrasting and specific schools of technique, such as Graham, Humphrey-Limon, Horton and Hawkins, simultaneously broaden each student’s level of technique while deepening their connection with the beginnings and style of the art form. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

In this course increased emphasis is placed on greater technical proficiency in modern dance. The advanced level challenges the student with more complex combinations. This course will explore the principles of “fall and recovery,” symmetry/asymmetry, stage space, and ensemble work. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

This course emphasizes choreography and performance based on modern dance forms. Students experience dance as a performing art and as a means of expression and communication. Designed to teach intermediate dancers the style and technique based on the principles of Cunningham, Nikolais, Humphrey-Weidman and other pioneers of American modern and post-modern dance. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

In this course students will further develop, refine, and publish pieces begun in the Genre Studies course in which students are concurrently enrolled. This course is designed for students in the third year of the Apex Arts Magnet Program in the Creative Writing Prime. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

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This course emphasizes proficiency in high level techniques in modern dance. The advanced level challenges the student with refining complex combinations. This course will focus on original composition in choreography. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.
knowledge as well as learn new techniques and have access to higher level technology and equipment within their concentration. Students will study master work by artists relevant to their content matter and within the genre of their concentration. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

**P40 | Honors Apex Arts Elements of Film & New Media 4** [FY] 0.5/sem
This course allows students to identify a concentration of media within the film and new media genre, with specialized instruction to help cultivate their personal vision as an artist. Students will build upon prior knowledge and have access to higher level technology and equipment within their concentration. Students will study master work by artists relevant to their Capstone Project. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

**P53 | Honors Apex Arts Film and New Media Studio 1** [FY] 0.5/sem
This course is designed to build the student’s artistic abilities and observational capabilities. This course is designed to help students understand the creative process through the application of technical skills learned in the Elements of Film and New Media Course. Students will build artistic habits including idea generation, sketchbooks/visual journals, portfolio development, critique, and reflection while creating original work in the genres of Film and New Media Arts. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

**P54 | Honors Apex Arts Film and New Media Studio 2** [FY] 0.5/sem
This course is designed to build upon knowledge and processes developed in Apex Arts Film and New Media Studio 1. Students will continue to build artistic habits and develop their vision as an artist through the creative process. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

**P55 | Honors Apex Arts Film and New Media Studio 3** [FY] 0.5/sem
This course is designed to build upon knowledge and processes developed in Apex Arts Film and New Media Studio 2. Students will be guided in applying previous knowledge of artistic habits and the creative process in order to create a body of artwork for their portfolios and prepare for Senior Capstone projects. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

**P56 | Honors Apex Arts Film and New Media Studio 4** [FY] 0.5/sem
This course is designed to build upon knowledge and processes developed in Apex Arts Film and New Media Studio 3. Students will be guided in applying previous knowledge of artistic habits and the creative process in order to create a body of artwork for their portfolios. Students will develop focused work to be presented as part of their required Senior Capstone projects. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

### Music

**P29 | Honors Apex Arts Music Technology** .5sem
Students will become familiar with the concepts, processes, materials, and tools associated with music technology. Students will develop skills with sequencing, recording, and notation utilizing a variety of music software applications and programs, high-tech software, electronic instruments, and computer-based technologies. This course is available at Broadneck High School only.

**P72 | Honors Apex Arts Music Theory/Composition with a Concentration in Music Technology** 0.5sem
Students will develop music composition skills and will craft the students’ creative processes. Compositional techniques and comprehensive musical literacy will be developed through robust and diverse repertoire. Students will use state-of-the-art computer-based technology to design and arrange musical compositions. They will compose and share their compositions with their peers, school, and community. This course is available at Broadneck High School only.

**P49 | Honors Apex Arts Music History Styles, Composition, and Audio Engineering** 0.5sem
Apex Arts Honors Music Historical Styles & Composition is a course designed to introduce the student to selected masterpieces of Western music throughout major style periods, Medieval through 21st Century, and to lead the student to an understanding of the relationship of music to general culture and human development. The course will provide students with visual and aural identification of stylistic elements in various musical works, and the placement of those works in cultural and historical context. This course is available at Broadneck High School only.

**P5 | Honors Apex Arts Drum Lab** 0.5sem
Apex Arts Honors Drum Lab is a course designed to introduce the techniques and concepts of hand drumming and percussion. In this hands-on course students will learn hand-drumming basics: proper body and hand positioning, correct drumming technique, how to breathe, relax, and embrace rhythms. Students will learn the basic rhythmic foundation of the world’s most popular rhythms: reggae, samba, hip-hop, funk, salsa, belly dance, rock ‘n roll, African 6/8 and more. The course will incorporate ENSEMBLE playing and layering multiple interlocking rhythms in traditional and contemporary arrangements (Afro-Cuban Rumba, Bembe & Iyesa, Brazilian Samba & Afoxe, West African Kuku, American Funk and more). This course is available at Broadneck High School only.

**P64 | Honors Apex Arts Ensemble Band 1** [FY] 0.5/sem
This course is designed to strengthen and refine the band student’s musical technique. Wind and percussion students will be immersed in a variety of intensive performing, listening, creating, and evaluating experiences. Emphasis will be placed on a rigorous development of skills, particularly the ability to perform in an ensemble and as a soloist. Students will also engage in transcribing and arranging music. Development of comprehensive literacy will be emphasized through a repertoire that is robust, varied, and representative of diverse genres and cultures. This course is available at Broadneck High School only.

**P65 | Honors Apex Arts Ensemble Band 2** [FY] 0.5/sem
Designed to build on the earlier year of study to further strengthen and refine the band student’s musical technique and expand their experiences in listening, creating, performing, and evaluating a comprehensive repertoire of music. This course provides wind, percussion, and brass students with more advanced instruction in the development of individual musical skills with emphasis on ability to perform in an eclectic mixed ensemble and as a soloist in a variety of public venues. This course is available at Broadneck High School only.
This course is designed to provide wind and percussion students the advanced concepts to enhance student’s musical techniques and refine their skills of interpretation, expression, and musicality. This course continues to prepare students and provide opportunities for performance in eclectic mixed ensemble and as a soloist in a variety of public venues while expanding the student’s repertoire of various genres and cultures. This course is available at Broadneck High School only.

This course is designed to refine students’ musicianship building on the band instrument skills and techniques developed in previous levels. The focus is on original composition, preparing students for solo performance and audition for college and career choices. This course is available only at Broadneck High School.

Students will strengthen and refine their guitar technique, with an emphasis on acoustic guitar. Development of comprehensive musicianship will be emphasized through a wide repertoire of original guitar literature, transcriptions, and arrangements. A variety of guitar techniques will be explored through diverse musical genres and styles. This course is available at Broadneck High School only.

Designed to build upon the earlier year of study, this course provides the Guitar Prime with more advanced instruction in all styles of guitar performance increase the robust and extensive performance skills and opportunities for the Guitar Prime with acoustic guitar as the primary medium. Development of advanced musicianship skills will be emphasized through a wide repertoire of original guitar literature, transcriptions, and arrangements. This course is available at Broadneck High School only.

This course is designed to expand upon the skills and techniques developed in Levels 1 and 2. The student will master the essential techniques for guitar performance in a variety of musical styles. The student will perform as a soloist, collaboratively with other guitarists and as a collaborative member of mixed vocal and instrumental ensembles. This course is available at Broadneck High School only.

This course is designed to refine students’ musicianship by building on the guitar skills and techniques developed in previous levels. The focus is on original composition, preparing students for solo performance and audition for college and career choices. This course is available only at Broadneck High School.

This course is designed to strengthen the Apex Arts piano students’ keyboard/piano skills through performance-based instruction that includes comprehensive experiences in reading, creating, and listening to music as well as refining their understanding of history, terms, structure, and symbols. Students explore classical piano technique, style, interpretation, memorization, and performance practice in a masterclass setting while playing a wide repertoire of keyboard and piano music literature as a solo artist and in ensembles. Available at Broadneck High School only.

Prerequisite(s): Students must have prior piano/keyboard performance experience/skills and have been accepted to the instrumental music piano program. Students are concurrently enrolled in Honors Music Theory.

Building on skills and concepts in Piano 1, students’ keyboard/piano skills will be improved through performance-based instruction that includes comprehensive experiences in reading, creating, and listening to music as well as refining their understanding of history, terms, structure, and symbols. Students explore classical piano technique, style, interpretation, memorization, and performance practice in a masterclass setting while playing a wide repertoire of keyboard and piano music literature as a solo artist and in ensembles. This course is available only at Broadneck High School.

This course emphasizes advanced performance technique, music analysis and advanced musicianship skills. It is designed to hone students’ piano skills while expanding their repertoire and ability to communicate to the audience. This course is available only at Broadneck High School.

Students will strengthen and refine their musical technique by immersing themselves in a variety of intensive performing, listening, creating, and evaluating experiences. Emphasis will be placed on a rigorous development of skills, particularly the ability to perform in an ensemble and as a soloist. Students will also engage in transcribing and arranging music. Development of comprehensive music literacy will be emphasized through a repertoire that is robust, varied, and representative of diverse genres and cultures. This course is available at Broadneck High School only.

Designed to build on the earlier year of study to further strengthen and refine the student’s musical technique and expand their experiences in listening, creating, performing, and evaluating a comprehensive repertoire of music. This course provides violin, viola, bass, and cello students with more advanced instruction in the development of individual musical skills with emphasis on ability to perform in eclectic mixed ensemble and as a soloist in a variety of public venues. This course is available at Broadneck High School only.

This course is designed to expand a student’s musical technique and diversify their repertoire. An emphasis is on portfolio development and audition preparation for conservatory and/or higher education opportunities. This course provides violin, viola, bass, and cello students more advanced instruction in the development of individual musical skills with emphasis on ability to analyze cross cultural musical style influences, such as jazz, rap, and hip-hop, and twenty-first century cinematic scores. This course is available at Broadneck High School only.
### Theatre—All

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<td>Designed to continue to improve upon the students' vocal music technique. Building upon fundamentals learned in Apex Arts Vocal Music Performance 1, vocal students will continue to evaluate, create, listen to and perform musical selections. Diverse musical styles and genres as well as historical periods will continue to be presented to expand the vocal students' repertoire. This course is available at Broadneck High School only.</td>
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<td>Students will improve their knowledge of historical themes through the study of various aspects of acting performance while honing their craft by layering principles of specific acting techniques which emphasize creativity, communication, and collaboration. Instruction includes rigorous exercises that develop and strengthen the movement abilities, vocal agility, and imagination of each student through creative problem-solving activities that require self-assessment and critical thinking. This course is available at Annapolis High School only.</td>
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<td>Utilizing the acting fundamentals put into place by the previous two years of study, students will continue honing their craft by layering principles of specific acting techniques. Instruction focuses on specific acting techniques and their application to theatrical literature of 20th Century America. Instruction includes rigorous exercises that engage students in play exploration through reading, analysis, monologue, and scene work. In the second semester, students are guided in directing projects that will result in an evening of one-acts. Several performances throughout each semester, as well as attendance at several student and professional productions (with assigned written analyses) are additional requirements of the course. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.</td>
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**Theatre—Design & Production**

**P88 | Honors Apex Arts Theatre Design & Production 1**  [FY] 0.5/sem

Students will create, design, and produce detailed elements (sets, costumes, properties, lighting, sound, marketing, and publicity) based upon researched themes that enable quarterly in-class and informal, and quarterly performances to be presented in public venues. Technological literacy is paramount as design work is created, transferred, and shared through various electronic media and applicable software. In this course, students work collaboratively and communicate effectively through ongoing, internal production meetings and external marketing of the creative work. This course is available at Annapolis High School only.

