

MARTINEZ UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Vicente Martinez High School COURSE CATALOG

An Alternative Pathway to Success

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Accreditation and Graduation Requirements

Vicente Martinez High School is WASC accredited High School. Vicente graduates earn a high school diploma, however Vicente courses are not UC/CSU A-G approved. Graduation requirements are 190 credits outlined below:

English 9 - 10 Credits
English 10 - 10 Credits
English 11 - 10 Credits
English 12 - 10 Credits
Modern World - 10 Credits
United States History - 10 Credits
Government/Civics - 5 Credits
Economics - 5 Credits
Life Science - 10 Credits
Physical Science - 10 Credits
Math - 20 Credits
Algebra - 10 Credits
Fine Arts or Language - 10 Credits
PE - 20 Credits
Electives - 40 Credits
Total: 190 Credits

CTE Pathways available for dual enrollment at AHS

Career Pathways at AHS

(Concurrent Classes are not guaranteed, students must check with admin/counselors first)

What are Career Pathways?

A career pathway provides a variety of learning experiences for students to explore and prepare for jobs within specific career fields. At AHS each career pathway involves Concentrator & Capstone courses that integrate core academic knowledge with technical and occupational knowledge and skills development. Our goal is to provide students with early exploration and access to high-demand, high-opportunity, postsecondary careers.



What are the Career Pathways available at AHS?

There are 8 career pathways at AHS:



1. **Arts, Media, and Entertainment**
 - a. Digital Media Arts I/II
 - b. Stagecraft I/II
2. **Engineering**
 - a. Engineering - (Principles of Engineering & Engineering Design & Development)
3. **Patient Care**
 - a. Sports Medicine - (Sports Med I & Advanced Sports Medicine)
 - b. Public Health - (Medical Biology & Public Health Honors)
4. **Building and Construction Trades**
 - a. Wood - (Woodworking I & Construction Technology)
5. **Transportation**
 - a. Auto - (Auto I & Automotive Technology)
6. **Education, Child Development, and Family Services**
 - a. Teaching - (Careers in Teaching & Teaching Practicum)

Who can participate in a career pathway?

Any student can participate in a career pathway at AHS. In each pathway, there are 2 (year long) sequenced courses available. Each pathway exposes and prepares students for career-specific entry levels jobs and post-secondary education. Some AHS pathways also include the option to earn college credit prior to graduation. It is best to talk with your school counselor in 8th or 9th grade to design a high school course schedule that prioritizes completion of a pathway. See course AHS Career Pathway Matrix on the next page for details.

How do I complete a career pathway at AHS?

Students are encouraged to become familiar with suggested AHS Career Pathways when designing course schedules each year. In addition to all graduation

