



# South Haven High School

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## 2020-2021 Curriculum Guide

Academic Information and Course Descriptions

Actual course offerings will be determined by student interest and teacher availability.

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**Daily Schedule  
 South Haven High School**

	<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>
0 Hour	6:40 AM	7:25 AM
1st Hour	7:30 AM	8:25 AM
2nd Hour	8:30 AM	9:25 AM
3rd Hour	9:30 AM	10:25 AM
RAM	10:30 AM	10:55 AM
4A - Lunch	10:55 AM	11:20 AM
4A - Class	11:25 AM	12:20 PM
OR		
4B - Class	11:00 AM	11:55 AM
4B - Lunch	11:55 AM	12:20 PM
5th Hour	12:25 PM	1:20 PM
6th Hour	1:25 PM	2:19 PM

Dear Parents and Students:

**Welcome to South Haven High School!**

This booklet is intended to serve as a curriculum description guide and to provide both the student and parent with necessary information concerning career planning, course selection, and how to meet graduation requirements. Careful planning by the student and parent, coupled with knowledgeable direction of experienced teachers and counselors has a positive effect upon academic success. It is the goal of the faculty and administration of South Haven High School that each student will receive a quality education to help prepare him/her for his or her future. Students have the opportunity to take classes that are meaningful, varied and satisfying to the individual and her/his career goals. We are confident that the variety of courses available to our students will provide them with the opportunity to establish a challenging educational plan. Please take your time to make quality educational decisions.

Sincerely,  
 Ryan Williamson, Principal



## Our Mission:

To offer our students innovative learning opportunities that engage, ignite and challenge them and to support our students in taking control of their own futures through service, citizenship, scholarship, and personal responsibility.

## Our Achievements:

### Outstanding Academics

- M-STEP Scores above state and national averages
- Honors and college courses on campus
- Above-average acceptance rates at selective colleges
- Participation in direct credit and dual enrollment classes

### Superior Fine Arts

- Award-winning Band, Choir and Orchestra programs
- State, National and International recognition of quality
- Local, Regional, State and National Awards won by South Haven High School Art and Industrial Art students

### Leader in Technology

- Excellent student-to-computer ratio, all students have access to computers
- Technology in classrooms, labs and media center.
- Technology integrated into the learning process

### Safe, Positive Environment

- Strong programs and personnel to maintain a safe school and positive learning environment
- Numerous clubs and activities
- Diverse student population with quality relationships

### Comprehensive Athletic Program

- Adequate facilities along with strength-training programs
- Twenty-one sports; thirty-eight different teams: opportunities for everyone
- Competitive schedule; numerous state qualifiers

South Haven Public Schools shall not discriminate in its policies and practices with respect to compensation, terms or conditions of employment because of an individual's race, color, national origin, gender, age, weight, marital status, political belief, sexual orientation, or handicap/disability. The district reaffirms its policy of compliance with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination.

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## Scheduling

All students will be scheduled into 1) courses needed to meet graduation requirements, 2) academic support courses, if appropriate, and 3) elective courses. When selecting courses for the next year, core courses, district required courses, and academic support classes, if appropriate, have priority over other elective courses (including band, orchestra, and choir.) As the students approach their graduation date, courses required for graduation will have the highest priority for scheduling. Students may be assigned to Honors and/or Advance Placement courses based on specific guidelines (see honors class criteria page 10). All students will have an opportunity to request elective courses into which they would like to be scheduled. Every effort is made to meet these requests. The final determination of which courses will be scheduled is based upon ALL students' interests. The district will set the guidelines for making this determination based upon student interest, staffing and financial feasibility. This may mean that students may not get their first choice elective class. All students are expected to have a full schedule and are expected to complete a full-year course in sequence within the school year. Once students have been informed of their schedules, there will be an opportunity to request a schedule change before the opening of school. Generally, schedule changes will not be made for a course that was originally requested by the student. Schedule changes are made for academic reasons only and the following guidelines apply:

1. Students may not drop a course to have a "free" hour
2. Students are expected to challenge themselves academically
3. A course required to stay on track for graduation cannot be dropped
4. A failed course required for graduation must be made up
5. The same course cannot be retaken for additional credit, but may be retaken to replace the existing grade
6. A schedule should be balanced between academic and non-academic (elective) courses
7. Courses need to be consistent with student's current IEP
8. Courses need to be consistent with language learner's needs
9. Academic support classes will be scheduled as needed

Once the window for changes has closed, students are expected to follow the schedule provided. Under RARE and extenuating circumstances, a schedule may be changed within the first two weeks of the semester. (Earning a lower grade than expected or the effect of a grade on the student's GPA is not considered an

extenuating circumstance.) Students will be assigned a grade each semester for any course in which they are scheduled. Final grades are assigned at the end of a semester and will appear on the transcript.

## Michigan Merit Curriculum

To prepare Michigan's students with the knowledge and skills needed for college and the workplace in the 21st Century, the State of Michigan has enacted a rigorous set of statewide graduation requirements that are among the best in the nation.

The Michigan Merit Curriculum is aligned with developing Michigan High School Content Expectations (HSCE). These course/credit content guidelines outline what students should know and be able to do for each credit required in the Michigan Merit Curriculum.

([www.michigan.gov/highschool](http://www.michigan.gov/highschool)) In extreme cases a personal curriculum may be necessary to complete the MMC.

### Michigan Merit Curriculum Requirements

#### MATHEMATICS - 4 Credits

Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry, and One math course in the final year of high school

#### ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA) - 4 Credits

English Language Arts 9, 10, 11, 12

#### SCIENCE - 3 Credits

Biology, Chemistry or Physics, and One Additional Science Course

#### SOCIAL STUDIES - 3 Credits

World History & Geography, US History & Geography, Civics (.5 Credit) and Economics (.5 Credit)

#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION & HEALTH - 1 Credit

#### VISUAL, PERFORMING, & APPLIED ARTS - 1 Credit

#### ONLINE LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Students may achieve this requirement by taking an online course, participating in structured online learning activities, or participating in online experiences integrated into required Michigan Merit Curriculum courses.

#### WORLD LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH - 2 Credits

Complete in Grades 9-12; or equivalent learning experience in grades K-12

#### TOTAL MICHIGAN MERIT CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS - 18 Credits



classes

## General Information

### Advanced Placement (AP)

Advanced Placement courses are college level courses offered at the high school. These courses are approved by the College Board. Students who participate in the AP program gain college level skills and have the opportunity to earn college credit based upon their score on the student paid AP Exam given in the spring. (The amount of credit and the score needed vary by college.) AP courses are taught by trained high school teachers who follow course guidelines developed and published by the College Board. AP courses are available to all students who have successfully completed the prerequisite for the course. Students taking AP courses should be motivated and open to being challenged. It is an opportunity to prepare for college while still in a high school setting.

### Board of Education Awards Recognition of Academic Excellence

Board of Education Academic Awards are presented to all sophomore, junior and senior students receiving a 3.200 or higher cumulative grade point average. Each student must have been graded in at least four (4) hours of classes each marking period to be eligible for this award.

### Changing Classes

Schedule changes will only be allowed during designated times prior to the start of the school year. Students may not request schedule changes after the start of school. Dropping a class after two weeks will result in an "F" in that class for the semester.

### Competency Testing/Testing-Out

Michigan law requires high schools to allow students to test out of courses by exhibiting mastery on the final exam.

#### Testing Out Dates:

- **May 5-6, 2020**
- **January 12-13, 2021**
- **May 4-5, 2021**

#### Required Guidelines for taking Competency Tests:

- Parent permission must be obtained by each student under 18 requesting competency tests
- A course syllabus and the textbook may be made available to the student at request from the course teacher.
- For the purpose of testing-out, **"passing" is defined as obtaining a 77% or higher**. The transcript will list the course as passed (no grade or honor points toward the grade point average will be given). Further designation will be given that the "pass" was earned through competency testing.
- The student must still meet the required 22 units of credit for graduation.
- A student is not penalized for failing the competency exam.
- A student can reapply to take the competency test again at the next testing-out/competency test period or take the course.

### Course Credit

One-half (½) credit equals one (1) semester of work successfully completed. One (1) credit equals two (2) semesters of work successfully completed.

### Credits for Classification

There will be a new classification system for students. Instead of automatically moving up a grade each year, students have to earn a set amount of credits to be promoted to the next grade level. The requirements are listed below:

<b>Sophomore:</b>	successfully completed 5 or more credits of course work and 1 year of high school
<b>Junior:</b>	successfully completed 10 or more credits of course work and 2 years of high school
<b>Senior:</b>	successfully completed 16 or more credits of course work and 3 years of high school

### Educational Development Plan (EDP)

All students in grades 7-12 are required to have an Educational Development Plan (EDP), which is initially created in the 7th grade, and updated throughout high school by the student. The EDP is a plan of action that allows students to identify and record career goals, as well as personal and academic assessment results, and extracurricular activities. This plan is available online and allows students to create a four-year plan that will meet and follow the student's selected Career Pathway. Revisions of the EDP shall be made upon request of the student or parent/guardian. Students in SHPS will use an online application, such as Xello, which is an interactive, comprehensive career guidance resource-based reference that provides career search tools, multimedia interviews with people in certain careers, labor market information regarding various careers, college, and university information. The online resource allows students to find careers that match their interests in terms of school subjects, education level, income, working conditions and other important factors. Once a student has signed up for this, students and parents may access this from home.

## Grading Scale

A semester (final) grade will be determined on a 40-40-20 basis, with each 9-week quarter grade constituting 40 percent and the final exam constituting 20 percent. Points are earned based on the grade earned and the type of class:

**Regular Class**- all general education and electives

**Honors/LMC Class**- Algebra 2, Biology, Chemistry, English, Geometry, Physics, Pre-Calculus, Fundamentals of Organic Chemistry or any class taken through Lake Michigan College for both high school/college credit

**AP Class**- Calculus, Chemistry, Spanish and U.S. History.

Grade	Percentages	Regular	Honors /LMC	AP
A	92.5-100%	4.0	4.5	5.0
A-	89.5-92.4%	3.667	4.125	4.584
B+	86.5-89.4%	3.333	3.75	4.166
B	82.5-86.4%	3.0	3.375	3.75
B-	79.5-82.4%	2.667	3.0	3.334
C+	76.5-79.4%	2.333	2.652	2.916
C	72.5-76.4%	2.0	2.25	2.5
C-	69.5-72.4%	1.667	1.875	2.084
D+	66.5-69.4%	1.333	1.5	1.666
D	62.5-66.4%	1.0	1.125	1.25
D-	59.5-62.4%	0.667	0.75	0.834
F	0-59.4%	0	0	0

## Honors Courses

Honors courses are designed to address the needs and interests of motivated students interested in experiencing college like course work. An honors curriculum typically covers as much of the same content as the non-honors courses. However, the materials may vary. Content is covered at a faster pace and with more depth and rigor. Students will engage in critical thinking as evidenced by weighing and citing evidence to justify a thesis, explanation, or argument. They will read scholarly materials and write technically and for the purpose of research. They will gain skills and knowledge leading to career and college readiness. The additional rigor in honors courses will demonstrate to college admissions officers' preparedness and a willingness to take on additional challenges and responsibility. The courses are for students who have demonstrated success in courses leading up to honors leveled courses and most importantly, for students wishing to prepare for courses in the college setting. Students who plan to attend a post-secondary institution of higher education should consider honors courses.

## Off-Campus Classes

### (Other than Vo-Tech Center Classes)

On-line courses from accredited institutions (such as E2020) mentored by South Haven High School staff will be given a Credit/No Credit if it is a class that is being repeated and will be given a grade if the class is taken for the first time.