**P89 | Honors Apex Arts Theatre Design & Production 2**  [FY] 0.5/sem

In this course technological literacy is paramount as design work is created, transferred, and shared through various electronic media and applicable software. Design students work collaboratively and communicate effectively through ongoing, internal production meetings. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

**P90 | Honors Apex Arts Theatre Design & Production 3**  [FY] 0.5/sem

In this course students will select specific disciplines within the Theatrical Design, Production, and Management areas for intensive study. This will include subjects such as Scenic Design and Set Construction, Costume Design, Wardrobe Management and Costume Construction, Lighting Design and Electrics, Sound Design and Sound Engineering, Properties Design and Properties Construction, Stage Management, House Management, and Event Management. Students will focus on the specific skills, techniques, and best practices within the subject of their choosing. In addition, third year design students will train toward becoming “Lead Designers” for their area of specialization. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

**P91 | Honors Apex Arts Theater Design & Production 4**  [FY] 0.5/sem

In this course students will capitalize on the prior intensive study in the Theatrical Design, Production, and Management areas to synthesize those skills as a “Lead Designer”. In this lead designer capacity, students will apply skills within their area of specialization to create real world connections to productions within Apex Arts or non-Apex Arts school-based productions. Students will apply collaborative skills in working with other members of the production team as well as applying best practices in Theatrical Design and Production. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

**PV82 | Honors Apex Arts Design Arts** 0.5/sem

Students in the Design and Production magnet program concentrated study will explore the various areas of design: Costume, Scenic, Lighting, Sound, Craft, and Construction. Application of design concepts are realized as students design, revise, and create costumes; construct sets; project lighting and run sound for performances and theatrical productions throughout each semester. Attendances at professional productions (with assigned written analyses of production designs) are additional requirements of the course. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

**Visual Arts**

**PV81 | Honors Apex Arts Design Arts 2**  [FY] 0.5/sem

Students in the Design and Production Prime will continue to explore the various areas of design: Costume, Scenic, Lighting, Sound, Craft, and Construction. Application of design concepts are realized as students design, revise, and create costumes; construct sets; project lighting and run sound for performances and theatrical productions throughout each semester. Attendance at professional productions (with assigned written analyses of production designs) are additional requirements of the course. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

**PV71 | Honors Apex Arts Visual Arts Studio 1**  [FY] 1.0/sem

This is a course designed to strengthen and refine the student’s artistic abilities and observational capabilities. Students will be introduced to material, techniques, and conceptual methods to further develop their art making practice. Emphasis will be placed on rigorous development of skills, concept development, choice-making, execution, and presentation through a wide variety of medium. Students will consider their role as visual communicators with consideration of audience, artistic attitude and personal mission as they develop studio practice. Sketchbooks/Visual Journals will be required to record ideas, research, and to document their step by step discovery process. This course is available only at Annapolis High School.

**PV72 | Honors Apex Arts Visual Arts Studio 2**  [FY] 0.5/sem

Students will hone and refine their artistic abilities and their observational drawing skills. Students will experiment with new media and techniques through a combination of class-based instructions, working with guest artists and field trips. Students will continue to explore their two-dimensional and three-dimensional techniques to develop a broader artistic vocabulary and develop their visual communication skills. Sketchbooks/Visual Journals will be required to record ideas, research, and to document their step by step discovery process. This course is designed for seniors in connection with their capstone project. This course is only available at Annapolis High School.

**PV01 | Honors Apex Arts Visual Arts/Portfolio Development 1**  0.5/sem

Students will develop a body of work through creative problem solving that involves personal aesthetic choices and variety of media. Through the assembly of a portfolio, students will learn to value their work and examine artistic relationships based on personal criteria. Through critiques, students will articulate the aesthetic characteristics and meaning of personal, peer, and master artworks. This course is available only at Annapolis High School during the fall semester of the freshman Year.
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Apex Arts Printmaking is an honors course designed to introduce the techniques and concepts of traditional printmaking processes, including intaglio, relief, and monotype. Students will experiment with the tools, methods, and materials for making printed artworks with particular focus on how manual printing and traditional techniques relate to contemporary concepts and individual art practice. This study includes the creation and utilization of various printmaking procedures and how to work in a professional print shop environment.

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This course presents students with an in-depth exploration of color theory, including additive and subtractive color and its implications for the artist and designer. Color and its relationship to composition will be investigated through interaction of color harmony and contrast; application to solve spatial problems; and thinking and information of color design for a variety of visual effects. With historical meanings as the frame, students will embrace the ever changing and ephemeral nature of color perception in contemporary design.

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Apex Arts Anatomy and Figure Drawing is a course designed to develop skills in observation and drawing from life, a special emphasis will be placed on the understanding and application of structure, anatomy, and the expressive human form. This course will offer an in-depth study of the figure and the surface anatomy exploring a wide variety of media and techniques.

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This course is designed to incorporate a variety of media including photography, drawing, painting, video, sound, and sculptural materials in works that expand physical boundaries beyond the art object. Experimentation with different processes and media drive the student in considering sites for the installation of art pieces. Students verbally, visually, and in written form document the process, development of ideas as they complete artist statements, critiques, and presentations of their works.

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This acting course for non-acting students expands the Apex Arts students’ understanding of “performance” in a collaborative atmosphere. While significant memorization will be required, students will be required to prepare simple assignments outside of class. Students will be expected to actively participate in exercises. Particular emphasis will be given to expanding the imagination, supporting classmates’ growth, collaborating effectively, and building self-confidence. Course instruction makes vocalists and dancers more comfortable with acting as part of their vocal/dance work. (For Apex Arts students interested in musical theatre. Not for Apex Arts acting students.)

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In this course students will discover their best singing voice and more experienced singers will gain an opportunity to exercise their vocal muscles through group work. The course focuses on proper techniques for breathing, projection, voice placement, and articulation taught through singing. Instruction emphasizes text interpretation and characterization in song. This course teaches singing technique to broaden the actor’s and/or dancers’ spoken vocal range. Course instruction makes actors and dancers more comfortable with singing as part of their acting/dance work. Students will also learn techniques to help protect their voices when they sing. (For Apex Arts students interested in musical theatre. Not for Apex Arts vocal students.)

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This dance course is suitable for ambitious students who have minimal or no prior dance training, but who would like to learn the fundamentals of dance and movement for theatre. This course is designed to support actors and singers to connect fully to their bodies in movement. Through group exercises and devised assignments, students will become more adept at playing in the environment of a scene, creating fully realized characters, and will develop their vocabulary in the language of the body. (For Apex Arts students interested in musical theatre. Not for Apex Arts dance students.)

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In this course students will learn to understand and manage complex sound systems, including recording studios and live sound reinforcement installations. Through practical application students will gain the ability to properly set up, operate, and manage sound systems effectively utilizing their understanding of both sound and electrical or audio signals. This course provides an introductory look at sound systems, both analog and digital, from initial acoustic inception to power and acoustic reproduction.
PV23 | Apex Arts Film Production & Technology 1 0.5sem
Students will become familiar with the techniques, theories, vocabulary, and practices of film production and technology. This course is designed to introduce students to the basic concepts of film production, including storyboarding, lighting, stage design, scene setting, and editing. Students will use both pre and post-production methods to create video and cinematic pieces that explore concepts in new medias: including social media, commercial design, and marketing. Students will develop a digital portfolio to share and display their work utilizing professional software standards.

PV24 | Apex Arts Film Production & Technology 2 0.5sem
This course builds upon the foundations of Film Production and Technology 1 by placing greater emphasis on film techniques and videography. Students will explore the history of film and cinematic arts and apply new concepts, vocabulary, and techniques to their projects. Students will work collaboratively and independently to develop original films and video that explore local and societal issues. Students will use digital software and equipment to explore film techniques with additional coursework on digital production, animation, scene editing, and sound overlay.

IB International Baccalaureate

Annapolis, Meade, & Old Mill High Schools

The International Baccalaureate is a globally recognized educational foundation committed to creating a better world through education. Its teaching methodology promotes student-centered inquiry, critical thinking, and effective communication while challenging students to consider their role in both local and global communities. Annapolis, Meade, and Old Mill High Schools are all authorized by the IB Organization.

Students attend the IB Middle Years Programme (MYP) in grades 9 and 10. Students who have applied and been accepted into the IB Diploma Programme (DP) will complete the IB DP course of studies in grades 11 and 12. IB Diploma students will complete a Theory of Knowledge course, an Extended Essay of 4,000 words, and approximately 150 Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS) hours as well as six subject exams. Students who meet all of these requirements and successfully complete all IB assessments and examinations will be eligible for the IB Diploma, recognized by colleges and universities in countries around the world. This unique international program has the capacity to open global doors and expand worldwide opportunity. Upon graduation, all IB students will be prepared to continue their university studies both in the United States and abroad. IB DP courses are only available to students enrolled in the IB DP Magnet Program.

With its launch in 21/22, students at Annapolis, Meade, and Old Mill High Schools can also elect to participate in the IB Career-Related Programme. The IB Career-related Programme (CP) is designed for students interested in pursuing a career-related education in the 11 and 12th grades. It provides students with an excellent foundation to support their further studies, as well as ensure their preparedness for success in the workforce. The CP framework is composed of two or more IB Diploma Programme Courses and three CP Core components: Personal and Professional skills; service learning; and the reflective project.

