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El Camino Fundamental High School
Mission Statement

Embodying the Respect, Responsibility, and Readiness inherent in our Fundamental spirit and tradition, the mission of the El Camino Fundamental High School community is to challenge and inspire each student to be a creative, life-long learner, and enlightened citizen by ensuring that students construct meaning through rigorous 21st Century learning in a caring, inclusive environment.

COURSE SELECTION

Setting long range goals and developing an educational plan to meet those goals is one of the most important steps in a student's high school career. The first semester of high school is a critical period for many students, and the decision as to which type of program to pursue should not be made without serious consideration of the student's past academic record and his/her future plans.

All students must complete the graduation requirements for El Camino Fundamental High School. There are also specific courses to be taken for admission to colleges and universities. The planning process must not be taken lightly. Careful consideration must be given not only to the choice of classes but also to grades earned, credit awarded, attendance, citizenship, and college admission exams where required.

Students must make sound decisions at the time they register for classes. Changing a student's program after a semester begins is generally counter-productive and places students at a disadvantage if they enter a class late. Generally, requests for changes will be denied as the decisions students and their parents make at the time of registration determine both the number of sections of classes and the assignment of teachers.

This Course Description Book is designed to be a tool for you. By carefully reviewing the information in this book you will know:

- Every class proposed for the next school year.
- Minimum graduation requirements you must fulfill to graduate from El Camino Fundamental High School.
- Requirements for UC/CSU university systems.
- College admissions requirements.
- Elective class opportunities.

Take the time to talk it over with parents, teachers, and your counselor. Think about which courses will help you the most, which you need to prepare for college, and your future career, how much time and energy you need for other responsibilities such as family, sports, work, or other extracurricular activities.

Make the most of the opportunities provided for you at El Camino Fundamental High School.

High School Honors Program

Honors classes are more academically rigorous than other courses. Grades in honors classes are based on a 5-point scale (weighted), rather than the typical 4-point scale. A grade of D in an Honors or AP course is considered a
deficiency and does not receive the extra grade point. These classes are accelerated and appropriate for GATE students as well as other students who are achieving at a high academic level.

To determine preliminary eligibility for incoming freshmen to high school Honors classes, students currently attending San Juan Unified Schools will be recommended for placement through the articulation process between student’s middle school and high school for the upcoming school year.

For students outside the San Juan Unified School District who will be attending one of the district’s high schools in the fall, a letter of recommendation from current English teacher (for Honors English) and math teacher (for Honors Biology). Honors placements are limited and scheduling for these classes will not occur until courses have been determined for the upcoming school year.

After the freshman year, entrance requirements for honors classes are based upon teacher recommendation and academic performance.

**Naviance Succeed Family Connections**

Naviance is a web-based college research and planning tool for students, parents and school counselors. The website directs individual students through the entire college planning, application and decision process. Students can search for colleges and scholarships, explore careers, and take interest/learning style inventories. Teachers and counselors can upload recommendation letters and transcripts to be sent to colleges your student is applying to. The status of all necessary application documents can be checked in one convenient location. Students can also review academic and admission data for colleges across the United States and determine their chances for acceptance by comparing personal statistics (GPA, ACT, SAT scores) to El Camino High School students who have recently been admitted.

**Q Student Information System**

Q Student Information Management System is the official system of record for San Juan Unified School District which includes Student Enrollment, Scheduling, Attendance, Grade Reporting, Transcripts, Behavior, Health, Test History, Services and Programs, English Learner, and Special Education programs. Q (formerly Zangle!) was implemented in August 2009 at all SJUSD schools.

- **Q Parent Portal** is a website for parents where they are able to view their child’s progress online. Its goal is to increase communication between the parents, classroom teachers, guidance counselors, and administrators. Parents may obtain their login information form their children's school. The URL for Parent Connection is: [https://sis.sanjuan.edu/parentportal/](https://sis.sanjuan.edu/parentportal/)

- **Q Student Portal** is a website for students where they are able to view their own progress and attendance online and request courses for their next term. Its goal is to increase communication between teachers and students, and provide opportunities for students to take direct responsibility for their achievement. Students may obtain their login information from their school. The URL for Student Connection is: [https://sis.sanjuan.edu/studentportal/](https://sis.sanjuan.edu/studentportal/)
EL CAMINO FUNDAMENTAL HIGH SCHOOL

GUIDANCE ISSUES

• Class load on campus - 7 maximum (8 with administrative approval) - 80 maximum credits on or off campus per year.

• Class schedule minimum - Students will take a normal 6 period schedule unless they meet minimum credit requirements for a 5 period schedule. Freshmen and sophomore students that take a zero period class will still be required to be scheduled for zero plus 6 periods.
  - Reduced schedule/minimum credit requirements - Fall 180/Spring 205 (Seniors only)
    - Seniors may have an open 1st or 6th period.
  - Students who have exhausted the EC curriculum may take 4 classes on campus with concurrent community college enrollment to a total of 5 classes. Prior administrative approval required.
  - Students take 4 periods on campus if they are enrolled in a 3 period R.O.P. program.

• I.W.E. (T. A.) classes - one per semester for 11th and 12th grades.

• No 5th year seniors except students enrolled in special education.

• Mid-year grads are allowed; must seek approval by spring of Junior year.

• Participation in commencement - seniors must complete all requirements for graduation and be in residence at El Camino the entire second semester.

• Truancy - 36 periods of truancy eliminates the privilege of participation in the graduation ceremony.

• English requirement – Four years of English required, senior year can be either CSU Expository Reading & Writing, AP English or Dystopian Literature.

• Daily schedule - no unscheduled periods during middle of day and no study hall periods.

• Seniors are NOT automatically entitled to an open period - open period is dependent on credits earned (180 first semester/205 second semester.)

• Freshman and sophomore students enrolled in a zero period course must be enrolled in a total of 7 classes and are NOT eligible for an open 6th period.

• Students who enroll in a year-long class must maintain their enrollment in that class. Exceptions will be made only after a conference has been held with the student, teacher, parent, counselor/administrator and there is agreement that the move is in the best academic interest of the student and there is availability.

• Class changes based on teacher preference will be considered only if the student has failed the same class with that teacher the previous year.

• Although the counseling staff attempts to accommodate student requests, it is impossible to guarantee that a student will be placed in a particular class. We do guarantee they get what they need to graduate over the four year period and move on to the next level of post-secondary education.

“Plan Your Work, Work Your Plan”
Start Your College Plans Freshman Year

Why should my freshman start preparing now?

To prepare for college or career, there is no substitute for your child getting a solid and broad academic education. This means your child should take challenging courses in academic subjects and maintain good grades in high school beginning their freshman year. Your child’s transcript will be an important part of his or her college or work application.

A student’s interpersonal and leadership skills as well as outside interests and goals are all important for college preparation. Independent reading and study, extracurricular activities, and work experience will all help your child develop his or her skills, interests, and goals.

Independent reading and study will help your child to prepare academically for college. This is a good way to develop interests, expand knowledge, and improve the vocabulary and reading comprehension skills needed for college and the SAT or ACT. Encourage your child to read all kinds of books for fun -- fiction and non-fiction.

So what do most colleges want?

4 years of English, 4 years of Math (Integrated Math 1, Geometry and Algebra 2 are required), 3 years of History or Social Studies, 3 years of Science (lab sciences), 3 years of a Foreign Language, and 1 year of Fine Arts. Most top colleges recommend 4 years of Math, Science, and Language.

Sophomore Year:

The sophomore year is a good time to take the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT). The test is not going to follow students for the rest of their years. They’re simply an indication of how they might do with the real tests. Now is a good time for students to start becoming involved in community activities and school extracurricular activities.

Junior Year:

Junior year is when students need to take the PSAT in the fall, so they will know if they qualify for the National Merit Scholar Program. After the first semester it is time to start choosing potential colleges. Figure out what is most important. Do you need to stay close to home? Do you want a big campus or a small campus? Choose about a dozen colleges to research on their website or visit the El Camino Career Center for more information. In the spring of your junior year, take the SAT (register online at www.collegeboard.com) and the ACT (register online at www.actstudent.org). What is the difference? The SAT is a multiple choice test made up of separately timed verbal, mathematical and writing sections. The ACT is a multiple choice test made up of separately timed verbal, mathematical, reading and science reasoning sections. Students should find out what assessment test is required prior to taking the SAT or ACT.

Senior Year:

Senior year students should have narrowed their list to eight schools; one sure acceptance, two or more possible acceptances, and two or more long shots. Be aware of application deadlines and start looking at the essay topic if applying to a UC or another institution which requires an essay. Students should tell the colleges what they have learned from their experiences. Students should start hearing from colleges in March and April. Reply to all institutions where students have been accepted notifying the college of whether the student has accepted the admission, and send in a deposit to the college they will be attending. January of the senior year students will fill out the FAFSA and Cal Grant/GPA Verification. More information is provided at the Financial Aid Workshop.

Adapted from http://www.ed.gov/thinkcollege/highschool/
## HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
**SAN JUAN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**EL CAMINO FUNDAMENTAL HIGH SCHOOL**

1. Complete a minimum of 220 credits. Credit adjustment may be necessary if coming from a block schedule high school - 15 credits per year are added to the total credits required to graduate.

2. Complete the following required courses - 150 units (plus 70 credits of elective courses to complete graduation requirements).

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4. Must complete Integrated Math 1 or higher.

5. Must pass both math and Language Arts portions of the California High School Exit Exam.

The above outline lists the district requirements for a diploma from the San Juan Unified School District. The requirements are consistent throughout the district.
The required classes for entrance into the UC system are outlined below. Students must take 15 units of high school courses to fulfill the Subject Requirement - seven units of which must be taken in the last two years of high school. (A unit is equal to an academic year, or two semesters of study.) UC requirements are subject to change.

a  History/Social Science - 2 years required
One year of U.S. History or one half year of U.S. History and one half year of Civics or American Government; and one year of World History, Cultures and Geography.

b  English - 4 years required
Four years of college-preparatory English. (Not more than two semesters of 9th grade English may be used to meet this requirement.)

c  Mathematics - 3 years required, 4 recommended
Three years, including Integrated Math 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2 (above courses taken in 7th and 8th grades are acceptable).

d  Laboratory Science - 2 years required, 3 recommended
Two years of laboratory science in at least two of these three areas: Biology, Chemistry, and Physics (not more than 1 year of 9th grade lab science may be used to meet this requirement).

e  Languages other than English (LOTE) - 2 years required, 3 recommended
Two years of the same language other than English. Courses in languages other than English taken in 7th and 8th grade are acceptable if they meet our high school requirements.

f  Visual/Performing Arts - 1 year required
Complete a single year-long approved course (i.e., the second semester is to be a continuation of the first semester). Example: Semester 1 - Beginning Ceramics, Semester 2 - Beginning Ceramics OR Semester 1 - Concert Band, Semester 2 - Concert Band. Acceptable VPA courses for University of California are designated.

g  College Preparatory Electives - 1 year required
One year, in addition to those required in a-f above, chosen from the advanced areas: Visual and Performing Arts, History, Social Science, English, Advanced Mathematics, Laboratory Science, and languages other than English (a third year in the language may be used for the “e” or “g”).

Additionally, G.P.A. is very important to gaining admission. All UC a-g course work must be with a grade of “C” or higher. It is important to do well the first time taking a class as the UC does not consider the higher grade of a repeated class if you earned a C the first time. The University of California requires either the ACT with writing or the SAT reasoning test.

Please note the following change in UC admittance policy. For the class of 2012 and after, the SAT subject tests will no longer be required. Students will have the choice to submit their subject tests scores as part of their admission process and subject tests also might be recommended for some majors at some campuses. The change in policy is being done to align the UC test requirements more closely with other public universities. UC is currently the only public higher education system in the nation to require students to take two subject examinations. Subject tests may still be required at independent colleges or universities so be sure to check the requirements at all institutions you are interested in.

Students will no longer have to meet an eligibility index to be considered for admission. The application of every student who has completed 11 of the 15 “a-g” courses with a 3.0 GPA by the end of junior year and has taken the ACT with Writing or the SAT Reasoning Test will receive a comprehensive review.

The Regents of the University of California have approved an additional path through which our top graduates may become eligible for admission to the University of California. The path is called Eligibility in the Local Context (ELC) and is commonly referred to as the 9% plan for those students graduating in 2012 and beyond. How does this work? Schools submit the transcripts of approximately the top 10% of their Junior class to the University. Expert University personnel will evaluate the transcripts and determine who among the 10% has completed the courses required for ELC eligibility and, based on their GPA, will rank in the top 9%. Top 9% will be classified as ELC eligible and informed of eligibility in late August, early September of their Senior year.

