

Education at its Finest

Course Scheduling Guide 2015-2016

We are excited to welcome you to the WCSCC. This schedule book is designed to assist you and your parents with planning your academic schedule. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact the WCSCC Student Services Office at 330-669-7000 ext. 1040.

Students: Consult with your counselor and parents. Check to see if there are any required academic courses for your trade program by consulting this guidebook. Give careful consideration to your academic course selections. Registration sheets must be turned in to your counselor **signed by you and your parent**.

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Graduation Credit Requirements

Please refer to your associate school for graduation requirements as some schools have additional requirements beyond the state minimum.

Diploma with Honors

Go To: http://education.ohio.gov/ for criteria and information on the Diploma with Honors

Virtual Learning Academy and PLATO online coursework

VLA and PLATO courses can be used to remediate failed courses or supplement current coursework.

VLA: Contact your associate school counselor for cost and registration. Parental approval is required. Meeting times with the VLA instructor may be after the regular school day.

PLATO: Career Center counselors will enroll students. There is no tuition charge for PLATO courses that are **not** summer school.

College Credit Plus with Stark State College

WCSCC students are able to take dual credit courses on our campus in conjunction with Stark State College. Approved courses will fulfill high school credit requirements while earning college credit upon successful completion. **This is an excellent opportunity to earn tuition free college credit** as a high school student. Courses offered and requirements for enrollment are listed below.

- 1. Online application can be completed in the guidance office.
- 2. Students must take the ACT, SAT or COMPASS test and score as follows:

English Composition I and II ACT 18, SAT 500 or Compass Writing 70 Political Science (Government) NO MINIMUM SCORE REQUIRED College Algebra and Trigonometry ACT 22, SAT 500 or Compass Math 55 Business/Entrepreneurship ACT 18 or Compass Reading 80

**Test scores must be available by May 1, 2015 for fall 2015 enrollment

- 4. Any student who fails to complete or earn a passing grade jeopardizes their eligibility for graduation.
- 5. Dual credit courses in Business, Government, English Composition and Math are listed in the course description section.

English Language Arts Offerings

LANGUAGE ARTS III Grade Level 11 1 Credit

Designed to teach basic English skills at the junior level. This course focuses on practical communication skills including newspaper interpretation, large and small group communication and literature related to life management.

Prerequisite: IEP

JUNIOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS Grade 11 1 Credit

Students will be immersed in reading, writing, and speaking through the study of fiction and non-fiction literature. The writing process will be utilized to develop logical and coherent compositions. Improvement of critical thinking and analytical skills, vocabulary, and oral and written communications is emphasized throughout the course. Course content and assignments will include career and technical applications and employability skills.

JUNIOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS ENRICHED Grade 11 1 Credit

This course involves a study of various American authors, with emphasis placed on development of reading, writing, listening, speaking and critical thinking skills through class discussions, activities, projects and writing assignments. Study will focus on understanding the historical perspectives and universal themes of works in literature to further students' cultural appreciation. Course content and assignments will include career and technical applications and employability skills.

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation.

LANGUAGE ARTS IV Grade Level 12 1 Credit

Designed to teach and reinforce practical skills for everyday living and work. Content includes employability skills such as formal response writing including greetings, handshaking and thank you letter writing, goal setting and following career objectives. This course also focuses on refining reading, writing and speaking skills.

Prerequisite: IEP

TRANSITIONS LANGUAGE ARTS Grade 12 1 Credit

This English course will accommodate different learning styles and modalities and focus on the skills necessary for life after high school, promoting reading, writing and other modes of communication. Both work-related communication skills and traditional English skills will be taught.

Prerequisite: IEP/Principal referral

SENIOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS Grade 12 1 Credit

This course focuses on refining reading, writing, and speaking skills. Students will develop self-understanding and the understanding of other individuals, cultures and life experiences. Emphasis is also placed on the development of critical thinking and analytical skills. Course content and assignments will include career and technical applications and employability skills.

SENIOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS ENRICHED

Grade 12 1 Credit

This course provides a solid foundation for academic work at the college level through various types of speaking, writing, reading, and guided projects. The students will pursue critical independent study and analysis of literature and non-fiction readings. Emphasis is placed on responding critically to the readings and writings presented, developing advanced vocabulary skills, and polishing written communication skills. Class discussion is also emphasized. Readings will be required (both fiction and non-fiction) as springboards to ideas for writings. Course content and assignments will include career and technical applications and employability skills.

Prerequisite: Teacher Recommendation

COLLEGE SENIOR ENGLISH (College Credit Plus) Grade 12 1 Credit per Course ENG 124 College Composition I (3 college credits from Stark State College)

This course emphasizes writing based on reading response with review of essay development, grammar, and punctuation. Emphasis is on the process of drafting, revising and editing to achieve clarity. A research project requires APA or MLA documentation.