## Online Courses

Online courses that have been approved by the Board of Education are accepted for credit toward graduation and may be used to meet requirements in the same subject area as the course. Online courses are comparable to traditionally taught classes in rigor and expectations. ***If a student is interested in enrolling in an online course(s), please make sure that you follow the instructions and review the Online Parent Letter (available on [www.shps.org](http://www.shps.org)).*** Students who elect to take any online course should be self-motivated, self-directed, and able to learn effectively in a self-paced environment. Online courses are subject to the same rules as other courses regarding retaking the course, grading, GPA calculation, and appearing on the transcript. Some online courses offered may have 100% of the course instruction provided online. These courses allow the student to complete course work outside the school day and are offered under the supervision of a certified teacher. A SHPS certified teacher is assigned to these classes as the mentor/monitor teacher to ensure the student stays on task and completes the required course work assigned by the online course. Attendance rules vary for online courses but all online courses have some attendance requirements that must be met. Check with your counselor regarding attendance expectations. Students are expected to progress through an online course at their own pace, which may be quicker than a traditional course. The mentor teacher, principal and/or certified district staff will monitor all online courses for inactivity. If a student does not actively participate in the online course, the student may be dropped from the course without earning credit. A student is expected to complete all online courses and meet ending dates within the same time as traditional classrooms. However, under extenuating circumstances a student who is actively engaged in the online course and time on task and effort is documented may receive an "I" (incomplete) grade at the end of the semester or term. The "I" grade allows the student to complete the course by the end of a predetermined date. If the class is not completed, the student will be dropped from the online class and no credit will be awarded.

### To enroll in an online course(s):

1. Review and discuss the [Online Readiness Rubric](#) (published by MVU). Page 27.
2. Review the [Parent Guide to Online Learning](#) <http://media.mivu.org/institute/pdf/parentguide.pdf> (published by MVU)
3. Print and complete the [Online Readiness Questionnaire](#). Page 29-30.
4. Review the courses offered in the [Michigan Virtual High School Course Catalog](#) <https://michiganvirtual.org/courses/students/?level=hs> (published by MVU). Consult with your counselor if you are thinking about a course provided by Edgenuity. Courses are listed on page 28.

5. Print and complete the [Virtual Learning Contract - Application Form](#). Pages 31-34.

6. Set up a meeting and return the above forms to the Student Success Center by the deadlines mentioned.

For more information on [Expanded Online Learning](#) [https://micourses.org/resources/pdf/toolkit/detailed\\_21f\\_implementation\\_guidelines.pdf](https://micourses.org/resources/pdf/toolkit/detailed_21f_implementation_guidelines.pdf).

### Personal Curriculum

Students in grades 9-12 may be eligible for a personal curriculum. A personal curriculum (PC) is a documented process that modifies certain requirements of the Michigan Merit Curriculum (MMC), which must be met for the awarding of a high school diploma in Michigan. A personal curriculum must be requested on an individual basis, and must meet certain conditions to be approved. The personal curriculum must be requested by the parent or legal guardian or staff. Students with an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) are eligible to modify the MMC to a greater extent than students without an IEP. The Personal Curriculum can be requested at any time for a student with a disability. For other students, timeline limitations apply. A student transferring into high school from outside the state or from a nonpublic school after the successful completion of two years of high school credit may be eligible for a personal curriculum. Parents, legal guardians, or staff may request a personal curriculum by completing the appropriate form in the counseling office. All requests are reviewed by a Personal Curriculum committee, approval is based upon individual student needs, and the modification requested. Please note: Requesting a PC does not guarantee the personal curriculum modifications will be made. (For more details, contact the counseling office).

### Request for Early Graduation

The purpose of early graduation shall be to provide an educational program and delivery system which allows an option for a student who completes all high school graduation requirements, (state and local including assessments), or demonstrates mastery of required skills and competencies to graduate from high school early.

Early graduation means a student, with approval, may leave school if all state and local graduation requirements have been earned. Application for early graduation involves a written request stating the reason for leaving high school early, and a conference with the counselor and principal.

The request for early graduation must be made at least one year prior to the anticipated graduation date. If approved, it is understood the student is no longer eligible for school activities including clubs and sports. It is also understood, parents assume full responsibility for the student, thus ending high school attendance.

Please see the office of the principal or Student Success Center for the complete policy and request for early graduation form.

### Students with Disabilities

The Special Education Department provides programs and services for students with disabilities per the Individualized Education Program (IEP). Instruction may be provided within the general education classroom with or without accommodations and/or in a classroom with a general education teacher with a special education teacher providing support. Additionally, some students receive instruction in a categorical special education classroom where core content instruction is delivered by the special education teacher as determined by the IEP with parent's input. All courses that earn credit towards graduation follow the Michigan Merit Curriculum and sequence with appropriate modifications and accommodations per the student's IEP or personal curriculum. For students with moderate to severe disabilities, an alternative curriculum will be provided leading to a certificate of completion in lieu of a high school diploma. The determination as to whether or not a student will work towards a diploma or a certificate of completion is made at the IEP team meeting prior to the student entering high school with parent input.

### Summer School

Students that fail a required class may attend summer school for credit recovery. Parents and students needing Summer School/Credit Recovery classes will be notified when materials are available. A combination of teacher instruction and Edgenuity will be used in the classroom.

### CREDIT RECOVERY OR FAST FORWARD

**Credit Recovery** : free but students must come to the school building Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. until noon

**Fast forward** : cost \$50 per half credit and you take your classes from home.

Students sign up and pay in the High School Office. It usually begins the last week of June and runs until first week of August.

### Virtual Studies and Credit Recovery

Students may use Edgenuity online courses to recover credit required for graduation. Edgenuity course work is aligned to state standards and is designed to help students master core subjects. Edgenuity may also be substituted for regular classroom instruction in rare instances where a scheduling conflict exists. Based on Michigan legislation 21F, students are able to request up to two online courses a semester. These classes will be taken at home during the school day. More information can be obtained from the Student Success Center. A catalogue of classes offered by the state is located at <https://micourses.org/>

## Post-Secondary Options

High School students should carefully consider and explore the following education options:

### Four-Year Colleges

A four-year college education, or bachelor's degree, can open doors to career opportunities and higher earning potential. Four-year colleges vary in size, costs, admission policies, and majors they offer. It is becoming more and more important to make sure students have done as much as possible in high school to be competitive for admission to college. Colleges use the following information when determining whether or not to accept an applicant: ACT/SAT test scores, rigor of subjects, grade point average, class rank, activities/awards, recommendations, and essays. For full consideration for scholarships, students should apply on-line to college early in the fall of their senior year.

### Community Colleges

Community colleges provide *affordable*, career-oriented programs that enable students to begin their careers after two years of college or less. Students may attend a community college for two years and then transfer to a four-year college to earn their bachelor's degree.

### Career and Trade Schools

Career and Trade schools offer short-term training programs in a wide variety of career fields (e.g., cosmetology, dental hygiene, welding). While some last only a few weeks, others take up to two years to complete. Career and trade schools can be expensive, and not all of them are reputable. *Make sure the school you are considering is accredited.*

### The Military

The military trains individuals to protect the interests of our country. The military offers qualified high school graduates a good salary and job training. The military also provides discipline and structure, as well as opportunities for career advancement and travel. In addition to the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines, there are opportunities in the Reserves and National Guard. For more information go to [www.military.com](http://www.military.com).

### Apprenticeships

Students who prefer a hands-on approach to learning may want to consider applying for an apprenticeship program. Apprentices learn a skilled trade (e.g. carpentry, plumbing, roofing, and firefighting) through a combination of classroom instruction and on-the-job training. Apprenticeship programs usually last 1-6 years. Because most apprenticeship programs have a limited number of openings, entry level can be difficult.

## Honors Class Requirements & Criteria

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All students wanting Honors Classes must meet the following requirements and criteria for selection:

- 3.25 overall GPA.
- Subject area grade from the last three semesters.
- Complete and Application for Honors English. Inform teachers for Math, Science, and History classes.
- Assessment Data (NWEA, M-STEP, PSAT etc....)
- Students currently enrolled in an honors class with 89% or lower must re-apply.
- Students with a 90% or higher can apply to switch into honors.
- After looking at the multiple measures, the top 28 students will be enrolled in the honors class.
- Students are welcome to apply each year.

### English Language Arts (ELA):

Students must meet the Honors Class Requirements & Criteria listed above. All 8th graders, or new transfer students, must apply for admission to the English Honors Program and **complete the Honors ELA Recommendation Form** (Pages 35-36) and turn it in to your English teacher by May 1st. Students who meet the Honors English Class Requirements and Criteria may request an Honors English class. However, enrollment requires the approval of the high school English staff.

### Science:

Students must meet the Honors Class Requirements & Criteria listed above. To be considered for Honors Science classes, please email or contact your Science teacher by May 1st., letting them know you are interested. Students **must earn a minimum of 85% final grade in their Science class** to be considered for an Honors class at the following level. Students who meet the Honors Science Class Requirements and Criteria may request an Honors Science class. However, enrollment requires the approval of the high school Science staff.

### Social Studies:

Students must meet the Honors Class Requirements & Criteria listed above. To be considered for Honors U.S. History, please email or contact your Social Studies teacher by May 1st., letting them know you are interested. Students who meet the Honors US History Class Requirements and Criteria may request Honors US History. However, enrollment requires the approval of the high school Social Studies staff.

### Math:

Students must meet the Honors Class Requirements & Criteria listed above. To be considered for honors math classes, please email or contact your Math teacher by May 1st., letting them know you are interested. Students who meet the Honors Class Requirements and Criteria may request an honors math class. However, enrollment requires the approval of the high school Math staff.

## Business

The following classes are designed to introduce students to the business world while teaching employability skills

### BUSINESS MATH

Semester Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Algebra 2

**Math ½ credit senior year only.**

This course is designed to give students who have passed Algebra, Geometry, and Algebra 2 an opportunity to take another math class. It will cover managing people and inventory, business costs, and sales and marketing

### PERSONAL FINANCE

Semester Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Algebra 2

**Math ½ credit senior year only.**

This course is designed to give students who have passed Algebra, Geometry, and Algebra 2 an opportunity to take another math class. It will cover gross and net pay, banking services, loans and credit cards, budgeting, taxes, insurance and investing. This class will help students apply “practical” math to their daily lives.

### BUSINESS MARKETING and MANAGEMENT:

Semester Course: 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

This course is designed for those students who wish to learn how to run and manage a business. Topics include selecting a location, raising capital, organizing operations, establishing service and credit policies, buying merchandise, preparing goods for sale, pricing, advertising, display, selling techniques, keeping accurate records, economics, and government regulations. Students will do individualized assignments from the textbook as well as group and individual projects. **Students will also participate in the operation of the new student led school store.**

### DIGITAL DESIGN

Semester Course: 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

This class is designed to have students apply their understanding of the many functions that may be accomplished with the use of technology in real business situations. Students will learn the ability to manipulate digital photography, videos and web pages with current software in a professional manner. Students will also apply the learned knowledge relating to copyright laws and infringements. Instruction will follow the Michigan Educational Technology Standards. **This class will assist in creating products for the new student led school store, products like; stickers, T-shirts, magnets, seat cushion, keychain, megaphones, string bags, bracelets....**

## Engineering & Computer Science

The following five courses listed below may also be taken by seniors to satisfy their 4th year math

### ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN (CAD)

Semester Course; 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th  
This course will use CAD software to explore architecture standards and develop professional quality designs and drawings (singleview, isometric, multi-view, section view, etc.). 2D and 3D styles of design plans will be implemented to complete projects relating to designing houses, professional buildings (offices, parks, zoos, etc.) and city planning. This class prepares and exposes students to career possibilities in architecture by designing houses, landscaping, exploring design structures and utilizing architecture styles.

### DESIGN AND CREATE (DAC)

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>  
Students will gain hands on experience while working with cutting edge technology and machinery in a safe learning environment. Students will use laser engravers, CNC routers, vinyl printers, lathes and other machines and hand tools to work with plastic, resin and wood. Students will also create vinyl stickers and personalized T-shirts. As an evolving program, new tools and techniques will be added as available. Some projects will be assigned, while the design and completion of original individual projects is strongly encouraged.

### GAME DESIGN AND CODING

Semester course; 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th  
Students interested in Computer Science will be introduced to Basic and Visual coding with programming while incorporating graphics editing. This coding will be used to design video games on different platforms and to explore apps. Games will be created with the use of the Xbox controller. Coding will be used to teach creativity, problem solving, storytelling, as well as programming.