The University of California system includes Berkeley, Davis, Irvine, Los Angeles, Merced, Riverside, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Santa Cruz. San Francisco does not accept undergraduates.

Undergraduate admissions information may also be obtained on the web at www.ucop.edu/pathways
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITIES
ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Admission is determined by 1 high school grade point average, 2 scores on either the ACT or SAT reasoning tests and 3 completion of the specific subject requirements listed below with a grade of "C" or better. The G.P.A. is based on work completed in grades 10, 11, 12 college prep courses (designated on transcript with an *).

a History/Social Science: 2 years, including 1 year of U.S. History OR 1 semester of U.S. History and 1 semester of American Government AND 1 year of World History OR 1 semester of World History and one semester of World Cultures or Geography.

b English: 4 years
Courses must be college preparatory English, including no more than 1 year of ESL/ELD courses.

c Mathematics: 3 years
Integrated Math 1 and 2 and geometry; 4 years recommended

d Laboratory Science: 2 years
Including at least two of the three foundational subjects of biology, chemistry, and physics

e Language Other Than English (LOTE): 2 years (3 years recommended)
Two years of the same language

f Visual/Performing Arts: 1 yearlong course
Art, Drama, or Music. See UC ‘f’ requirement; to be completed within the same academic year.

g Electives: 1 year
One year of college preparatory courses from the following fields: History, English, Advanced Math, Laboratory Science, Foreign Language, Social Studies, and the Visual/Performing Arts.


CSU planning may be done at the web site at http://www.cusmentor.edu.

English Placement Test (EPT) and Entry Level Math (ELM) testing must be done before registering for classes. These may be satisfied by appropriate scores on the SAT reasoning or ACT tests, achievement tests, SAT subject tests, AP tests, or successful completion of the appropriate community college courses. Students who score 560+ in math on the SAT Reasoning and 550+ in English are exempt from taking the EPT and ELM test. Students, who don’t pass the test, must take remedial classes the first year of college.
CSU-UC Comparison of Minimum Eligibility Requirements

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<td>1 yearlong course in visual and performing arts (selected from dance, music, theatre/drama and visual arts)</td>
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<td>Agriculture courses traditionally accepted by CSU that are not on the “a-g” list will be considered on a course-by-course basis.</td>
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<td>HONORS POINTS</td>
<td>Maximum of 8 extra grade points awarded for approved honors, AP, or IB courses and transferable community college courses. No more than two yearlong courses taken in 10th grade can earn honors points.</td>
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<td>TEST SCORES – ACT/SAT</td>
<td>CSU combines best critical reading and math scores from multiple sittings of SAT; may combine best sub-scores from multiple ACT tests to calculate a best composite</td>
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<td>UC uses the highest combined score from a single sitting of the ACT Assessment plus Writing or the SAT Reasoning Test. Also required are two SAT Subject Tests in two different subject areas. Class of 2012 and beyond will not be required to take the Subject Tests.</td>
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<td>Language Other Than English (LOTE) A grade of C or better in a higher-level course validates a lower-level course. A higher-level LOTE course can validate the appropriate number of years based on the level. A college course can validate a high school LOTE course. The level of validation depends on the college course prerequisite and description.</td>
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<td>Chemistry The CSU will continue to permit the second semester of chemistry to validate the first semester.</td>
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<td>VALIDATION OF D GRADES IN REQUIRED COURSES</td>
<td>Required “a-g” courses must be completed with a grade of C or better. Courses in which grades of D are earned must be repeated, EXCEPT in the areas of math and language other than English, where grades of D can be validated by successful completion of higher level coursework.</td>
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<td>VALIDATION OF SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS BY TEST SCORES</td>
<td>Subject omissions may be satisfied with appropriate test scores on SAT Subject Tests, Advanced Placement exams and designated International Baccalaureate exams. A list of acceptable tests and scores is available on the UC and CSU websites.</td>
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<td>REPEATED COURSES</td>
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<td>A course not completed with a grade of C or better can be repeated only once.</td>
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Any student who has earned a high school diploma or has reached their 18th birthday is eligible to enroll at a California Community College. The community college awards Associate of Arts and Associate of Science Degrees, Occupation Certificates and transfer credits to students who wish to continue their education at a four-year college or university.

Los Rios Community College District (American River College, Cosumnes River College, Sacramento City College and Folsom Lake College) requires students to take Math and English Assessment Tests prior to registration.

Sierra College will accept the results of the Assessment Tests from ARC, but will require additional testing at Sierra College.

Enrollment is a five-part process:

1. Application for admission
2. Assessment tests
3. Orientation and registration
4. Educational Planning with a counselor
5. Registration for classes

El Camino has an ARC representative on campus periodically, October through March to meet with interested students. Sign up in the Counseling Office.

Online information and application available at www.losrios.edu
NCAA ELIGIBILITY

To play sports as a freshman at a college or university in NCAA Division I and II, students must meet specific standards. Students must graduate from high school and make at least a 2.00 grade-point average (based on a 4.00 scale) in 16 core academic courses.

Divisions I and II Initial-Eligibility Requirements

Core Courses

- NCAA Division I requires 16 core courses. NCAA Division II requires 16 core courses.
- NCAA Division I will require 10 core courses to be completed prior to the seventh semester (seven of the 10 must be a combination English, math or natural or physical science that meet the distribution requirements below). These 10 courses become “locked in” at the seventh semester and cannot be retaken for grade improvement.
  - Beginning August 1, 2016, it will be possible for a Division I college-bound student-athlete to still receive athletics aid and the ability to practice with the team if he or she fails to meet the 10 course requirement, but would not be able to compete.

Test Scores

- Division I uses a sliding scale to match test scores and core grade-point averages (GPA). The sliding scale for those requirements can be viewed at www.eligibilitycenter.org
- Division II requires a minimum SAT score of 820 or an ACT sum score of 68.
- The SAT score used for NCAA purposes includes only the critical reading and math sections. The writing section of the SAT is not used.
- The ACT score used for NCAA purposes is a sum of the following four sections: English, mathematics, reading and science.
- When you register for the SAT or ACT, use the NCAA Eligibility Center code of 9999 to ensure all SAT and ACT scores are reported directly to the NCAA Eligibility Center from the testing agency. Test scores that appear on transcripts will not be used.

Grade-Point Average

- Be sure to look at your high school’s List of NCAA Courses on the NCAA Eligibility Center’s website (www.eligibilitycenter.org) Only courses that appear on your school’s List of NCAA Courses will be used in the calculation of core GPA. Use the list as a guide.
- Division I students enrolling fulltime before August 1, 2016, should use Sliding Scale A to determine eligibility to receive athletics aid, practice and competition during the first year.
- Division I GPA required to receive athletics aid and practice on or after August 1, 2016 is 2.000 (corresponding test-score requirements are listed on Sliding Scale B www.eligibilitycenter.org click on ‘resources’ at the top, next ‘US Students’ and then ‘eligibility quick reference sheet’)
- Division I GPA required to be eligible for competition on or after August 1, 2016, is 2.300 (corresponding test-score requirements are listed on Sliding Scale B)
- The Division II core GPA requirement is a minimum of 2.000
- Remember, the NCAA GPA is calculated using NCAA core courses only.

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<td>4 years of English</td>
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  *Health deferred to summer school* |
| 3. Integrated Math 1 or Geometry | 3. Integrated Math 1 or Geometry | 3. Honors Biology |
| 5. PE 1 | 5. PE 1 | 5. PE 1 |
| • Visual/Performing Arts | • World Languages | • Choose an elective that meets A-G eligibility |
| • Industrial Technology | • Visual/Performing Art | |
| • Other elective | • AVID or EPI | |

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<td>3. Environmental Science or Physics</td>
<td>3. Next math level</td>
<td>3. Pre-Calculus or AP Calculus</td>
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*Student Leadership = Link Crew or Student Government

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HOW VALUABLE ARE AP (Advanced Placement) CLASSES

Top 10 Reasons AP Courses Give You A Head Start

1. Study a subject in more depth. You’re bound to find an AP course that covers a subject you’re passionate about. Depending on your school’s offerings, you can choose between 35 half-year and full-year courses in 19 different AP subject areas, including Science, History, and Languages.

2. Prepare for success in college. The hard work you do in an AP course helps you develop skills and study habits that will be vital in making a smooth transition.

3. Find out what you can really do. If you don’t challenge yourself, you’ll never know what you’re capable of achieving.

4. Improve your chances of getting into a competitive college. Admission officers are well aware of the difficulty of AP courses and the exams offered at the end of each course. Sending them your AP exam grades can send a signal that you’re ready for the challenges college presents.

5. Start college as a sophomore. That’s right; more than 1,400 institutions in the United States alone grant a full year’s credit to students who present satisfactory grades on enough AP exams.

6. Save money on tuition. A qualifying grade on an AP exam can translate into major savings. A course credit at a state university can be worth about $300.00, and at a private college or university you’ll save about $3,000.00.

7. Have more time for yourself in college. Gaining college credit or advanced standing can give you time for fun that you might not have otherwise been able to pursue, such as travel and study abroad, or independent studies.

8. Increase your options. Earning AP credit has allowed thousands of students to take a double major in college, move into upper-level courses in their field of interest, or complete their undergraduate degrees in less than four years.

9. Get a clear idea of what you want to do next. Students who are unsure about future plans say that AP helped steer them toward college or advanced studies.

10. Improve your self-esteem. You’ll know in advance that you have the ability to succeed in college courses – because you already have.

For more information, talk to your counselor, AP coordinator, or other student’s already taking AP courses or access information online at www.collegeboard.com

AP courses will prepare students for the College Board Advanced Placement (AP) exam given each May. If students want the opportunity to earn college credit, they must take and pass the AP exam provided by College Board. College Board charges a fee for this exam. It is recommended that students take the College Board AP test but it is not required.
ADVANCED PLACEMENT and HONORS STUDENT/PARENT AGREEMENT
El Camino Fundamental High School

Honors courses offered at El Camino:
- Honors Biology
- Honors French 3, 4
- Honors Concert Band
- Honors Physiology
- Honors English 1, 2, 3
- Honors World History

Advanced Placement courses offered at El Camino:
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics 1
- AP Statistics
- AP Calculus (AB)
- AP Calculus (BC)
- AP French
- AP Psychology
- AP US History
- AP Literature
- AP Spanish
- AP US Government

AP courses provide students with wonderful opportunities to grow as students and individuals and challenge themselves personally and academically. To ensure that you and your family understand the guidelines of this unique opportunity, please review the following conditions and sign below, indicating your willingness to participate in this Advanced Placement and/or Honors course.

ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS/RIGOR:
- Summer work, if assigned by the teacher, must be completed and submitted by the teacher-determined due date. Failure to complete summer work will significantly impact your grade in the course.
- Student has met the prerequisite for the course requested.
- The course workload (homework, reading, essays, etc.) will be greater than that of the regular corresponding course.
- Preparation for and engagement in class discussions is a vital component of success in AP.
- Courses are designed to develop increased sophistication in students’ critical reading, writing, and thinking skills in order to prepare the student for university-level work (rather than to make their college applications more competitive).
- All students are strongly encouraged to prepare for, sign up for, and take the corresponding AP exam for this course.
- Student may be removed from the course if (s)he does not have a C or higher at the end of the first semester.

FOLLOW-THROUGH COMMITMENT:
- Once enrolled, you will be expected to follow through with beginning and completing the course.
- As a policy, we do not switch students from an AP course to the corresponding regular course, even if summer work is not completed. Enrollment in the corresponding regular class is at a maximum and seats are not held for students who wish to transfer from AP.
- Students enrolling in 3 or more AP/Honors courses need to be aware that as a policy, we do not switch students from these courses to the corresponding college preparatory course. If you want to reduce the number of AP/Honors course enrollment in the corresponding college preparatory course is at a maximum and seats are not held for students who wish to transfer.
- Regarding level changes, students must have a conversation with their teacher prior to requesting a level change from their counselor. A change can be made up to two weeks after the first grading period.

GRADING POLICIES:
- As AP course grades are weighted, the expectations related to grading are higher. Students who may be accustomed to receiving very high grades in other classes may find it more challenging to earn these grades in AP courses. However, your weighted GPA will show a grade boost (Example: Weighted B = an A, exception being D = D, D’s are not calculated as weighted).

Please refer to the course syllabus for additional information, guidelines, and requirements.
Graduation Recognition

Graduation Participation
Participation in the graduation ceremony is a privilege. Only those students who fully meet the SJUSD graduation requirements, students without outstanding debt, and those students who maintain regular attendance in classes will be allowed to participate. Seniors on social probation will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony. Graduation speakers and performers are selected through an audition process. Valedictorians are recognized in the ceremony. Mid-Year graduates can participate in the graduation ceremony.