Y17 | IBMYP Global Community Citizenship 0.5sem
See the Signature section for course description.
**IB MYP Language and Literature**

IB MYP language and literature courses equip students with linguistic, analytical, and communicative skills that help to develop interdisciplinary understanding. Students develop skills in six domains—listening, speaking, reading, writing, viewing, and presenting—both independently and with others. MYP language and literature courses include a balanced study of genres and literary texts that provide a diverse and representative selection of cultures, races, gender identity and experiences. Students’ interactions with texts generate moral, social, economic, political, cultural, and environmental insights. Through their studies, students learn how to form opinions, make decisions, and engage in ethical reasoning. Students’ interactions with texts generate moral, social, economic, political, cultural, and environmental insights. Through their studies, students learn how to form opinions, make decisions, and engage in ethical reasoning. Teaching and learning is framed through the inquiry cycle providing students authentic and purposeful opportunities to engage in inquiry-based learning. The inquiry cycle stages include: tuning in, finding out, sorting out, going further, making conclusions and taking action. Designing and researching projects with an international connection and exposure to the IB assessment criteria/rubrics are included in these courses.

**Placement in the high school IB Middle Years Programme**

**Honors IBMYP English 9**

See the English section for specific content standards addressed. 

**Joint Science**

**IB Diploma Programme (IB DP)**

**IB English 1—Language and Literature**

Students apply critical and analytical skills to works of traditional and contemporary world authors. Because the themes of the literature explore values and issues of the world-wide culture, the voice of each author may give frank examination of the human condition. Students complete all internal and external assessments as required.

**Prerequisite for IB English 2:** Placement in the IB Diploma Programme and successful completion of IB English 1

**IB English 2—Language and Literature**

These courses are designed to encourage students to examine theatre in its diversity of forms from around the world. Theatre Arts emphasizes the importance of working individually and as a member of an ensemble. Students are encouraged to develop the organizational and technical skills needed to express themselves creatively. A further challenge for students taking this course is for the student to become aware of their own perspectives and biases and to learn to understand the values of others. Students explore: Theatre in the Making, Theatre in Performance and Theatre in the World. Students at HL are required to choose one from the following two options: Option A: Devising practice—allows students to develop and explore in depth the devising and actualization of a performance concept; Option B: Exploring practice—allows students to undertake a comparative study of theatre in advanced practice.

**IB MYP Individuals & Societies**

The IB MYP individuals and societies subject group incorporates disciplines traditionally studied under humanities and social sciences. This subject group encourages learners to respect and understand the world around them and equips them with the necessary skills to inquire into historical, geographical, political, social, economic, and cultural factors that affect individuals, societies, and environments. The study of individuals and societies helps students to appreciate critically the diversity of human culture, attitudes, and beliefs. Courses in this subject group are important for helping students to recognize that both content and methodology can be debatable and controversial, and for practicing the tolerance of uncertainty. The IB's approach to this subject area includes a strong focus on inquiry and investigation. Students collect, describe, and analyze data; test hypotheses; and learn how to interpret increasingly complex information, including original source material. This focus on real-world examples, research and analysis is an essential aspect of the subject group. Designing and researching projects with an international connection and exposure to the IB assessment criteria/ rubrics are included in these courses.

**IB MYP History of the US**

Students in IB MYP History of the United States receive an early comprehensive preparation for success in subsequent IB History courses. Students will receive early comprehensive preparation for success in subsequent IB History courses.

**IB MYP US Government**

Students apply critical and analytical skills to works of traditional and contemporary world authors. Because the themes of the literature explore values and issues of the world-wide culture, the voice of each author may give frank examination of the human condition. Students complete all internal and external assessments as required.

**Prerequisite(s):** Placement in the IB Diploma Programme

**IB MYP American Government**

Students apply critical and analytical skills to works of traditional and contemporary world authors. Because the themes of the literature explore values and issues of the world-wide culture, the voice of each author may give frank examination of the human condition. Students complete all internal and external assessments as required.

**Prerequisite(s):** Placement in the IB Diploma Programme
The Diploma Programme World Religions course is a systematic, analytical, yet empathetic study of the variety of beliefs and practices encountered in nine main religions of the world. The course seeks to promote an awareness of religious issues in the contemporary world by requiring the study of a diverse range of religions.

IB Economics emphasizes the economic theories of microeconomics, which deal with economic variables affecting individuals, firms, and markets, and the economic theories of macroeconomics, which deal with economic variables affecting countries, governments, and societies. These economic theories are not to be studied in a vacuum—rather, they are to be applied to real-world issues. Prominent among these issues are fluctuations in economic activity, international trade, economic development and environmental sustainability. The ethical dimensions involved in the application of economic theories and policies permeate throughout the economics course as students are required to consider and reflect on human end-goals and values. This course encourages students to develop international perspectives, fosters a concern for global issues, and raises students’ awareness of their own responsibilities at a local, national, and international level. The course also seeks to develop values and attitudes that will enable students to achieve a degree of personal commitment in trying to resolve these issues, appreciating our shared responsibility as citizens of an increasingly interdependent world.

The IB History courses are world history courses based on a comparative, multi-perspective approach to history and focused around key historical concepts such as change, causation, and significance. They involve the study of a variety of types of history, including political, economic, social, and cultural, encouraging students to think historically and to develop historical skills. In this way, the courses involve a challenging and demanding critical exploration of the past. The DP history courses require students to study and compare examples from different regions of the world, helping to foster international mindedness.

In these courses, students examine the interaction of biological, cognitive, and socio-cultural influences on human behavior. Understanding how psychological knowledge is generated, developed, and applied enables students to achieve a greater understanding of themselves and appreciate the diversity of human behavior. The ethical concerns raised by the methodology and application of psychological research are key considerations in IB psychology. IB psychology takes a holistic approach that fosters intercultural understanding and respect. In the core of the IB psychology course, the biological level of analysis demonstrates what all humans share, whereas the cognitive and socio-cultural levels of analysis reveal the immense diversity of influences that produce human behavior and mental processes. Cultural diversity is explored, and students are encouraged to develop empathy for the feelings, needs, and lives of others within and outside their own culture.
### IB Diploma Programme (IB DP)

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IB Biology courses prepare students to take the International Baccalaureate Biology exams at either the Subsidiary or Higher level. In keeping with the general aim of IB Experimental Sciences courses, IB Biology promotes understanding of the facts, principles, and concepts of underlying the biological field; critical analysis, evaluation, and generation of specific scientific information and hypotheses; improved ability to communicate scientific ideas; and an awareness of the impact of biology and scientific advances in biology upon both society and issues of ethical, philosophical, and political importance. Course content varies but includes study of living organisms from the cellular level through functioning entities within the biosphere. Laboratory experimentation is an essential part of this course.

IB Physics courses prepare students to take the International Baccalaureate Physics exams at either the Subsidiary or Higher level. In keeping with the general aim of IB Experimental Sciences courses, IB Physics promotes understanding of the facts, patterns, and principles underlying the field of physics; critical analysis, prediction, and application of scientific information and hypothesis; improved ability to communicate scientific ideas; and an awareness of the impact of scientific advances in physics upon both society and issues of ethical, philosophical, and political importance. Course content varies but includes the study of the fundamental laws of nature and the interaction between concepts of matter, fields, waves, and energy. Laboratory experimentation is essential; calculus may be used in some courses.

IB Chemistry courses prepare students to take the International Baccalaureate Chemistry exams at either the Subsidiary or Higher level. In keeping with the general aim of IB Experimental Sciences courses, IB Chemistry promotes understanding of the facts, patterns, and principles underlying the field of chemistry; critical analysis, evaluation, prediction, and generation of scientific information and hypotheses; improved ability to communicate scientific ideas; and an awareness of the impact of chemistry and scientific advances in chemistry upon both society and issues of ethical, philosophical, and political importance. Course content varies but includes the study of the materials of the environment, their properties, and their interaction. Laboratory experimentation is an essential part of these courses.

Environmental systems and societies is an interdisciplinary course firmly grounded in both a scientific exploration of environmental systems in terms of their structure and function, and in the exploration of cultural, economic, ethical, political, and social interactions of societies with the environment. As a result of studying this course, students will become equipped with the ability to recognize and evaluate the impact of our complex system of societies on the natural world.

### IB MYP Mathematics

The study of mathematics is a fundamental part of a balanced education. It promotes a powerful universal language, analytical reasoning and problem-solving skills that contribute to the development of logical, abstract and critical thinking. The MYP mathematics and extended mathematics courses promote both inquiry and application, helping students to develop problem-solving techniques that transcend the discipline and are useful in the world outside school. Mathematics in the MYP is tailored to the needs of students, seeking to intrigue and motivate them to want to learn its principles. Students should see authentic examples of how mathematics is useful and relevant to their lives and be encouraged to apply it to new situations. Designing and researching projects with an international connection and exposure to the IB assessment criteria/rubrics are included in these courses.

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See the Mathematics section for specific content standards addressed.

### Honors IBMYP Geometry

See the Mathematics section for specific content standards addressed. Students in IB MYP Geometry receive early comprehensive preparation for success subsequent IB Math courses.

**Prerequisite(s): Placement in the high school IB Middle Years Programme**
The IB DP Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches course is an analytic methods course with an emphasis on calculus – appropriate for pure mathematicians, engineers, scientists, economists, and those with an interest in analytic methods. Students are encouraged to apply their mathematical knowledge to solve abstract problems as well as those set in a variety of meaningful contexts. Students should expect to develop insight into mathematical form and structure and should be intellectually equipped to appreciate the links between concepts in different topic areas. Topics include: Number and algebra, Functions, Geometry and trigonometry, Statistics and probability, Calculus, the Development of investigational, problem-solving and modelling skills and the exploration of an area of mathematics. This course begins students’ preparation to take the IB Mathematics Analysis and Approaches exam at the Higher or Standard level.

**IB Diploma Programme (IB DP)**

190 | Mathematics: Applications & Interpretation 1 (HL & SL) [FY] 0.5/sem

The IB DP Mathematics: Applications and Interpretation course recognizes the increasing role that mathematics and technology play in a diverse range of fields in a data-rich world. To give this understanding a firm base, this course includes topics that are traditionally part of a pre-university mathematics course such as Calculus and Statistics. Students are encouraged to solve real-world problems, construct and communicate this mathematically and interpret the conclusions or generalizations. Students should expect to develop strong technology skills and will be intellectually equipped to appreciate the links between the theoretical and the practical concepts in mathematics. Topics include: Number and algebra, Functions, Geometry, and trigonometry, Statistics and probability, Calculus, the Development of investigational, problem-solving and modelling skills and the exploration of an area of mathematics. This course begins students’ preparation to take the IB Mathematics Applications and Interpretation exam at the Higher or Standard level.

191/92 | Mathematics: Applications & Interpretation 2 (HL & SL) [FY] 0.5/sem

This course continues and extends studies begun in Mathematics: Applications and Interpretation 1.