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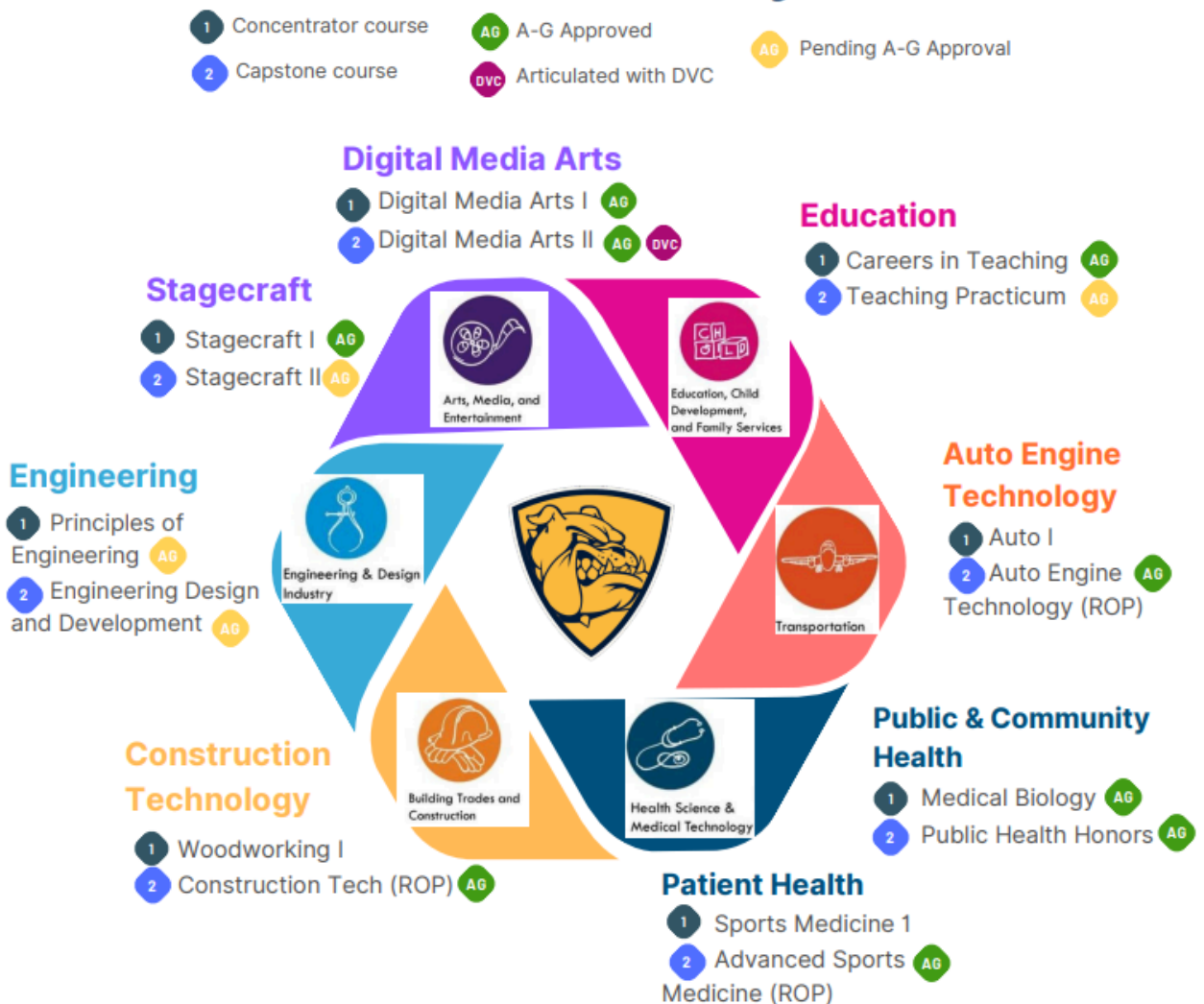
requirements, AHS career pathways are finished by successful completion of the following requirements:

- ✓ 2 required pathway courses in the proper sequence (enrollment is open 9th-12th grade)

What is Work-Based Learning?

Work-based Learning (WBL) provides students with real-life work experiences where they can apply academic and technical skills and develop employability skills. WBL opportunities. Some examples are: College Visits, Career Investigation, Summer Camps, Guest Speaker Series and Job Shadows, Internships and Job Experience.

AHS Career Pathway Matrix



Example of Career Options

Arts, Media and Entertainment		Building Trades & Construction	Education & Design Industry	Engineering	Health Sciences & Medical Terminology		Transportation
Digital Media Arts	Stagecraft	Construction Technology	Education	Engineering	Public & Community Health	Patient Health	Auto Engine Technology
Digital Animator Concept Artist Commercial Artist Web Designer Graphic Designer	Lighting Designer Sound Designer Set Designer Costume Designer Production Management Stage Management	Woodworking Machinery Operator Engineer/Drafter Civil Engineer Mechanical Engineer	Teacher (Preschool, Primary, Secondary, and Special Education) Librarians	Architect Engineer Surveyor Drafter	Biotechnology Dietician EMT Nurse Physical Therapist Physician	Kinesiotherapist Nurse Anesthetist Respiratory Therapist Radiologic Technician Dental Hygienist Sports Therapist	Service Technician Maintenance Worker Shop Foreman Technical Writer Dispatcher Engineer Inspector

CTE Pathways available at Vicente

Entrepreneurship (Not always available, please check with counselors)

Entrepreneurship teaches the basics of planning and launching a business. Whether interested in creating a money-making business or a nonprofit to help others, this course provides the core skills needed to succeed. Students learn about real-life teen entrepreneurs, characteristics of successful entrepreneurs, pros and cons of self-employment, and how to attract investors and manage expenses. Students learn how to generate business ideas; create a business plan, mission and vision; and promote and market a company. Then they explore setting personal visions and goals, sales stages, opportunities and strategies, planning and budgeting, and interpersonal communication in the workplace. Topics include exploring factors of business success and failure, economic systems and the global economy, financing a business, bookkeeping and financial reporting, and the role of the government in business, and successfully managing employees.