Valedictorian
Valedictorians are the students with a 4.0 un-weighted grade point average entering into the final semester of the senior year and who complete a minimum of 10 one-year honors and/or Advanced Placement courses, with at least 5 of them being AP courses. AP Government will count. Only original grades will be used to determine valedictorian status (no repeat courses).

Senior Top Ten
The 10 seniors with the highest weighted grade point average after the 7th semester will be recognized at graduation.

Graduation Honor Guard
The top 10 students from the Junior class based on their cumulative, weighted GPA and good citizenship will be selected to serve as the Honor Guard for the graduation ceremony.

Lyceum
The Lyceum program awards special recognition to El Camino High School students who demonstrate outstanding achievement in academics, leadership, and community service. Specific requirements and forms to be completed are available on the El Camino website.

Block Letter/Lamp of Learning
A student who achieves two semesters of a 3.5 weighted GPA is eligible for an Academic Block Letter. Freshmen credits are applied in the sophomore year. Once the block is received, subsequent semesters of 3.5 weighted GPA earn a Lamp Of Learning. Block letters/Lamp of Learning are not automatically awarded; you need to apply for them. To apply submit application and most recent transcript to the Vice Principals' Office.

CSF/NHS – California Scholarship Federation/National Honor Society
CSF seeks to develop responsible leadership in school by recognizing outstanding academic achievement. Students must earn at least ten grade points during the previous semester in accordance with the following system:

- A = 3 points
- B = 1 point (AP and honors courses earn 2 points)
- C = 0 points
- D or F = immediate disqualification

PE, teacher’s aide/TA/IWE, and ROP do not count. Students must apply each semester for membership. Gold Seal Bearers, life members of CSF, are honored at graduation with a gold tassel, gold cord, lamp pin, certificate, gold seal on the diploma, and gold seal on all transcripts. Gold seal bearers are those students who have been CSF members for 4 or more semesters, one semester must include senior grades.
SCHEDULE CHANGE GUIDELINES

Students who enroll in a year-long course MUST maintain their enrollment in that class. The expectation is that they will continue for both semesters unless a teacher recommends a level change. It is particularly important to choose wisely when signing up for Honors or AP courses for the following year. El Camino must set the year-long master schedule the prior spring based on student requests, and we do not have flexibility in adjusting the master schedule and therefore student’s schedules once the school year has begun. Seniors, especially, should think about their overall time commitments to school, academics, athletics, outside obligations, or work. Please realize we often do not have space in the basic academic subject areas if a student wants to drop from AP or Honors level.

FALL
Students must stay in the courses that they are registered for unless:
   a) they are in a course they took during summer school
   b) they are enrolled in a course they have completed and have received credit
   c) they were assigned a teacher whose class they failed the previous year
   d) they need to repeat a course they previously failed

SPRING
Students must stay in the courses that they registered for unless:
   a) one of their fall courses is only a semester in length
   b) their teacher recommends a leveling change
   c) they need to repeat a course they previously failed
   d) they are enrolled in a course they have completed

An additional consideration for schedule changes during spring semester is that if you applied to a 4-year college and indicated on your college application that you plan to take a specific class second semester they expect you to take it. If you change your academic program or academic level (i.e. from AP to regular or dropping a math or science class) you will need to alert all colleges you applied to. They assess you on your plans as well as your history and have the right to rescind their acceptance if your final records do not match your self-reported application information.

The following provisions will serve as guidelines for grading when a student fails to complete a class in which he/she is formally enrolled.

1. Students who enroll in classes are expected to complete those classes on either a semester or year basis.
2. Students who drop a course after 20 regular school days shall receive a drop “F” grade for that class which will appear on the transcript as a 5 unit class with an “F” grade.
3. Based on the recommendation of the teacher and concurrent agreement of the administrative designee, a student may change academic levels without penalization of an “F” grade.
4. The final decision concerning a drop “F” for all class changes will be determined by the principal.
5. Incomplete grades shall be made up within three weeks from the date of the original grade or will default to an F grade.
COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

These descriptions are provided as a guide to assist parents and students in academic planning. Courses offered are designed to meet high school graduation, vocational planning, and college admissions. Course availability is determined by student interest and need derived from pre-registration each spring. If there are not enough students requesting a class or if an appropriate teacher is not available, it may not be offered.

Although the counseling staff attempts to accommodate student requests, it is impossible to guarantee that a student will be placed in a particular class. We do guarantee they get what they need to graduate over the four year period and move on to the next level of post-secondary education.

All courses receive 5 credits each semester. Regional Occupational classes (R.O.P.) receive 10-15 credits each semester. If you receive credit for an academic course and then repeat that course to improve your grade, you do not receive duplicate credit.

Please refer to descriptions below if courses are designated with an asterisk.

*+ Courses designated “Honors and AP” are weighted and receive an extra grade point (i.e., A=5, B=4, C=3). A grade of D in an Honors or AP course is considered a deficiency and does not receive the extra grade point. (A ‘D’ grade is passing for graduation but may not be applicable for college admissions requirements.) As a general rule, transferring from AP to regular level courses is dependent upon space availability and it may not be possible to make a change. Students and parents are encouraged to choose courses wisely. If students sign up for a year-long AP or Honors course, the expectation is that they will remain in that class both semesters.

All students are expected to maintain a “B” average or above in the AP or Honors level class. Students who do not meet these criteria may be recommended for placement in regular classes at the end of each semester.

* Course receives extra grade points for UC and CSU application. CSU grants credit for students who earn a score of 3 or higher on AP tests. Students interested in out of state schools should contact the admissions office at that school for information regarding AP credit. Some UC campuses only grant elective and general education credit for AP tests. Some UC’s use AP tests for placement only, not credit. Check each campus for guidelines.

If you have further questions or would like an education plan, contact your counselor.
CAREER TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT

Students who complete a three year sequence of technology course work will be eligible to apply for a certificate of completion in Manufacturing, Drafting Technology or, TV/Radio and Computers (i.e., Metals 1, Metals 2 and Metals Directed Project; Drafting 1, Computer Drafting and Advanced Drafting; TV/Radio, Advanced TV/Radio and Directed Project; Advanced Computers, Computer Directed Project and ROP or college computer course).

Course Name: COMPUTER APPLICATIONS
Course Code: 3104015
Grade Level: 9-12
Duration: 1 semester
Prerequisites: None
Graduation Req: Elective credit

This introductory computer course provides students with a general understanding of the fundamentals of computer vocabulary, particularly with respect to personal computer hardware and software. Students will gain an understanding of why computers are essential components in the business world and society in general, with a focus on the computer as a valuable productivity tool. The course includes software application that includes Microsoft Windows, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, and Microsoft Power Point. This is a one semester course.

Course Name: COMPUTER ASSISTED DESIGN/DRAFTING 1
Course Code: 392028
Advanced Architectural and Mechanical Drafting
Grade Level: 9-12
Duration: 2 semesters
Prerequisites: None
Graduation Req: Elective credit

This is an exciting introductory course designed for the creative novice student who has a future occupational interest in Architecture or Engineering. The student will learn to utilize basic 2-dimensional computer aided drawing techniques in the development of various engineering and residential design projects related to the fields of architectural and mechanical engineering. It is not necessary that students have an understanding of traditional drafting before enrolling in this course.

Course Name: COMPUTER ASSISTED DESIGN/DRAFTING 2
Course Code: 391067
Advanced Architectural and Mechanical Drafting
Grade Level: 10-12
Duration: 2 semesters
Prerequisites: CADD 1 with a grade of “C” or better
Graduation Req: Elective credit

This is a challenging design course intended for the advanced student who has a future occupational interest in Architecture or Engineering. The student will learn to utilize advanced 2-D and 3-D computer aided drawing techniques in the development of various engineering and commercial building projects related to the fields of architectural, structural and mechanical engineering. It is necessary that students have passed CADD 1 with a grade of “C” or better, or have instructor approval before enrolling in this course.

Course Name: MANUFACTURING TECH: METALS 1
Course Code: 391050
Grade Level: 9-12
Duration: 2 semesters
Prerequisites: None
Graduation Req: Elective credit

Metals Technology explores how humans use the material known as metal to shape the world we live in through new technology. Students will gain skill and knowledge of the material, tools, and equipment of the metal working industry by hands on project fabrication. Basic automotive maintenance and repair along with basic engine principals will also be covered. The areas of sheet metal, measurement, oxygen-acetylene welding/brazing, fabrication, art
metal, and manufacturing careers will all be explored. Your help in providing needed supplies in the classroom is greatly appreciated but not required. Students will not be denied an educational opportunity if a donation is not received. If students create items in class, they may be allowed to take those items home with them as personal property, but the student will need to pay a fee for the direct cost of those materials.

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Metals Technology II explores how humans use the material known as metal to shape the world we live in through new technology. Students apply their knowledge and skills acquired from Manufacturing Metals Technology I to gain more experience with material, tools, and equipment of the metal working industry by hands on project fabrication. The areas of sheet metal, precision measurement, and electric welding processes including GMAW, SMAW and PAC will be heavily emphasized as well as basic Machining. Careers and design will also be further explored. Your help in providing needed supplies in the classroom is greatly appreciated but not required. Students will not be denied an educational opportunity if a donation is not received. If students create items in class, they may be allowed to take those items home with them as personal property, but the student will need to pay a fee for the direct cost of those materials.

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Third year Metal Technology students skills will be challenged on every manufacturing level throughout the duration of two semesters. Welding processes including GMAW, SMAW, GTAW, PAC, and OAC will be heavily practiced. Weld Inspection, Weld Symbols, and different Weld Types, Patterns, and Positions will be covered through hands on project fabrication. Advanced precision measurement and Machining techniques will also be skills that students build with machines including metal lathes, milling machines, surface grinders and presses. Students will learn CNC programming using MasterCam CAD software. This class is combined with Manufacturing Metals Technology 4 and Pre-Engineering Technology 3. Students have the opportunity to earn 3 CSU transferrable credits for the American River College course “Welding 300”. Your help in providing needed supplies in the classroom is greatly appreciated but not required. Students will not be denied an educational opportunity if a donation is not received. If students create items in class, they may be allowed to take those items home with them as personal property, but the student will need to pay a fee for the direct cost of those materials.

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Fourth year Metal Technology students will practice heavy welding and machining by hands on project fabrication on much larger scales. Structural design and integrity will be practiced through the fabrication of roll around tool cabinets, equipment support devices and large scale school community projects including cabinetry, carpentry, and wood framing. Application of the MasterCam program by implementing the software into computer controlled machining equipment will open the doors to the world of CNC machining. Challenging art projects will be assigned that include bearing mechanics and clearance/tolerance concepts. Additional welding projects using SMAW, GTAW, PAC and OAC will be further practiced. This class is combined with Manufacturing Metals Technology III and Pre-Engineering Technology III. Students may have the opportunity during the second semester to earn 3 CSU transferrable credits for the American River College course “Welding”. Your help in providing needed supplies in the
classroom is greatly appreciated but not required. Students will not be denied an educational opportunity if a
donation is not received. If students create items in class, they may be allowed to take those items home with them
as personal property, but the student will need to pay a fee for the direct cost of those materials.

Course Name: RADIO AND TV

Course Code: 315507Y

Grade Level: 9-12

Duration: 2 semesters

Prerequisites: In support of the class content standards and school-wide standardized testing, there is a
reading and note taking component to Beginning Radio/TV

Graduation Req: Elective credit

This is a one year course in Radio and Television concepts with an emphasis on production skills, such as playback,
recording, mixing, microphone use, SFX, video recording, composition, and script mechanics. Students who
demonstrate exceptional aptitude and attitude are invited to join KYDS and/or LoDown Productions as a staff
member in Directed Study.

Course Name: TECHNOLOGY EXPLORATION

Course Code: 330615Y

Grade Level: 9-12

Duration: 2 semesters

Prerequisites: None

Graduation Req: Elective credit

This is a hands-on, two semester course with an emphasis on mechanical theory, computer-aided design and metals
manufacturing. Through the application of multiple engineering principles students will design and construct several
challenging multi-week projects. Students will develop skills in the use of hand and power tools, welders, AutoCAD
design software and industrial grade machinery as they are commonly used in the fields of manufacturing metals
fabrication and construction technology. Team building and collaboration is emphasized through class competitions
among students and their completed projects. This class is a pre-requisite to EPI Engineering Technology 2 and with
a grade of “C” or better can be used as a pre-requisite for CADD 2 or Manufacturing Metals Technology 2.
**EAGLE POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE**

The Eagle Polytechnic Institute (E.P.I.) is a Career Technology Academy that will introduce students to careers in engineering, manufacturing and construction, drafting technology (computer assisted drafting), computer science, business operations, and media broadcasting (TV/Radio.) E.P.I. is an academically challenging program designed to expose students to the ever emerging high tech careers of the future. The program offers integrated course work in math, science, English, and technology. E.P.I. is a four, three, or two year program where students enroll in a series of courses. Students apply to begin the program in their sophomore or junior year. Those who complete all the tech/prep course work will be honored as an EPI graduate at the graduation ceremony. Entrance to the EPI program requires an application process and students may apply to enroll in the full college tech/prep graduate program or partial program. For more information, contact Mr. Markley or Ms. Riggs.