**IB MYP Language Acquisition**

The ability to communicate in more than one language is essential to the concept of an international education that promotes intercultural understanding, and it is central to the IB’s mission. The study of additional languages in the IB MYP provides students with the opportunity to develop insights into the features, processes, and craft of language and the concept of culture, and to realize that there are diverse ways of living, behaving, and viewing the world. Acquiring an additional language and exploring and reflecting on the cultural perspectives of our own and other communities: are central to developing critical thinking and international-mindedness; provide an intellectual framework to support personal development, cultural identity and conceptual understanding; greatly contribute to the holistic development of students and to the strengthening of lifelong learning skills; equip students with the necessary multiliteracy skills and attitudes to communicate successfully in various global contexts. IB MYP language acquisition classes are conducted in the target language. Designing and researching projects with an international connection and exposure to the IB assessment criteria/rubrics are included in these courses.

Y21 | IB MYP Chinese 1 [FY] 0.5/sem

See the World Languages section for specific content standards addressed.

IBMYP Chinese Level 2 [FY] 0.5/sem

See the World Languages section for specific content standards addressed. Students in an IB MYP Level 2 language receive early comprehensive preparation for success in subsequent IB language courses.
See the World Languages section for specific content standards addressed. Students in an IB MYP Level 3 language receive early comprehensive preparation for success in subsequent IB language courses. Interaction with the IB assessment criteria and increasing oral discourse are emphasized in this course. Classes are conducted in the target language.

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See the World Languages section for specific content standards addressed. Students in an IB MYP Level 2 language receive early comprehensive preparation for success in subsequent IB language courses. Interaction with the IB assessment criteria and increasing oral discourse are emphasized in this course. Classes are conducted in the target language.

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See the World Languages section for specific content standards addressed. Students in an IB MYP Level 1 language receive early comprehensive preparation for success in subsequent IB language courses.

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See the World Languages section for specific content standards addressed. Students in an IB MYP Level 4 language receive early comprehensive preparation for success in subsequent IB language courses. Interaction with the IB assessment criteria and increasing oral discourse are emphasized in this course. Classes are conducted in the target language.

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The main focus is on language acquisition and development of students who studied Chinese and have successfully completed level 3 or higher, and who are admitted in the IB Diploma Programme. It may be studied at either Standard Level (SL). The main focus is on language acquisition and development of language skills. These language skills should be developed through the study and use of a range of written and spoken material. Such material will extend from everyday oral exchanges to literary texts and should be related to the culture(s) concerned. The material should be chosen to enable students to develop mastery of language skills and intercultural understanding. It should not be intended solely for the study of specific subject matter or content.

IB DP Chinese are additional language-learning courses designed for students who studied Chinese and have successfully completed level 3 or higher, and who are admitted in the IB Diploma Programme. It may be studied at either Standard Level (SL). The main focus is on language acquisition and development of language skills. These language skills should be developed through the study and use of a range of written and spoken material. Such material will extend from everyday oral exchanges to literary texts and should be related to the culture(s) concerned. The material should be chosen to enable students to develop mastery of language skills and intercultural understanding. It should not be intended solely for the study of specific subject matter or content.

IB DP French are additional language-learning courses designed for students who studied French and have successfully completed level 3 or higher, and who are admitted in the IB Diploma Programme. It may be studied at either Standard Level (SL) or Higher Level (HL). The main focus is on language acquisition and development of language skills. These language skills should be developed through the study and use of a range of written and spoken material. Such material will extend from everyday oral exchanges to literary texts and should be related to the culture(s) concerned. The material should be chosen to enable students to develop mastery of language skills and intercultural understanding. It should not be intended solely for the study of specific subject matter or content.

IB DP Spanish are additional language-learning courses designed for students who studied Spanish and have successfully completed level 3 or higher, and who are admitted in the IB Diploma Programme. It may be studied at either Standard Level (SL) or Higher Level (HL). The main focus is on language acquisition and development of language skills. These language skills should be developed through the study and use of a range of written and spoken material. Such material will extend from everyday oral exchanges to literary texts and should be related to the culture(s) concerned. The material should be chosen to enable students to develop mastery of language skills and intercultural understanding. It should not be intended solely for the study of specific subject matter or content.

IB DP Italian are additional language-learning courses designed for students who studied Italian and have successfully completed level 3 or higher, and who are admitted in the IB Diploma Programme. It may be studied at either Standard Level (SL) or Higher Level (HL). The main focus is on language acquisition and development of language skills. These language skills should be developed through the study and use of a range of written and spoken material. Such material will extend from everyday oral exchanges to literary texts and should be related to the culture(s) concerned. The material should be chosen to enable students to develop mastery of language skills and intercultural understanding. It should not be intended solely for the study of specific subject matter or content.

IB Music courses prepare students to take the International Baccalaureate Music exam at either the Standard or Higher level. IB Music courses develop students’ knowledge and understanding of music through training in musical skills (listening, performing, and composing); exposure to music theory; and formulation of an historic and global awareness of musical forms and styles. Historical, theoretical, and practical studies are suggested by the IB Curriculum Board.

IB Art/Design courses prepare students to take the International Baccalaureate Art/Design exams at either the Standard or Higher level. IB Art/Design courses help develop students’ aesthetic and creative faculties, offer training in awareness and criticism of art, and enable students to create quality works of art of their own. Students perform both studio and research work; the research component is designed to investigate particular topics or concepts of interest in further detail.

At the core of the IB film course lies a concern with clarity of understanding, critical thinking, reflective analysis, effective involvement, and imaginative synthesis that is achieved through practical engagement in the art and craft of film. All students are encouraged to develop their creative and critical abilities and to enhance their appreciation and enjoyment of film.
IB Core Requirement

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Obligatory for every IB Diploma Programme candidate, Theory of Knowledge (TOK) 1 and 2 aim to stimulate critical self-reflection of students’ knowledge and experiences. Course content generates questions regarding the bases of knowledge and their verification in the disciplines of mathematics, natural sciences, human sciences, and history, with an awareness of moral, political, and aesthetic judgments and biases. Students learn to appreciate the strengths and limitations of various kinds of knowledge; to related studied subjects to one another; general knowledge, and living experiences; to formulate rational arguments; and to evaluate the role of language in knowledge and to convey knowledge.

IB Advanced Independent Research and Creative Achievement is an Advanced Course for Junior students participating in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, who are committed to completing independent research and creative work. This course will provide opportunities for advanced research and engaging work with Creativity, Action and Service (CAS), both core components of the IB Diploma Programme. Students will conduct independent research at the college level, evaluate sources, and complete a 4,000-word independent research paper. Students will also work to support their local and global communities through creative action and collaboration with their IB peers around the world. Students will create a portfolio that demonstrates their achievement of their CAS work. (Honors)

Prerequisite(s): Placement in IB Diploma Programme.

The IB Career-related Programme (CP)

The IB Career-related Programme (CP) is designed for students interested in pursuing a career-related education in the 11th and 12th grades. It provides students with an excellent foundation to support their further studies, as well as ensure their preparedness for success in the workforce. The CP framework is composed of two or more IB Diploma Programme Courses and three CP Core components: Personal and Professional skills; service learning; and the reflective project.

The following career pathways will be offered in the program for the 2021–2022 school year:

- NUROTC (Annapolis High School),
- Project Lead the Way (PLTW):
  - Advanced Engineering (Meade High School) and
- Child Development (Old Mill High School).
This course develops student attitudes, skills, and strategies that can be applied to personal and professional experiences now and in the future that will then transcend to the workplace and a range of situations. There are five themes that comprise personal and professional skills:

1. Personal development
2. Intercultural understanding
3. Effective communication
4. Thinking processes
5. Applied ethics.

This course builds up the level 1 course and supports students in the successful completion of their Career-related pathway and the IB CP language development portfolio, reflective project, and service-learning requirements.

The STEM Magnet program is an educational choice for academically eligible and highly motivated students interested exploring the importance of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics in all aspects of the world today. Through a project/problem-based environment integrated with advance STEM coursework, cutting-edge technology, STEM job shadow experiences, and research internships, STEM students will work collaboratively to solve real-world local and global problems with their peers, teachers, mentors, community partners, and STEM professionals.

The STEM Magnet Program offers five pathways that students may pursue: Earth & Space Systems, Green Technologies, Nanotechnology, and Materials Science, Computer Science and Applied Mathematics, and Engineering. Upon graduation, students will be ready to enter the STEM workforce directly or to continue their education along their chosen STEM pathway at a four-year college or university. STEM courses are only available to students enrolled in the STEM Magnet Program.

Students will work with STEM business and higher-education partners on three, six, or nine week problem/project-based modules focused on a current STEM topic or project that is relevant in today's workplace. This course will introduce students to the mail philosophical pillars of the STEM program: Problem/Project based learning (open-ended projects with real-world connection), Socratic Dialogue (strategic way of communication better to understand what others are thinking), and collaborative teamwork.

Explore, test, create, and identify game design principles, reciting common choices, styles, and/or aesthetics (e.g. visual, audial, interactive, and narrative) through learning and innovation, creativity and innovation including but not limited to thinking critically and problem solving and augmented reality through computer-generated perceptual information, sometimes across multiple sensory modalities, including visual, auditory, haptic, somatoensory, and olfactory, to create and interact with the real-world.
This course serves as the second course in the advanced mathematical sequence. Students will formalize their geometry experiences from elementary and middle school, using more precise definitions and developing careful proofs; represent problem situations with geometric models; classify figures in terms of congruence and similarity; deduce properties of and relationships between figures from given assumptions; and translate geometric figures to an algebraic coordinate representation and algebraic models; apply right triangles and trigonometry. Through the use of dynamic software, students will gain an understanding of the relationships among mathematical figures and become active participants in the inductive and deductive processes of thinking. Students will actively engage in rigorous mathematical activities to attain mastery of course standards. Honors students will be introduced to advanced topics. Graphing calculator is required.

### STEM Core Courses

**S19 | Foundations of Art STEM**  
This course provides the foundation for the visual arts high school program of study. Students will experience a variety of media and processes while exploring two- and three-dimensional art problems in drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, and mixed media. Critical and creative thinking skills will be integrated into all studio experiences.

**S45 | Studio 1 2D STEM**  
This course is the introductory course to two-dimensional art processes: drawing, painting, printmaking, crafts, and mixed media. Students will be challenged to develop a personal style by creating expressive works of art based on a variety of artists, art movements, and techniques. A process portfolio and sketchbooks/journals will reflect personal aesthetic choices in the development of a body of work.

**S25710/20 | Honors Principles of Engineering STEM**  
This course provides an overview of engineering and engineering technology and includes the development of problem-solving skills used to solve real-world engineering problems. The course of study includes: Overview & Perspective of Engineering, Design Process, Communication & Documentation, Engineering Systems & Manufacturing Processes, Materials & Materials Testing, Thermodynamics, Engineering for Quality & Reliability, and Dynamics. Currently offered to all STEM freshmen at South River. Sophomores at North County can take this course through their Engineering Pathway.