### INTRODUCTION TO ENGINEERING DESIGN (PLTW 1)

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>  
Prerequisite: Algebra 1  
The major focus of IED is the design process and its application. Through hands-on projects students will apply engineering standards and document work. This course uses industry standard 3D modeling software to design solutions to solve proposed problems, document work using a digital notebook and communicate solutions to peers and members of the professional community. Vex robot kits will be introduced and used to enhance the design process along with model rockets, CO2 cars and hands on building competitions.

### ROBOTICS ENGINEERING

Semester Course; 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th  
Students will explore robotics using the VEX Robotics curriculum. Build and program mechanical processes using VEX kits and RobotC computer software. Solve real world, open-ended problems using knowledge of design, small machines and computer programming. Very hands-on course while working collaboratively with peers to learn and understand all aspects of building and programming machines to meet constraints. This course will be offered as a semester and students returning for the second semester will be completing advanced based projects.

## English

**Students are required to take 4 credits of English (9, 10 11, and 12).**

### **ENGLISH 9 (required)**

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: English 8

Content includes spelling/vocabulary development, grammar and usage skills and using complex fiction and non-fiction text to determine evidence, reason critically, and communicate effectively in various formats including written and verbal methods.

### **HONORS ENGLISH 9**

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation and completed application

Content includes spelling/vocabulary development, grammar and usage skills and using complex fiction and non-fiction text to complete various academic tasks including literary analysis, research projects, and communicating effectively in various formats such as written and verbal methods.

### **ENGLISH 10 (required)**

Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: English 9

Content includes spelling/vocabulary development, grammar and usage skills and using complex fiction and non-fiction text to determine evidence, reason critically, and communicate effectively in various formats including written and verbal methods.

### **HONORS ENGLISH 10**

Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Honors English 9 or completion of application process and recommendation from 9th grade teacher.

Content includes spelling/vocabulary development, grammar and usage skills and using complex fiction and non-fiction text to complete various academic tasks including literary analysis, research projects, and communicating effectively in various formats such as written and verbal methods.

### **ENGLISH 11 (required)**

Year Course; 11th

Prerequisite: English 10

This course will explore and reinforce students' spelling, vocabulary and grammar skills in addition to expanding students abilities in advanced composition, writing skills, and literary analysis through a variety of literature sources and

independent research. This course emphasizes the exploration and use of logical argument structures, logical fallacies, and rhetorical and persuasive devices in the crafting of well-supported argumentative claims. Students will investigate a variety of topics, including current social issues. Students will engage in thoughtful, focused and respectful discussions, both in person and through the use of online blogs and discussion boards. In addition, there will be a heavy focus on preparation for the SAT, including weekly pre- and post-tests on basic grammar, reading strategies, and other appropriate test-taking skills. The ultimate goal of this course is to help students prepare for the rigor of 12th grade English classes and beyond.

### **ENGLISH 12 (required)**

Year Course; 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: English 11

English 12 is a class designed to promote skills. Although there may be some literature, this will not be a traditional literature-based English class. The class will more specifically focus on writing skills, composition building, current events, and real-life English skills. Additionally, this class will help prepare seniors for the MME/SAT test.

### **HONORS ENGLISH 12**

Year Course; 12<sup>th</sup>

Provides development for 12th grade students in the skills necessary for collegiate success in English. It is expected that students taking this course will be seeking college credit, college placement, or both from institutions of higher learning. This course will focus on the extension and intensification of elements of expository writing and the closely related activities of critical reading and thinking. Preparation will be given in writing collegiate-level essays with a particular emphasis given to formal, stylistic, and rhetorical considerations and techniques in developing critical essays that incorporate documented evidence from a broad range of source materials. Additionally, the reading, analysis, and deep examination of collegiate-prep/collegiate-level novels and texts will be covered. Grade weighting for

this course will be weighted according to the Honors rubric on pg. 7.

### **AP ENGLISH LANGUAGE & COMPOSITION**

Year Course: 11th or 12th

Prerequisite: See below.

AP Language and Composition challenges students to become skilled readers of prose who understand the power of rhetoric, as well as skilled writers who can write for a variety of purposes. The primary focus is on the reading of non-fiction texts from a wide range of time periods, styles, authors, and subjects, designed to prepare students for college level analysis and research in any subject area. This course also emphasizes the development within each student, not only of close reading strategies, but also effective writing and speaking skills. Students taking this course should anticipate a rigorous pace.

Students should have the ability to read accurately from a range of genres, to discuss intelligently and listen carefully, to write with clarity, and to accept and offer criticism constructively. AP English Language exams are administered in May. Grade weighting for this course will be weighted according to the AP rubric pg. 7. An application signed by English teacher is required.

### **AP ENGLISH LITERATURE & COMPOSITION**

Year Course: 12th or teacher approval.

Prerequisite: AP English Language or pre-approval from English Department  
An introductory college-level literary analysis course. Students cultivate their understanding of literature through reading and analyzing texts as they explore concepts like character, setting, structure, perspective, figurative language, and literary analysis in the context of literary works. Writing assignments include expository, analytical, and argumentative essays that require students to analyze and interpret literary works. Students will have the opportunity to earn college credit by taking the AP exam.

### **Writing Center**

Year Course; 12th for English Credit  
11th as an elective. Writing Center is a tutoring service/class hybrid. In this course, you will be trained to work with peer students in writing from any course

and grade level to help students improve the process. In addition to this training, a large component of the class will be creative writing project based learning

including a project in writing struggles, a project in school improvement and a project focused on novel writing. The course can be taken multiple times, and the curriculum will rotate from year to year.

To register for the class, you must have an english teachers' recommendation and approval from Mr. Crow.

## Mathematics

**Students are required to take 4 credits of Math (Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, and a senior math).**

### ALGEBRA 1 (required)

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>

Algebra 1 includes the introduction of variables, constants, expressions, equations and functions. In this course students will solve one-variable equations and inequalities, write and graph linear equations, and solve systems. They will also simplify and factor polynomials, graph and solve quadratic and exponential equations and analyze data.

### GEOMETRY (required)

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Algebra 1

Students will develop analytical and spatial reasoning skills through learning to recognize, draw, construct, visualize, compare, classify and transform geometric shapes in both two and three dimensions. Students also develop an awareness of the properties of a shape and of the hierarchical relationships among shapes. Throughout the course, students will apply their knowledge of Algebra to geometric situations.

### HONORS GEOMETRY

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>,

Prerequisite: Algebra 1

The course is intended to prepare students for success in Honors Algebra II and AP Calculus. Students will learn to recognize and work with geometric concepts in various contexts. They build on ideas of inductive and deductive reasoning, logic, and concepts. Students use visualizations, spatial reasoning, and geometric modeling to solve problems. Topics of study include points, lines, and angles; triangles; right triangles; quadrilaterals and other polygons; circles; coordinate geometry; three-dimensional solids; geometric constructions; symmetry; and the use of transformations accordingly. The curriculum is designed for students with a strong mathematics background who are able to commit to the additional homework and study time that

may be required. Grade weighting for this course will be weighted according to the Honors rubric on pg. 7.

### ALGEBRA 2 (required)

Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Geometry

This course will continue the study of functions in both symbolic as well as graphical forms. Linear, quadratic, and rational functions will be reviewed and increased in complexity. Polynomial, exponential, logarithmic, and trigonometric functions will be introduced. Other topics will include basic conics sections, data distributions and probability.

### HONORS ALGEBRA 2

Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Honors Criteria page 10.

This course will continue the study of functions in both symbolic as well as graphical forms. Linear, quadratic, and rational functions will be reviewed and increased in complexity. Polynomial, exponential, logarithmic, and trigonometric functions will be introduced. Other topics will include basic conics sections, data distributions and probability. This class is for students who wish to continue their study of mathematics beyond Algebra 2. Grade weighting for this course will be weighted according to the Honors rubric on pg. 7.

### PRE-CALCULUS

Year Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Final grade of 80% or better in Algebra 2, (students in the 70% - 80% range will be considered if spots are available), teacher recommendation needed. Pre-calculus is an advanced level math class (*honors points are earned for this course*) intended for students who may wish to further study math and/or science. Pre-calculus is a combination of further studies in trigonometry coupled with an introduction to Calculus. Systems

of Equations, Functions, and Limits are traditional topics. Grade weighting for this course will be weighted according to the Honors rubric on pg. 7.

### AP CALCULUS

Year Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Final grade of 85% or better in Pre-Calculus and 24 or better on the Math portion of the ACT

An AP course in calculus consists of a full high school academic year of work that is comparable to calculus courses in colleges and universities. It is expected that students who take an AP course in calculus will seek college credit, college placement, or both, from institutions of higher learning. Students will learn the following important topics: limits, derivatives, indefinite integrals and definite integrals. The course will make sure students understand the concepts of calculus, using methods and its applications for each equation. Students should know how to approach the problems numerically, graphically, analytically and verbally. Students MUST have a graphing calculator that is capable of graphing a function in an arbitrary viewing window, find the zeros of function (solve equations numerically), numerically calculate the derivative of a function and numerically calculate the value of a definite integral. Grade weighting for this course will be weighted according to the AP rubric on pg. 7.

### BUSINESS MATH

Semester Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Algebra 2

**Math ½ credit senior year only.**

Mathematics elective course designed to give students who have successfully completed Algebra 1, Geometry and Algebra 2 an opportunity to understand mathematics specifically in the context of Business and Industry. Topics discussed will include Wages and Pay, Personnel, Purchasing and Inventory, Sales, and

Marketing. Students will learn and apply Business Math concepts incorporating resources from the Business media, utilizing current industry examples, local businesses, and case studies. Calculations in Business math are Algebra based and instruction will also extend prior knowledge in the use of TI-NSPIRE technology.

### **PERSONAL FINANCE**

Semester Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>  
Prerequisite: Algebra 2

#### **Math ½ credit senior year only.**

Personal Finance is a mathematics elective course that is designed to give students who have successfully completed Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II an opportunity to enhance their financial

literacy skills, develop informed money management strategies, create an interest in financial management, appreciate ethical money management, and achieve financial well-being. This course follows the programming of Dave Ramsey's High School Personal Finance curriculum. Guided by Dave's Baby Steps (R) students will explore Saving and Budgeting, Credit and Debt, Financial Planning and Insurance and Income Taxes and Giving.

### **PRE-COLLEGE ALGEBRA**

Year Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisites: Successful completion of Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II  
This fourth-year math course is a thorough treatment of the algebra necessary for

success in college-level math and science courses. Topics covered include solving linear equations and inequalities, graphing linear equations, integer and rational exponents, radicals, complex numbers, polynomial algebra, polynomial factoring, rational expression algebra, introduction to functions and graphs of functions, quadratic equations and equality, graphing quadratic equations, and systems of linear equations. Additional topics may include exponential and logarithmic functions and their graphs. This course emphasizes applications of all topics and the acquisition of by-hand and technology skills.

## **Physical Education and Health**

**Students are required to take 1 credit - ½ credit of Lifetime Fitness (or approved physical activity) and ½ credit of Health.**

### **HEALTH (required)**

Semester Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

This course focuses primarily on students' personal health. Building a solid foundation of good decision-making skills can contribute to a variety of healthy choices for self and others. The course will consist of nutrition, prevention and control of disease, first aid, mental and emotional health, alcohol, drug use and abuse, and tobacco. The course will also focus on the school board approved curriculum of Reproductive Health.

### **HEALTHY LIVING**

Semester Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Health

This course will prepare students for a successful transition into a healthy independent lifestyle. It explores current health issues and focuses on ways to decrease risk and promote a high state of wellness. Topics include: mental health, personal finances, stress management, sexual health, social health, healthy lifestyles, nutrition, and consumer health. This course is an elective and does not fulfill the semester Health requirement.

### **FAMILY LIVING**

Semester Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Health

This course focuses primarily on having a healthy family. Building a solid foundation of good decision-making skills when it comes to developing healthy dating skills,

maintaining a healthy marriage, healthy pregnancy, and how to raise healthy children.

### **LIFETIME FITNESS**

Semester Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

This course will provide instruction and evaluation in skills, rules, strategies, and history of lifetime sports such as badminton, bowling, pickle-ball, ultimate-Frisbee, disc golf, team handball, speedball, bocce and orienteering. Increasing student fitness through the use of the weight room, heart rate monitors, pedometers, and fitness testing will be used to achieve this goal. Students will also learn necessary nutritional information.