Course Name: **DIRECTED PROJECT/RADIO**  
Course Code: 310900Y

- **Grade Level:** 10-12  
- **Duration:** 1-2 semesters  
- **Prerequisites:** Complete Beginning Radio/TV with a C or better and approval from the instructor  
- **Graduation Req:** Elective credit

By contract and under the direction of the KYDS General Manager, students utilize their skills in all phases of a radio station’s operations, including: on-air personality, production, administration and maintenance. Students also have the opportunity to serve the station as departmental officers and station managers. Students are required to attend station staff meetings and work outside class hours to complete broadcast production assignments.

Course Name: **ADVANCED RADIO/TV**  
Course Code: 360430Y

- **Grade Level:** 10-12  
- **Duration:** 1-2 Semesters  
- **Prerequisites:** Complete Beginning Radio/TV with a C or better and approval from the instructor  
- **Graduation Req:** Elective credit

By contract and under the direction of the instructor, students utilize their skills in all phases of a TV station’s operations, including: booth control and camera operation, tape editing and presentation; tape delay, live and remote production; and station administration and maintenance. Course is offered only 5th period. Additionally students will be required to attend station staff meetings and work outside class hours to prepare production elements for closed-circuit broadcasts.

Course Name: **DIRECTED PROJECT/TELEVISION**  
Course Code: 310900

- **Grade Level:** 11-12  
- **Duration:** 1-2 semesters  
- **Prerequisites:** Complete Advanced Radio/TV with a C or better and approval from the instructor  
- **Graduation Req:** Elective credit

This is an advanced course in television production and management. By contract and under the direction of television station faculty, students will acquire and utilize television station management skills in the areas of directing, editing, sound, production and studio management. Students are required to attend station staff meetings and work outside class hours to complete production assignments. Students also serve the station as officers in each of the major production departments.
Course Name: **PRE-ENGINEERING TECH 1**  
Course Code: **880280Y**

Grade Level: 10  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Acceptance into EPI  
Graduation Req: Elective credit

Pre-Engineering Tech 1 is the first course of the career path in the Pre-Engineering (Eagle Polytechnic Institute) Academy. The course is an exploratory course which will introduce the students to the basic principles of engineering. Through the use of hands-on projects, the students will begin their studies of technical drawing, electricity and electronics, manufacturing/construction, power and energy, and the design process.

Course Name: **PRE-ENGINEERING TECH 2/EPI CADD**  
Course Code: **880281Y**

Grade Level: 10-11  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Instructor approval or EPI student  
Graduation Req: Elective credit

EPI CADD is an introductory course into the use of computer aided drafting and design. Through the use of AutoCAD software, the student will learn to accurately use the software to create architectural and mechanical drawings, and they will also learn basic drafting techniques and standards as they apply to CADD. Several projects are designed to relate to other EPI courses in which the student is concurrently enrolled.

Course Name: **PRE-ENGINEERING TECH 3**  
Course Code: **880282Y**

Grade Level: 11-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Engineering Tech 1, or Tech 2, Metals 1 or Metals 2, or teacher approval  
Graduation Req: Elective credit

Pre-Engineering Tech 3 is the final course in the E.P.I. pre-engineering series. This class is designed to prepare students for college engineering lab courses. Through large scale projects that involve engineering design and project planning students will study and develop skills in construction and metals technology. Welding processes including GMAW, SMAW, GTAW, PAC, and OAC will be heavily practiced. Weld Inspection, Weld Symbols, and different Weld Types, Patterns, and Positions will be covered through hands on project fabrication. Advanced precision measurement and Machining techniques will also be skills that students build with machines including metal lathes, milling machines, surface grinders and presses. Students will learn CNC programming using MasterCAM CAD software. Safety procedures will be covered. This class is combined with Manufacturing Metals Tech 2 and 3. \(^6\)Students may have the opportunity during the second semester to earn CSU transferrable units (3 units of college credit) for the American River College course “Welding 300”.

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## ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

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This first course in English curriculum focuses on basic language arts, writing, reading, and speaking. Writing skills stressed are sentence structure, paragraph development, logical thinking, and organization. Frequent journal writing and mini lessons in grammar and punctuation are included. Literature read in this course includes one major work per semester as well as short stories and poems. Frequent assignments for oral presentations offer students the opportunity to practice speaking skills. Students are expected to meet the Common Core Standards for Language Arts for grade 9.

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This class is designed for academically able students. Students read five or six major works of literature and write several papers per semester. Writers studied include: Shakespeare, Dickens, Wright, Hansberry, and many others. During class students discuss literature, give group oral presentations, and study the art of expository writing. Students are expected to meet the Common Core Standards for Language Arts for grade 9.

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English 2 stresses writing as a process which includes pre-writing, brainstorming, writing rough drafts, and revising work several times. Students write several papers per semester, 12 per year. Students read literature to identify major themes and to analyze and interpret literature. Core literature includes: *To Kill A Mockingbird*, *Lord Of The Flies*, *Antigone*, *Julius Caesar*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, and *Night*. Students are expected to meet the Common Core Standards for Language Arts for grade 10.

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Several written compositions are required each semester in addition to oral assignments covering speech and debate skills. Students read and discuss extensively short stories, poems, and essays as well as core works of literature including *A Separate Place*, *Lord Of The Flies*, *Antigone*, *Othello*, and *Night*. Outside reading is also required each semester. **Student may be removed from class if does not complete summer reading assignment, or if does not have a C or higher at the end of first semester.** Students are expected to meet the Common Core Standards for Language Arts for grade 10. --*See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement*
**ENGLISH 3**

- **Course Code:** 315813Y
- **Grade Level:** 11
- **Duration:** 2 semesters
- **Prerequisites:** Junior status
- **Graduation Req:** Meets English graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "b" requirement and NCAA eligibility

English 3 is a demanding class that prepares students for college-level reading, writing, and thinking. Reading assigned in this class is balanced between traditional American literary short fiction, poetry, plays, and novels and more contemporary nonfiction articles and essays about cultural, social, and political issues. The writing assigned is also balanced between literary analyses and expository writing which focuses on building and sustaining arguments about significant issues. Research is required for some assignments. Grammar and vocabulary are also studied in this class to strengthen writing skills. Major literary works to be studied might include Arthur Miller’s *The Crucible*, F. Scott Fitzgerald’s *The Great Gatsby*, and J.D. Salinger’s *The Catcher in the Rye*. Students are expected to meet the Common Core Standards for Language Arts for grade 11.

**HONORS ENGLISH 3**

- **Course Code:** 315843Y
- **Grade Level:** 11
- **Duration:** 2 semesters
- **Prerequisites:** A or B in Honors English 2 or A in English 2 with teacher recommendation; required summer reading
- **Graduation Req:** Meets English graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "b" requirement and NCAA eligibility

Honors English 3 is an advanced English class in which students practice intense critical reading, intense critical writing, and intense critical thinking. The primary goal of this class is to prepare students for AP English their senior year. Central to this class is the study of American literature and its many movements such as Romanticism, Realism, Modernism, and Postmodernism. Since the AP English Exam is largely a writing exam, students in this class frequently practice writing interpretations and analyses of the literature throughout each unit of study. Thus, the reading and writing workload is heavy in this class. Research is required for some assignments. The teaching method is mostly Socratic/discussion; students should be willing to engage in thoughtful dialogue about the often complex ideas presented in American literature. Additionally, students will work in groups, do some outside class reading, and perform a major oral presentation. The reading list includes selections from Nathaniel Hawthorne, Edgar Allan Poe, Walt Whitman, Emily Dickinson, F. Scott Fitzgerald, Kurt Vonnegut, Edward Albee, Joyce Carol Oates, and others. Summer reading is required. Students must maintain a C average to remain in the class and a B average to continue on to AP English. Students are expected to meet the Common Core Standards for Language Arts for grade 11. --**See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement**

**CSU EXPOSITORY READING & WRITING**

- **Course Code:** 315661Y
- **Grade Level:** 12
- **Duration:** 2 semesters
- **Prerequisites:** Senior status; English 1, English 2, and English 3
- **Graduation Req:** Meets English graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "b" requirement and NCAA eligibility

This course will prepare seniors for the literacy demands of higher education and literate citizenship. The cornerstone of the course is a scaffold process helping students read, comprehend and respond to nonfiction and literary texts. The ERWC is closely aligned to the Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts and seven criteria of the UC English requirements. Only teachers trained by CSU professors may teach the course. Seniors with “Ready for College-Conditional” scores on the Early Assessment Program (EAP) test can complete their college entrance English requirements with ERWC. **Achieving a grade of C or better in both semesters will allow students to enter college at the freshman English level**, avoiding freshman remedial English coursework.
Course Name: ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) ENGLISH*+  
Grade Level: 12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: A or B in Honors English 3 or an A in English 3 with teacher recommendation and or teacher approval; **required summer reading**  
Graduation Req: Meets English graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "b" requirement and NCAA eligibility. May result in college credit and/or advanced placement.

AP English is designed for students who wish to pursue college level courses while still in high school. During the year students will study and practice writing, responding from the personal to the critical. They will also read and analyze both classical and modern works from around the world, learning to identify author's values and unique uses of literary devices. In the class the teacher will act primarily as discussion leader, questioner, critic, and resource person, since the students will assume much of the responsibility for their own learning. Summer reading is required.  

Students are expected to meet the California State Standards for Language Arts for grade 12. **As a general rule, students will have the opportunity to transfer out of AP classes (level change) no later than the end of the first grading period.** This course will prepare students for the College Board Advanced Placement (AP) exam in May. If students want the opportunity to earn college credit, they must take and pass the AP exam provided by College Board. College Board charges a fee for this exam. It is recommended that students take the College Board AP test but it is not required. Students are expected to meet the Common Core Standards for Language Arts for grade 12.  

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Course Name: DYSTOPIAN LITERATURE  
Grade Level: 12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisite: Senior status with a B or better in previous semester of English or teacher approval. Students must be readers who have a good grasp of the methods of literary analysis  
Graduation Req: Meets English graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “b” requirement and NCAA eligibility.

America is a nation of rebels. We have a long tradition of rooting for the little guy who fights back against “The Establishment,” “The System” or “The Man” – whatever or whomever that is. This course explores various dystopian literatures and its anti-heroes, how totalitarian societies create and enforce principles of what is “right,” “normal,” or “proper,” and how these affect their anti-heroes, often driving them to acts of rebellion. We will study this literature in the context of cultural and literary criticism, investigating how dystopian societies construct and manipulate morality, gender, sexuality, and otherwise acceptable human behavior. This course will be taught in the spirit of a college-level literature class and is intended for mature, open-minded students who have a slight streak of rebellion running through them. The reading list will include *1984* (George Orwell), *The Handmaid’s Tale* (Margaret Atwood), *Brave New World* (Aldous Huxley), *One Flew Over The Cuckoo’s Nest* (Ken Kesey), and *Fahrenheit 451* (Ray Bradbury). Students are expected to meet the Common Core Standards for Language Arts for grade 12.

Course Name: ELD 1 (SUPPORT)/NON-NATIVE  
Grade Level: 9 (by counselor recommendation only)  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisite: None  
Graduation Req: Elective credit

The emphasis in the English Learner Support Class is to provide daily vocabulary instruction, explicitly teach sentence structure and academic terms, build meaningful context for new concepts, build on prior knowledge, promote reflection and critical thinking, and promote the use of visuals and graphic organizers to process information. The core Holt, Rinehart, and Winston textbook will be used, along with supplementary materials specifically designed for the English learner. This class offers support for the regular English class work by providing explicit English language development and extension lessons, all of which are aligned with California standards.
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Students will study major cinematic works with an emphasis on critical interpretation of the ways in which film communicates visually and verbally. The class’s inquiry into the art of film will also include the historical and cultural contexts from which individual motion pictures emerge. Examining modern film as a storytelling instrument, class members will focus in detail on the depth and range of characterizations, themes, and social issues that are presented in films universally recognized as classics. Students will view movies, participate in small and large discussion groups, and produce assignments and projects in which they analyze and interpret films. The material presented, discussed, and researched in this course is a reflection of how filmmakers see the world in which they and we-live. As students learn to view films in terms of the historical, literary, and cultural influences on filmmakers, they will come to a greater understanding of their world and the impact that film media has upon it. The goal is to recognize film as an art form and not merely as entertainment.