Small Business Entrepreneurship

This course teaches the basics of planning and launching a business.

Whether interested in creating a money-making business or a nonprofit to help others, this course provides the core skills needed to succeed. Students learn about real-life teen entrepreneurs, characteristics of successful entrepreneurs, pros and cons of self-employment, and how to attract investors and manage expenses. Students learn how to generate business ideas; create a business plan, mission and vision; and promote and market a company. Topics include exploring factors of business success and failure, core business concepts, economic systems, competition, production, and the global economy. The second half of the course advances the skills and key business concepts students need to know to plan and launch a business. Students learn about setting personal visions and goals, sales stages, opportunities and strategies, planning and budgeting, and interpersonal communication in the workplace. Topics include financing a business; costs and pricing, accounting; bookkeeping, and financial reporting; the role of the government in business; regulations, and laws; working with others; and successfully managing employees

ENGLISH

1109V ENGLISH 9 - 10 Credits

English 9 builds upon the students' prior knowledge of grammar, vocabulary, word usage, and mechanics of writing, and includes the four aspects of language use: reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Various genres of literature, including expository and informational materials, are introduced, with written compositions in a variety of genres. It is also designed to develop students' ability to analyze and write about literature as well as develop an appreciation for reading.

1210V ENGLISH 10 - 10 Credits

English 10 offers students a balanced focus on composition and literature. Students learn to write persuasive, critical, and creative multi-paragraph thematic essays and compositions. The study of literature and other written material encompasses various genres as students improve their reading comprehension and develop the skills to determine the purposes and themes of authors and to recognize the techniques employed by authors to achieve their goals.

1313V ENGLISH 11 - 10 Credits

English 11 further develops students' writing skills, emphasizing clear, logical writing patterns, word choice, and usage, as students write essays and learn the techniques of writing research papers. Students read works of literature that are the focus of the writing assignments.

1413V ENGLISH 12 - 10 Credits

English 12 courses blend composition and literature as students write critical and comparative analyses of classic and contemporary literature and other written genres. A senior portfolio is also required that is school-to-career focused. The senior portfolio portion of the course also requires 12 hours of community service.

SOCIAL STUDIES

2221V MODERN WORLD (Edgenuity) - 10 Credits

This course focuses on world history, cultures and geography and the world in the 19th and 20th centuries. It also provides an overview of the history of human society from early civilization to the contemporary period. The course emphasizes state standards and critical thinking skills.

2311V U.S. HISTORY - 10 Credits

This course examines significant turning points in United States history. Following a review of the nation's beginnings and the impact of the Enlightenment on U.S. democratic ideals, students build upon the tenth-grade study of global industrialization. Students trace the changes in the ethnic composition of American society, the movement toward equal rights, and the role of the United States as a major world power. An emphasis is placed on the expanding role of the federal government and federal courts.

2421V CIVICS/GOVERNMENT - 5 Credits

In this course students study the institutions of the American government. This course prepares

students to vote, to reflect on the responsibilities of citizenship, and to participate in community activities. Study includes the Constitution, the Bill of Rights; the Courts and the governmental process; our government today; the Legislative and Executive Branches; Federalism; and state and local government.

2411V ECONOMICS - 5 Credits

In this course students study basic economic problems and institutions of the nation and world in which they live. This course enriches students' understanding of the operation and institutions of economic systems. Topics include Fundamental Economic Concepts, Comparative Economic Systems, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and International Economic Concepts, and issues regarding money, banking and the Federal Reserve.