ENG 231 College Composition II (3 college credits from Stark State College)

This course will build on the skills and knowledge obtained in College Composition I including research and inquiry. Students will develop an understanding of rhetoric, argument, and language as they explore and write about complex topics in formal papers.

THESE ENTRY LEVEL COLLEGE ENGLISH COMPOSITION COURSES ARE TAKEN ONLINE THROUGH STARK STATE COLLEGE WITH THE SUPPORT OF A CAREER CENTER INSTRUCTOR IN THE CLASSROOM.

Prerequisite: Meet College Credit Plus eligibility requirements.

Math Offerings

MATH III Grade 11 1 Credit

Students learn about many practical applications of math in everyday life. Topics of study include statistics, fractions, basic geometry, probability, statistical graphs, measures of central tendency, finance, budgeting and mathematical modeling. Project units also allow students to apply and extend their math skills for problem solving.

Prerequisite: IEP

MATH IV Grade 12 1 Credit

This course is an extension of Math III. Students study and review arithmetic skills they can apply to their personal lives and future careers. The focus is on occupational topics including job details, wages, deductions, taxes, insurance, recreational spending and transportation. Students also learn about personal finances, checking and savings accounts, loans, credit, auto expenses and housing costs.

Prerequisites: Math III and IEP

GEOMETRY Grade 11/12 1 Credit

This course will follow the Ohio Common Core Standards for Mathematics. The standards stress not only procedural skills, but also conceptual understanding to prepare students to think and reason mathematically. This course will introduce the ideas of congruence and similarity, parallel and perpendicular lines, the Pythagorean Theorem, the study of the properties of figures including triangles and circles, the study of proofs, trigonometric ratios, and the study of solid figures. Algebra 1 skills will be used throughout the course.

Prerequisite: Algebra I or Enrolled in Algebra I

ALGEBRA II Grade 11/12 1 Credit

This course will follow the Ohio Common Core Standards for Mathematics. This course is a continuation of the study of Algebra I. Further skill development is emphasized in the study of linear and quadratic equations, systems of equations, exponentials and logarithms.

Prerequisites: D or F in Algebra I or IEP

ALGEBRA II with TRIGONOMETRY Grade 11/12 1 Credit

This course will follow the Ohio Common Core Standards for Mathematics. This course is a continuation of the study of Algebra I and will include the study of data analysis, graphing systems of linear equations, factoring, rational and irrational numbers, functions and function notations, quadratic equations and inequalities, exponentials, logarithms, trigonometric functions and their applications and complex numbers. **A graphing calculator is required for this class**.

Prerequisite: Algebra 1 completed with a grade of C or higher

FINANCIAL ALGEBRA Grade 12 1 Credit

Financial Algebra is fourth year math class. It is an application based learning approach incorporating prior knowledge from each student's previous experiences in Mathematics. Students will cover the study of taxes, insurance, banking, budgeting, investing, home ownership, auto ownership, credit and more. It offers students the opportunity to extend and practice their algebra mechanics and problem-solving skills using age appropriate scenarios.

ADVANCED MATH Grade 11/12 1 Credit

Advanced math is a review of Algebra II and is a continuation into the formal study of mathematics. This course prepares the college bound student for calculus. Much of this course is devoted to the study of functions. This course will explore basic trigonometric identities and ratios. It will enable students to display, describe, transform, and interpret numerical information represented as data, graphs or equations. Other topics include mathematical modeling of functions, sequences, and conic sections. A graphing calculator is **required**. **Prerequisite:** Algebra II with Trigonometry

COLLEGE ALGEBRA & TRIGONOMETRY (College Credit Plus) Grade 12 1 Credit per Course MTH 125 – College Algebra (4 college credits from Stark State College)

In this course students will study linear, quadratic and absolute value equations and inequalities by applying analytical, graphical, and numerical methods of solution. Elementary functions and non-functions will be examined with reference to extreme roots (zeros) and end-behavior of their respective graphs. Theory of equations including the Remainder and Factor Theorems, The Rational Root Theorem, and Descartes' Rule of Signs will be used for non-graphical analysis of polynomial functions of degree n. The student will also study exponential and logarithmic functions and the conic sections including their graphs and applications. Systems of equations will be solved by traditional algebraic methods as well as by the application of matrix algebra including determinants. These methods will be extended to include the partial fraction decomposition of rational expressions.

MTH 130 – Trigonometry (3 college credits from Stark State College)

Study of angles and degree measure; radian measure; arc length and area; angular and linear velocity; trigonometric functions; right angle trigonometry; trigonometric identities and reference angles; unit circle and graphing; general sine wave; graph of tangent function; inverse trigonometric functions; basic sine, cosine and tangent equations; multiple angle equations; vectors and their applications; oblique triangles and their applications; polar coordinates and complex numbers.