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The newspaper class produces the monthly school paper, *The Eagle Eye*. Staff consists of writers, editors, photographers, artists, lay-out and ad sales people. Work load is heavy and many after school hours are involved.

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The yearbook class produces the yearbook, *The Aerie*. Staff consists of one editor-in-chief, several assistant editors, and general staffers. Duties include photography, design, writing, editing and computer use. Students must be mature, independent, self-motivated and able to meet deadlines. Many after school hours are involved which may conflict with sports or jobs. Yearbook class looks great on college applications.
AVID – ADVANCEMENT VIA INDIVIDUAL DETERMINATION

AVID elective courses at all grade levels are designed to prepare, in an academic context, disadvantaged students for entrance into four year colleges, with emphasis on analytical writing, preparation for college entrance and placement exams, college study skills and test taking, note taking, and research.

Course Name: AVID 1  
Course Code: 315701Y  
Grade Level: 9  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Must have desire and motivation to enroll into a four-year college/university after high school. Students must go through recruitment process which includes an interview with the El Camino site team. 8th grade AVID suggested but not required  
Graduation Req: Elective credit  

AVID prepares students “in the middle” and those who are traditionally underserved for entry into four-year universities. This is a college preparatory program which requires students to enroll in rigorous curriculum that satisfies the UC system’s A-G requirements, while being supported in the AVID class through writing, inquiry, collaboration, and reading strategies. **Note taking for all classes every day is required.**

Course Name: AVID 2  
Course Code: 315702Y  
Grade Level: 10  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: AVID 1 or AVID site team approval  
Graduation Req: Elective credit  

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Course Name: AVID 3  
Course Code: 315703Y  
Grade Level: 11  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: AVID 1 and 2 or AVID site team approval  
Graduation Req: Elective credit  

AVID prepares students “in the middle” and those who are traditionally underserved for entry into four-year universities. This is a college preparatory program which requires students to enroll in rigorous curriculum that satisfies the UC system’s A-G requirements, while being supported in the AVID class through writing, inquiry, collaboration, and reading strategies. AVID 3 continue the student’s path to college and require all students to take the PSAT, SAT, and ACT tests. In addition, it is strongly urged that AP and Honors classes are taken. **Note taking for all classes every day is required.**

Course Name: AVID SENIOR SEMINAR  
Course Code: 315721Y  
Grade Level: 12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Previous enrollment in AVID lower-level courses and enrollment in at least one honors or advanced placement (AP) class  
Graduation Req: Elective credit also meets UC/CSU “g” requirement  

The AVID Senior Seminar follows the weekly structure of all AVID classes, with two days of teacher led curriculum per week, two days of tutorials, and a day allocated for guest speakers, mini-courses taught by college instructors, and visits to colleges, museums, art galleries, or drama productions. Throughout the school year, the AVID teacher serves as conduit to colleges and universities as well as to academic departments on campus. This individual assists
AVID students in applying for college, researching financial aid and housing, registering for entrance and placement exams, and in preparing for external examinations in the spring. AVID (college) tutors also assist in these processes by providing actual information and giving feedback to AVID seniors regarding their applications and essays. The AVID Senior Seminar is divided into four quarters of emphasis, leading to the student's acceptance at a four-year college or university. Quarter One – gaining admission, Quarter Two – becoming a college student, Quarter Three – Placement and external exam preparation, Quarter Four – selecting a major and career emphasis.

Course Name: AVID TUTOR
Course Code: 315700Y
Grade Level: 11–12
Duration: 1 semester
Prerequisites: Must obtain AVID counselor or AVID site team approval
Graduation Req: Elective credit

AVID tutors assist students in the AVID elective class on tutorial days. The AVID tutor must be willing to go to 16 hours of training given by the Sacramento County Office of Education. We have provided this training at El Camino for the past two years. The purpose beyond helping AVID students is to teach AVID tutors college readiness and inquiry skills.
The fundamental purpose of Mathematics I is to formalize and extend students’ understanding of linear functions and their applications. The critical topics of study deepen and extend understanding of linear relationships, in part by contrasting them with exponential phenomena, and in part by applying linear models to data that exhibit a linear trend. Students build on their prior experiences with data, developing more formal means of assessing how a model fits data. Students use regression techniques to describe approximately linear relationships between quantities. They use graphical representations and knowledge of the context to make judgments about the appropriateness of linear models. With linear models, they look at residuals to analyze the goodness of fit. Mathematics I uses properties and theorems involving congruent figures to deepen and extend understanding of geometric knowledge from prior grades.

This course will apply algebraic concepts and notation to geometric figures and diagrams. Students will study properties of polygons and circles, logical argument, similarity and congruence, parallels, transformations, area and volume, constructions, and will review algebra in the coordinate plane. Scientific calculators are recommended. This course covers all Common Core content standards for Geometry.

In this two-semester course, students will study the topics from the four mathematical standards of Number Sense and Operations, Algebra and Functions, Geometry and Measurement, Data, Statistics and Probability and Mathematical Reasoning. Students will explore mathematics and its application to the real world. Students will be required to demonstrate proficiency in the content to pass the course. The standards for this course are the California Exit Exam Mathematics Standards as approved by the California Board of Education. The curriculum for this course prepares students for both the annual state testing and for the High School Exit Exam.

Transition to Algebra 2 is a math class offered to 10-12th grade students who have completed Integrated Math 1 and Geometry, and who are wanting/needing more effective skills for success in Algebra 2. While this class does not
meet UC/CSU A-G requirements, the units earned can be applied toward math graduation requirements. This class will provide a basic introduction to Algebra 2 curriculum while working on building the depth of Integrated Math 1 skills that provide Algebra 2 students more opportunities for success.

Course Name: **ALGEBRA 2**  
Course Code: 335050Y  
Grade Level: 9-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: C or better in Integrated Math 1; Passed Geometry  
Graduation Req: Meets Math graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "c" requirement and NCAA eligibility

Algebra 2 is a course to prepare students for Pre-Calculus or other advanced math courses. Students will study linear equations and inequalities, quadratic relations, function notation and evaluation, systems of equations and inequalities, polynomial expressions, roots and exponents, conics, exponential and logarithmic functions, sequence, series, and probability. Scientific calculators are needed. This course covers Common Core content standards for Algebra 2.

Course Name: **PRE-CALCULUS**  
Course Code: 335459Y  
Grade Level: 9-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: C or better in Algebra 2  
Graduation Req: Meets Math graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "c" requirement and if third year of Math meets "g" requirement and meets NCAA eligibility

This course is designed to prepare students for Calculus. It applies and reinforces the knowledge gained in Algebra 2. It also covers all the main topics of Trigonometry; solving triangles, graphs, identities, equation solving, and applications. Additional topics are: functions, advanced graphing techniques, vectors, parametric equations, conic sections, complex numbers, sequences and series, and probability. Graphing calculators are required. This course covers all Common Core content standards for Trigonometry as well as reviewing many content standards for Algebra 2.

Course Name: **ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) CALCULUS (AB)*+**  
Course Code: 375017Y  
Grade Level: 9-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Pre-Calculus (C or better).  
Graduation Req: Meets Math graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "c" requirement and if third year of Math meets "g" requirement and meets NCAA eligibility

The study of functions and their graphs; limits and continuity. The study of derivatives of algebraic, logarithmic, trigonometric, and exponential functions and their applications to motion, extrema of functions, graphing, differentials, and L'Hopital's rule. The study of integrals and integration techniques and their applications to area, volume, arc length, and average value of a function. A graphing calculator which can produce the graph of a function within an arbitrary viewing window, find the zeros of a function, compute the numerical derivative of a function and compute definite integrals numerically is necessary for the course. As a general rule, students will have the opportunity to transfer out of AP classes (level change) no later than the end of the first grading period. *This course will prepare students for the College Board Advanced Placement (AP) exam in May. If students want the opportunity to earn college credit, they must take and pass the AP exam provided by College Board. College Board charges a fee for this exam. It is recommended that students take the College Board AP test but it is not required. **See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement
Course Name: **ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) CALCULUS (BC)**+
Grade Level: 10-12
Duration: 2 semesters
Prerequisite: AP Calculus (C or better)
Graduation Req: Meets Math graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “c” requirement and if third year of Math meets “g” requirement and meets NCAA eligibility

This is a fast paced college-level course in differential and integral calculus, equivalent to the first two semesters of calculus at most universities. Topics include an introduction to limits and continuity, derivatives and their applications, anti-derivatives and the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, an introduction to differential equations using slope fields and Euler’s Method, Taylor polynomials and series, and calculus using parametric, vector and polar equations. There is an emphasis on conceptual understanding and working with functions represented graphically, numerically, analytically, and verbally. A lap top computer is suggested. A graphing calculator is used extensively.

*This course will prepare students for the College Board Advanced Placement (AP) exam in May. If students want the opportunity to earn college credit, they must take and pass the AP exam provided by College Board. College Board charges a fee for this exam. It is recommended that students take the College Board AP test but it is not required. --See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement*

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Course Name: **STATISTICS**
Grade Level: 11-12
Duration: 2 semesters
Prerequisite: Passed Algebra 2
Graduation Req: Meets Math graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “c” requirement and NCAA eligibility

This one year course is designed to teach the students the basics of Statistics. Proper methods of collecting, analyzing, displaying and drawing conclusions from real life will be taught. In addition to normal tests, evaluation will be based on computer labs, individual and group projects. A motivated student may be able to take the AP Statistics exam upon completion of the course (the College Board charges a fee for this exam).

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Course Name: **ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) STATISTICS**+
Grade Level: 10-12
Duration: 2 semesters
Prerequisite: Successful completion of Algebra 2 with a "C" or better
Graduation Req: Meets Math graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "c" requirement or if fourth year of Math meets “g” requirement and meets NCAA eligibility

The advanced placement course in statistics is designed to introduce students to the major concepts and tools for collecting, analyzing, and drawing conclusions from data. The four broad conceptual themes are exploring data, planning a study, anticipating patterns, and statistical inference. A graphing calculator is necessary. *This course will prepare students for the College Board Advanced Placement (AP) exam in May. If students want the opportunity to earn college credit, they must take and pass the AP exam provided by College Board. College Board charges a fee for this exam. It is recommended that students take the College Board AP test but it is not required. --See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement*
PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Course Name: **PE 1**  
Course Code: **345801Y**
Grade Level: 9  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: None  
Graduation Req: Meets Physical Education state mandated graduation requirement. Students must pass five of the six tests in the Fitness-gram Test given in 9th grade to qualify for the two year exception, which means they can take PE 2 in 10, 11, or 12 grades. If they don’t pass they will continue to take PE consecutively until they do.

Physical education provides students with specific training to assist them with achieving and maintaining their optimum knowledge in movement skills, self-image, personal development and social skills. The major emphasis of study is historical perspectives, fitness, individual and dual sports, aquatics, and rhythms and dance. Students will develop proficient movement skills in each area of individual and dual sports; expand their capabilities for independent learning.

Course Name: **PE 2**  
Course Code: **345802Y**
Grade Level: 10-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: PE 1  
Graduation Req: Meets Physical Education state mandated graduation requirement

In the second year of physical education the major emphasis of study are team sports, tumbling, and analysis of movement. Students will explore the relationship between physical education and their personal, social, emotional and intellectual development. Students will be introduced to the application of the principles of levers during movement. They will assume leadership roles, cooperate together to find solutions to problems, and obey rules. This class is aligned directly with the California Physical Education Model common core standards.

Course Name: **PE X**  
Course Code: **345815Y**
Grade Level: 11-12, 10th grade with athletic directors approval  
Duration: 1 or 2 semesters  
Prerequisite: PE 2 and must be in a varsity sport  
Graduation Req: Elective credit

PE X is for students with considerable weight lifting experience and will help them prepare for high school athletics. The classroom environment is intense and extremely rigorous. It is designed to increase the power, speed, and explosion of the enrolled students and is for student athletes. This class is offered 6th period only. *10th grade students will earn PE 2 credit.

Course Name: **BASKETBALL**  
Course Code: **345520Y**
Grade Level: 11-12  
Duration: 1 or 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: PE 2  
Graduation Req: Elective credit

This class offers instruction in Basketball fundamentals, strategies, techniques, and skills development. It also includes strength development through resistance workouts. Cardiovascular and polymeric training will be incorporated into the workouts. Instruction of muscular structure, types of strength training, fitness vocabulary, and proper lifting techniques will be covered.
Course Name: VOLLEYBALL
Grade Level: 11-12
Duration: 1 or 2 semesters
Prerequisites: PE 2
Graduation Req: Elective credit

Volleyball is an elective course that is designed to review and improve the basic skills used in volleyball. By means of drills and inter-class competition, students will develop their skill proficiency to a recreational or competitive level. Knowledge of rules, history and strategy will be covered.