### **SWIMMING**

Semester Course 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

For advanced and beginners. Can be taken both semesters. Beginning swimmers will learn the basics of freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke while advanced swimmers will continue to work on technique and speed with all four strokes.

### **TEAM SPORTS**

Semester Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

This course will provide instruction and evaluation in skills, rules, strategies and history of team sports such as basketball, flag football, soccer, ultimate-Frisbee, softball/whiffle ball, badminton, and pickle

ball. Students will participate in drills to improve their skills along with competition and class tournaments to apply those skills to game situations. Increasing student fitness through games, workouts and fitness testing will also be a component of the class.

### **VARSITY CONDITIONING**

Year Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Weight Training

This course is designed for the varsity student-athlete to maximize their full potential in athletics. Personal programs will be provided for these athletes to increase strength, speed, agility and fitness. Students will be assessed for improvement in all areas. This course will also provide the necessary nutritional information to maximize the students' training.

### **WEIGHT TRAINING**

Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

This course will provide an introduction to strength, speed, agility, and fitness training. The techniques and safety guidelines of each will be taught along with assessing improvement in all of these areas. This course will also provide the necessary nutritional information to maximize the students' training. This class is for athletes that need specific sport training and also for the student that wants to improve their strength and fitness.

**WOMEN STUDIES**

Semester course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Health

Young females today are growing up with more demands today than in the past.

They are being raised in a culture with high pressure, a cyber-culture world, high

expectations of academic achievement, and a variety of extracurricular involvement, impeccable physical appearances, this semester course will provide young female students with the tools necessary single parent homes, and social stressors. to empower them to

reconcile conflicting roles and manage stress so they are successful women in our society.

## Science

**Students are required to take 3 credits of Science (Biology, Chemistry, and 3<sup>rd</sup> year)**

**PHYSICAL SCIENCE**

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

The purpose of this course is to provide students with a broad-based introduction to chemistry, physics and earth science concepts. It is suggested for students that need a good foundational understanding or review of science concepts to apply in later courses. It also counts as a third science requirement for graduation. Laboratory work, technology applications and scientific reasoning skills will be incorporated throughout the year.

**BIOLOGY (required)**

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

This course will teach students to apply numerous conceptual topics to their specific functional effects on living organisms. Brief lectures on specific concepts will be followed by corresponding laboratory exercises and/or other activities. The laboratory oriented nature of the course necessitates cooperative group work, but many assignments and activities will be completed individually either inside or outside of class. Topics learned will include the characteristics of living things, chemistry of life, cell structure and function, major chemical processes of plants/animals/microbes, cell growth and division, ecosystems, ecological/environmental relationships, and evolution.

\*Incoming 9th grade students may request Biology. Recommended prerequisites for Biology for 9th graders are successful completion of Algebra 1 during 8th grade *and* receiving an average of an A- or higher in 8th grade Science.

**HONORS BIOLOGY**

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Honors Criteria page 10 Accelerated, extensive and detailed knowledge of how the living world works via rigorous course work, in depth discussions and real world based laboratory exercises. Obtain better

knowledge of the impact we have on the world as living organisms, how humans function, and where our place is among other forms of life on earth. Reflect on past, current and future biological issues around the world. Grade weighting for this course will be weighted according to the Honors rubric on pg. 7.

**CHEMISTRY (required)**

Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisites: Algebra 1, Biology Introductory course focused on the large conceptual ideas of chemistry and how they relate to the real world. There is an appreciable amount of math that relates to these concepts. Topics will include matter and its properties, atomic theory, chemical bonding, nomenclature, the periodic table, chemical equations, chemical reaction types, gases, solutions, acids and bases, and chemical equilibrium.

**HONORS CHEMISTRY**

Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Honors Criteria page 10

This is an introductory chemistry course that is intended for students with a genuine interest in the sciences. The course includes topics found in a typical first semester college chemistry class. The organization, methods of instruction, and expectations of this class are intended to help prepare the college-bound student for advanced studies. Topics discussed are the states of matter, atomic and molecular structure, stoichiometry, chemical bonding, reactions of metals and nonmetals, gas laws, acid-base theory, solution properties, and chemical equilibrium. Numerous lab activities will require students to apply the lecture material and communicate their findings in written reports. Grade weighting for this course will be weighted according to the Honors rubric on pg. 7.

**AP CHEMISTRY**

Year Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Biology, Honors Chemistry (85% or higher) & SAT Math >525 recommended

This course is a continuation of Honors Chemistry. Advanced topics including acid-base equilibria, reaction kinetics, solution chemistry, nuclear chemistry, and thermodynamics are studied. Honors Chemistry and AP Chemistry are designed to be the equivalent of the general chemistry courses usually taken during the first year of college. For most students, the courses enable them to undertake first year work in the chemistry sequence at their institution with confidence or to register in courses in other fields where general chemistry is a prerequisite. Emphasis will be placed on the seven science practices, which capture important aspects of the work that scientists engage in, with learning objectives that combine content with inquiry and reasoning skills. Students will use demonstrations and other simulations that work with course content in ways that cannot easily be duplicated in the lab. AP Chemistry is open to all students that have completed a year of Honors Chemistry who wish to take part in a rigorous and academically challenging course. This course can be taken along with a full year Organic Chemistry course for additional work with the concepts, reactions, and processes from organic chemistry. Students will also expect to take part in discussions that will relate topics covered to real world applications of the concepts. Grade weighting for this course will be weighted according to the AP rubric on pg. 7.

**HONORS PHYSICS**

Year Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Biology (85% or higher), Honors Chemistry & SAT Math >525 recommended.

This course emphasizes the application of the principles of Newtonian mechanics and kinetic theory to describe the motion of common objects in realistic circumstances. The motion of real and artificial satellites of the Earth and other planets is also studied. This course is a study of the ideas of Newtonian mechanics as well as a quantitative study. It is an algebra and trigonometry-based approach to the subject. Studying physics provides students with a suite of skills and understandings that are valuable to a wide range of further study pathways and careers in science, engineering, medicine and technology. It will enable students to become citizens who are better informed

about the world around them and who have the critical skills to evaluate and make evidence-based decisions about current scientific issues. Grade weighting for this course will be weighted according to the Honors rubric on pg. 7.

### **FUNDAMENTALS OF ORGANIC CHEMISTRY**

Year Course: 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>  
Prerequisites: Biology, Chemistry (85% or higher) or Honors Chemistry or concurrent with permission of instructor  
Focus primarily on the basic principles required to understand the structure and reactivity of organic molecules. Topic areas; nomenclature, bonding theories,

stereochemistry, conformational analysis, and the reactions of alkanes, alkenes, alkynes, alkyl halides, aromatics, carboxylic acids, and alcohols. The chemistry of the carbonyl bond, functional groups, and carbohydrates will also be emphasized. These topic areas will be enhanced by laboratory experiences including melting point, recrystallization, extraction, vacuum filtration, distillation, refluxing, and chromatography exercises. Grade weighting for this course will be weighted according to the Honors rubric on pg. 7.

## Social Studies

**Students are required to take 3 credits of Social Studies (U.S. History, World History, Economics, and Government).**

### **ECONOMICS (required)**

Semester Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

You will study supply and demand and its role in the economy, banking principles, economic growth, employment policies, and government economic policy.

Emphasis is placed on current economic and political developments and how they affect individual citizens as well as entire societies. The problem of scarcity, anticipating both intended and unintended consequences, analyzing costs and benefits and successfully making decisions to become responsible citizens will be studied.

### **GOVERNMENT (required)**

Semester Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: U.S. History

The topic areas of study include: The Foundations of American Government, Political Behavior: Government by the People, The Legislative Branch, The Executive Branch, The Judicial Branch, Core Democratic Values, Civil Liberties and Rights, Current Political Issues, and Civic Responsibility.

### **U.S. HISTORY & GEOG (required)**

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>

The focus of this course is the post-Civil War era to the modern era with major emphasis on the civil, political, social and economic developments and transitions which have, and are, occurring in the U.S. There is a review of the pre-Civil War period with emphasis on the Declaration of

Independence, the Constitution and core democratic values, which are cornerstones of American Democracy. We look at the connections between the past and present as to how events have affected and effect our way of life in America.

### **HONORS U.S. HISTORY**

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: English/Language Arts course with 85% or above

This course is designed for students with a high interest in history as well as a desire to take the AP version of the course as an upper-classmen. Students who complete the Honors U.S. History course will be exposed to some AP content and rigor making the transition into the AP course much smoother. The course will cover the history of the United States from early colonization to the modern era, but with an increased emphasis on writing College Board rubric essays. Students should be strong readers of informational text, with the ability to analyze primary and secondary documents to handle the reading and writing workloads. Grade weighting for this course will be weighted according to the Honors rubric on pg. 7.

### **AP U.S. HISTORY**

Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: US History, teacher approval  
The AP program in U.S. History is designed to provide students with the analytical skills and enduring understandings necessary to deal critically

with the problems and materials in United States History. It also prepares students for intermediate and advanced college courses by making demands upon them equivalent to those made by full-year introductory college courses. Students should learn to assess historical materials—their relevance to a given interpretive problem, their reliability, and their importance—and to weigh the evidence and interpretations presented in historical scholarship to arrive at conclusions on the basis of an informed judgment and to present reasons and evidence clearly and persuasively in an essay format will be developed. Grade weighting for this course will be weighted according to the AP rubric on pg. 7.

### **WORLD HISTORY & GEOG (required)**

Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>

This course will teach students about the integrated study of social sciences to prepare them to become conscious of world events. World History will discover and research the five (5) different themes of Geography: 1) The specific location of places; 2) Their characteristics; 3) How those people interact with their natural environment; 4) How people, goods, and ideas move between places; and 5) How those places compare to each other. Also presented will be concepts on the integration of World History by presenting a chronological narrative of world history from the earliest civilization to the present in different parts of the world. An

integration of such themes as political and economic development and the effect of contact between cultures will be explored.

## Student Services Programming

**These classes are assigned to students based on need.**

### PEER to PEER

Year Course: 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

This program is designed to pair students who have disabilities (Link) up with students in the general ed. curriculum (Peer) for ONE class every day. The Peer will go to the Links class to be a mentor and positive role model and help with socialization and independence. Students must get approval to be a peer. Dependability and good attendance are essential.

### ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Teacher approval, IEP  
Used to support a student's goals and objectives on their IEP. It is a time to receive extra time or support when needed. It is also a time for the student to consult with their case manager or other ancillary special education staff. May be taken multiple years.

### DAILY LIVING SKILLS

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Teacher approval, IEP  
Help students gain skills in banking, budgeting, cooking, and many more adult living skills. Using hands on small group instruction to gain skills to be successful as adults in the community.

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Developed around individual needs. Using online and small group instruction students should expect to improve their functional reading and comprehension skills greatly.

### FUNCTIONAL MATHEMATICS

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Developed around a student's individual needs. Using online and small group instruction students should expect to improve their functional mathematics skills greatly.

### INTRODUCTION TO VOCATIONAL STUDIES

Year Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

This class is an introduction to job seeking, obtainment and functional site performance. Using small group instruction and work based learning opportunities, students will explore jobs that interest them and gain skills to help them obtain competitive employment.

### ADVANCED VOCATIONAL STUDIES

Year Course; 11<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>

This class is for advanced job seekers looking to hone their job seeking, obtainment, and site performance skills. Using small group instruction, simulations, and work based learning opportunities, students will gain skills in resume' writing, job seeking strategies, interviewing techniques, and many other employment related tasks.

## Visual, Performing, and Applied Arts

Students are required to take 1 credit of VPAA.

### ART 1

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

First Semester establishes good studio practices, art vocabulary, and basic art skills. There is a strong emphasis on drawing. Drawing lessons will cover sketching, shading, contour line, and fine rendering. Students will work mostly from direct observation and from a photo. Students receive their own drawing and shading supplies and are taught how to use them. Art history lessons cover ancient Egypt through The Middle Ages. Simple graphic design and color theory concepts will be covered also. Second Semester builds on the skills taught in first semester to create more complex art works. Students will draw the figure and will use linear perspective to draw imaginary objects. There is a strong emphasis on color and using color theory to create drawings and paintings. Students will use critique as a format for looking at, learning about, and speaking about art work. Students will make glazed pottery projects using pinch and coil techniques. Art history will cover the Italian Renaissance, the Mexican Mural Movement, and the Harlem Renaissance. Student work will be displayed around school and at the Art Expo in the spring.

