



Electives

Advocacy 7 **14007**

Department: Electives **Grade Level:** 07 **Credits:** 0.0 **Max Credits:** 0.0

This course is designed to provide students with personalized academic guidance. Students will learn study skills that can be applied across disciplines and will receive basic academic guidance each year from their assigned advocacy teacher. This course is Pass/No Pass.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned

Advocacy 8 **14008**

Department: Electives **Grade Level:** 08 **Credits:** 0.0 **Max Credits:** 0.0

This course is designed to provide students with personalized academic guidance. Students will learn study skills that can be applied across disciplines and will receive basic academic guidance each year from their assigned advocacy teacher. This course is Pass/No Pass.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned

AVID 7 **09007**

Department: Electives **Grade Level:** 07 **Credits:** 10.0 **Max Credits:** 10.0

Students enrolled in AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) will receive academic and social support to assist them with preparing for college and career. Students will be taught skills and behaviors for academic success and will be provided with intensive support with tutorials and strong student/teacher relationships.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned

AVID 8 **09008**

Department: Electives **Grade Level:** 08 **Credits:** 10.0 **Max Credits:** 10.0

Students enrolled in AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) will receive academic and social support to assist them with preparing for college and career. Students will be taught skills and behaviors for academic success and will be provided with intensive support with tutorials and strong student/teacher relationships.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned

Bridge 7 ELA/Math 7 **07745**

Department: Electives **Grade Level:** 07 **Credits:** 5.0 **Max Credits:** 10.0

This course is designed to provide literacy and mathematical enrichment and support to students enrolled in 7th grade English/Language Arts and 7th Grade Math . This Bridge course ensures that students have year-long support and recursive instruction in both content areas.

Adopted curricular materials: Study Sync (digital access only)/Imagine IM: il classroom or ALEKS (digital)

Bridge 7 ELA/Math 7 Accelerated **07747**

Department: Electives **Grade Level:** 07 **Credits:** 5.0 **Max Credits:** 10.0

This course is designed to provide literacy and mathematical enrichment and support to students enrolled in 7th grade English/Language Arts and 7th grade Math Accelerated. Since the Accelerated Math course includes mastering the concepts, skills, and reasoning strategies in both the 7th and 8th grade standards to prepare them for success in Mathematics I, the Bridge course ensures that students have year-long support and recursive instruction.

Adopted curricular materials: Study Sync (ELA digital access only); Imagine IM: il classroom or ALEKS (digital)



Introduction to Astronomy

07773

Department: Electives

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 5.0

Max Credits: 5.0

This introductory astronomy course offers the student an opportunity to explore the basics of celestial bodies and phenomena, such as planets, moons, stars, nebulae, galaxies, and comets. This course includes career exploration in space sciences, in addition to presenting current topics in this quickly changing field. Additional enhancement topics covered are: Space Travel, History of NASA, Hubble & James Webb Space Telescopes, International Space Station, LIGO & current gravity research.

Adopted curricular materials: None

Media Literacy

07756

Department: Electives

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 5.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course is designed to help students develop an informed and critical understanding of the nature of mass media, as both information and entertainment, and their social, cultural and political implications. This course introduces students to the complexities of media literacy and methods of critical writing.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned

Public Speaking

07758

Department: Electives

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 5.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course is designed for students who would like to gain more poise and confidence in communication skills. Course content may include individual speeches such as argument, informational, personal narrative, and dramatic recitations. Both content (focus & substance, organization & development, and language) and delivery (voice, eye contact, and presence) will be addressed. A significant course goal is to help prepare students for the speech proficiency graduation requirement in high school.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned

Robotics, Introduction to

07777

Department: Electives

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 5.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course introduces students to basic programming as well as problem-solving strategies. Students will develop, build, and program simple robots. Students will build strong interpersonal skills through teamwork and project-based learning.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned

Student Assistant

07711

Department: Electives

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 5.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course introduces students to the various tasks associated with assisting a teacher with various tasks or school office personnel with the day-to-day operations of the school office. Under the supervision of school personnel, students will learn a wide range of practices to support classroom teachers or general office practices and functions to assist the school that may include answering phones, operating equipment, assisting with new student orientation, and giving campus tours. Student Assistants may be assigned to teachers, counselors, librarians, or office staff with providing vital service to the school campus. An application process may be required for enrollment in this course. Check with your school counselor to inquire about requirements.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned



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Student Leadership II

07723

Department: Electives

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 5.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course is designed for students interested in school leadership and school government. Students may plan and lead activities such as field trips, assemblies, dances, school rallies, spirit days, lunch-time activities, and student recognition programs. Students may implement a budget that meets school goals and carry out school wide fundraisers to support the many programs for students at the school. Students also promote school spirit and develop leadership skills. Students enrolled in this course may be asked to attend school early or stay after from time-to-time to support school activities. An application process may be required for enrollment in this course. Students must maintain a 2.0 GPA with no "F's" or "U's" in citizenship in order to remain enrolled in Leadership. This course is Pass/No Pass.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned.

Yearbook

02636

Department: Electives

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 20.0

Yearbook is an elective course designed to teach students the fundamental principles used to prepare, create, proof, and distribute a middle school yearbook while participating in leadership roles and activities. Key skills for creating the yearbook include layout and design, photography, interviewing, and writing with clear purpose and audience in mind. Yearbook can be both a fun and exciting experience in which students realize their creative potential.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned



English

Academic Writing for Success

02709

Department: English

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This English elective course is designed to build language, improve literacy skills, and expand content knowledge for Long-Term English Learners (LTEL) and struggling Redesignated English learner students. The areas of emphasis are language development, academic vocabulary acquisition, and the development of written skills. Thematic units ensure that students make connections to science, math, and social studies core content areas. Instruction includes student-centered activities that are culturally and linguistically responsive while simultaneously teaching students effective reading strategies. Students engage in lessons with culminating writing and oral projects for teaching listening, speaking, reading, and writing required to equip today's English Learner with communicative confidence.

Pre-requisite(s): Placement by site's EL team

Adopted curricular materials: English 3D Course B, Volume 1

EL English Intensive, MS Course I

02702

Department: English

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course provides English Learners with fundamental skills in reading, writing, speaking, and listening via a rigorous and rich academic curriculum that begins to move students to grade-level performance. Students who begin in this course need sequential work in phonemic awareness, phonics, decoding and spelling as well as foundational work in reading comprehension, vocabulary, language, and writing. This course builds language and literacy proficiency with robust instruction, accessible instructional level text, close reading of grade level text, and multiple short and in-depth integrated reading and writing opportunities.

Pre-requisite(s): Initial identification should be determined by multiple measures (CELDT, CST, SBAC, MYPAS, primary language proficiency, etc.); however, the program placement assessment should be used to determine specific course placement.

Adopted Curricular Materials: Get Ready! by Vista Higher Learning

EL English Intensive, MS Course II

02703

Department: English

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course provides English Learners with the next level of skills in reading, writing, speaking, and listening via a rigorous and rich academic curriculum that continues to move students to grade-level performance. While students who begin in this course have more language proficiency, they need intensive work to build academic vocabulary and language, build fluency with more complex texts, and develop skill in comprehension, literary analysis, and writing. This course builds language and literacy proficiency with robust instruction, accessible instructional level text, close reading of grade level text, and multiple short and in-depth integrated reading and writing opportunities.

Prerequisite: Initial identification should be determined by multiple measures (CELDT, CST, SBAC, MYPAS, primary language proficiency, etc.); however, the program placement assessment should be used to determine specific course placement.