ROP/OTHER

Course Name: REGIONAL OCCUPATIONAL PROGRAMS (R.O.P.)
Grade Level: 11-12
Duration: 2 semesters
Prerequisites: None - students must be enrolled in 4 classes on campus
Graduation Req: Elective credit (5-15 per semester)

R.O.P. offers high school students job training in many occupational areas such as:

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The purpose of ROP is to provide career exploration, as well as prepare students for the world of work BEFORE leaving high school. Students, on a daily basis, engage in coursework specific to their occupational interest until their internship commences. Once placed at internships, students receive ‘hands-on’ job training four days a week while continuing their classroom instruction one day a week. (Internships may be paid or unpaid.) Some ROP courses provide college credit; qualify students to take state licensed exams; and/or provide an entrée into apprenticeship programs. ROP is an excellent vehicle to jump-start a student’s career; finance educational goals; obtain leadership skills, as well as help students determine the direction of their career path. All ROP classes earn high school credits.
Course Name: INSIDE WORK EXPERIENCE (I.W.E. /T.A.)  
Course Code: 370208Y  
Grade Level: 11-12  
Duration: 1-2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Must obtain teacher or office staff approval and a signed contract on file  
Graduation Req: Elective credit  

Students provide assistance to either a teacher or office personnel. The purpose of I.W.E. is to teach students job readiness skills, to develop an appreciation for employer expectations, and career exploration.

Course Name: LINK CREW LEADERSHIP  
Course Code: 355960Y  
Grade Level: 11-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Teacher Recommendation  
Graduation Req: Elective credit  

The purpose of Link Crew Leadership course is to train effective student leaders to facilitate the Link Crew Program. As such, students will focus on developing an increased sense of community, improved school climate, and a successful transition of new students. The Link Crew Leadership class provides time to design and implement connections for current freshmen through both academic and social follow-up and to learn valuable leadership skills through a variety of classroom activities. To improve upon their roles as Link Crew Leaders, students will research and write about current leadership theories, as well as write a standard thesis identifying an area or the school culture that needs to be improved on and developing a solution to the problem. As part of the class, students learn skills including written, interpersonal and intrapersonal communication, personal and professional goal setting, team building, presentation/facilitation, time management, project management, evaluation, reflection, and role modeling.

Course Name: STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
Course Code: 355905Y  
Grade Level: 9-12  
Duration: 2 semesters (1)  
Prerequisites: Must be elected or appointed through Student Government process  
Graduation Req: Elective credit  

Student Government is an elective leadership class that meets only fourth period and is limited to students elected to an Associated Student Body office, elected Class Officers, appointed positions, and up to five incoming freshmen who qualify through an interview and constitution test the summer prior to the upcoming school year. The class is yearlong. (1)However, there is a one-semester option for certain “officer” positions open to juniors and seniors. The class is responsible for planning and implementing student activities, managing the student body account, and being the governing body for the student body. Additionally, leadership and teamwork training are key components to the class.
SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Course Name: HEALTH
Course Code: 365211S
Grade Level: 9-12
Duration: 1 semester
Prerequisites: None
Graduation Req: Meets graduation requirement

Health and Safety features a holistic approach to a lifetime of healthy, safe living. Emphasis is on preventative measures. Studies include the nutrition and fitness, avoiding the use of tobacco, alcohol and drugs, infectious and lifestyle diseases, and family life, including sex education. This course is required for graduation.

Course Name: BIOLOGY
Course Code: 350105
Grade Level: 9-12
Duration: 2 semesters
Prerequisites: None
Graduation Req: Meets Life Science graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "d" requirement and NCAA eligibility

Biology is a college-prep laboratory-based science course. Students study a wide range of topics, including viruses, cells, biochemistry, genetics, bioengineering, evolution, and ecology.

Course Name: HONORS BIOLOGY*
Course Code: 350106Y
Grade Level: 9-12
Duration: 2 semesters
Prerequisites: Approval based on 8th grade articulation recommendation
Graduation Req: Meets Life Science graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "d" requirement and NCAA eligibility

Honors Biology is an accelerated college-prep laboratory-based science class that uses a molecular approach to Biology. Students study a wide spectrum of topics and perform rigorous laboratory experiments. There is an emphasis on biotechnology and emerging areas of biology. Students complete 1–2 writing projects or presentations per semester. Students can be moved to Biology at the semester if grade is below a "C".

Course Name: ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) BIOLOGY*+
Course Code: 350108Y
Grade Level: 11-12
Duration: 2 semesters
Prerequisites: Successful completion of Chemistry with a “C” or better
Graduation Req: Meets Life Science graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "d" requirement and NCAA eligibility

AP Biology is a college introductory course, and can replace a college-level biology requirement for students that pass the AP test in May. This course covers the four “Big Ideas” in biology established by the College Board, and requires a significant time commitment outside of class to read and master these concepts. The AP curriculum puts a focus on laboratory science, requiring the completing of 8-10 in-depth labs. There is also an emphasis in math and chemistry, and a high school level chemistry course is required, with a recommendation of B grades or higher. Concurrent enrollment or completion of Algebra II with C or higher is also required. The College Board charges a fee for taking the AP exam. It is recommended that students take the College Board AP test but it is not required. **Summer reading may be a requirement for this class, see Mr. Dias prior to the end of Spring finals. --See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement**
Course Name: CHEMISTRY  
Course Code: 350205Y  
Grade Level: 10-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Completion of Biology with a C or better AND completion of Integrated Math 1 with a B or better Concurrent enrollment in Algebra 2 recommended  
Graduation Req: Meets Physical Science graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "d" requirement and NCAA eligibility

Chemistry is the study of the structure and behavior of matter. The course includes: scientific measurement and calculation, kinetic theory and the states of matter, problem solving, atomic and molecular structure, chemical names and formulas, the mole concept, the periodic table and chemical properties, chemical bonding and reaction, reaction rates and chemical equilibrium, acids and bases.

Course Name: ADVANCED PLACEMENT CHEMISTRY*+  
Course Code: 350207Y  
Grade Level: 11-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Completion of Algebra 2 with a B or better or concurrent enrollment in a higher math course AND one of the following:  
- Completion of Physics with an A or AP Physics with an A  
- Completion of Chemistry with an A or B  

AP Chemistry is a college introductory chemistry course. If a student passes the AP test in the spring they will have satisfied the requirement for first semester college chemistry. Topics in AP Chemistry include several topics covered in general chemistry with addition of Net-ionic equations and Redox reactions; however all topics are discussed in much greater depth. Laboratory is an integral portion of the course and is more self-directed than the general chemistry class. *This course will prepare students for the College Board Advanced Placement (AP) exam in May. If students want the opportunity to earn college credit, they must take and pass the AP exam provided by College Board. College Board charges a fee for this exam. It is recommended that students take the College Board AP test but it is not required. --See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement

Course Name: ENVIRONMENTAL PHYSICAL SCIENCE  
Course Code: 350118Y  
Grade Level: 11-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisite: None  
Graduation Req: Meets physical science graduation requirement

Environmental Science uses scientific principles, concepts and methodologies to understand the interrelationships of the natural world. Environmental Science identifies and analyzes natural and human-made environmental problems, evaluates the relative risks associated with these problems, and examines alternative solutions that resolve and prevent environmental problems.

Environmental Science is interdisciplinary; it embraces a wide variety of topics from different areas of scientific study. Environmental Science identifies major unifying themes that help students understand the many environmental issues in today’s world. The themes include the study of science as a process, energy transfer, the earth as a system, and the human impact on the environment.
Course Name: PHYSIOLOGY  
Grade Level: 11-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Grade of C or better in Biology, and either Environmental Science, Chemistry, or Physics  
Graduation Req: Meets Life Science graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “d” and/or “g” requirement and NCAA eligibility

Physiology is an advanced biological course designed for students who are interested in pursuing a career in the medical field or who are curious about how the body functions. This course will cover the organization of the human body, and will take an in-depth look at the organ systems related to support, movement, integration, regulation, maintenance, and development of the human body. Lab activities, modeling, and critical thinking skills are emphasized. Several dissections are performed throughout the year, including a feline cadaver and selected sheep organs. Furthermore, students are expected to demonstrate mastery of successful study skills as part of the course work.

Course Name: HONORS PHYSIOLOGY++  
Grade Level: 11-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Grade of B or better in Biology, and either Environmental Science, Chemistry, or Physics  
Graduation Req: Meets Life Science graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “d” requirement and NCAA eligibility

Honors Physiology is an accelerated course focusing on the physiology and anatomy of the human body. The same topics from regular Physiology are covered, but in greater detail, with a more challenging grading scale. Additional dissections, projects, and papers will be completed by Honors Physiology students.  

Course Name: PHYSICS  
Grade Level: 10-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Grade C or better in Integrated Math 1 and completion of Biology  
Graduation Req: Meets Physical Science graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "d" and/or “g” requirement and NCAA eligibility

Physics is recommended for all students planning to attend a college with the intention of earning a four-year degree and is especially recommended for students planning to earn a technical degree. Fundamental physics concepts are developed using data collected from experiments and analyzed using computers. The data analysis uses the mathematics learned in algebra I and geometry. Course topics include motion, force, energy, and momentum. As time permits additional topics of sound, light, electricity, and magnetism are developed.

Course Name: ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) PHYSICS 1++  
Grade Level: 10-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Grade of B or better in all math classes, concurrent enrollment in Pre-Calculus or Calculus  
Graduation Req: Meets Physical Science graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "d" requirement and NCAA eligibility

Advanced Placement Physics 1 is an algebra based physics course equivalent to a first semester college course in algebra based physics. The course covers Newtonian mechanics (including rotational dynamics and angular momentum), work, energy, power, mechanical waves, sound, and an introduction to electric circuits. This course will prepare students for the College Board Advanced Placement (AP) exam in May. If students want the opportunity
to earn college credit, they must take and pass the AP exam provided by College Board. College Board charges a fee for this exam. It is recommended that students take the College Board AP test but it is not required.

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SOCIAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Course Name: **AMERICAN GOVERNMENT**  
Grade Level: 12  
Duration: 1 semester  
Prerequisites: Senior status  
Graduation Req: Meets Social Studies graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "a" requirement and NCAA eligibility

The purpose of this course is to examine the foundation of our American governmental system, the U. S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights, economic and government systems, state and local government, and the rights and responsibilities of citizenship. The curriculum includes class discussions, role playing, small group exercises, etc. It may include a state and local government project, and a service learning/community service requirement. This course prepares students to extend participation into the outside or "real" world as responsible citizens of the twenty-first century.

Course Name: **ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) US GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS**
Grade Level: 12  
Duration: 1 semester  
Prerequisites: Grade of B or better in US History or teacher approval  
Graduation Req: Meets Social Studies graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “a” requirement and NCAA eligibility

AP American Government serves as an introduction to United States government. It is taught with the conviction that students want to know not only who governs but also what difference it makes who governs. The course examines the structure of the Constitution and government, civil rights and civil liberties and creation of public policy. This course is also designed to enable students to develop a critical perspective towards government and politics in the United States. Students will examine general political concepts as well as specific case studies. It is important that every student in this class try to stay abreast of recent political events in order to be able to intelligently and logically discuss current events in the context of what we are learning in class. It is strongly recommended that students have taken AP U.S. History and Honors English. This course will prepare students for the College Board Advanced Placement (AP) exam in May. If students want the opportunity to earn college credit, they must take and pass the AP exam provided by College Board. College Board charges a fee for this exam. It is recommended that students take the College Board AP test but it is not required. --See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement
Course Name: ECONOMICS  
Course Code: 355109S

Grade Level: 12  
Duration: 1 semester  
Prerequisites: Senior status  
Graduation Req: Meets Social Studies graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "g" requirement and NCAA eligibility

Economics is defined as the study of how individuals and societies, experiencing virtually limitless wants, choose to allocate scarce resources to satisfy their wants. In this course, micro and macroeconomics will be covered. This course will emphasize analysis and problem solving through detailed study of concepts, charts and graphs. Skill development includes: reading, research, organization of material, citing evidence in order to formulate conclusions, group work and written/oral composition. Students can expect regular assignments, including outside readings, group projects, and one major research paper. Special events include visitation by business professionals who provide insight into specific areas of the local business community.

Course Name: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS  
Course Code: 355308S

Grade Level: 12 and 11 with counselor approval  
Duration: 1 semester  
Prerequisites: Senior status  
Graduation Req: Meets Social Studies graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "g" requirement and NCAA eligibility

International Relations is an in-depth study of foreign policy. Students examine areas of the world and pertinent issues using background readings, speeches and lecture notes. Students analyze recent “trouble spots” in light of political, economic, historical and cultural differences.