### ART 2- 2D and 3D Studio

Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Art 1

This class will build on the skills and techniques learned in Art 1 to create more complex 2D and 3D artwork. Most projects will have an option for creating 2D or 3D artwork. 2D studio work will include drawing, painting, printmaking, digital art and mixed media. Students will develop more refined design and color theory concepts. 3D studio work will include sculpture, ceramics, jewelry making, and mixed media. Students will develop more refined structures through both additive and subtractive techniques. Students will also craft both functional and nonfunctional ceramics and jewelry. Students will explore creative problem solving to communicate their ideas. Students will analyze and evaluate their work and the work of others. Art history will cover a range of historical and contemporary art. A sketchbook will be used for planning and homework. Student work will be displayed

around the school, and at the school Art Expo in the spring. There will be end of semester exams.

### Art 3 – 2D Art Studio

Year Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Art 2

This class will build on the skills and techniques learned in Art 2 to create more complex 2D artwork with more refined design and color theory concepts. Studio work will include working in depth with drawing media including graphite, color pencil, charcoal, pastels, ink, painting media including tempera, acrylic, watercolor, as well as collage, printmaking, mixed media and digital art. Projects will become student driven as students explore creative problem solving to communicate their ideas and pursue their individual artistic style. Career study opportunities will be explored and portfolio preparation will begin. Students will experience art criticism, aesthetics, group work, cultural awareness, and evaluation techniques of their own work and the work of others. Art history lessons will cover a range of historical and contemporary art. Students will create a presentation on an artistic movement. A sketchbook will be used for planning and homework. Student work will be displayed around the school, in public venues, and at the school Art Expo in the spring. One or more field trips will be taken. There will be end of semester exams.

### Art 3 – 3D Art Studio

Year Course; 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Art 2

This class will build on the skills and techniques learned in Art 2 to create more complex artwork developing more refined sculpture techniques including additive, subtractive, relief and assemblage. Studio work will include working in depth with a variety of 3D media including paper, wood, metal, stone, ceramics, and mixed media. Projects will become student driven as students explore creative problem solving to communicate their ideas and pursue their individual artistic style. Career study opportunities will be explored and portfolio preparation will begin. Students will experience art criticism, aesthetics, group work, cultural awareness, and evaluation techniques of their own work and the work

of others. Art history will cover a range of historical and contemporary art. Students will create a presentation on an artistic movement. A sketchbook will be used for planning and homework. Student work will be displayed around the school, in public venues, and at the school Art Expo in the spring. One or more field trips will be taken. There will be end of semester exams.

### Art 4 – Independent Studio

Year Course; 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Art 3

This class will build on the skills and techniques learned in Art 1-3 to create more sophisticated 2D or 3D artwork. Studio work will include working in depth with students chosen medium(s) creating artwork to support their artistic message. Projects will be student driven as they explore creative problem solving to communicate their ideas and pursue their individual artistic style. Career study opportunities will be explored and students will work on portfolio preparation. Students will experience art criticism, aesthetics, group work, cultural awareness, and evaluation techniques of their own work and the work of others. Art history will cover a range of historical and contemporary art. Students will create a presentation on an artist. A sketchbook will be used for planning and homework. Student work will be displayed around the school, in public venues, and at the school Art Expo in the spring. One or more field trips will be taken. There will be end of semester exams. Seniors in their second semester are required to have a one person exhibit in the Art Expo in May as the final exam, no exemptions. The exam/exhibit will include every aspect necessary for an art show from promotion to set up and tear down of the show.

### BAND

Year Course: 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Middle School Band or equivalent

Band is a multi-grade group, comprised of 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students. The band rehearses daily as a year-long enrolled class during the school day. This is a co-curricular class with many after school obligations, which include, but are not limited to: marching band, concert band,

pep band, concerts, festivals, sporting events, etc. Advanced and specialized opportunities are available to students in band through private lessons, solo and ensemble festivals, full orchestra membership, individual or small group performances, pit orchestra, Tri-M Music Honor Society, and more!

### **JAZZ ENSEMBLE**

Year Course: 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: Audition AND active member of Band or Orchestra.

The Jazz Ensemble is a "0" hour enrolled course that meets daily from 6:40am to 7:30am. The Jazz Ensemble performs music of many jazz and popular styles, including: swing, rock, funk, jazz, waltz, ballads, latin and more! This is a co-curricular class with many after school obligations which include, but are not limited to: community events, festivals, concerts, school activities, games, etc. Given that this class is audition only with select membership and is co-curricular with requirements beyond the current membership in band or orchestra, grades will be weighted with honors for this course.

### **ORCHESTRA**

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

High school orchestra encompasses all string students in grades 9 – 12. Group lessons and participation in the middle school orchestra are a prerequisite. Students wishing to enter the ensemble who have previously only taken private lessons must have the director's permission and a recommendation from the private lesson instructor. Throughout the high school years, students will work on developing advanced techniques in string playing, including vibrato and work in the upper positions. Required performances include recruiting concerts at the elementary schools, Collage concert, pre-Festival Concert, District Festival, and the Spring Concert. Students will learn to become independent musicians who will be able to continue to perform beyond their high school years. Grading is based on playing tests, written tests, participation in concerts and festival, and preparation for rehearsals. The orchestra meets as a string orchestra four days/week, and as a full orchestra with brass, winds, and percussion one day/week.

### **CHOIR**

Year Course; tenor and bass voices 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, soprano and alto voices 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>  
The Choir is an auditioned ensemble. This class is for all interested students who demonstrate a passion for music, having a positive attitude, a strong work ethic and personal desire to improve as a vocalist and overall musician. Choir members will learn to read music using solfege, develop healthy vocal techniques and a better understanding of the vocal instrument. The Choir will take part in all school concerts and events, MSVMA Choral Festivals, and other potential performances. Auditions are held in the spring for the upcoming school year's ensemble.

### **CHORALE**

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

The Chorale is a select group which meets from 6:40 a.m. to 7:25 a.m. each day. Members are chosen by auditions and must also be members of the Choir or Treble Chorus. Criteria for selection includes tone quality, ability to read music, aural skills, intonation, work ethic, attitude and leadership. The number of singers chosen is between sixteen and twenty-four. The Chorale holds a leadership role in some of our performances, participates in MSVMA Festivals and will give extra performances in and around the community when available. Attendance and punctuality for ALL rehearsals and performances is mandatory. Auditions for the Chorale will be held during the second week of each new school year. Given that this class is audition only with select membership and is co-curricular with requirements beyond the current membership in vocal music, grades will be weighted with honors for this course.

### **TREBLE CHORUS**

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

The Treble Chorus is a non-audition ensemble open to all interested Soprano and Alto types, regardless of previous singing experience. 9<sup>th</sup> grade soprano and alto voices must sing in the Treble Chorus and may audition for the Choir at the end of their freshman year. Chorus members will learn to read music using solfege, develop healthy vocal techniques and a better understanding of the vocal instrument. The Chorus will take part in all school concerts and events, MSVMA Choral Festivals, and potential other performances.

### **YEARBOOK**

Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Prerequisite: B or better in English class/Application process  
Students in this class will be responsible for all aspects of Design, Compilation and Production of the annual South Haven High School Yearbook. Specific skills to be learned will include: Journalistic Style Copywriting; Desktop Publishing using Adobe InDesignCS; Photography and Image Editing using Adobe Photoshop; Advertising Sales and Layout; Customer and Public Relations. Team building and cooperation is an integral part of the operation of this class that stresses leadership and responsibility. Good writing skills are required for admittance along with recommendations from teachers. Admission to this class is by Advisor Approval ONLY and an application must be submitted by mid-April. Complete application packets are available in the Student Success Center.

### **INTRODUCTION TO THEATER**

Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>

Divided into two parts, this class examines basic acting techniques the first semester and the technical aspects of the theater and advanced acting methods during the second semester. Major areas of study include voice, posture, body movement, characterization, scenery, lighting, sound, costumes and make-up. Students are expected to participate in one play, a children's production for the elementary or a melodrama for the high school.

### **SCRIPT WRITING – RNN TV**

Semester or Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup>

(no freshmen)

Script Writing will focus on the application of the script and screenwriting skills. Writing original scripts, filming original shorts, podcasting, and the production of the daily announcements will provide students opportunities to branch out into the different genres of production. In this course, students will learn how to take the happenings at South Haven High School and convey those to the student body and community. The students will work on a deadline-based schedule. The coverage will consist of sports highlights, human interest stories, as well as features. This course may be taken more than once.

**DESIGN AND CREATE (DAC)**

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>  
 Students will gain hands on experience while working with cutting edge technology and machinery in a safe learning environment. Students

will use laser engravers, CNC routers, vinyl cutters, lathes and other machine and hand tools to work with metal, plastic and woods. Students will also have exposure to electronics and application of electronics. With this as an evolving program, new tools and

techniques will be added as available. Some projects will be assigned, while the design and completion of individual projects is strongly encouraged. There will be costs associated with some personal projects, but accommodations can be made.

**World Language**

**Students are required to take 2 credits of a World Language (or an extra VPAA or tech program).**

**SPANISH 1**

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>  
 Fundamentals of Spanish pronunciation, grammar, vocabulary, and conversations are presented in this course. Skills are developed in the areas of listening, speaking, reading, and writing with the focus on Spanish as a means of communication and self-expression. The cultures of the countries in which Spanish is spoken will be studied.

acquainted with cultural aspects of the Hispanic World.

**SPANISH 3**

Year Course; 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>  
 Prerequisite: Spanish 2  
 This course expands the student's knowledge in the areas of speaking, writing, listening comprehension, and reading skills. Included in this course are a thorough grammar review and an introduction to Spanish literature. Goals include the mastery of advanced grammatical structures and oral and written self-expression in Spanish.

interpersonal, interpretive, and presentational modes of communication in real-life situations. This includes vocabulary usage, language control, communication strategies, and cultural awareness. This course strives not to overemphasize grammatical accuracy at the expense of communication. To best facilitate the study of language and culture, the course is taught almost exclusively in Spanish. Engages students in an exploration of culture in both contemporary and historical contexts. Develop students' awareness and appreciation of cultural products (e.g., tools, books, music, laws, conventions, institutions); practices (patterns of social interactions within a culture); and perspectives (values, attitudes, and assumptions).

**SPANISH 2**

Year Course; 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>  
 Prerequisite: Spanish 1  
 Provision is made in this course for expansion of skills developed in Spanish 1. Advanced grammatical structures and extensive vocabulary are studied for the purpose of communication in the language. The student will also become better

**SPANISH 4**

Year Course  
 Prerequisite: Spanish 1, 2 & 3 with 80% or higher in Spanish 3  
 Emphasis on communication (understanding and being understood by others) by applying the

## Van Buren Technology Center

**Students may participate during their junior and senior years in a Tech Center program.**

The Van Buren Technology Center (VBTC) is an educational service of the Van Buren Intermediate School District. The Center provides students with quality training in 30 career/technical programs which include: core technical training, academic integration, and alignment with post-secondary education. Upon completion of their training, students are assisted by job placement coordinators in finding employment and exploring further educational opportunities.

**Advanced Manufacturing** Study the operation of metal-working equipment. Develop skills from basic cutting to state-of-the-art computerized numerical machines (CNC).

**Agriculture and Natural Resources** Learn and develop the leadership and teamwork skills necessary in the industry today. Students can test their skills in the Future Farmers of America (FFA) youth organization, plus help plan and implement community-based projects.

**Allied Health Technologies** In this program, you will be introduced to a variety of careers in health care including careers as a Physician, Nurse, Physical, Occupational, and Respiratory Therapist, Kinesiologist, Psychologist, and Radiologist. This program also introduces students to a variety of fields of study in: Dentistry, Optometry, Audiology, Sports Medicine, Veterinary Medicine, Massage Therapy, and Chiropractic Medicine.