MATHEMATICS

3072V PRE-ALGEBRA (Edgenuity) - 10 Credits

This pre-algebra course is for students who have mastered standard mathematical objectives. Topics cover a variety of topics, such as exponents and radicals, the rectangular coordinate system, sets, logic formulas, and solving first-degree equations and inequalities.

3111V ALGEBRA - 10 Credits

This course is designed to provide students essential algebraic concepts and the state standards for algebra. Topics include algebra terms, the rules of algebra, equations and formulas, integers, graphing, exponents, inequalities, monomials, polynomials, factoring and systems of equations.

ALGEBRA II (Edgenuity) - 10 Credits

CONCEPTS IN PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS (Edgenuity) - 10 Credits

3231V INFORMAL GEOMETRY (Edgenuity) - 10 Credits

This course develops geometry skills and provides real world applications of concepts learned. This course includes an introduction to basic elements of angles, triangles, quadrilaterals polygons and circles. Students will also study congruence and similarity; the Pythagorean Theorem; coordinate geometry; properties of angles, parallel and perpendicular lines, perimeter, circumference, area, volume, lateral area, and surface area of common geometric figures.

3561V CONSUMER MATH (Edgenuity) - 5 credits

This course reinforces basic mathematics skills and links those skills to consumer applications. Such applications include budgeting, taxation, credit, banking service, insurance, buying and selling products and services, home and/or car ownership and rental, managing personal income, and investment. This class presents realistic situations that require financial decisions to be made.

3113VO ADV ALGEBRA WITH FINANCIAL APPLICATIONS (Edgenuity) - 10 Credits

This course reinforces basic mathematics skills and links those skills to personal financial applications. These skills include creating financial goals, dealing with taxes and gratuities, using different bank accounts, investing and much more. This class prepares students for real world

money use and helps prepare them for financial independence.

SCIENCE

4111V BASIC LIFE SCIENCE - 10 Credits

This course provides students with a basic understanding of living things. This course covers a broad spectrum of topics including cell structure and function, cell growth, classification, plants, human anatomy and ecology.

4521V EARTH SCIENCE - 10 Credits

This course covers the fundamental topics associated with the formation and changes in the earth's crust, meteorology, astronomy, paleontology, materials of the earth, earth cycles, history of the earth, and earth in space. The course offers students the opportunity to learn about the evolution of our solar system and about the changing surfaces of the Earth. Students study patterns in nature and the forces of volcanoes, earthquakes and weather.

Elective Edgenuity Sciences are meant to be taken in addition to in person classes and not instead of.

Biology - 10 Credits

Chemistry in the Earth System - 10 Credits

Environmental Science - 10 Credits

Physical Science - 10 Credits

Physics in the Universe - 10 Credits

The Living Earth - 10 Credits

FINE ARTS

5613V ART - 10 Credits

Fine Arts (with its emphasis on the Visual Arts) may be taken during any of the four high school years. Students study artistic expression and styles from different historical eras and examine universal concepts and themes communicated from other times and cultures.

Students will apply the elements of art and principles of design learned from critiquing other works to their own projects. Students will create art works in drawing, painting, sculpture, mixed media, photography, film, or other media. The course will emphasize art as communication of ideas or emotions and what criteria, judgment, and language to use in determining what constitutes a work of art.

INTRODUCTION TO ART (Edgenuity) - 5 Credits

Covering art appreciation and the beginning of art history, this course encourages students to gain an understanding and appreciation of art in their everyday lives. Presented in an engaging format, Intro to Art provides an overview of many introductory themes: the definition of art, the cultural purpose of art, visual elements of art, terminology and principles of design, and two- and

three-dimensional media and techniques. Tracing the history of art, high school students enrolled in the course also explore the following time periods and places: prehistoric art, art in ancient civilizations, and world art before 1400.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

6799V PHYSICAL EDUCATION

This course provides students an opportunity to independently participate in sports or cardiovascular activity. Students are required to have a coach or supervisor that will document activity, and are also responsible for maintaining communication between the supervisor and assigned teacher.