Adopted Curricular Materials: Get Ready! by Vista Higher Learning



EL English Intensive, MS Course III

02704

Department: English

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course provides English Learners with the next level of skills in reading, writing, speaking, and listening via a rigorous and rich academic curriculum that continues to move students to grade-level performance. While students who begin in this course have more language proficiency, they need intensive work to build academic vocabulary and language, build fluency with more complex texts, and develop skill in comprehension, literary analysis, and writing. This course builds language and literacy proficiency with robust instruction, accessible instructional level text, close reading of grade level text, and multiple short and in-depth integrated reading and writing opportunities. This course meets CSU and UC a-g requirements if it is the first high school intensive English course taken by a student.

Adopted Curricular Materials: Bridges (A), Vista Higher Learning

EL English Intensive, MS Course IV

02705

Department: English

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course provides English Learners with the next level of skills in reading, writing, speaking, and listening via a rigorous and rich academic curriculum that continues to move students to grade-level performance. While students who begin in this course have more language proficiency, they need intensive work to build academic vocabulary and language, build fluency with more complex texts, and develop skill in comprehension, literary analysis, and writing. This course builds language and literacy proficiency with robust instruction, accessible instructional level text, close reading of grade level text, and multiple short and in-depth integrated reading and writing opportunities.

Prerequisite: Initial identification should be determined by multiple measures (CELDT, CST, SBAC, MYPAS, primary language proficiency, etc.); however, the program placement assessment should be used to determine specific course placement.

Adopted Curricular Materials: Bridges (A), Vista Higher Learning

English Language Design STUDIO

02707

Department: English

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 20.0

This English elective course is designed to build language, improve literacy skills, and expand content knowledge for Long-Term English Learners (LTEL) and struggling Redesignated English learner students. The areas of emphasis are language development, academic vocabulary acquisition, and the development of written skills. This designated ELD course will prepare students for careers in the field of coding through the integration of English skills and core academic content. Students will also learn the professional norms, skills, and competencies related to careers in coding. Students will develop a deeper understanding of the English Language through studying how English works and applying learned English skills to daily learning. Students will develop critical thinking, collaboration, and problem-solving skills through the application and integration of academic and technical specific skills.

Pre-requisite(s): Required placement by site's EL team.

Adopted Curricular Materials: Reader for English Language Design Studio



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Health

Healthy Life Skills 7-8

15050

Department: Health

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 5.0

Max Credits: 5.0

This course is designed to introduce students to the components of health education and healthy living. The skills learned in this class will be a foundation for future careers in the health sciences and will prepare students for many other life experiences. The following concepts will be explored: Nutrition, Mental health, Physical health/fitness, First aid, Viruses/illness, Disease prevention, Foodborne illness, Drugs and alcohol, Healthy relationships, and Health careers.

Adopted curricular materials: Glencoe Teen Health - Course 2 (California Edition), Glencoe/McGraw-Hill



Mathematics

Mathematics 7

03511

Department: Mathematics

Grade Level: 07

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course focuses on four critical areas: (1) developing understanding of and applying proportional relationships, including percentages; (2) developing understanding of operations with rational numbers and working with expressions and linear equations; (3) solving problems involving scale drawings and informal geometric constructions and working with two- and three-dimensional shapes to solve problems involving area, surface area, and volume; and (4) drawing inferences about populations based on samples.

Adopted curricular materials: Imagine IM, Grade 7, Imagine Learning and ALEKS

Mathematics 7 Accelerated

03513

Department: Mathematics

Grade Level: 07

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course is an accelerated math course for the student who not only is advanced in the math skills and understanding, but who can move through the math standards at a faster pace. The CA framework suggests this "compacted" pathway in which the standards from grade seven, grade eight, and the Mathematics I course be compressed into an accelerated pathway. Students will complete all 7th grade standards and the first half of the 8th grade standards. This course leads to the completion of high school Mathematics I by the end of 8th grade, but does not skip any grade-level standards along the way.