**Auto – Brakes, Engines, & Suspension (BES)** Study the braking, steering/suspension systems and engine construction to work toward certification as a licensed automotive technician.

**Auto – Electrical & Engine Performance (EEP)** Study auto electrical equipment and engine performance. Use diagnostic tools as you work toward certification as a licensed auto technician.

**Business Management and Finance** Develop skills in both accounting and business management concepts and procedures in a competitive market.

**Cadet Teacher Academy** A program for college-bound students who would like to explore a career in teaching.

**Commercial Design** Study the areas of visuals arts, and develop a portfolio as you create products used in businesses today.

**Construction Trades** Study residential and light commercial construction the very best way – with hands-on learning.

**Cosmetology** Study the science of hair, theory, and style techniques in preparation for becoming a licensed cosmetologist.

**Culinary Arts and Catering Management** Prepare and serve meals and bakery products, cater special events both on and off the premises.

**Cyber Security & Computer Network Technology**: This program starts with computer and network hardware and software, including personal computers, tablets, phones, Windows, Linux, Android, routers, switches, wireless access points, cabling, servers and dozens of other types of electronic equipment. The second-year is advanced studies and certifications in local area networks, wide area networks and network security. As a part of the program, students will be encouraged to

complete internships and earn industry certifications. Self-motivation, a good work-ethic and time management are important to be successful in this program.

**Early Childhood Careers and Education** Learn about child development and assist in the on-site preschool.

**Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)** Learn emergency response techniques to care for a critically ill/injured person in the pre-hospital setting.

**Engineering & Architectural Design** In this program, students will learn the foundational principles behind the fields of engineering and architecture

**Fire Science Academy** Help save lives with search and rescue and basic fire-fighting techniques.

**Fundamentals of Patient Care** Use patient care fundamentals to provide basic patient care for persons with health related needs.

**Law Enforcement** College coursework covering the fundamentals of law enforcement theory, history, and legal procedures.

**Marketing/Entrepreneurship** Learn basic marketing techniques including sales, promotion, distribution, product pricing and service management. Or, learn the fundamentals to be your own boss and start your own business.

## Medical Biotechnology:

This program focuses on various techniques that are used in the medical biotechnology industry to modify living organisms, to create new medicines or processes in the field of medicine. In this program, students learn how to conduct experiments, collect and process data, and interpret and communicate results. Students will use microscopes, centrifuges, pipettes, and electrophoresis equipment while learning critical lab skills, and gaining insight into biotechnology career fields. Students in this program will also complete Project Lead the Way's (PLTW) Medical Interventions (MI) course, where they will investigate how to prevent, diagnose, and treat disease.

Pharmacy Technician Prepare to become a Certified Pharmacy Technician.

Polymer Technology Study the operations of plastic manufacturing and produce plastic products on machines used in industry today.

Print Media Technologies Study the day-to-day operations of a screen printing or lithographic print shop.

Software Engineering This course provides the opportunity to learn many different software languages and developmental tools, such as C++, C#, Java, Python, HTML5, Visual Studio, NetBeans, etc., while developing several projects. The

projects can come from a wide range of applications, including web applications, computer graphics and image processing, scientific modeling, databases, games, embedded systems, computer vision, artificial intelligence and/or robotics.

## Van Buren Middle College

This program allows students an opportunity to complete their Michigan Merit Curriculum requirements and simultaneously earn college credits

Welding Study the basic welding techniques and processes needed to weld various types of metals in a high-tech lab.

## Van Buren Technology Center

**Students may participate during their junior and senior years in a Tech Center program.**

### College Credit Programs

Take college classes while still in high school! With 30 available programs, the Van Buren Tech Center offers exciting opportunities to area students who want to jump-start their careers. In addition to regular high school elective credit, many programs offer direct college credit to qualifying students.

To qualify, students must have:

- Minimum cumulative grade point of 2.5
- Maintain good attendance
- College math/reading/writing entrance exams may be required by the individual college
- Meet their local school district requirements for dual enrollment (students should see their counselor)

Depending on the program, additional requirements may include:

- Minimum of C in general education Algebra
- Minimum of C in general education Biology
- Application, interview, and background check
- ACT, SAT, or AccuPlacer scores may be required

Based on the individual program, direct college credit is available through Kalamazoo Valley Community College (KVCC), Lake Michigan College (LMC), or Southwestern Michigan College (SMC). Plus, depending on the course, credit hours may transfer to a four-year university.

Programs offering college credit include:

Allied Health  
Business Management & Finance  
Cadet Teacher Academy

Computer Aided Design  
Computer Networking  
Early Childhood Careers & Education  
Law Enforcement  
Marketing/Entrepreneurship  
Pharmacy Technician

### Job/Training – Placement Services

Placement services available to high school students include: Vocational Co-op, Work Experience, Part-time and Full-time Job Placement. A Placement Coordinator will be available at the high school to assist those students who are interested in any of these programs or services.

Vocational Co-op Program Students who have completed or are enrolled currently in approved vocational programs may qualify for Co-op, provided they are recommended by their vocational instructors and their counselors. Technology Center programs are all approved vocational programs, plus South Haven High School has some approved vocational offerings. South Haven High School Co-op students will receive a maximum of three (3) credits per year for the successful completion of a full year on the program. Students must remain as full-time students.

## School-to-Work Program

### DEFINITION:

A program of work-based learning providing students with a planned program of job training and/or various types of work experiences coordinated with school-based learning.

### ELIGIBILITY:

- Seniors seeking to earn money and receive credit (1/2 per semester for successful completion of work experience at a job related to a short or long-term career goal
- Ninety percent (90%) attendance during a 30-day school period prior to employment and verified by the school attendance officer
- Counselor approval and parental consent
- May only be for a maximum of three hours out of the school day

Students meeting the STW criteria should contact the VBTC Job Placement Coordinator assigned to South Haven to complete the necessary paperwork process.

### EVALUATION AND CREDIT

- Students will be evaluated by the supervisor/employer once during each nine-week period on the performance of assigned duties based on a 4-point grading scale.
- Students may lose credit for any violations of the Occupational Training Agreement (OTA) and/or the Rules Sheet.
- Students who violate the OTA or who are terminated from employment will not be eligible for additional services from the Van Buren Technology Center's Job Placement Coordinator

## Dual Enrollment

**9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students may take classes through a local community college provided they meet the qualifications.**

**Dual Enrollment Classes** – Dual Enrollment college courses may be used for credit at both the high school and college level. Students attend classes at the college campus. The classes are taught by college faculty members. Grades and credits are recorded on an official college transcript as college-level classes.

### Guidelines for Dual Enrollment –

Effective April, 1996, Public Act 160 created the Postsecondary Enrollment Options Act, commonly referred to as dual enrollment. This law directs school districts to assist students in paying tuition and fees for courses at Michigan public or private colleges or universities, if all of the following conditions are met:

- Students can qualify for dual enrollment by taking one of the following assessments: Accuplacer, ACT, or SAT. See the table for scores that qualify students for dual enrollment.
- Students may qualify for specific college classes even though they do not meet all test score requirements.
- Students must be enrolled in at least one high school class and maintain a full high school schedule.
- A student must pass the core class at the high school (if it's offered) before enrolling in the college course.
- Students may exchange each three-credit college class for one high school semester class.
- The college courses cannot be a hobby, craft, or recreation course, or in the subject areas of physical education, theology, divinity, or religious education.

### Assessment and Minimum Qualifying Scores accepted:

**SAT:** Writing = 27, Math = 24, Reading = 26

**ACT:** English = 18, Math = 18, Reading = 17

**Accuplacer Classic** (administered prior to 4/6/18):

Writing = 6, Arithmetic = 58, Reading = 80

**Accuplacer Next Generation** (administered after 4/6/18):

Writing = 6 **OR** WritePlacer 5 **and** Sentence Skills 250

Reading = 263 **OR** WritePlacer 6 **OR** WritePlacer 5 **and** Sentence Skills 250

Math = Quant/Alg/Stats 237

Note: Some college classes may require higher test scores than the minimums listed above.

- Students are allowed a maximum of 10 college classes during their high school years.
  - If a student fails a college class or withdraws from a class after the deadline they will have to reimburse the high school for the cost of that class.
  - South Haven High school does not provide transportation to the college campus.
- Informational packets are available in the counseling office.

## Academic Testing

**South Haven High School administers a wide variety of State and Nationally recognized tests.**

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
NWEA (required)	NWEA (required)	PSAT (optional)	ACT National (optional)
PSAT (required)	PSAT (required)	MME (M-STEP, SAT, WorkKeys - required)	AP (optional)
	ACT National (optional)	ACT National (optional)	SAT National (optional)
	SAT National (optional)	AP (optional)	

**ACT National – (American College Test) ACT** is a national Saturday college entrance exam usually taken during junior and/or senior year. Students receive scores in English, Reading, Math, and Science Reasoning, as well as a Composite score. There is also an optional Writing Test. ACT scores range from 1 – 36. National Saturday test dates are: September, October, December, February, April and June. Students must pre-register on-line approximately 4 weeks before the test date. A fee is associated with this test. To check locations and register for the test go online to [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org).

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM (AP)** – Develops Course Descriptions and exams for 37 college-level courses in 22 subject areas. A fee is associated with this test. Tests are ordered in March. Test administered in May.

**MAP (NWEA)** - The MAP test is an academic growth test for the areas of Reading and Math. When students take the MAP adaptive tests, they are presented with test questions at different levels of difficulty, that adjust based on their responses. At the end of a testing sequence, the student receives an overall score, called RIT that indicates the instructional level appropriate for him or her. Students, parents, and teachers will be able to watch the students’ growth over time; their scores from Baseline Middle School will follow them to the High School. These tests will be given to 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders up to 3 times per year.

**Michigan Merit Exam (MME)** – A state assessment that provides a way to measure all Michigan students and provide valuable information to the state, schools, and parents on their children’s academic progress. It includes the M-Step, a free SAT (state), and the Work Keys. The statewide test and re-testing dates are in April for all 11<sup>th</sup> graders. It is required testing for graduation.

**Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress (M-Step)** The M-Step is an assessment designed to measure student growth in science and social studies. This is part of the required MME taken in April by 11<sup>th</sup> graders.

**Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) State** – The SAT is a college admission test that shows colleges what you know and how well you can apply that knowledge. It tests your knowledge of reading, writing and math. Colleges and universities can use the SAT to make admission decisions. This is part of the required MME taken in April by 11 graders.

**Work Keys** – Is a work skills assessment that helps to prepare, build, and increase global competitiveness and develop successful career pathways. This is part of the required MME taken in April by 11<sup>th</sup> graders.

**PSAT/NMSQT – (Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test)** - The PSAT is a practice test for the SAT Reasoning Test. This test is also used to determine National Merit Semifinalists. The test benefits students by providing personalized feedback on academic skills to aid learning and to help prepare for the expectation of college. Each student will receive three scores: Critical Reading, Math Reasoning, and Writing Skills.

**SAT National – (Scholastic Assessment Test)** - The SAT is a globally recognized college admission test that lets you show colleges what you know and how well you can apply that knowledge. It tests your knowledge of reading, writing and math. Most students take the SAT during their junior or senior year of high school, and colleges and universities can use the SAT to make admission decisions.

## NCAA Eligibility

**Eligibility standards for playing Division sports in college.**

### Core Courses

- **NCAA Division I requires 16 core courses.** This rule applies to any student first entering any Division I college or university on or after August 1, 2008. See the chart below for the breakdown of this 16 core-course requirement.
- **NCAA Division II requires 14 core courses.** See the breakdown of core-course requirements below. Please note, Division II will require 16 core courses beginning August 1, 2013.

For more information regarding the rules, please go to [www.NCAA.org](http://www.NCAA.org). Click on “Academics and Athletes” then “Eligibility and Recruiting.” Or visit the Eligibility Center Web site at [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org). Please call the NCAA Eligibility Center if you have questions: Toll-free number: 877/262-1492.