FOUNDATIONS FOR PERSONAL WELLNESS (Edgenuity) - 5-10 Credits

Exploring a combination of health and fitness concepts, this comprehensive and cohesive course explores all aspects of wellness. Offered as a two-semester course designed for high school students, coursework uses pedagogical planning to ensure that students explore fitness and physical health and encourages students to learn about the nature of social interactions and how to plan a healthy lifestyle.

LIFETIME FITNESS (Edgenuity) - 5 Credits

Exploring fitness topics such as safe exercise and injury prevention, nutrition and weight management, consumer product evaluation, and stress management, this course equips high school students with the skills they need to achieve lifetime fitness. Available as either a semester or year-long course, Lifetime Fitness encourages students to assess individual fitness levels according to the five components of physical fitness: cardiovascular health, muscular strength, muscular endurance, flexibility, and body composition. Personal fitness assessments encourage students to design a fitness program to meet their individual fitness goals.

ELECTIVES

8300V OUTSIDE JOB EXPERIENCE (OJE) - Up to 5 Credits a Quarter

In this course students are employed and paid a standard wage at the job site while enrolled. Students work with advisor to reinforce on-the-job skills with occupational learning activities/assignments.

INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS (Edgenuity) - 5-10 Credits

In this two-semester introductory course, students learn the principles of business using real-world examples— learning what it takes to plan and launch a product or service in today's fast-paced business environment. This course covers an introduction to economics, costs and profit, and different business types. Students are introduced to techniques for managing money, personally and as a business, and taxes and credit; the basics of financing a business; how a business relates to society both locally and globally; how to identify a business opportunity; and

techniques for planning, executing, and marketing a business to respond to that opportunity.

SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (Edgenuity) - 5-10 Credits (Not always available, please check with counselors)

This full-year course is designed to provide the skills needed to effectively organize, develop, create, manage and own a business, while exposing students to the challenges, problems, and issues faced by entrepreneurs. Throughout this course, students explore what kinds of opportunities exist for small business entrepreneurs and become aware of the necessary skills for running a business. Students become familiar with the traits and characteristics that are found in successful entrepreneurs, and see how research, planning, operations, and regulations can affect small businesses. Students also learn how to develop plans for having effective business management, financing and marketing strategies.

MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY (Edgenuity) - 5 Credits

This full-year course introduces students to the structure of medical terms, plus medical abbreviations and acronyms. The course allows students to achieve comprehension of medical vocabulary appropriate to health care settings, medical procedures, pharmacology, human anatomy and physiology, and pathology. The knowledge and skills gained in this course provide students entering the healthcare field with a deeper understanding of the application of the language of health and medicine. Students are introduced to these skills through direct instruction, interactive tasks, practice assignments, and unit-level assessments

CAREER EXPLORATIONS (Edgenuity) - 5 Credits

This course prepares middle school students to make informed decisions about their future academic and occupational goals. Through direct instruction, interactive skill demonstrations, and practice assignments, students learn how to assess their own skills and interests, explore industry clusters and pathways, and develop plans for career and academic development. This course is designed to provide flexibility for students; any number of units can be selected to comprise a course that meets the specific needs of students.

ART HISTORY (Edgenuity) - 5 Credits

Introducing art within historical, social, geographical, political, and religious contexts for understanding art and architecture through the ages, this course offers high school students an in-depth overview of art throughout history, with lessons organized by chronological and historical order and world regions. Students enrolled in this course cover topics including early medieval and Romanesque art; art in the twelfth, thirteenth, and fourteenth centuries; fifteenth century art in Europe; sixteenth-century art in Italy; the master artists; High Renaissance and baroque art; world art, which includes the art of Asia, Africa, the Americas, and the Pacific cultures; eighteenth-and nineteenth-century art in Europe and the Americas; and modern art in Europe and the Americas

HEALTH AND SCIENCE CONCEPTS (Edgenuity) - 10 Credits

This year-long course introduces high school students to the fundamental concepts of anatomy and physiology— including the organization of the body, cellular functions, and the chemistry of life. As they progress through each unit, students learn about the major body systems, common diseases and disorders, and the career specialties associated with each system. Students

investigate basic medical terminology as well as human reproduction and development. Students are introduced to these fundamental health science concepts through direct instruction, interactive tasks, and practice assignments. This course is intended to provide students with a strong base of core knowledge and skills that can be used in a variety of health science career pathways.