Adopted curricular materials: Imagine IM Grade 7, Imagine IM Grade 8, ALEKS (digital on-line curriculum)

Mathematics 8

03514

Department: Mathematics

Grade Level: 08

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course focuses on three critical areas: (1) formulating and reasoning about expressions and equations, including modeling an association in bivariate data with a linear equation, and solving linear equations and systems of linear equations; (2) grasping the concept of a function and using functions to describe quantitative relationships; (3) analyzing two- and three-dimensional space and figures using distance, angle, similarity, and congruence and understanding and applying the Pythagorean Theorem.

Adopted curricular materials: Imagine IM, Grade 8 or ALEKS (digital curriculum)

Mathematics I

03015

Department: Mathematics

Grade Level: 08-12

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 10.0

Graduation Requirement: Mathematics I

UC/CSU: Mathematics I (c)

NCAA: Yes

This course is the first course in a series of three that uses an integrated approach to cover the following domains: Number and Quantity, Algebra, Functions, Geometry, and Statistics and Probability. The problem situations, models, and technology used will foster connections to the eight standards of mathematical practice, which develop concepts from multiple perspectives.

Mathematics I topics focus on the interconnectedness of function elements, tables, graphs, and equations; comparison and contrast and decision-making using Algebraic models; proving Geometric theorems about two-dimensional figures; and modeling using mathematical probability. Technology will be used to introduce and expand upon all areas of focus

Pre-requisite for students taking Mathematics I in Grade 8: Mathematics 7 Accelerated with a grade of C or better

Adopted curricular materials: Reveal Math Integrated I, McGraw Hill or ALEKS (digital curriculum)



Physical Education

Physical Education 7

08000

Department: Physical Education

Grade Level: 07

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course is the study and practice of the science and art of human movement. Through physical education, individuals demonstrate the knowledge and ability to perform motor skills and movement patterns for everyday life. Students will assess and maintain physical fitness to improve health and performance through vigorous activities while demonstrating knowledge of fitness concepts, principles, and strategies. Students will utilize knowledge of psychological and sociological concepts, principles, and strategies throughout physical activity. The 7th-grade activities and sports may include fitness training, cooperative activities, net games, invasion games, target games, track and field skills, and multi-cultural dance.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned

Physical Education 8

08010

Department: Physical Education

Grade Level: 08

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course is the study and practice of the science and art of human movement. Through physical education, individuals demonstrate the knowledge and ability to perform motor skills and movement patterns for everyday life. Students will assess and maintain physical fitness to improve health and performance through vigorous activities while demonstrating knowledge of fitness concepts, principles, and strategies. Students will utilize knowledge of psychological and sociological concepts, principles, and strategies throughout physical activity. The 8th-grade activities and sports may include volleyball, flag football, team handball, soccer, basketball, square dance, gymnastics/tumbling, fitness training, cooperative activities, and striking and fielding games.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned



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Science

Science 7

04010

Department: Science

Grade Level: 07

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course engages students in science and engineering practices through exploration of phenomena, hands-on laboratory activities, problem-solving situations, open-ended investigations, and cooperative/collaborative work. The course emphasis is on the life sciences, and topics may include structures and processes, ecosystems, heredity, and biological evolution. A unit on comprehensive sexual health is also included as part of the curriculum.

Adopted curricular materials: STEMscopes CA-NGSS-3D, Grade 7 Life Science

Science 8

04020

Department: Science

Grade Level: 08

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course builds on the science and engineering practices explored in earlier grades. The course emphasis is on the physical sciences, and topics may include matter and its interactions, motion and stability, energy, and waves and their applications.

Adopted curricular materials: STEMscopes CA-NGSS-3D, Grade 8 Physical Science



Visual/Performing Arts

Art I **06516**

Department: Visual/Performing Arts **Grade Level:** 07-08 **Credits:** 5.0 **Max Credits:** 10.0

This course introduces students to the basic elements and principles of art. The students will experience many of the following two-dimensional media and techniques: paint (watercolor, tempera, and acrylic), oil and chalk pastels, pen and ink, linoleum printing, silk screening, cartooning, and calligraphy. Students will create three-dimensional projects using some of the following materials: clay, paper, wood, leather, glass, enamel, plastic, and metal.