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### Spanish Courses

**S62010/20 | Spanish 2 STEM**  
Spanish 2 courses build upon skills developed in Spanish 1, extending students’ ability to understand and express themselves in Spanish and increasing their vocabulary. Typically, students learn how to engage in discourse for informative or social purposes, write expressions or passages that show understanding of sentence construction and the rules of grammar and comprehend the language when spoken slowly. Students usually explore the customs, history, and art forms of Spanish speaking people to deepen their understanding of the culture(s).
This course is a two-year program in which the Core Learning Goals of Honors Biology, Honors Chemistry and Honors Physics are integrated based on topic and common assessment limits. The course is implemented using the Problem/Project-Based format based on the Buck Institute Model. In depth inquiry, student-driven research, and communication of results are interwoven into each module as appropriate. Nearly 40% of class time is spent in lab-based experiences. By immersing our students in this rigorous program based on relevant challenges, laboratory experience and projects, we are fostering students who are engaging in critical thinking, problem-solving, and collaboration. Each module affords itself to Differentiated Learning and Thinking Map implementation. The course is a pipeline at the end of the two years into AP Science programs. It is intended for advanced learners in the STEM Magnet Program.

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<td>Project-Based Learning 2 (STEM)</td>
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<td>Students will work with STEM business and higher-education partners on three, six, or nine-week problem/project-based modules focused on a current STEM topic or project that is relevant in today’s workplace. This course will continue to expose students to the main philosophical pillars of the STEM program: Problem/Project-based learning, Socratic Dialogue, and collaborative teamwork. <strong>Prerequisite(s):</strong> Successful completion of Global Community Citizenship through Project-Based Learning (STEM) (PBL 1)</td>
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<td>X64</td>
<td>Honors Project-Based Learning 3 (STEM)</td>
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<td>This is an 11th grade STEM course for the Advanced Learning in the STEM Magnet program and is modeled after the Honors Challenge at the University of California at Davis. Students are grouped and paired with a mentor who brings the students an authentic challenge on a local, national, or global issue. This one semester course immerses students in professionalism, critical thinking, program solving, research, prototyping, revising, professional writing and collaboration as they consult on the topic/challenge/project given to them by their mentors (community stakeholders, business partners, higher education, local government agencies, etc.). In this Honors course, students engage in research, analysis, prototyping, etc. and complete a White Paper and Formal Presentation for mentors. This course is also in the BMAH program. <strong>Prerequisite(s):</strong> Successful completion of Global Community Citizenship through Project-Based Learning (STEM) (PBL 1) and PBL 2</td>
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### Pathway Courses

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<td>M03</td>
<td>Honors Aeronautics (STEM)</td>
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<td>This is a Pathway 1 course in the Earth &amp; Space Systems Pathway. This course (SRHS only), year one of Pilot’s License Training Ground School, is designed to prepare students for the Federal Aviation Administration ground school exam. Through the use of flight simulator, textbook assignments, and rich activities, students will gain the knowledge towards becoming a private pilot. There will be an opportunity to meet with guest speakers, including local flight school instructors. By involving aspects of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, students will experience an inter-curricular method of teaching and learning which creates a deep relevancy to material learned in the classroom. Students completing this course, in addition to taking the FAA exam, are eligible to continue to study at a local pilot training school to complete flight hours at a licensed training facility to earn their pilot’s license. It is intended for the advanced learner in the STEM Magnet Program. <strong>Prerequisite(s):</strong> Successful completion of Global Community Citizenship through Project-Based Learning (STEM) (PBL 1) and PBL 2</td>
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<td>Earth/Space Missions</td>
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<td>This course is a Pathway 2 course, part of the STEM Earth and Space Systems Pathway, designed as a collection of 4–6 weeklong missions. Students will assume the roles of NASA Mission Scientists within teams as they work together to explore problem-based activities in a hybrid earth and space science learning environment. Earth mission modules include a focus on earthquakes, volcanoes, plate tectonics, weather, climate, and climate predictions. Space mission modules include topics such as rocky planets, gas giants, extra-solar planetary systems, the Milky Way, galaxies in the universe, and the Big Bang theory. In this course, students will attend weekly mission briefings, work online alongside scientists, and collect and analyze recent NASA data from the stream of current explorations. NASA technology support tools allow students to collect and analyze data, and present their findings using authentic methods of practicing scientists. This course is intended for advanced learners in the STEM Magnet Program. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement. <strong>Prerequisite(s):</strong> AP Environmental Science or Aeronautics 1 &amp; 2 (SRHS only) AP Computer Science or AP Statistics (NCHS only).</td>
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time to carry out an experimental research project in a supportive setting.
**Prerequisite(s):** Successful completion of AP Environmental or AP
Computer Science or AP Statistics, in addition to one STEM Pathway 2
course with advanced weighting.

**Green Technologies Pathway**

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| C27         | Environment/Society 1 (STEM)      | 0.5sem Magnet program in the Green Technologies Pathway at the NCHS site only. In this interdisciplinary course, students will examine the influence of media on shaping the individual’s understanding and response to environmental issues. During the second semester students will apply the concepts, skills, and experiences acquired during the first semester to a multimedia presentation delivered to a panel of their peers and community stakeholders. This final multimedia presentation will be designed to be used by a community and/or regional stakeholder. In this advanced course, students participate in research, analysis, prototyping, and written reports on par with local college level requirements. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement.

**Prerequisite(s):** AP Environmental Science

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**Prerequisite(s):** Successful completion of AP Environmental or AP Computer Science or AP Statistics, in addition to one STEM Pathway 2 course with advanced weighting.

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| C568        | Nanotechnology & Materials Science Pathway | 0.5/sem Materials Science is a revolutionary science that pushes innovation and industry forward through the study of how materials (such as ceramics and polymers) work and how advances in technology will continue to improve these materials. Students in this course will use hands-on exploration and authentic challenges to study Chemistry, Physics, Engineering, Biology, and Medicine as these subjects relate to Materials Science. This course is paired with STEM Nanotechnology offered in the opposite semester. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement.

**Prerequisite(s):** AP Computer Science

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| C600        | Materials Science (STEM)          | 0.5sem Students will explore traditional architecture as it relates to green and sustainable practices, urban development, and urban rehabilitation. In the second semester of this capstone course, students will apply the concepts, skills, and experiences acquired during the first semester to draw, create, and construct a scale model of an original design that helps to address an environmental problem of their choice. Students will present their design to a panel of their peers and STEM community stakeholders. South River High School students only. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement.

**Prerequisite(s):** AP Environmental Science and STEM Environment & Society.
### Computer Science & Applied Mathematics Pathway

**M05 | Mathematics/Science Modeling (STEM) | 0.5sem**

This is a one semester Pathway 2 course in the STEM Computer Science and Theoretical Applied Mathematics. This course provides an interactive environment for the study of real world problems through mathematical and scientific modeling. A model is a simple construct which unveils or describes important properties of a more complex system that a learner may want to understand more fully. Students learn about the nature and structure of scientific models, limitations of models, model strengths and weaknesses. Numerous technological modeling tools will be used to explore and study complex problems and challenges within an inquiry-based classroom setting. This course is paired with STEM Parallel Computing to round out the Pathway 2 experience and is intended for the Advanced Learner in the STEM Magnet Program. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement.

**Prerequisite(s):** AP Computer Science.

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**R01 | Parallel Computing (STEM) | 0.5sem**

This is a one semester Pathway 2 course in the STEM Computer Science and Theoretical Applied Mathematics. This course will prepare students for increasingly popular large-scale computing that takes place in the real world, such as search engines, social networking sites, and scientific computational needs. Parallel computing has historically played a key role in addressing the performance demands of high-end engineering and scientific applications. It has now moved to center stage in light of current hardware trends and device power efficiency limits. All computer systems — embedded, game consoles, laptop, desktop, high-end supercomputers, and large-scale data center clusters—are being built using chips with an increasing number of processor cores, with little or no increase in clock speed per core. Unlike previous generations of hardware evolution, this shift will impact all segments of the IT industry and all areas of Computer Science. This course introduces students to the foundations of parallel computing and provide application project experience in collaboration with government and industry partners. This advanced course is paired with STEM Mathematical and Scientific Modeling to round out the Pathway 2 experience. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement.

**Prerequisite(s):** AP Computer Science.

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**C10 | Research/Data Analysis (STEM) | [FY] 0.5/sem**

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**Prerequisite(s):** Successful completion of AP Environmental or AP Computer Science or AP Statistics, in addition to one STEM Pathway 2 course with advanced weighting.

### Engineering Pathway—North County Only

**S257 | Honors Principles of Engineering STEM | [FY] 0.5/sem**

This course provides an overview of engineering and engineering technology and includes the development of problem-solving skills used to solve real-world engineering problems. The course of study includes: Overview & Perspective of Engineering, Design Process, Communication & Documentation, Engineering Systems & Manufacturing Processes, Materials & Materials Testing, Thermodynamics, Engineering for Quality & Reliability, and Dynamics.

See CTE Section of the Program of Study for more information on the following courses:

**CAD Academy Course**

**CAT-North courses in:**
- Engineering Explorations in Computer Aided Design (CAD),
- Electricity,

**CAT-North Level II Courses in**
- Drafting and Design Technology,
- Electricity

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**S267 | Honors Engineering Design (IED) STEM | [FY] 0.5/sem**

This is a STEM Capstone course for seniors and is designed to support student exploration and research in an area of the student’s choosing. This may be a continuation of, extension of, and/or inspired by problems and/or projects explored via Problem Based Learning 3: Community Challenge and/or Internship experience. Students will be expected to write and submit a professional paper (White Paper), create and present a Scientific Poster, and formally present formally their experience and/or findings. Students will develop project management skills as they apply to their year-long endeavor, with daily updates and modifications to their plan. This STEM Capstone course is for advanced learners in the STEM Magnet programs at both North County and South River High Schools. In this interdisciplinary course, students will have the opportunity to receive mentoring from professional STEMists, support from a STEM teacher, and time to carry out an experimental research project in a supportive setting.

**Prerequisite(s):** Successful completion of AP Environmental or AP Computer Science or AP Statistics, in addition to one STEM Pathway 2 course with advanced weighting.

### Engineering Pathway—South River Only

**S267 | Honors Digital Electronics STEM | [FY] 0.5/sem**

This course is part of the PLTW pre-engineering program of study and is a course that develops student’s problem-solving skills, with emphasis on visualization and communication skills using AutoCAD Inventor 3-D solid modeling software. Units of study include: Introduction to Design, Student Portfolio Development, Sketching & Visualization, Geometric Relationships, Modeling, Assembly Modeling, Model Analysis & Verification, Model Documentation, Presentation, Production, and Marketing.