Course Name: POLITICAL SCIENCE: STUDY CRIMINAL & CIVIL LAW  
Course Code: 355605S

Grade Level: 12  
Duration: 1 semester  
Prerequisites: Senior status  
Graduation Req: Meets Social Studies graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "g" requirement and NCAA eligibility

This course is a semester long course that gives students an overview of the American legal system. Students will become familiar with how the court system works and will gain a greater understanding of the law and how it impacts their lives. The course will delve into the practical aspects of the law and will give students an understanding of America’s political tradition. The course will incorporate classroom debate and discussion on current public policy issues as a means to improve students’ analytical skills.

Course Name: PSYCHOLOGY  
Course Code: 355705S

Grade Level: 12 (11th grade with and teacher counselor approval in the spring semester)  
Duration: 1 semester  
Prerequisites: Senior status  
Graduation Req: Meets Social Studies graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "g" requirement and NCAA eligibility

An introductory course in Psychology which covers its history, modern psychological trends, psycho biology and human developmental psychology from birth to death. The course explores states of consciousness, learning, memory, intelligence, emotions, personality and abnormal behavior. Requirements include written assignments on a regular basis and a major research paper.
Course Name: **ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) PSYCHOLOGY**

Grade Level: 12 (11th grade with counselor and teacher approval)

Duration: 2 semesters

Prerequisites: Grade of B or better in US History or Physiology; or teacher approval

Graduation Req: Meets Social Studies graduation requirement, also meets UC/CUS “g” requirement and NCAA eligibility

This is an advanced, rigorous college-level Introductory Psychology course which covers the following standards in preparation for the AP Psychology Test. History and approaches research methods, biological bases of behavior, sensation and perception, states of consciousness, learning, cognition, motivation and emotion, developmental psychology, personality, testing and individual differences, abnormal psychology, treatment of psychological disorders, and social psychology. Requirements include a major research project, book report, tests, journal, group projects, and various other written assignments. • This course will prepare students for the College Board Advanced Placement (AP) exam in May. If students want the opportunity to earn college credit, they must take and pass the AP exam provided by College Board. College Board charges a fee for this exam. It is recommended that students take the College Board AP test but it is not required. — See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement

Course Name: **U.S. HISTORY**

Grade Level: 11

Duration: 2 semesters

Prerequisites: None

Graduation Req: Meets U.S. History graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "a" requirement and NCAA eligibility

United States History is a two semester course evolving chronologically from the formative period of colonization to contemporary history. The curriculum is designed to meet state standards which are reflected in lesson plans, student activities, and evaluation procedures. The U.S. History curriculum encourages a wide range of creative assessment techniques and stresses the relevance between the past and present.

Course Name: **ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) U.S. HISTORY**

Grade Level: 11

Duration: 2 semesters

Prerequisites: A minimum overall weighted G.P.A. of 3.5 students must have earned a “B” or better in World History and Honors English 2

Graduation Req: Meets U.S. History graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "a" requirement and NCAA eligibility

AP U.S. History is a rigorous college level course which covers colonial to contemporary American History. All course work must be completed by mid-April in preparation for the national test administered in May. Course work actually begins in June prior to the junior year as students are assigned preparatory summer reading and writing assignments which are a required component. The course offers a chronological analytical approach and features cause-effect historical relationships. Writing is emphasized with a major essay to be completed on most units of study. Students must make a firm commitment to AP level work prior to enrollment. Extensive reading is required beyond the textbook. College credit may be given to students who pass the test with a score of 3 or better. Overall 3.5+ GPA is strongly recommended. This criterion is based upon the expectation that students will be doing college level lower division work with the opportunity to gain college credit. All students are expected to maintain a “C” average or above in the class. Students who do not meet these criteria will be recommended for placement in U.S. History at the end of the fall semester. There is a process in place wherein parents may sign a waiver to acknowledge that the school has concerns regarding students who do not meet the course criteria and will probably not find success in the course. The signing of the waiver may allow for entry into AP U.S. History class provided there is space available. • This course will prepare students for the College Board Advanced Placement (AP) exam in May. If students want the opportunity to earn college credit, they must take and pass the AP exam provided by College Board. College
Board charges a fee for this exam. It is recommended that students take the College Board AP test but it is not required. --See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement

Course Name: WORLD HISTORY  
Course Code: 355413Y  
Grade Level: 10  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: None  
Graduation Req: Meets World History graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "a" requirement and NCAA eligibility

Students in tenth grade study major turning points that shaped the modern world, from the late eighteenth century through the present, including the cause and course of the two world wars. They trace the rise of democratic ideas and develop an understanding of the historical roots of current world issues, especially as they pertain to international relations. They extrapolate from the American experience that democratic ideals are often achieved at a high price, remain vulnerable, and are not practiced everywhere in the world. Students develop an understanding of current world issues and relate them to their historical, geographic, political, economic, and cultural contexts. Students consider multiple accounts of events in order to understand international relations from a variety of perspectives.

Course Name: HONORS WORLD HISTORY*+  
Course Code: 355414Y  
Grade Level: 10  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: Grade of A or B or better in Honors English 1 or Honors Biology, grade of an A in English 1 and teacher recommendation  
Graduation Req: Meets World History graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU "a" requirement and NCAA eligibility

Students study major turning points that shaped the modern world, from the late eighteenth century through the present, including the cause and course of the two world wars. They trace the rise of democratic ideas and develop an understanding of the historical roots of current world issues, especially as they pertain to international relations. They extrapolate from the American experience that democratic ideals are often achieved at a high price, remain vulnerable, and are not practiced everywhere in the world. Students develop an understanding of current world issues and relate them to their historical, geographic, political, economic, and cultural contexts. Students consider multiple accounts of events in order to understand international relations from a variety of perspectives. It should be carefully considered that Honors World History entrance and egress requirements are stringent, as students must obtain parent, instructor, and counselor permission for either. --See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement

SPECIAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Course Name: SPECIAL DAY CLASS (SDC), RESOURCE (RSP), ADAPTIVE PE (A.P.E.)  
Grade Level: 9-12  
Duration: 1 semester to 4 years  
Prerequisites: Special Education placement  
Graduation Req: Meets district and school requirements with modifications as noted in IEP. SDC classes DO NOT meet A-G requirements for UC/CSU.

All Special Education services (Resource, SDC, A.P.E., and Speech/Language) are provided as a result of meeting eligibility requirements through a referral process and an Individual Education Plan (IEP).

The Resource Specialist Program provides support to students which are mainstreamed into general education classes. The program helps develop organizational skills and learning strategies which enhance acquisition of
knowledge across all curricular areas. Instruction in English and math for success on the California High School Exit Exam is offered through supported instruction within the general education classroom.

SDC classes provides access to core curriculum with appropriate modifications and support, which enable students to be successful in the academic areas of English, math, science and social studies in addition to learning strategies and techniques which help facilitate success in general education classes.

Adaptive PE enrollment may be done by a referral of a physician. The adaptive PE program is designed to meet the PE credit requirements of the individual with a chronic permanent physical disability while meeting the student’s physical needs.

Speech and Language services are provided by a referral process and an Individual Education Plan (IEP). The program is designed to meet the speech, voice, fluency, hearing and language needs of the individual.

Learning Strategies classes are subject specific and are used to support the students in the mainstreamed core classes. They are offered in the areas of math, science and English. These classes assist the students with understanding the common core curriculum.

The workability program provides school-to-work transition and career assessment exploration. This is done solely through the IEP process.

**VISUAL/PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT**

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The first semester of this course will focus on drawing assignments. The second semester will focus on painting assignments. Students will learn the fundamentals of line, form, value, texture, perspective, composition and creativity while being introduced to a variety of drawing and painting materials. Students will have hands-on involvement in their own work, along with familiarity with concerns and styles of other artists. Portfolios are an important part of this class. They will be used for the storage of all class work and will be reviewed at the end of each semester. This course is open to students with no art background. Your help in providing needed supplies in the classroom is greatly appreciated but not required. Students will not be denied an educational opportunity if a donation is not received. If students create items in class, they may be allowed to take those items home with them as personal property, but the student will need to pay a fee for the direct cost of those materials.
Course Name: **ADVANCED DRAWING AND PAINTING 1, 2**  
Course Codes: **360521Y/360522Y**

Grade Level: 10-12
Duration: 2 semesters (may not be repeated for credit)
Prerequisites: B+ or better in Beginning Drawing and Painting or teacher approval/Advanced Drawing and Painting 1
Graduation Req: Meets Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “F” requirement

This course is primarily a studio class designed to further develop drawing and painting skills. Sequential drawing lessons are ongoing throughout each semester and guideline projects are assigned to further study the visual language of art. Concepts, attitudes and methods of traditional and contemporary approaches to painting will be explored. Materials such as ink, watercolor, tempera, acrylic, and oil paint will be used. A portfolio of five pieces is required each semester along with a drawing sketchbook for drawing lessons and class project ideas. Your help in providing needed supplies in the classroom is greatly appreciated but not required. Students will not be denied an educational opportunity if a donation is not received. If students create items in class, they may be allowed to take those items home with them as personal property, but the student will need to pay a fee for the direct cost of those materials.

For students in Advanced Drawing and Painting 2 this course is primarily a studio class. The emphasis of the course will be to build on student independence acquired in Advanced Drawing and Painting 1. Sophisticated techniques in drawing and painting will be explored. Individuality and originality of expression will be of paramount importance to the completion of this course. An art portfolio and sketchbook will be required. Your help in providing needed supplies in the classroom is greatly appreciated but not required. Students will not be denied an educational opportunity if a donation is not received. If students create items in class, they may be allowed to take those items home with them as personal property, but the student will need to pay a fee for the direct cost of those materials.

Course Name: **ART STUDIO**  
Course Code: **360605Y**

Grade Level: 9-12
Duration: 2 semesters (may be repeated only one year for credit)
Prerequisites: None
Graduation Req: Meets Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “F” requirement

Art studio is a multi-media course that will allow students further exploration within a variety of art techniques and mediums. Projects will include, but are not limited to, drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, and collage with an emphasis on mixed media. Through class projects students will be introduced to the elements of principles of art, design concepts, art history, criticism and aestheticism. Your help in providing needed supplies in the classroom is greatly appreciated but not required. Students will not be denied an educational opportunity if a donation is not received. If students create items in class, they may be allowed to take those items home with them as personal property, but the student will need to pay a fee for the direct cost of those materials.

Course Name: **PHOTOGRAPHY**  
Course Code: **330701Y**

Grade Level: 9-12
Duration: 2 semesters (may not be repeated for credit)
Prerequisites: None
Graduation Req: Meets Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “F” requirement

Students in the Beginning Photography course learn fundamentals of camera, black and white film processing and darkroom printing using enlargers. Camera techniques and composition are also emphasized. This course will cover cultural and historical aspects of photography and stress the fundamentals of visual communication. Students are expected to complete several projects each semester and keep a portfolio of their work. Students can check out film cameras in this class. Digital photography is introduced second semester, but will not be used in this class. Your
help in providing needed supplies in the classroom is greatly appreciated but not required. Students will not be denied an educational opportunity if a donation is not received. If students create items in class, they may be allowed to take those items home with them as personal property, but the student will need to pay a fee for the direct cost of those materials.

Course Name: **ADVANCED PHOTOGRAPHY 1, 2**  
Course Codes: 360411Y/360412Y

Grade Level: 10-12  
Duration: 2 semesters (may **not** be repeated for credit)  
Prerequisites: A grade of B or better in Photography, or portfolio review with teacher approval  
Graduation Req: Meets Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “f” or “g” requirement

Students in the Advanced Photography course are required to compile a photography portfolio containing 8-10 images centered on a theme/project each semester. Extended lessons on digital camera, composing photos, shooting modes and advanced settings, file management with digital negatives, and digital printing will be taught. Masterful darkroom printing lessons in black and white wet lab photography will also be taught for those seeking more traditional printing techniques. Critical thinking and visual composition are emphasized in this class as well as historical and cultural aspects in art. Students in the advanced class should have access to their own digital and film cameras however, a limited amount of digital and film cameras are available for advanced students to check out. Your help in providing needed supplies in the classroom is greatly appreciated but not required. Students will not be denied an educational opportunity if a donation is not received. If students create items in class, they may be allowed to take those items home with them as personal property, but the student will need to pay a fee for the direct cost of those materials.

