

OHVA Course Descriptions

Course Name	Area of Study	Course Description
ENGLISH I	ENG	In this course, the student will examine a variety of literary genres, writing forms, and elements of discourse through the study, practice, and application of skills, strategies, and higher-order thinking. Instruction focuses on classic and contemporary literature and compelling informational and explanatory texts, with an examination of language and style elements.
ENGLISH II	ENG	In this course, the student will examine a variety of literary genres, writing forms, and elements of discourse through the study, practice, and application of skills, strategies, and higher-order thinking. Instruction focuses on a thorough understanding of classic and contemporary literature and compelling informational and explanatory texts.
ENGLISH III	ENG	In this course, the student will examine a variety of different literary genres, writing forms, and elements of discourse through the study, practice, and application of skills, strategies, and higher order thinking. Instruction focuses on a thorough understanding of classic and contemporary literature, poetry and drama.
MYTHOLOGY & FOLKLORE	ENG	Description is not explicitly detailed in the provided Pearson Course Descriptions.
COMPOSITION	ENG	Students investigate rhetoric and its impact on culture through analysis of notable fiction and nonfiction texts. The equivalent of an introductory college-level survey class, this course prepares students for further study in communications, creative writing, journalism, literature, and composition.
LAW & ORDER	SOO	Imagine if there were no laws and people could do anything they wanted. Every society needs some form of regulation to ensure peace in our daily lives and in the broader areas of business, family disputes, traffic violations, and the protection of children. Explore the importance

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		of laws and how their application affects us as individuals and communities.
WORLD HISTORY	SWH	In this course, the student will learn, practice, and apply the fundamental skills and strategies that will help them grow into critical explorers of historical context. The course focuses on several overarching themes, including human-environment interaction, development and interactions of societies, conflict, and the expansion of belief systems.
AMERICAN HISTORY	SOH	This course examines social, economic, historical, and political change in the United States from the birth of the country to recent events. Through interactive activities, discussions, charts, timelines, primary sources, and maps, students will explore key events, patterns, and figures that shaped American history and culture.
CRIMINOLOGY	SOO	Why do certain people commit horrible acts? Can we ever begin to understand their reasoning and motivation? Perhaps. The mental state of a criminal can be affected by many different aspects of life: psychological, biological, sociological. Investigate not only how these variables affect the criminal mind but also how crimes are investigated and handled in the criminal justice system.
INTRO TO PSYCHOLOGY	SOO	This course provides an overview of current psychological research methods and theories. Students will explore the therapies used by professional counselors and clinical psychologists and examine the reasons for normal human reactions: how people learn and think, the process of human development, etc.
Personal Psychology 2	SOO	This course provides an overview of current psychological research methods and theories. Students will explore the therapies used by professional counselors and clinical psychologists and examine the reasons for normal human reactions: how people learn and think, the process of human development, etc.
SOCIAL	SOO	This course focuses on analyzing and understanding various social

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PROBLEMS I		problems in society, such as crises, conflicts, and challenges that impact individuals and communities.
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GOVERNMENT	GOV	In this course, the student will learn, practice, and apply the fundamental skills and strategies that will help them grow into critical explorers of civics and American government. The course focuses on a variety of topics, including the Constitution, the structure and function of government, civil rights, economic policy, politics, and participation in the political process.
SOCIOLOGY	SOO	This course provides a study of human relationships, social life, and the impact of society on individual behavior.
SOCIOLOGY 2	SOO	This course provides a study of human relationships, social life, and the impact of society on individual behavior.
PRE CALCULUS	MTA	This is the first of two courses that comprise Precalculus. In this course, the student will continue to study higher-level mathematics. The student will begin by reviewing the fundamental concepts in algebra that serve as building blocks for an in-depth study of functions and graphs.
GEOMETRY	MTO	In this course, students will learn, practice, and apply skills and strategies that will help them grow into strong mathematical thinkers. Daily instruction supports student learning of core geometry concepts and development of procedural fluency, beginning with geometry basics: points, lines, and planes; segments, angles, parallel lines, and perpendicular lines; and sides of triangles.
STATISTICS	MTA	In this course, the student will be introduced to the major concepts of collecting, organizing, and drawing conclusions from data. The student