**S277 | Honors Engineering Design (IED) | [FY] 0.5/sem**

This course is the third course of a pre-engineering completion program known as Project Lead the Way. In this course, students investigate topics in applied logic that encompasses the application of electronic circuits and devices. Computer simulation software is used to design and test digital circuitry prior to the actual construction of circuits and devices.

**Prerequisite(s):** Honors Principles of Engineering (POE) and Honors Engineering Design (IED).
### Programs of Choice | Magnet Programs | STEM Science Technology Engineering & Math

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**Honors Aerospace Engineering**

This is a Project Lead the Way (PLTW) course that will introduce students to the world of aeronautics, flight, and engineering. Students will apply scientific and engineering concepts to design materials and process that directly measure, repair, improve, and extend systems in different environments. The curriculum sequence includes experiences from the diverse fields of Aeronautics, Aerospace Engineering and related areas of study such as aerospace information systems, star sailing or aeronautics rocketry, propulsion, and the physics of space science, space life sciences (BioSpace), principles of aeronautics, structures, and materials, and systems engineering. Meade, Severna Park, and South River High Schools only. Students have the option to take this course or Honors Civil Engineering & Architecture during their junior year.

**Prerequisite(s):** Honors Principles of Engineering (POE) and Honors Engineering Design (IED).

**Recommended:** Algebra 2

**Honors Civil Engineering & Architecture**

Students apply what they learn about various aspects of civil engineering and architecture to the design and development of a property. Working in teams, students explore hands-on activities and projects to learn the characteristics of civil engineering and architecture. In addition, students use 3D design software to help them design solutions to solve major course projects. Students learn about documenting their project, solving problems and communicating their solutions to their peers and members of the professional community of civil engineering and architecture. Students have the option to take this course or Honors Aerospace Engineering during their junior year. Offered to STEM students at South River only.

**Prerequisite(s):** Honors Principles of Engineering (POE) and Honors Engineering Design (IED).

**Honors Engineering Design (EDD) 2 STEM**

Students work in teams to research, design, and construct a solution to an open-ended engineering problem. Students apply principles developed in the four preceding courses and are guided by a community mentor. They must present progress reports, submit a final written report and defend their solutions to a panel of outside reviewers at the end of the school year.

**Prerequisite(s):** Honors Principles of Engineering (POE), Honors Engineering Design (IED) and Honors Digital Electronics as well as Honors Civil Engineering and Architecture or Honors Aerospace Engineering.

**Honors Social Innovation & Change (STEM)**

This course is designed to introduce the students to the individual as a vector of change in today’s society. They can continue their work to a deeper level of inquiry and implementation from the middle school level course or can take it for the first time if they did not have that opportunity in middle school. Through self-exploration of local social issues, the student will formulate a strategy for promoting, changing, and engaging the public in an issue that needs attention. Students will be supported and encouraged to move from ideas to action within the semester timeframe. Available at Glen Burnie, North County, and South River only.

**Prerequisite(s):** Honors Biology and either Honors/AP US Government or Honors/AP US History

**Honors Astronomy (STEM)**

The Methods in Astronomy module will focus on Earth and Planetary Systems as a science, first discussing the history of the field as a study of the scientific process and then moving to the tools and methods available to modern astronomers. This area will also address notions of scale, celestial mechanics, stellar formation and lifecycle, galactic structure, and cosmology. In this area, scientific computing as a tool of any modern scientist or engineer will be introduced and edified. The Planetary Science module will focus on how the tools and ideas developed in the previous module enable modern astronomers to make new discoveries in our solar system and in other stellar systems. This module will enable students to critically think about the energetics and dynamics of celestial bodies as they relate to how internal, surface, and atmospheric processes shape bodies in our solar system and in other systems. Furthermore, students will investigate the scientific aims of modern NASA/ESA missions.

**Design & Innovation Engineering Capstone (STEM)**

This capstone course immerses the student in the real-world challenges faced by today’s engineers relevant to current themes in the workplace (ie. The Grand Challenges sponsored by the National Academies of Engineering). Students will do the deep dive to explore and design a revolutionary product, scheme, and/or process/product to enhance everyday lives. Whether it be a common tool or a theoretical part that will enhance space exploration or environmental cognizance, the student will design and build an artifact along with a full analysis of its function and precision in application. Advanced Weighting.

**Prerequisite(s):** Precision Machining I and either AP Computer Science or AP Physics

See the Career and Technical Education section for course description.
This course is an introduction to unmanned aerial systems for STEM High School students. Drones are becoming the next big thing in aviation and there is a lack of technically skilled individuals needed to maintain and develop the field for the future. By involving aspects of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics; students will experience an inter-curricular method of teaching and learning which creates a deep relevancy to material learned in the classroom. Available at South River only.

**Prerequisite(s):** Honors Systems Science A and B and Aeronautics I & II

This course is a yearlong exploration of the field of Unmanned Aerial Systems. Students will be exposed to this exciting STEM career field that is poised to create more than 70,000 new American jobs in the first three years following the integration of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) into U.S. national airspace system (NAS). Integration is scheduled to take place in 2015. Beyond the first three years, the study projects that more than 100,000 new jobs will be created by 2025. In this course students will build, program, and operate a UAS, Unmanned Aerial System. Starting with the basics of what is a UAS and how they work and the tasks they can complete. Emphasis on systems components — parts, Theory of Control Loop automation, FC Software, Communications technologies, Ground Station Mission planning, Flight (Stabilize/Acro, Auto) and First-Person View will be taught through presentations, demonstrations, laboratory work (build an ArduCopter UAS), flight training (simulator and actual) challenges, and a final flight mission challenge.

**Prerequisite(s):** Honors Systems Science A and B and Aeronautics I & II

This course studies computer language (Java) and programming practices and procedures. Topics to be covered will include fundamentals of the Java programming language, input and output, flow of control features, data structures and searching and sorting algorithms through the lens of STEM. This course is offered in a hybrid model.

**Prerequisite(s):** Honors Systems Science A and B and Aeronautics I & II

The objective of this course is to use a hands-on approach to introduce the basic concepts in robotics, focusing on robots and illustrations of current state of the art research and applications. Course information will be tied to lab experiments; students will work in teams to build and test increasingly more complex VEX-based robots, culminating in an end of semester robot contest. This course introduces fundamental concepts in robotics. In this course, basic concepts will be discussed, including sensors, path planning, kinematics, feedback, stressing the importance of integrating sensors, effectors, and control.

**Prerequisite(s):** Honors Systems Science A and B and Aeronautics I & II

STEM Modern Biotechnologies is an Advanced Course for students participating in the Science Technology Engineering Math (STEM) Magnet program and who have successfully completed course offerings in a STEM-related subject and who are committed to completing research and coursework that results in a project or product that could be published, eligible for a patent, presented at a national conference, and/or entered in a nationally or internationally recognized competition. Students must submit a proposal in an area of research and/or product development related to the key areas of modern biotechnologies, using biological molecules, particles, cells, organisms, and/or processes to improve life in the areas of food, fuels or medicine.

**Prerequisite(s):** Honors Systems Science A and B and Aeronautics I & II

The BMAH Magnet program is an educational choice for highly motivated and academically eligible students that are interested in exploring career and research opportunities across the healthcare spectrum. In conjunction with excellent coursework options, students will work with medical and allied health professionals both in and out of the classroom through relevant and hands-on problem/project-based modules, job shadows and internship opportunities.

The BMAH Magnet Program offers five pathways that students may pursue: Project Lead the Way Bioengineering, Project Lead the Way Bioscience, Aging and Wellness, Health, Information, and Technology, and Public and International Health. Juniors and seniors will have the opportunity to attend Anne Arundel Community College for dual enrollment, allowing students to gain college credit towards a degree, certificate, or letter of recognition while still completing their high school graduation requirements. Upon graduation, students will be ready to enter the healthcare workforce directly or to continue their education along their chosen allied health pathway or other healthcare major at a four-year college or university. BMAH courses are only available to students enrolled in the BMAH Magnet Program.

**BMAH Core Courses**

This is an 11th grade STEM course for the Advanced Learning in the STEM Magnet program and is modeled after the Honors Challenge at the University of California at Davis. Students are grouped and paired with a mentor who brings the students an authentic challenge on a local, national, or global issue. This one semester course immerses students in professionalism, critical thinking, program solving, research, prototyping, revising, professional writing and collaboration as they consult on the topic/challenge/project given to them by their mentors (community stakeholders, business partners, higher education, local government
Pathway Courses

Aging and Wellness Pathway

BMAH Public & International Health 1 0.5sem
BMAH Public & International Health 1 is an 11th grade BMAH Pathway 2 course for the Advanced Learner in the BMAH Magnet program. It is the first in a series of three courses in the Public and International Health Pathway. In this course, students will explore how the public health sector works to improve human health through the development and application of knowledge that prevents disease, protects the public from harm, and promotes health throughout the state, nation, and the world. Immersed in problem-based learning and critical thinking, students in this first of three one-semester courses, will develop and apply knowledge from multiple disciplines to explore the origins of public health, public health policies, the agencies involved in the public health sector, and local, national, and global issues with a focus on Nutrition and Social Behavior. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement.

BMAH Aging/Wellness 1 0.5sem
Students will analyze literature and conduct research on the genetic, biological, clinical, behavioral, social, psychological, and economic aspects of aging. Aging populations’ health issues affected by race, ethnicity, gender, socioeconomic status (SES), age, education, occupation, and other, as yet unknown, lifetime, and lifestyle differences will be studied. Students will use research insights and advances to influence policy on the health, wellness, economic status, and quality of life of all aging adults. Immersed in problem-based learning and critical thinking, students will develop and apply knowledge from multiple disciplines to explore the event of aging, common illnesses, physiological problems, and the mental and social aspects involved in aging. Students will also explore how the health system engages with aging populations.

BMAH Aging/Wellness 2 0.5sem
Students will continue to analyze literature and conduct research on the genetic, biological, clinical, behavioral, social, psychological, and economic aspects of aging. Aging populations’ health issues affected by race, ethnicity, gender, socioeconomic status (SES), age, education, occupation, and other, as yet unknown, lifetime, and lifestyle differences will be studied. Students will use re-search insights and advances to influence policy on the health, wellness, economic status, and quality of life of all aging adults. Immersed in problem based learning and critical thinking, students will develop and apply knowledge from multiple disciplines to explore the event of aging, common illnesses, physiological problems, and the mental and social aspects involved in aging. Students will also explore how the health system engages with aging populations. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement.