SPANISH I (Edgenuity) - 5-10 Credits

Students begin their introduction to Spanish with fundamental building blocks in four key areas of foreign language study: listening comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. Each unit consists of an ongoing adventure story, a new vocabulary theme and grammar concept, numerous interactive games reinforcing vocabulary and grammar, reading and listening comprehension activities, speaking and writing activities, and multimedia cultural presentations covering major Spanish-speaking areas in Europe and the Americas.

SPANISH II (Edgenuity) - 5-10 Credits

Students continue their introduction to Spanish with fundamental building blocks in four key areas of foreign language study: listening comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. Each unit consists of an ongoing adventure story, a new vocabulary theme and grammar concept, numerous interactive games reinforcing vocabulary and grammar, reading and listening comprehension activities, speaking and writing activities, and multimedia cultural presentations covering major Spanish-speaking areas in Europe and the Americas.

SOCIOLOGY (Edgenuity) - 5 credits

Providing insight into the human dynamics of our diverse society, this is an engaging, one-semester course that delves into the fundamental concepts of sociology. This interactive course, designed for high school students, covers cultural diversity and conformity, basic structures of society, individuals and socialization, stages of human development as they relate to sociology, deviance from social norms, social stratification, racial and ethnic interactions, gender roles, family structure, the economic and political aspects of sociology, the sociology of public institutions, and collective human behavior, both historically and in modern times.

PSYCHOLOGY (Edgenuity) - 5-10 credits

This two-semester course introduces high school students to the study of psychology and helps them master fundamental concepts in research, theory, and human behavior. Students analyze human growth, learning, personality, and behavior from the perspective of major theories within psychology, including the biological, psychosocial, and cognitive perspectives. From a psychological point of view, students investigate the nature of being human as they build a comprehensive understanding of traditional psychological concepts and contemporary perspectives in the field. Course components include an introduction to the history, perspectives, and research of psychology; an understanding of topics such as the biological aspects of psychology, learning, and cognitive development; the stages of human development; aspects of personality and intelligence; the classification and treatment of psychological disorders; and psychological aspects of social interactions.

NOVEL STUDIES (Edgenuity) - up to 10 credits

Offering in-depth studies into thirteen novels and two authors, the Classic Novel Pack gives

students the opportunity to fully explore a large work of fiction or to be introduced to a celebrated author, such as Jorge Luis Borges and Flannery O'Connor. All reading material is included in an online format for the student and each unit guides students through a new work with lectures, web activities, journals, and practice assignments

EXPOSITORY READING AND WRITING (Edgenuity) - 5-10 credits

This elective English course is designed to develop critical reading and writing skills while preparing high school students to meet the demands of college-level work. While students will explore some critical reading skills in fiction, poetry, and drama the focus of this course will be on expository and persuasive texts and the analytical reading skills that are necessary for college success. Students will read a range of short but complex texts, including works by Walt Whitman, Abraham Lincoln, Cesar Chavez, Martin Luther King Jr., Langston Hughes, Julia Alvarez, Edna St. Vincent Millay, and Gary Soto.

INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNICATIONS AND SPEECH (Edgenuity) - 5 Credits

Beginning with an introduction that builds student understanding of the elements, principles, and characteristics of human communication, this course offers fascinating insight into verbal and nonverbal messages and cultural and gender differences in the areas of listening and responding. High school students enrolled in this one-semester course will be guided through engaging lectures and interactive activities, exploring themes of self-awareness and perception in communication. The course concludes with units on informative and persuasive speeches, and students are given the opportunity to critique and analyze speeches in the course.

CONTEMPORARY HEALTH (Edgenuity) - 5 Credits

This semester-long course designed for high school students examines and analyzes various health topics. It places alcohol use, drug use, physical fitness, healthy relationships, disease prevention, relationships, and mental health in the context of the importance of creating a healthy lifestyle. Throughout the course, students examine the practices and plans they can implement in order to carry out a healthy lifestyle, and the consequences they can face if they do not follow safe health practices. In addition, students conduct in-depth studies in order to create mentally and emotionally healthy relationships with peers and family, and to devise healthy nutrition, sleeping, and physical fitness plans. Students also examine and analyze harassment and bullying laws. The Contemporary Health course does cover sensitive topics such as sexual intercourse, contraception, sex and gender, pregnancy, sexual harassment, physical violence, emotional abuse, sexually transmitted infections, and substance use and abuse.