Adopted curricular materials: Exploring Visual Design, Davis Publishing

Art II **06517**

Department: Visual/Performing Arts **Grade Level:** 08 **Credits:** 10.0 **Max Credits:** 10.0

This course exposes students to art through hands-on creation using a variety of media and artistic techniques. Graphite pencil, charcoal pencil, watercolors and tempera paint are just a few of the art media that will be explored. The Elements of Art and Principles of Design will be examined through discussion, activities, and the exploration of historical works. The class will consist of projects, warm-ups, technical exercises, critiques and final exams.

Adopted curricular material: No textbook assigned

Band I **06531**

Department: Visual/Performing Arts **Grade Level:** 07-08 **Credits:** 10.0 **Max Credits:** 10.0

In this course, students will learn to play a musical instrument. The student is able to choose which instrument he or she will play. Students also learn necessary musical concepts in order to graduate to Band II and/or Jazz Band I. Some school instruments are available for check out to students free of charge.

Adopted curricular materials: Tradition of Excellence: Comprehensive Band Method, Book 1, Kjos Music Press for Band

Band II **06532**

Department: Visual/Performing Arts **Grade Level:** 07-08 **Credits:** 10.0 **Max Credits:** 10.0

This course is designed for seventh and eighth grade students with at least one full year of band experience. This class is designed for the serious music student who wants to learn the fundamentals of playing an instrument and interested in developing good musicianship skills. Practice at home and attendance at concerts are required. Note: Parent participation to provide transportation for field trips and to competitions is highly encouraged. Enrollment by teacher request.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned.

Ceramics I **06111**

Department: Visual/Performing Arts **Grade Level:** 07-08 **Credits:** 5.0 **Max Credits:** 10.0

This course introduces students to ceramics and sculpture. Students will develop artistic skills and explore creative expressions through 3-dimensional art using clay and learning the coil, pinch pot and slab techniques. In addition, students will receive knowledge on the elements and the principles of design and the Design Thinking process.

Adopted curricular material: No textbook assigned

Ceramics II **06121**

Department: Visual/Performing Arts **Grade Level:** 07-08 **Credits:** 5.0 **Max Credits:** 10.0

This course offers students an opportunity to explore sculpture further using a variety of medium. Students will develop artistic skills and explore creative expressions through 3-dimensional art, using clay, as well as other medium (i.e., wire, paper, etc.). In addition, students will learn the elements and principles of design and the Design Thinking process.

Adopted curricular material: No textbook assigned



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Chamber Orchestra, Middle School

06583

Department: Visual/Performing Arts

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 10.0

Max Credits: 20.0

This course is an introduction to learning how to play in a chamber orchestra and learning how to play stringed instruments (such as violin, viola, cello, bass or classical piano). This is a performance course and students will get to perform for their peers as well as other audiences each term.

Adopted Curricular Materials: None

Theatre Arts I

06521

Department: Visual/Performing Arts

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 5.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course is designed for students who are interested in developing their acting skills, as well as for those who want to build confidence before an audience. Theatre games help students learn to work with each other and practice specific skills, such as the use of their voices, focus, body movement, and characterization. Students will learn about other aspects of a theatrical production such as stage make up, costuming, set designs, lighting, sound, and production.

Adopted curricular materials: No textbook assigned

Theatre Arts/Drama

06520

Department: Visual/Performing Arts

Grade Level: 07-08

Credits: 5.0

Max Credits: 10.0

This course is designed for students who are interested in developing their acting skills, as well as for those who simply want to build confidence before an audience. Theater games help students learn to work with each other and practice specific skills such as the use of their voices, focus, body movement, and characterization. Students will gain experience in improvisation, pantomime, readers' theater, skits, short scenes, and plays before an audience.

Adopted curricular materials: Exploring Theatre, McGraw Hill