BMAH Capstone Research 0.5sem
BMAH Research/Data Analysis (Capstone) is a STEM/BMAH Capstone course for seniors and is designed to support student exploration and research in an area of the student’s choosing. This may be a continuation of, extension of, and/or inspired by problems and/or projects explored via Problem Based Learning 3: Community Challenge and/or Internship experience. Students will be expected to write and submit a professional paper (White Paper), create and present a
Scientific Poster, and formally present their experience and/or findings. Students will develop project management skills as they apply to their year-long endeavor, with daily updates and modifications to their plan. In this interdisciplinary course, students will have the opportunity to receive mentoring from professional BMAH-ists, support from a BMAH teacher. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement.

### Public & International Health Pathway

**C15 | BMAH Public/Intern Health 1**  
BMAH Public & International Health 1 is an 11th grade BMAH Pathway 2 course for the Advanced Learner in the BMAH Magnet program. It is the first in a series of three courses in the Public and International Health Pathway. In this course, students will explore how the public health sector works to improve human health through the development and application of knowledge that prevents disease, protects the public from harm, and promotes health throughout the state, nation, and the world. Immersed in problem-based learning and critical thinking, students in this first of three one-semester courses, will develop and apply knowledge from multiple disciplines to explore the origins of public health, public health policies, the agencies involved in the public health sector, and local, national, and global issues with a focus on Nutrition and Social Behavior. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement.

**C16 | BMAH Public/Intern Health 2**  
BMAH Public & International Health 2 is an 11th grade BMAH Pathway 2 course for the Advanced Learner in the BMAH Magnet program. It is the second in a series of three courses in the Public and International Health Pathway. In this course, students will explore how the public health sector works to improve human health through the development and application of knowledge that prevents disease, protects the public from harm, and promotes health throughout the state, nation, and the world. Immersed in problem-based learning and critical thinking, students in this second of three one-semester courses, will develop and apply knowledge from multiple disciplines to explore the financial issues in health services and public health systems, explore the legal and ethical issues involving race, ethnicity, and poverty related to health disparities, evaluate the planning and marketing of health safety and preparedness in the public health sector regarding local, national, and global issues with a focus on Epidemics and Health Systems. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement.

**C20 | BMAH Capstone Research**  
BMAH Research/Data Analysis (Capstone) is a STEM/BMAH Capstone course for seniors and is designed to support student exploration and research in an area of the student’s choosing. This may be a continuation of, extension of, and/or inspired by problems and/or projects explored via Problem Based Learning 3: Community Challenge and/or Internship experience. Students will be expected to write and submit a professional paper (White Paper), create and present a Scientific Poster, and formally present their experience and/or findings. Students will develop project management skills as they apply to their year-long endeavor, with daily updates and modifications to their plan. In this interdisciplinary course, students will have the opportunity to receive mentoring from professional BMAH-ists, support from a BMAH teacher. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement.

### Health Information Technologies Pathway

**Q60 | Honors BMAH Health Information Systems**  
0.5sem  
This course is paired with Health Database Management to complete the BMAH Pathway 1-year course. Health Information Systems is a tool for collecting and processing vital data from multiple sources and is used to make policy and manage healthcare services. In this course, students will work in teams on analyzing the Health Information Systems that exist in developed versus developing countries. Students will use real world data available from such resources as the World Bank, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development—Health Statistics and the World Health Organization—Data and Statistics. Students will analyze the impact of Health Information Systems on a country’s educational, financial, and political status. Students will design and use database structures to produce data-based briefs, data-driven arguments and presentations related to targeted health issues.

**R64 | Honors Database Management (BMAH)**  
0.5sem  
In this course students will study how the health care industry, government organizations, and associated organizations use information technology to research and analyze healthcare patient data as well as local, regional, national, and international health data trends and patterns. Students will work in teams on real world healthcare issues, using multiple software programs to collect, collate, and analyze data. Databases from the World Health Organization (WHO), National Institutes of Health (NIH), Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD), and the United Nations International Children’s Emergency Fund (UNICEF) provide the rich healthcare datasets from which the students will do their project-based/problem-based work.

**M05 | Mathematics/Science Modeling (STEM)**  
0.5sem  
This is a one semester Pathway 2 course in the STEM Computer Science and Theoretical Applied Mathematics. This course provides an interactive environment for the study real world of problems through mathematical and scientific modeling. A model is a simple construct which unveils or describes important properties of a more complex system that a learner may want to understand more fully. Students learn about the nature and structure of scientific models, limitations of models, model strengths and weaknesses. Numerous technological modeling tools will be used to explore and study complex problems and challenges within an inquiry-based classroom setting. This course is paired with STEM Parallel Computing to round out the Pathway 2 experience and is intended for the Advanced Learner in the STEM Magnet Program.  
**Prerequisite(s):** AP Computer Science. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement.

**R01 | Parallel Computing (STEM)**  
0.5sem  
This is a one semester Pathway 2 course in the STEM Computer Science and Theoretical Applied Mathematics. This course will prepare students for increasingly popular large-scale computing that takes place in the real world, such as search engines, social networking sites, and scientific computational needs. Parallel computing has historically played a key role in addressing the performance demands of high-end engineering and scientific applications. It has now moved to center stage in light of current hardware trends and device power efficiency limits. All computer systems — embedded, game consoles, laptop, desktop, high-end supercomputers, and large-scale data center clusters — are being built using chips with an increasing number of processor cores, with little or no increase in clock speed per core. Unlike previous generations of hardware evolution, this shift will impact all segments of the IT industry
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Prerequisite(s): AP Computer Science. This course receives Advanced Weighting (the same as AP courses) because it has a prerequisite that is Advanced Placement.

**PLTW BioEngineering Pathway**

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<td>Honors Digital Electronics**</td>
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<td>This course is the third course of a pre-engineering complement course known as Project Lead the Way. In this course, students investigate topics in applied logic that encompasses the application of electronic circuits and devices. Computer simulation software is used to design and test digital circuits prior to the actual construction of circuits and devices.</td>
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<td>Honors Environmental Sustainability**</td>
<td>[FY] 0.5/sem</td>
<td>Students in this course investigate and design solutions in response to real-world challenges related to clean and abundant drinking water, food supply issues, and renewable energy. Applying their knowledge through hands-on activities and simulations, students research and design potential solutions to these true-to-life challenges.</td>
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<td>Honors Engineering Design &amp; Development (EDD)**</td>
<td>[FY] 0.5/sem</td>
<td>Students work in teams to research, design, and construct a solution to an open-ended engineering problem. Students apply principles developed in the four preceding courses and are guided by a community mentor. They must present progress reports, submit a final written report and defend their solutions to a panel of outside reviewers at the end of the school year.</td>
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**PLTW Biomedical Science Pathway**

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<td>Honors Principles of Biomedical Sciences (PBS)**</td>
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<td>This course introduces the biomedical sciences through exciting hands-on projects and problems. Student work involves the study of human medicine, research processes and an introduction to bioinformatics. Key biological concepts including homeostasis, metabolism, inheritance of traits, feedback systems, and defense against disease are embedded in the curriculum. Engineering principles including: the design process, feedback loops, fluid dynamics, and the relationship of structure to function are incorporated in the curriculum where appropriate.</td>
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<td>Biomedical Innovations (BI)**</td>
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<td>In the final course of the PLTW Biomedical Science sequence, students build on the knowledge and skills gained from previous courses to design innovative solutions for the most pressing health challenges of the 21st century. Students address topics ranging from public health and biomedical engineering to clinical medicine and physiology. They have the opportunity to work on an independent project with a mentor or advisor from a university, medical facility, or research institution.</td>
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Advanced Co-Curricular Programs

The Advanced Co-Curricular Programs Office at AACPS offers a broad range of learning experiences outside of the traditional classroom for all students. It is intended to complement, broaden, and provide practical application of knowledge students receive in regular classes and give students a chance to participate in activities they enjoy. Some involve outside organizations while others are maintained within the school.

Co-Curricular activities require students to think critically, solve problems, manage time, work as a team, and grow as individuals. https://www.aacps.org/cocurricular

Adjunct Programs
Adjunct programs augment the instructional program outside the regular school day. They provide an enriching complement to a student’s regular education experience. Anne Arundel County Public Schools is fortunate to have strong partnerships with organizations in the community that comprise unparalleled resources, including the Naval Academy, the National Security Agency, Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory (JHUAPL) and Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts. Here, you will find a brief description of after-school, weekend, or summer program options. Participation in these adjunct programs affords students the opportunity to enrich and extend their current program studies. Both student aptitude and interest should be considered when registering for these programs.

Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts
AACPS Scholarship Program
Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts in Annapolis offers after-school and Saturday courses in the creative and performing arts. Twenty percent of the enrollment each year is provided tuition-free to students of financial need from Anne Arundel County Public Schools. Sculpting, painting, jewelry design, classical ballet and acting are just some of the classes offered for ages five to seventeen. Scholarship applications and course offering booklets are distributed in schools for fall, winter/spring, and summer sessions. A course catalog with application form is available through the main office at each school or on-line at the Advanced Co-Curricular Programs Adjunct Web site (www.aacps.org/cocurricular). For further information, contact Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts directly at 410-263-5544 or visit their website.

www.marylandhall.org

MSDE Maryland Summer Center
The Maryland Summer Center Program, in partnership with public and nonpublic agencies, provides Maryland’s diverse gifted and talented population with advanced rigorous, experiential learning opportunities that nurture these students’ talents and abilities within unique learning environments. One to three weeks in duration, these residential or non-residential summer courses cover a wide range of interests from computer sciences to history, to fine arts to STEM.

For further information, contact the MSDE Summer Center at 410-767-4821 or log on to their website.

www.marylandpublicschools.org/summercenters

Destination ImagiNation®
Each year, five different Team Challenges are unveiled to more than 400,000 students worldwide. Teams of up to seven members select a challenge and spend several months perfecting their solutions. The culmination is a series of tournaments where teams demonstrate their unique solutions to teams of appraisers. Only teams who register with the Advanced Co-Curricular Programs Office are eligible for discounted team registration numbers.

https://www.destinationimagination.org/
Programs, Clubs, and Competitions

Co-curricular programs augment the instruction beyond the regular school day. Co-Curricular provides an enriching complement to a student’s regular educational experience. Participation in these programs, clubs, or competitions offer students the opportunities to enrich their current program of studies and interests. Contact your school to obtain specific information about offerings. For more information, visit the program’s website.

ACE Mentoring of Annapolis (ACE—Architecture Construction Management and Engineering)
ACE of Annapolis is part of the nationwide ACE Mentor program. Anne Arundel County high school students invest their time, talent, and beyond school time to work both fall and spring semesters on a collaborative real-world building design project that will be evaluated, scored, and awarded based on merits of design with skills and knowledge students have obtained from professional mentors within the construction industry. ACE of Annapolis consistently awards thousands of dollars in scholarships and countless hours of mentorship from professionals in architecture, construction management and engineering.