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		will also have the opportunity to observe patterns and departures from patterns, plan a study, produce models using probability and simulation, and use statistical inference to confirm models.
ALGEBRA 2	MTA	In this course, students will learn, practice, and apply skills and strategies that will help them grow into strong mathematical thinkers. Daily instruction supports student learning of core algebraic concepts and development of procedural fluency regarding polynomials; polynomial functions and graphs; rational expressions and equations; complex numbers; trigonometry; periodic functions; and exponents and radicals.
INTRO TO ALGEBRA	MTO	This course is designed to provide the student with a solid mathematics foundation. The student will explore properties of rational numbers including divisibility patterns, prime factorization, greatest common factor, and least common multiple.
ALGEBRA 1	MTO	In this course, students will learn, practice, and apply skills and strategies that will help them grow into strong mathematical thinkers. Daily instruction supports student learning of core algebraic concepts and development of procedural fluency regarding rational and irrational numbers; structures of expressions; 1-variable equations and inequalities; quadratic equations.
GENERAL CHEMISTRY	SAP	In this course, the student will explore the fundamental concepts of chemistry, while engaging in hands-on and virtual lab experiments, and interdisciplinary problem-solving activities.
PHYSICAL SCIENCE	SCP	Throughout the semester, the student will be introduced to a variety of basic concepts in the field of chemistry. The student will also be introduced to the forces and motion, including topics of Newton's laws and the conservation of momentum.
ASTRONOMY	SAE	Ever wondered how the Earth developed and exists in the vastness of space? How do the scientific laws of motion and gravity play a role in its existence? Discover answers to these questions and explore the

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EARTH SCIENCE	SAE	Earth Science is designed to give the student a strong basis for understanding the world. During this course, the student will learn about natural resources and explore issues surrounding human management of resources. Topics of study include water resources, energy resources, and rock, mineral, and land resources.
BIOLOGY	SCL	During this course, the student will study the science of life. The student will explore the idea that living things are extremely diverse in form, yet are unified by certain core characteristics that they all share.
FINANCIAL LITERACY	FIN	This course prepares students for making sound financial decisions through real-world applications. Topics include financial and career planning, banking, credit, and debt.
GAME DESIGN	ELE	Does your love of video games motivate you to pursue a career in this field? Pursue your passion by learning about the principles of game design through the stages of development, iterative process, critiques, and game development tools.
SOCIAL MEDIA	ELE	Explore the connected world of social media, digital communication, and how it impacts society.
FASHION DESIGN	FAR	Are you a fashion trend follower? Are you drawn to how designers have pulled together fabrics and colors to create memorable pieces? Do you dream of designing your own line of clothing or accessories? Learn what it takes to get started in the fashion industry.

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Art in World Cultures	FAR	Art tells a story. Go on a journey of when humans began creating art in prehistoric times to ancient Roman, early Christian, and Medieval periods. Explore the artistic characteristics of the Renaissance, Americas, Baroque, Romantic, and more.
DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY I	FAR	We are surrounded by images in advertisements, on websites, in magazines, and on billboards. Learn how to effectively critique photographs so you can better understand composition and go on to create more eye-catching photographs on your own.
FITNESS ED I	PHE	In this course, the student will study physical fitness and a variety of health-related topics. The student will gain an understanding of the proper ways to exercise and diet, and will learn how to assess his own fitness level.
HEALTH	HTH	This course provides the student with the opportunities to consider many influences on social, emotional, and physical health and wellbeing. The course covers information on healthy decisions, communication, goal setting and decision making, family dynamics, food and nutrition.
FITNESS ED II	PHE	In this course, the student will study physical fitness and a variety of health-related topics. The student will gain an understanding of the proper ways to exercise and diet, and will learn how to assess his own fitness level.
FITNESS EDUCATION I	PHE	In this course, the student will study physical fitness and a variety of health-related topics. The student will gain an understanding of the proper ways to exercise and diet, and will learn how to assess his own fitness level.