## Transferring Credit

**Guidelines for any transfer or home school student hoping to attend South Haven High School.**

When a student returns to or enters South Haven High School after home schooling or is a transfer student, the following procedure will be followed (assuming the student is a resident of the South Haven Public School District or a verified School of Choice attendee and meets all other criteria for admission to South Haven High School):

1. To transfer home-school credits to South Haven High School for graduation status, an affidavit must be signed by the parents or legal guardian indicating that the student was educated in an organized educational program. (School Attendance Law, Section 1561 (3) PARAGRAPH (F)) Credits that have been validated by an outside agency or clearinghouse will also be accepted.
2. All documents showing credits earned, validation documents, waivers and affidavits must be presented to the school before attendance so that correct placement can be made.
3. Placement will be determined by South Haven High School Counseling personnel on the basis of: the student's age; the student's performance on accepted national tests to be administered or requested by South Haven High School Counseling personnel; by administering the subject area exam given to South Haven High School students; or other methods of evaluation deemed appropriate by counseling or teaching staff.
4. Any home-school credits transferred will be accepted for credit only and have no grade attached and will be listed on the student's transcript as “home-schooled credit”.
5. A maximum of seven (7) home-schooled credits will be transferred per school year.
6. All students, including home-school students, transferring to South Haven High School must attend for their entire school year and accumulate at least five (5) credits during that year to be eligible to receive a diploma or participate in graduation exercises from South Haven High School. Students transferring from an accredited high school due to a change in parental residence (parents move into South Haven Public School district from another accredited school district) may be granted a waiver from this requirement by the building principal and superintendent.
7. All students, including home-schooled students, transferring to South Haven High School will not be eligible for graduation honors unless they attended South Haven High School for two (2) years previous to their graduation date and accumulate at least eleven (11) credits during those two (2) years.
8. Home-schooling credits or credits transferred from other institutions for graduation must be received by the first day of the second semester of the graduation year desired by the student.



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## Online Learner Readiness Rubric

Student Readiness	Technology Skills	Work & Study Habits	Learning Style	Technology/Connectivity	Time Management	Interest/Motivation	Reading/Writing Skills	Support Services
	Student has little, if any, experience using a computer or the Internet, and has minimal desire to develop more skills in this area.	Student often needs reminders to complete routine assignments, often turns homework in late and is not able to spend 5-10 hours per week on each online course.	Student is not a self-directed learner and often requires real-time feedback from teachers regarding basic directions and follow-up support.	Student does not have consistent access to a computer and a reliable connection to the Internet at home or at school.	Student does not manage his or her time effectively in doing research, basic studies and preparing for tests or quizzes.	Student has little or no interest in the content area of the online course offering and has a negative or unrealistic attitude toward online learning.	Student is reading below grade level and has experienced difficulty with routine writing assignments.	In general, parents and school personnel do not actively support online learning and are unable or unwilling to provide support assistance.
	Student has limited experience using a computer and the Internet, and has expressed a strong interest in developing more skills in this area.	Student has limited experience using a computer and the Internet, and has expressed a strong interest in developing more skills in this area.	Student beginning to demonstrate a behavior of self-directed learning and sometimes requires real-time feedback from teachers regarding basic directions and follow up support.	Student has limited access to a computer with low-speed Internet service at school or at home.	Student is beginning to demonstrate effective time management skills in doing research, basic studies and preparing for tests or quizzes.	Student has an interest in the content area of the online course offering, but has expressed concerns about enrolling in an online course or has an unrealistic attitude toward online learning.	Student is reading at grade level and has demonstrated limited proficiency with writing assignments.	Student support system is limited, parents and school personnel are somewhat supportive of enrollment in online courses.
	Student has strong computer skills and more than adequate experience using a word processor, email application and web browser.	Student rarely needs reminders or assistance in completing routine assignments and has demonstrated good independent study habits.	In general, the student is self-directed and does not require real-time feedback from teachers regarding basic directions and follow-up support.	Student has consistent access to a computer with moderate-speed Internet service at home or at school.	Student has demonstrated effective time management skills in doing research, basic studies and preparing for tests or quizzes.	Student has an interest in the content area of the online course offering, and has a positive and realistic attitude toward online learning.	Student is reading at or above grade level and has demonstrated success with a variety of writing assignments.	Student has open access to school-based mentoring/counseling service and parental support.
	Student has excellent computer skills and significant experience using a word processor, email application and web browser, and is comfortable downloading information from the Internet and using other technology tools and applications.	Student does not need reminders or assistance in completing routine assignments, usually finishes homework ahead of time and has successfully completed an independent study experience or taken an online course.	Student is a self-directed learner and demonstrates a high level of comfort and skill in learning new material without requiring real-time feedback from teachers regarding basic directions and follow-up support, and deals well with ambiguity.	Student has daily access to a computer with high-speed Internet service at home and at a convenient location in the school building before, during and after regular school hours.	Student has demonstrated outstanding time management skills while participating in a variety of clubs, student organizations, sports and work activities.	Student has a strong interest in the content area of the online course offering, is highly motivated to enroll in an online course and has a positive and realistic attitude toward online learning.	Student is reading above grade level, has strong reading comprehension skills and has demonstrated success with complex writing assignments.	Student has regularly scheduled access to school-based mentoring/counseling services, parental support is strong and district has adopted policies and identified best practices to support students as online learners.
	Comments:	Comments:	Comments:	Comments:	Comments:	Comments:	Comments:	Comments:

**Note:** This rubric was not designed to be used as a tool to determine eligibility for enrollment in online courses, but instead to be used as a resource to help identify specific areas where students may need additional support to better ensure success.

## Edgenuity Online Course Options

All online courses require a separate application and approval process. Online courses must be requested during the scheduling window and deadline. Students must meet with their counselor if wanting to take an online course.

### English Language Arts

English Language Arts 9 A & B  
 English Language Arts 10 A & B  
 English Language Arts 11 A & B  
 English Language Arts 12 A & B  
 Literacy & Comprehension I A & B \*\*  
 Literacy & Comprehension II A & B \*\*

### Mathematics

Pre-Algebra A & B \*\*  
 Algebra 1 A & B  
 Geometry A & B  
 Algebra II A & B  
 Pre-Calculus A & B  
 Financial Math\*  
 Personal Finance\*  
 Concepts in Probability and Statistics A & B

### Science

Physical Science A & B  
 Biology A & B  
 Chemistry A & B  
 Physics A & B  
 Environmental Science A & B

### Social Studies

World History A & B  
 US History A & B  
 US Government \*  
 Economics A & B\* (full-year course must be taken in 1 semester)  
 Human Geography A & B (elective, must have passed US History, World History, Government, & Economics)

### General Electives

Art History I \*  
 MI-Health \*  
 Intro to Art \*  
 Online learning & Digital Citizenship \*  
 Psychology A & B

Sociology \*  
 Strategies for Academic Success \*  
 3D Art I – Modeling \*  
 3D Art II – Animation \*  
 Career Planning & Development \*  
 Computer Applications: Office 2010 \*  
 Computer Science \*  
 Digital Arts \*  
 Engineering Design \*  
 Intro to Entrepreneurship \*  
 Intro to Coding \*  
 Health Science Concepts A & B  
 Introduction to Business A & B  
 Introductions to Health Science A & B  
 Introduction to Information Technology A & B  
 Medical Terminology \*  
 Microsoft Office Specialist A & B  
 Foundations of Personal Wellness \*

### Advanced Placement ®

Calculus AB  
 English Language & Composition  
 English Literature & Composition  
 Environmental Science  
 French Language & Culture  
 Human Geography  
 Psychology  
 Spanish Language & Culture  
 U.S. Government & Politics\*  
 U.S. History  
 World History

### Test Preparation

SAT  
 PSAT  
 ACT  
 GED  
 HISET  
 TASC  
 COMPASS  
 ACCUPLACER

\* Indicates a 1 semester course

\*\* Indicates course option for students demonstrating need through an IEP



## SOUTH HAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

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### Online Readiness Questionnaire (Please return to Student Success Center)

#### Student Information:

Student Name: (please print) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. My access to technology is best described as:

- I have a computer at home with internet access and I have my own email account
- I have regular access to a computer with internet
- I do not have a computer or an email address

2. My experience with discussion boards/online bulletin boards (Moodle, Blackboard, etc.) is:

- I have used a discussion board for a class
- I have accessed a discussion board but did not use it
- I have never used a discussion board

3. My technology skills are best described as:

- I am highly skilled with email, web browsers, word processing software, can download files, and create attachments
- I have some experience with email, web browsers, and word processing software
- I do not regularly use email, web browsers, and word processing software

4. When working with technology:

- I am comfortable solving technology problems on my own with very little frustration
- I am not comfortable solving technology problems and often need help
- I get frustrated easily when technology problems occur and usually need help

5. When starting a new school lesson/unit:

- I like to figure out the instructions myself using many different strategies, but will ask for help if needed
- I will first try to follow directions, but often ask for help
- I am most comfortable if directions are explained to me before attempting to figure them out  
Myself

6. When I need help in class:

- I feel comfortable asking questions and asking for help when I need it
- I don't often ask questions of the teacher, but I will if I need it
- I don't like to ask questions or ask for help

7. When it comes to completing school work:

- I always get my assignments done on time or ahead of time
- I mostly get my assignments done on time but sometimes I turn them in late

I often turn in late assignments

8. When it comes to reading and writing:

- I enjoy reading and writing and have confidence in my abilities
- I read well but I'm not comfortable expressing myself in writing
- I don't like reading and look for classes without a lot of writing assignments

9. I think an online class

- Will be a breeze and easy to complete
- May be difficult but I am capable of handling it
- Will be difficult for me and I will need a lot of help

10. Please state your goals for taking an online course. Let us know why you believe an online course would be a good educational fit for you. Share any background information that you feel is important.

Please complete this questionnaire and return it to your counselor along with your completed application.  
Thank you!



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### SHHS Virtual Learning Contract and Application Form

The purpose of an on-line course is to help students obtain a high school diploma and prepare for post-secondary education or the workforce. At the same time, it gives students the opportunity to explore technology as a tool for learning. The class will follow the same semester timelines as the traditional classroom version of the course, with progress due on a weekly basis. However, students are to complete the course requirements independently within those timelines. Because of the nature of online courses, it is important that the teacher, student, and parents agree to commit the time and energy needed to complete it successfully. There are set criteria for this class that must be met in order for the student to receive credit.

### STUDENT READINESS

Student success in an online course is dependent on many factors. Academic ability, reading skills, computer skills, habits of mind, parent support, and technology access are among these essential factors. A student wishing to enroll in an online course must consult with their school counselor before making a decision about enrolling. Students must complete this online course contract and application prior to enrollment. This document must be signed by the student, parent/guardian, counselor, and superintendent or his designee. If the student has a 504 Plan or IEP, a signature from the district Special Education director or their designee must also be provided.

**The following readiness factors should be considered prior to enrollment in an online course: (please refer to the Online Learner Readiness Rubric)**

**Academic Ability:** Much of the content of an online course is conveyed through written material. It is therefore important students have strong analytical reading skills (proficient or advanced ELA scores on standardized assessments are recommended).

**Computer Skills:** Students should be comfortable working with a computer, navigating a website, and downloading/uploading documents. Strong typing skills are necessary. Students must be comfortable accessing and reading information on a computer for long periods, and have some basic ability to troubleshoot technical issues that may be encountered.

**Habits of Mind:** Online course work requires strong organizational and time management skills. Students must be independent, self-directed learners who are capable of staying on task while working from a virtual lab, home, or other remote location. Students must be committed to managing assignment due dates, and asking for help when they need assistance. Students must access the course on a daily basis and check email regularly for communications from the teacher.

**Parent Support:** Parent/guardian support is important to the success of online students. Parents must be aware of the online requirements, monitor work habits and progress, and ensure appropriate technology access at all times. Students should have someone who can provide technical assistance as necessary as well.

**Technology Access:** A student who is enrolled in our district virtual labs will have access to all appropriate technology in order to be successful. However, online learning often requires students to be able to access their courses from another remote location. Online students must therefore have access to a computer with a high-speed internet connection and a processor capable of downloading/uploading streaming video and large multimedia files. The computer should be equipped with a word processor (preferably Microsoft Word), web browser, speakers, and a USB headset with microphone.