AVID Enrichment Club
In conjunction with the AVID Office, this club serves as an opportunity to apply skills and techniques learned in AVID courses. Enrichment options may be offered based upon student needs and availability.

Continental Math League (CML), Inc.
The Continental Math League invites students at all grade levels who have above average mental mathematical skills and reading skills. In the Pythagorean or Euclidean Divisions students in grades 4–9 will participate in increasingly difficult meets. Participation will demonstrate progress in the art of problem-solving and analytical reasoning capabilities. Books covering sample challenging math questions for each grade level and division are available online. www.continentalmathematicsleague.com

CyberPatriot
CyberPatriot is the National Youth Cyber Education Program created by the Air Force Association (AFA) to inspire K-12 students toward careers in cybersecurity or other STEM disciplines critical to our nation’s future.

At the center of CyberPatriot is the National Youth Cyber Defense Competition, which puts teams of high school and middle school students in the position of newly hired IT professionals tasked with managing the network of a small company. Through a series of online competition rounds, teams are given a set of virtual operating systems and are tasked with finding and fixing cybersecurity vulnerabilities while maintaining critical services.

Destination ImagiNation® Grades K–12
Each year, five Team Challenges are unveiled to an anxiously awaiting audience of more than 400,000 kids worldwide. The challenges are carefully concocted brainteasers that challenge kids by purposefully stimulating the different senses we use to learn. Teams of up to seven members choose one Team Challenge and spend several months perfecting their solutions. The culmination of the year is a series of Tournaments, where Teams demonstrate their unique solutions to teams of Appraisers. Only AACPS School’s teams who have registered their team(s) through the Advanced Co-Curricular Programs Office may request financial assistance for Global competitions. www.idodi.org

FBLA
Future Business Leaders of America–Phi Beta Lambda is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) education association with a quarter million students preparing for careers in business and business-related fields. Business teachers, advisors, and advisory councils (including school officials, businesspeople, and community representatives) guide local chapters. State advisors and committee members coordinate chapter activities for the national organization. FBLA National Awards Program recognizes and rewards excellence in a broad range of business and career-related areas. Through state-based competition at the spring State Leadership Conferences, students compete in events testing their business knowledge and skills. Top state winners then are eligible to compete for honors at the National Leadership Conference each summer. www.fbla-pbl.org

Integrated Arts or Fine Arts Club or STEM Club
Students participating in this enrichment club incorporate a variety of fine arts in their extension activity. They explore topics in a project-based, real-world application environment where elements of the visual arts, music, performing arts and dance may co-exist with current technology. STEM-based clubs must get approval from the STEM Coordinator at your school.

First Robotics
Using strict rules with limited time and resources, high school teams accept the challenge to build industrial-sized robots to play a difficult field game in alliance with other teams. Teams also fundraise to meet goals, design team “brand,” and advance respect for team building and STEM education within the local community. www.firstinspires.org

MD (National) History Day
Through the National History Day contest, students in grades 6–12 engage in discovery and interpretation of historical topics related to an annual theme. In the process, they hone their talents and produce creative and scholarly projects in the form of exhibits, documentaries, historical papers, performances, or web site. After a series of district and state contests, the program culminates with a national competition at the University of Maryland in College Park each June. www.nationalhistoryday.org
**MESA — Mathematics, Engineering, and Science Achievement**

Maryland MESA, sponsored by The Johns Hopkins Applied Research Laboratory, is a structured K–12 pre-college program designed to prepare students for academic and professional careers in mathematics, engineering, science, and technology. MESA is a competition-based club which focuses on under-represented groups. Students research, plan, create projects, and compete in activities ranging from engineering to computer programming to applied technology.  

https://secwww.jhuapl.edu/stem/mesa/

**Mock Trial**

Mock Trial is an activity in which students learn the principles of trial advocacy and then apply those principles as they try a fictitious case. Involvement in Mock Trial fosters increased self-confidence, improved analytical and speaking skills, and the ability to work well with others. Students participating in Mock Trial learn how to conduct a trial from start to finish. They are trained in how to plan, draft, and present opening statements, direct examinations, cross examinations and closing arguments. Mock Trial also teaches students how to argue objections intelligently, as well as how to handle various courtroom procedures like entering an exhibit into evidence and impeaching a witness. Aside from the technical aspects of trial advocacy, students learn how to think creatively when dealing with matters of trial strategy.  

www.collegemocktrial.org

**Model United Nations**

Model United Nations is a simulation of the UN General Assembly and other multilateral bodies. In Model UN, students step into the shoes of ambassadors from UN member states to debate current issues on the organization’s agenda. While playing their roles as ambassadors, student “delegates” make speeches, prepare draft resolutions, negotiate with allies and adversaries, resolve conflicts, and navigate the Model UN conference rules of procedure — all in the interest of mobilizing “international cooperation” to resolve problems that affect countries all over the world. By researching, Model UN participants learn how the international community acts on its concerns about topics including peace and security, human rights, the environment, food, and hunger, economic development, and globalization. Model UN delegates also look closely at the needs, goals, and foreign policies of the countries they will represent at the event. The insights they gain from their exploration of history, geography, culture, economics, and science contribute to the authenticity of the simulation when the role playing gets under way.  

www.unausa.org

**National ProStart Invitational®**

The National ProStart Invitational® is the country’s premier secondary school competition focused on restaurant management and culinary arts. Top ProStart® students from across the globe compete in the event. Talented students showcase their passion and skills in front of nearly 1,000 friends and family, educators, and industry leaders. Annually, 350 student competitors put their skills to the test in front of industry leaders, NRAEF Trustees, state restaurant associations, and family and friends - all with hopes of earning a coveted scholarship from one of the nation’s premier culinary and restaurant management programs.  

The National ProStart Invitational is composed of two distinct competitions—management and culinary—that showcase the most important skills needed on either side of the restaurant and foodservice industry:  

Management teams develop a proposal for the next promising restaurant concept and present it to a panel of industry judges. Next, their problem-solving skills are tested as they quickly solve challenges faced by managers daily.  

The culinary competition highlights each team’s creative abilities through the preparation of a three-course meal in 60 minutes, using only two butane burners, and without access to running water or electricity. There is no room for error as they are evaluated on taste, skill, teamwork, safety, and sanitation.  

www.nraef.org/ProStart/Invitational

**Robotics Club or FIRST LEGO League**

The FIRST LEGO League (FLL) is a global program created to introduce students (ages 9–14, up to 16 outside of the U.S. and Canada), to science, technology, and engineering. Students use elements such as sensors, motors, and gears to gain hands-on experience in engineering and computer programming principles as they construct and program their unique robot inventions. The cornerstones of the program are its core values, which emphasize contributions of others, friendly sportsmanship, learning, and community involvement to share their experiences and receive recognition for their efforts.  

www.firstlegoleague.org

**Science and Engineering Expo**

The high school science program gives students the opportunity to do independent or team research in science. Every student enrolled in a high school science course is expected to participate in science research as part of the curriculum experience. As a showcase of that research, students may compete in school and then district based Science and Engineering Expos. Students are encouraged to think beyond the traditional three-fold display board and consider exhibiting their projects with PowerPoints, videos, posters, and prototypes. Students can enter research as individuals or as a team of two or three students. Research categories are:  

• Animal Science  
• Behavioral & Social Sciences  
• Biochemistry  
• Biomedical Engineering  
• Chemistry  
• Earth and Astronomy  
• Energy: Chemical  
• Energy: Physical  
• Engineering Mechanics  
• Environmental Science  
• Health Sciences  
• Intelligent Machines/Robotics  
• Mathematics  
• Medical Sciences  
• Microbiology  
• Physics  
• Plant Sciences  
• Sustainable Design  
• Systems Software

**SEAPerch—Underwater Robotics**

This engineering design course focuses on design, development, and building of an underwater remotely operated vehicle (ROV). Students will learn the principles of engineering in a fun-filled project-based club environment. Sea Perch Underwater Robotics Competitions will be held locally, regionally, and nationally.

**Signature-Based Co-Curricular Clubs**

Each of the 12 AACPS high schools has its unique Signature Program. In order to enrich its Signature curriculum area, schools have developed various opportunities for students to enhance the study of their unique programs. For activities specific to your high school, check with the designated signature support person at the high school or contact the AACPS Signature Office.
SkillsUSA
SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers, and industry representatives working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce that helps each student to excel. SkillsUSA is a national organization serving teachers and high school and college students who are preparing for careers in technical, skilled, and service occupations. SkillsUSA programs include local, state, and national competitions in which students demonstrate occupational and leadership skills. At the annual national-level SkillsUSA Championships, more than 6,000 students compete in 100 occupational and leadership skill areas. SkillsUSA programs also help to establish industry standards for job skill training in the lab and classroom and promote community service. SkillsUSA is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and is cited as a “successful model of employer-driven youth development training program” by the U.S. Department of Labor.

www.skillsusa.org

Stock Market Club / Invest Write (offered through SIFMA)
The Stock Market Game gives students the chance to invest a hypothetical $100,000 in a real-time portfolio. As students buy and sell investments in their fantasy portfolios, they make practical use of cross-curricular skills and knowledge in areas such as math, history, civics, and language skills. They learn economic concepts in context, such as the value of investing and saving for the future. AACPS School teams are requested to alert the Co-Curricular Advanced Programs Office of their participation. Several teachers have requested substitute time to attend year end awards ceremonies with their winning teams. Materials, resources, and registration are available online. Invest Write is an extended offering of SMG that allows students to elaborate on the learning they achieve from Stock Market Game and apply it to research to explain stock decisions that have been made during the Game.

www.smgww.org

Technology Student Association (TSA)
The Technology Student Association (TSA) is a national organization of students engaged in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). TSA is supported by educators, parents, and business leaders who believe in the need for a technologically literate society. Members learn through exciting competitive events, leadership opportunities and much more. The diversity of activities makes TSA a positive experience for every student. From engineers to business managers, our alumni credit TSA with a positive influence on their lives. All TSA competitions are correlated with national science, technology, engineering, and mathematics standards. Expert judging by technology educators and industry representatives inspires the best from participants. Competitions take place at the local, state, regional, and national level. A component of leadership is often entailed in events at both levels, with some events being devoted to leadership (such as the Leadership Challenge).

www.tasweb.org

VEX 5 Robotics
V5 electronics are approachable, flexible, and powerful, using state of the art technology to ensure relevant outcomes. Vex 5 includes versatile elements that makes engineering approachable for novice users, while still providing experienced users with endless design possibilities. Vex allows students to hone critical computational thinking.

Vexrobotics.com/v5
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