THESE ENTRY LEVEL MATH COURSES ARE TAKEN ONLINE THROUGH STARK STATE COLLEGE WITH SUPPORT FROM A CAREER CENTER INSTRUCTOR IN THE CLASSROOM.

Prerequisite: Meet College Credit Plus eligibility requirements.

Science Offerings

SCIENCE III Grade 11/12 1 Credit

This course provides information on the study of living things, the characteristics and needs that all living things have in common, the changes and ways that all living things depend upon Earth and its resources. Nature of science, cells and heredity, life over time, diversity of living things, ecology, human biology and anatomy will be covered.

Prerequisite: IEP

BIOLOGY II Grade 11/12 1 Credit

This class is a survey of the animal kingdom with an analysis of systems relevant to their classification to help students appreciate a variety of life forms and their unique and similar characteristics. It is intended for the student with a love of animals and a desire to expand knowledge of animal diversity. Dissection is an integral part of this course. **Required for students in Animal Care and Management.**

Prerequisite: Biology

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE Grade 11/12 1 Credit

This course provides an understanding of the environment and the relationship between organisms and their physical surroundings focusing on the effects man has within the worldwide ecosystem. Students will be provided with knowledge that will allow them to analyze environmental issues and associated risks; and, examine solutions that can resolve/prevent ecological problems through critical and creative thinking skills.

ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY Grade 11/12 1 Credit

In this course the major systems of the human body and their interactions will be explored. Major systems of the body will be covered including: the nervous system, skeletal system, circulatory system, respiratory system, muscular system and reproductive system. The functioning of each system from the cellular level to complete system will be examined using laboratory investigations and class discussions. Dissection is an integral part of this course. This course is required for students who plan a career in the health science fields or Cosmetology.

Prerequisite: Biology

CHEMISTRY Grade 11/12 1 Credit

This course is designed to help students understand basic chemical principles and master problem-solving skills. The course is a standards-based study of the fundamental chemistry concepts such as measurements, atomic structure and theory, chemical bonding, reactions, the mole and stoichiometry, states of matter, solutions, acids & bases and nuclear chemistry. Concepts and skills are reinforced through a strong emphasis on hands-on laboratory experiences as well as the use of technology. Emphasis will also be placed on the utilization of mathematical, analytical and communications skills.

Prerequisite: Algebra I passed with a "C" or better

APPLIED PHYSICS Grade 11/12 1 Credit

This laboratory-based class will enable students to obtain a better understanding of the world by learning the laws of physics and how they apply to the natural universe, technology and manufacturing careers. Students develop critical thinking skills. Major topics covered are motion, forces, energy, heat, sound, light, electricity and magnetism.

Prerequisite: Algebra I passed with a "C" or better

Social Studies Offerings

HISTORY Credit Recovery 1 Credit

This is a basic US and World History course designed to focus on all aspects of history of the United States and the world. Topics to be discussed include, but are not limited to mapping and charting, patterns of historic events, growth of a nation, culture, immigration, war, and current events. This course is intended for students who are credit deficient in history.

Prerequisite: IEP referral

INTEGRATED GOVERNMENT, ECONOMICS & FINANCIAL LITERACY Grade 12 1 Credit

This is a basic Government course designed to teach the students the fundamentals of Government systems around the world. The course focuses on all aspects of Government, including but not limited to history, law, economics and citizen knowledge. Personal financial literacy will be included as a part of this course focusing on choices about budgets, savings, investments, and credit.

Prerequisite: IEP referral

GOVERNMENT, ECONOMICS & FINANCIAL LITERACY

Grade 12 1 Credit

This course will emphasize the levels of our government, the major functions of each branch at each level, and the role of the citizen. **Government** topics may include purposes and goals of government, types of government, the Constitution, the branches of our government, state and local government and citizenship participation. **Economics** content may include taxation, the role of individuals in our economy, supply and demand, inflation, comparative advantage, trade, specialization and interdependence. **Financial Literacy** includes personal economic choices regarding budgets, savings, investments, credit and philanthropy.

COLLEGE GOVERNMENT (DUAL CREDIT) ECONOMICS & FINANCIAL LITERACY Grade 12 PSC 121 – Political Science (4 college credits from Stark State College) 1 Credit

This course engages students in an intense study of American documents and text that address the theoretical and political foundations of America. Through independent reading and discussions, students will discover the nature, purpose, and forms of government systems along with the relationship between function and structure of the American Constitution. This is a survey course at the college level that covers a vast amount of content related political science in modern society. College reading level required.

Economics & Financial Literacy ½ Credit (not dual enrollment credit) may include taxation, the role of individuals in our economy, supply and demand, inflation, comparative advantage, trade, specialization and interdependence. Additional topics include personal economic choices regarding budgets, savings, investments, credit and philanthropy.