### Student Expectations

**Ethics:** Online students are expected to complete their own work at all times. If a student breaks this code of ethics, the Ethics Policy will be enforced, which will result in no credit for the assignment, assessment, or course. Violation of this section may result in the student being removed from the course and not receiving credit. A student must also read and acknowledge the district Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) regarding technology and the internet.

**Communication:** Students must also check email regularly for messages or updates from the instructor. It is the student's responsibility to contact the instructor should difficulties completing the coursework be experienced. Parents/guardians should also be in frequent contact with the instructor and inform him/her of any concerns with the course or learning problems that arise.

**Attendance:** Students may be asked to attend mandatory meetings or attend face-to-face contacts at school. Some students may be required to attend daily as in a traditional classroom. These requirements may be for orientation, pupil accounting requirements, or for proctored exams. If a student fails to meet the attendance requirements, they may be dropped from the class. Once a student is enrolled in a course, they must log into the course regularly. Students who are enrolled in the district's virtual learning lab are expected to attend class regularly, and be active in the course during the class hour; this means actively engaged in course activities including viewing content and completing assignments and assessments. Courses are designed for students to be actively engaged with the course work at least one hour per day per course, or more if needed to maintain pace for course completion by the end date. If a student does not stay on pace for course completion it is their responsibility to make up the time needed to complete the course on time. If a student fails to complete the course by the end date, the student will be in jeopardy of failing the course and will be dropped from enrollment. Students are then expected to re-enroll for the course in a traditional classroom setting.

**VIRTUAL LEARNING APPLICATION**

Student Name: (Please Print)		Date:
Date of Birth:	Grade (9-12) / school year when taking online course: Grade: _____ School Year: _____	
Student building of Enrollment	Student IEP? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Student 504? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Address:		
Student email:	Student Signature:	
Parent email:	Parent Signature:	
Do you want progress updates on Edgenuity classes emailed weekly? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
<b>COURSE INFORMATION</b>		
Course(s) Title: (list all that apply)	Subject: <input type="checkbox"/> Math <input type="checkbox"/> Ela <input type="checkbox"/> Science <input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
Course Provider: <input type="checkbox"/> Michigan Virtual <input type="checkbox"/> Edgenuity	Semester <input type="checkbox"/> 1st <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd <input type="checkbox"/> Summer	
<b>(Counselor to fill out this section)</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Is the course a district or state requirement? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Is the class aligned with student's goal for graduation? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Does the student possess the prerequisite skills for this course? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Is the rigor of this course sufficient for preparing students to be College, Career, and Life ready? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Does the student have an EDP on file (needed for more than 2 courses per semester) <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
Course(s) Title: (list all that apply)	Subject: <input type="checkbox"/> Math <input type="checkbox"/> Ela <input type="checkbox"/> Science <input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
Course Provider: <input type="checkbox"/> Michigan Virtual <input type="checkbox"/> Edgenuity	Semester <input type="checkbox"/> 1st <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd <input type="checkbox"/> Summer	

**(Counselor to fill out this section)**

- Is course a district or state requirement?     YES    NO
- Is the class aligned with student's goal for graduation?     YES    NO
- Does the student possess the prerequisite skills for this course?     YES    NO
- Is the rigor of this course sufficient for preparing students to be College, Career, and Life ready?    YES    NO
- Does the student have an EDP on file (needed for more than 2 courses per semester)    YES    NO

**Reason for Interest in Online Course (check all that apply)**

- Accelerated Learning                                       Credit Recovery                                       Course not offered at SHPS
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read this contract and understand once I am enrolled in virtual learning I am solely responsible for the completion of this course; my score earned in this course will be transferred into a grade and will appear on my transcript (HS course). My failure of any online course prevents me from registering for an online course in the future. I also understand that I may be responsible for any cost incurred by the district if I fail any course or fail to complete any course by the target date.

I understand that if I do not meet the criteria for virtual learning, I may be in jeopardy of not receiving credit for the class and be dropped from enrollment for the online course(s). **Application for virtual classes through Michigan Virtual must be turned in to the Student Success Center a minimum of 1 month prior to the start of the semester in which the class will be taken. For students seeking classes through Edgenuity, applications and all necessary documents must be received in the office for scheduling. (see the Student Success Center for exact dates).**

Student Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Online Learning Course(s) 1<sup>st</sup> Semester    Approved     Not Approved

Notes:

Counselor Signature:

Administrator Signature: (SPED Director if applicable)

Online Learning Course(s) 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester    Approved     Not Approved

Notes:

Counselor Signature:

Administrator Signature: (SPED Director if applicable)

**Office Use Only**

**Student's Name:**  
**Date Received:**  
**Meeting Date:**  
**Received by ILC:**





## Honors ELA Application

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Student:

In order to make sound decisions in the selection process for admission to the ELA Honors Program, the Faculty Council would appreciate additional information on your academic history. Please fill out the following chart. In addition to this document, you must also submit two letters of recommendation from a faculty member or administrator (see provided form). Remember that the ELA Honors Programs will require students to complete a highly rigorous curriculum that will require studying, homework completion, essay writing, and analysis to be completed on their own time in addition to the time provided in class.

All incoming freshman must apply to be admitted to the HS ELA Honors Program, even if previously enrolled during 6-8 grade.

Current NWEA Score:	
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Current GPA:	
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Previous ELA Grades	Current Semester	
	Previous Semester 1	
	Previous Semester 2	

Have you previously been enrolled in an Honors Level Course?  YES  NO

If yes, what was your overall grade \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Statement: Please attach a personal statement that addresses the questions below. (1 page maximum)

- Why should you be admitted to the Honors Program?
- How do you plan to handle the increase in rigor, expectations, and time commitment required for this program?
- Any additional information you would like the Faculty Council to know regarding your application.



## Honors ELA Recommendation Form

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Teacher:

In order to make sound decisions in the selection process for admission to the ELA Honors Program, the Faculty Council would appreciate your candid assessment of this student. Please fill out the following chart. If you do not feel comfortable rating the student in a particular category, please leave that row blank. Your response should be as objective as possible.

	Below Average	Average	Good (above average)	Very good (well above average)	Excellent (top 10%)	One of the top encountered in my career
Potential for growth						
Work ethic						
Honest and reliable						
Timely submission of assignments						
Respect for others						
Appropriate conduct						
Receptive to constructive criticism						
Ability to work cooperatively with peers						
Ability to follow through on commitments						
Ability to work independently						
Communicates effectively with teachers & peers						

In the space below or on a separate sheet of paper, please include any other information about this student that you think may be helpful to the Faculty Council during the selection process.

## Extra Curricular Activities

South Haven High School offers a wide variety of activities for students outside the normal school day.

### **Fall Sports**

	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>Contact</b>
Girl's Golf (JV, Varsity)	August 12	Mr. Barry Shanley
Volleyball (9 <sup>th</sup> , JV, Varsity)	August 14	Mrs. Megan Washegesic
Fall Cheer (9 <sup>th</sup> , JV, Varsity)	August 14	Ms. Rachel Burson
Girl's Cross Country (JV, Varsity)	August 12	Mrs. Lindsay Haqq
Girl's Swim (Varsity)	August 14	Ms. Amy Crews
Boy's Cross Country (JV, Varsity)	August 12	Mrs. Lindsay Haqq
Boy's Tennis (JV, Varsity)	August 12	Mr. Kevin Powell
Football (9 <sup>th</sup> , JV, Varsity)	August 12	Mr. Troy Ayotte
Boy's Soccer (JV, Varsity)	August 12	Mr. Carlos Aguayo

### **Winter Sports**

Girl's Basketball (JV, Varsity)	November 11	Mr. Joey Holland
Boy's Basketball (9 <sup>th</sup> , JV, Varsity)	November 18	Mr. Larry Ash
Boy's Swim (Varsity)	November 25	Mr. Thomas Capps
Wrestling (JV, Var.)	November 18	Mr. Brad Adamson
Boy's & Girls Bowling	November 18	Mr. Skuza/Ms. Maryann Richmond
Competitive Cheer	November 11	Ms. Rachel Burson

### **Spring Sports**

Softball (JV, Varsity)	March 9	Mrs. Wilma Wilson/Mr. Dave Gumpert
Girl's Tennis (JV, Varsity)	March 9	Mr. Kevin Powell
Girl's Soccer (JV, Varsity)	March 9	Mr. Benno Trenkle
Girl's Track (Varsity)	March 9	Mrs. Lindsay Haqq
Baseball (JV, Varsity)	March 9	Mr. David McWhinnie
Boy's Golf (JV, Varsity)	March 9	Mr. Doug Thorne
Boy's Track (Varsity)	March 9	Mr. Damien Ross

- Students must meet MHSAA eligibility requirements and have a physical and signed training rules prior to participation.
- Students who hope to be eligible for scholarships for collegiate athletics must review the NCAA eligibility requirements in the General Information section of this book.

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

### **Academic Organizations:**

	<b>Timeline/Sign ups</b>	<b>Advisor</b>
First Robotics	Fall	Mr. Dee/Mrs. Wise
History Club	Fall	Ms. Shepard
National Honor Society	Criteria-Based Membership	Ms. Day
Quiz Bowl	Fall	Mr. Day
Science Olympiad	Late Fall	Mr. Stap
ASAP (After School Tutoring)	All Year	Mr. Salyer

### **Service Organization**

Class Officers	Elections in September	Ms. VanderRoest
Key Club	September	Ms. VanderRoest
Youth Advisory Committee	September	Ms. Olsen
Be Nice	All Year	Ms. VanderRoest

**Activities Organizations**

Critic Newspaper	All Year	Ms. Day
Battering Ram- Satirical Newspaper	All Year	Ms. Day
Diversity Club	All Year	Mr. Anastacio Mrs. Bettis Mr. Crow Mr. Martinez Ms. Williams
Equestrian Club	Fall	Ms. Solina Warren
Ski Club	Winter	Mr. Miles
Project Pathway	All Year	Mr. Teekamp
Gender & Sexualities Alliance (GSA)	All Year	Ms. Hillyard

**Fine Arts**

Fall Play	Tryouts: September	Mrs. O'Neil/Ms. Hillyard
Art Club	Fall	Mr. Wikman
Musical	Tryouts: December	Mrs. O'Neil/Ms. Hillyard
Chamber Orchestra	Fall	Mrs. Fiedorowicz
Tri-M Honors Society	Criteria Based Membership	Mr. Bopp

**Michigan Merit Curriculum  
Graduating Class of 20  
South Haven High School**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Counselor \_\_\_\_\_

### Career Pathways / National Career Clusters

Circle which pathway / career cluster best represents your current career interest.

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|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Arts &amp; Communication Career Pathway               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Arts, A/V Technology &amp; Communication</li> </ul> </li> <li>◆ Business, Management, Marketing &amp; Technology Career Pathway               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Business, Management &amp; Administration</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Finance</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Information Technology</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Marketing, Sales, &amp; Service</li> </ul> </li> <li>◆ Engineering, Manufacturing, &amp; Industrial Technology Career Pathway               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Architecture &amp; Construction</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Science, Technology, Engineering &amp; Mathematics</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Transportation, Distribution &amp; Logistics</li> <li>◆ Health Science Career Pathway               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Health Science</li> </ul> </li> <li>◆ Human Services Career Pathway               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Education &amp; Training</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality &amp; Tourism</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Law, Public Safety, &amp; Security</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Government &amp; Public Services</li> </ul> </li> <li>◆ Natural Resources &amp; Agriscience Career Pathway               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture, Food &amp; Natural Resources</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
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9 <sup>th</sup> Grade School Year		10 <sup>th</sup> Grade School Year	
1	English 9	1	English 10
2	U.S. History & Geography	2	World History & Geography
3	Science	3	Science
4	Math: _____	4	Math: _____
5		5	
6		6	
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade School Year		12 <sup>th</sup> Grade School Year	
1	English 11	1	English 12
2	Economics / Government	2	Math: _____
3	Science: _____	3	
4	Math: _____	4	
5		5	
6		6	

Other Requirements to be incorporated into the four – year course plan are:

- Health (1 semester)
- P.E. or approved physical activity (1 semester)
- VPAA: Visual, Performing and Applied Arts (1 year)
- World language or an extra VPAA or Tech Center program (2 years)

**Please Note: Required classes must be taken until successfully passed .**