Course Name: **BEGINNING CERAMICS**  
Course Code: 360005Y

Grade Level: 9-12  
Duration: 2 semesters (may **not** be repeated for credit)  
Prerequisites: None  
Graduation Req: Meets Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “f” requirement

Students in this class will learn ceramic techniques and processes. They will be introduced to a variety of building and decorating techniques along with principles of form and design. The main emphasis of the class is to build original art from clay. Your help in providing needed supplies in the classroom is greatly appreciated but not required. Students will not be denied an educational opportunity if a donation is not received. If students create items in class, they may be allowed to take those items home with them as personal property, but the student will need to pay a fee for the direct cost of those materials. We would like a donation of $25.00 per semester for materials.

Course Name: **ADVANCED CERAMICS 1, 2**  
Course Codes: 360011Y/360012Y

Grade Level: 10-12  
Duration: 2 semesters (may **not** be repeated for credit)  
Prerequisites: A grade of an A in Beginning Ceramics or teacher approval.  
Graduation Req: Meets Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “f” or “g” requirement

This course provides an additional opportunity to explore further and to experiment individually with clay. Emphasis will be placed on the student’s individual abilities to translate creative ideas into visual items. Your help in providing needed supplies in the classroom is greatly appreciated. Students will not be denied an educational opportunity if a donation is not received. If students create items in class, they may be allowed to take those items home with them as personal property, but the student will need to pay a fee for the direct cost of those materials. We would like a donation of $25.00 per semester for materials.
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<td>Beginning Drama introduces the student to the many faceted aspects of theater arts: Theater games and warm-ups, history, play reading, acting styles, improvisation, pantomime, monologues and dialogues, character analysis, and critical audience appreciation. It is a participation-based class that introduces students to many of the genres of the theater. It provides students with opportunities to speak, move, and act both alone, and with others. The course is designed to maintain a comfort level for all class members so that by its completion each person in the class is able to perform before either small or large groups without fear.</td>
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<td>Advanced Drama provides the advanced student with a performance-based class designed to motivate and “stretch” the serious theater student. It provides students with historical and practical backgrounds and offers students hands-on opportunities for the practice of each of the important elements of drama: monologues, duets (scenes), one-acts, plays, and improvisation. Additionally, at the advanced level students will have opportunities to explore directing, musical theater, technical theater, competing in acting festivals, performing for student audiences, and participating in the exclusive Advanced Drama student-directed play. Each year the Advanced Drama class will have a different focus: acting, directing, or technical theatre.</td>
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<td>Meets Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “f” requirement</td>
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<td>Open to all male and female beginning through intermediate level vocal students with a sincere interest in learning how to sing. In this course students will develop the necessary vocal skills that will allow them to be knowledgeable and proficient in the areas of scales, technical studies, tone production, intonation, range, reading skills, and musical styles. Students will be provided the opportunity and encouraged to develop solo and small ensemble skills that will further develop their musicianship. To ensure that all El Camino Fundamental High School choir students reach a singing proficiency as determined by the State Standards and the San Juan Unified School District Music Curriculum Guidelines, all freshmen must enroll in the Concert Choir prior to being accepted into the Madrigal Choir. Students in the Concert Choir will perform in several concerts throughout the year, including formal concerts, athletic events, school assemblies and community events.</td>
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<td>One year enrollment in Concert Choir. Enrollment in Madrigals is by audition and teacher approval.</td>
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Madrigals is an advanced level performing group in the music department. Enrollment in Madrigals is open to all students who are proficient vocalists and have completed one year of Concert Choir, or the equivalent. Madrigals provides students with continued learning and understanding of the basic musical elements, including scales, technical studies, tone production, rhythm and musical styles. As a performance oriented class, students will be expected to commit to the rehearsal and performance schedule which includes community and school performances and local adjudicated festivals. **Students enrolled in Madrigals must make music a high priority and have the desire and time to spend practicing and studying.**

Course Name: CONCERT BAND  
Course Code: 340011Y  
Grade Level: 9-12  
Duration: 2 semesters (may be repeated for credit)  
Prerequisites: 1 year experience on band instrument  
Graduation Req: Meets Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “f” requirement

Open to all musicians with at least one year experience on a band instrument. In this course students will develop the necessary skills on his/her band instrument that will allow them to be knowledgeable and proficient in the areas of scales, technical studies, tone production, intonation, range, reading skills, and musical styles. Students will be provided the opportunity and encouraged to develop solo and small ensemble skills that will further develop their musicianship. To ensure that all El Camino Fundamental High School band students reach a playing proficiency as determined by the goals of the San Juan Unified School District Music Curriculum Guidelines, all freshmen must enroll in the Concert Band prior to being accepted into the Advanced Concert Band or Honors Concert Band. Students in the Concert Band will perform in at least one concert each semester. Concert Band students also participate in the Pep Band at football games, basketball games and other school and community events.

Course Name: ADVANCED CONCERT BAND  
Course Code: 340012Y  
Grade Level: 10-12  
Duration: 2 semesters (may be repeated for credit)  
Prerequisites: 1 year enrollment in Concert Band. Enrollment in Advanced Concert Band is by audition and teacher approval  
Graduation Req: Meets Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement, also meets UC/CUS “f” or “g” requirement

Enrollment in the Advanced Concert Band is open to all students who are proficient on a band instrument and have completed one year of Concert Band, or the equivalent. Advanced Concert Band provides students with continued learning and understanding of the basic musical elements, including scales, technical studies, tone production, rhythm and musical styles. Advanced Concert Band is the primary performing group in the music department. As a performance oriented class, students will be expected to commit to the rehearsal and performance schedule which includes community and school performances, local festivals, and winter and spring concerts. The Advanced Concert Band members also become the Pep Band that performs at athletic events, school and community events.

Course Name: HONORS CONCERT BAND*+  
Course Code: 340025Y  
Grade Level: 10-12  
Duration: 2 semesters (may not be repeated for credit)  
Prerequisites: Enrollment in Honors Concert Band is by audition and teacher approval  
Graduation Req: Meets Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “f” or “g” requirement

Honors Concert Band is a course designed for the most serious instrumental musicians who have the time and ambition to accomplish “honors” level music theory and literature. Private lessons are highly recommended to fully understand and complete the required class work. **Students must make music a high priority and have the desire**
and time to spend practicing and studying. Enrollment in the Honors Concert Band is open only to students who are proficient on a band instrument and have completed the requirements for Concert Band and Advanced Concert Band. Honors Concert Band provides students with continued learning and understanding of higher level musical elements, including scales, technical studies, tone production, rhythm and musical styles. As a performance oriented class, students will be expected to commit to the rehearsal and performance schedule which includes community and school performances, local festivals and winter and spring concerts. Honors Concert Band members also participate in Pep Band that performs at athletic events, school and community events.  --See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement

Course Name: BEGINNING BAND  
Course Code: 340010Y  
Grade Level: 9-12  
Duration: 2 semesters (may be repeated for credit)  
Prerequisites: A desire to learn how to read music and play a musical instrument.  
Graduation Req: Meets Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “f” requirement

Beginning Band is open to all students with little or no music experience. This course will provide the necessary music skills that will allow students to be knowledgeable and proficient in the areas of scales, technical studies, tone production, intonation, range, rhythm reading, and musical styles. Students in the Beginning Band will perform in at least one concert each semester. Only traditional band instruments will be taught (woodwind, brass, and percussion). Students who successfully accomplish the course work in Beginning Band will be encouraged to move to the next level in the El Camino Band program. Grades will be based on progress skills, techniques and participation in a minimum of two public performances.

Course Name: JAZZ ENSEMBLE “BAND”  
Course Code: 340016Y  
Grade Level: 9-12  
Duration: 2 semesters (may be repeated for credit)  
Prerequisites: Teacher approval. High level of experience on a band or rhythm instrument (guitar, piano, bass, drums.) Enrollment in Jazz Band is by audition only. Students must have experience in either Concert Band, Advanced Concert Band, or Honors Concert Band. Meets “0” period at 7:00 a.m. daily.  
Graduation Req: Meets Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “f” requirement

Jazz Band provides a unique opportunity for students to experience and perform various styles of jazz music, including blues, be-bop, swing, rock, Latin, and contemporary. Through recordings and printed music, students will be exposed to the history of jazz and learn the techniques that distinguishes jazz from other styles of instrumental music. Students interested in the Jazz band must be proficient on their instrument, demonstrate an ability to read complex rhythms, have a basic understanding of scales, and must have experience in either Concert Band, Advanced Concert Band, or Honors Concert Band. All students must audition for the Jazz band. All interested students must enroll in Jazz Band and attend the first two weeks of rehearsal. Information about course requirements and auditions will be provided during the first week of class.

Course Name: MUSIC APPRECIATION  
Course Code: 340106Y  
Grade Level: 9-12  
Duration: 2 semesters (may not be repeated for credit)  
Prerequisites: A desire and curiosity to explore music  
Graduation Req: Meets Visual/Performing Arts graduation requirement, also meets UC/CSU “f” requirement
Music Appreciation is a music listening and analysis class for both musicians and non-musicians. Students are introduced to the history of music from Ancient times through classical, jazz and rock. Daily class discussion includes trends in music history, technology, musicians and significant influences that shaped the music of today.

WORLD LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT

Students who have taken three years of a foreign language in high school will have fulfilled the CSUS foreign language requirement for graduation.

Course Name: **FRENCH 1, SPANISH 1**  
Course Codes: 320001Y/320601Y  
Grade Level: 9-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: C or better in previous English class required  
Graduation Req: Elective credit, also meets UC/CSU “e” requirement and NCAA eligibility

This is an introductory course with a strong emphasis on communication skills. Students will learn to listen to, speak, read, and write the language and will be expected to demonstrate their skills in all four areas. This class also provides an introduction to the culture and history of the people who speak the language. All lessons and activities are aligned to the World Language Common Core standards for California public schools.

Course Name: **FRENCH 2, SPANISH 2**  
Course Codes: 320002Y/320602Y  
Grade Level: 9-12  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: C or better in same language, level 1  
Graduation Req: Elective credit, also meets UC/CSU "e" requirement and NCAA eligibility

A continuation of the first level. Students expand their knowledge of the language in all skill areas, listening to, speaking, reading, and writing with more complexity. Students build on their foundation of cultural and historical studies. This course is considered preparation for advanced foreign language studies. All lessons and activities are aligned to the World Language Common Core standards for California public schools.

Course Name: **FRENCH 3, SPANISH 3**  
Course Codes: 320003Y/320603Y  
Grade Level: 9-12 as eligible  
Duration: 2 semesters  
Prerequisites: C or better in same language, level 2  
Graduation Req: Elective credit, also meets UC/CSU "e" requirement for the first two years, third year meets “g” requirement and meets NCAA eligibility

A continuation of Level 2. This is an advanced course that continues to build proficiency in all areas of language study. There is a specific emphasis on advanced grammar structures. Speaking and listening skills are expanded to include extensive discussion in addition to conversation and monologue. Students are introduced to simple literary pieces and more formal writing styles. All lessons and activities are aligned to the World Language Common Core standards for California public schools.
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A course with extensive emphasis on reading literary works while improving skills in listening, speaking, and writing. Grammar is reviewed as necessary. Cultural and historical studies continue through exposure to literature, current events, and other area of the humanities. Students will write critical papers. All lessons and activities are aligned to the World Language Common Core standards for California public schools.

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This course is for highly motivated and exceptional French 4 students willing to do more extensive and challenging assignments so as to better prepare for college language courses. All language skills are fine-tuned with greater emphasis on writing and speaking skills. Exclusive use of French at all times. Supplemental readings will be assigned followed by group discussions. Students may request special assignments to prepare them for the AP French Language Exam or the College Board Achievement Test. All lessons and activities are aligned to the World Language Common Core standards for California public schools. **See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement**

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The AP French Language and Culture course emphasizes communication (understanding and being understood by others) by applying interpersonal, interpretive, and presentational skills in real-life situations. This includes vocabulary usage, language control, communication strategies, and cultural awareness. The AP French Language and Culture 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 French. The AP French Language and Culture course engages students in an exploration of culture in both contemporary and historical contexts. The course develops 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). **See page 13 for Advanced Placement and Honors Student/Parent Agreement**
Students in an AP course must have a "healthy" attendance record as students who miss class seldom do well in a skill-building class and adversely affect the progress of the group. Students must also have a willingness to conform strictly to the exclusive use of the target language in class and in AP related activities. Emphasis is placed on building listening and reading comprehension skills, conversational abilities, and writing proficiency along with more extensive cultural experiences. **As a general rule, students will have the opportunity to transfer out of AP classes (level change) no later than the end of the first grading period in September.**  

This course will prepare students for the College Board Advanced Placement (AP) exam in May. If students want the opportunity to earn college credit, they must take and pass the AP exam provided by College Board. College Board charges a fee for this exam. It is recommended that students take the College Board AP test but it is not required. All lessons and activities are aligned to the World Language Common Core standards for California public schools.  

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