Prerequisite: Required for all students completing PSC 121.

Business Entrepreneurship

This new program will be taught in our new distance learning lab. The instructor will rotate between us and the four other county schools that are part of the program once a week, however, the instructor will be present virtually every day on every campus. As part of Ohio's College Credit Plus program students will receive both high school and college credit through Stark State College. This is a two-year program consisting of four business courses and three academic courses each semester.

The following courses are available for next year:

ENT 120 - ENTREPRENEURSHIP

This course is designed to introduce students to the entrepreneurial process from conception to birth of a new venture. Students will examine elements in the entrepreneurial process--personal, sociological, and environmental--that give birth to a new enterprise. Critical factors for starting a new enterprise such as alternative career prospects, family, friends, role models, the state of the economy and the availability of resources will be explored. Students will be introduced to practical tools they can use to further their careers in business, both in entrepreneurship and in more traditional company environments. This course simulates the experiences that entrepreneurs undergo in conceiving, launching, and operating new businesses. The course enables students to evaluate an entrepreneurial career for themselves. In doing so, it provides want- to-be entrepreneurs with a framework for selecting, funding, and starting their own new ventures.

3 Credit hours

ENT 124 - MANAGING ENTREPRENEURIAL GROWTH

This course is designed for students who want to manage growing companies in an increasingly professional manner while still maintaining the entrepreneurial spirit that brought the company to its current growth position and for students who want to manage larger companies to emphasize innovation and the management of opportunities rather than to concentrate on the efficient management of ongoing operations. Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to measure economic performance and obtain information for management decision-making, management control systems for innovative companies, short-and long-run planning in ownermanaged businesses, and entrepreneurship in managing growing companies.

3 Credit hours

ENT 225 - GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

This course examines how entrepreneurs create and manage emerging ventures in other countries and create and manage start-up emerging ventures which are global in at least one important aspect. The case analyses and classroom discussions draw on and integrate multidisciplinary concepts, skills, and insights. - marketing, operations, finance, control, decision-making, leadership, ethics, governance, negotiations - all in the service of starting and managing entrepreneurial ventures. Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to identify and assess business models for international start-ups, venture valuation, sources of financing, deal structuring, cross-cultural issues in entrepreneurship, creating strategic alliances, managing/leading a small multinational organization, international acquisitions, managing entrepreneurial ventures in situations of financial distress and under changing contexts, and managing global expansions of ventures. 3 Credit hours

BUS 121 - BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

A survey course designed to develop a comprehension of business theories and principles. Students will examine the following: American business development, management and organization, human resources, marketing, information for business strategy, decision making, finance and investment. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of the above topic areas and have a foundation for studying other business subjects.

3 Credit hours

ITD 122 - COMPUTER APPLICATIONS FOR PROFESSIONALS

Computer Applications for Professionals describes the components and peripherals of a computer/PC and how they function and communicate as a system. Principle topics covered are the Windows operating system, Internet applications, the Windows networking environment and a variety of software application packages used to solve scientific, business, and engineering technology problems.

3 Credit hours

MGT 121 - PRINCIPLES OF MANAGEMENT

This course provides an in-depth, balanced overview of management through coverage of basic management functions: planning, organizing, staffing, directing and controlling. Presents the current insights of open-systems theory, contingency theory, organization theory, organizational behavior and contemporary management science. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of the above topic areas.

3 Credit hours

SSC 101 - STUDENT SUCCESS SEMINAR

This course is designed to aid students in gaining the skills necessary for academic success at Stark State College (SSC). Topics include learning styles, critical thinking, time management, study and test-taking techniques, communication skills, and a variety of personal development strategies. Students will learn how to access and use SSC resources such as mystarkstate, the College's Learning Management System (LMS), Digital Library, Writing Center, Career Development, advising, tutoring, and other College support services. This course also fosters connections between students, their respective academic divisions, and their classmates. Upon completion of this course, students should be able to incorporate into their degrees or certificate programs the tools and skills necessary to be academically and professionally successful.

1 Credit hours

The following sequence will be followed:

Semester 1 Semester 2

Student Success Seminar Computer Applications for Professionals

Entrepreneurship Global Entrepreneurship

Business Administration Principles of Management

Math Math

English/Language Arts English/Language Arts

Social Studies Social Studies

Education and Career Planning Tools for Students

http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Career-Tech/Career-Connections

https://jobseeker.k-12.ohiomeansjobs.monster.com/seeker.aspx

 $\underline{www.education.ohio.gov/Topics/Career-Tech/Career-Connections/Career-Advising-Policy-and-Student-Success-Plan}$

^{*}First semester represents a 15 hour pathway.

^{*}Both semesters represent a 30 hour pathway.