HEALTH SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (Edgenuity) - 10 Credits

This high school course introduces students to a variety of healthcare careers as they develop the basic skills required in all health and medical sciences. In addition to learning the key elements of the U.S. healthcare system, students will learn terminology, anatomy and physiology, pathologies, diagnostic and clinical procedures, therapeutic interventions, and the fundamentals of medical emergency care. Throughout the course, instructional activities emphasize safety, professionalism, accountability, and efficiency for workers within the healthcare field.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (Edgenuity) - 10 Credits

This course introduces students to the essential technical and professional skills required in the

field of Information Technology (IT). Through hands-on projects and written assignments, students gain an understanding of the operation of computers, computer networks, Internet fundamentals, programming, and computer support. Students also learn about the social impact of technological change and the ethical issues related to technology. Throughout the course, instructional activities emphasize safety, professionalism, accountability, and efficiency for workers within the field of IT.

HEALTHY LIVING (Edgenuity) - 5 Credits

Encouraging students to make responsible, respectful, informed, and capable decisions about topics that affect the well-being of themselves and others, this course is a one-semester course that provides students with comprehensive information they can use to develop healthy attitudes and behavior patterns. Designed for high school students, this informative and engaging course encourages students to recognize that they have the power to choose healthy behaviors to reduce risks.

INTRODUCTION TO CODING (Edgenuity) - 5 Credits

Introduction to Coding covers a basic introduction to the principles of programming, including algorithms and logic. Students engage in hands-on programming tasks in the Python programming language as they write and test their own code using the approaches real programmers use in the field. Students will program with variables, functions and arguments, and lists and loops, providing a solid foundation for more advanced study as well as practical skills they can use immediately.

NURSING ASSISTANT (Edgenuity) - 10 Credits

This two-semester course prepares students to provide and assist with all aspects of activities of daily living and nursing care for the adult patient in hospital, long-term care and home settings. Through direct instruction, interactive skills demonstrations, and practice assignments, students are taught the basics of nurse assisting, including interpersonal skills, medical terminology, care procedures, legal and ethical responsibilities, safe and efficient work, gerontology, nutrition, emergency skills, and employability skills. Successful completion of this course from an approved program prepares the student for state certification for employment as a Nursing Assistant

ONLINE LEARNING AND DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP (Edgenuity) - 5 Credits

In this one-semester course, students develop essential study skills for academic success, such as staying organized, managing time, taking notes, applying reading strategies, writing strong papers, and researching and properly citing information. Explicit modeling and ample practice are provided for each study skill to support student mastery. Instruction on how to be a responsible online learner is threaded throughout the course, and these skills are directly addressed in lessons on cyberbullying, staying safe online, and learning how to be a digital leader. A basic understanding of software and hardware and how to troubleshoot common technology issues are also taught. By the end of the course, students will have the tools they need to be academically successful in both traditional and digital learning environments.

PHARMACY TECHNICIAN (Edgenuity) - 10 Credits

This two-semester course prepares students for employment in the pharmacy technician field.

Through direct instruction, interactive skills demonstrations, and practice assignments, students learn the basics of pharmacy assisting, including various pharmacy calculations and measurements, pharmacy law, pharmacology, medical terminology and abbreviations, medicinal drugs, sterile techniques, USP 795 and 797 standards, maintenance of inventory, patient record systems, data processing automation in the pharmacy, and employability skills. Successful completion of this course prepares the student for national certification for employment as a Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT).

STRATEGIES FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS (Edgenuity) - 5 Credits

Offering a comprehensive analysis of different types of motivation, study habits, and learning styles, this one-semester course encourages high school students to take control of their learning by exploring varying strategies for success. Providing engaging lessons that will help students identify what works best for them individually, this one-semester course covers important study skills, such as strategies for taking high-quality notes, memorization techniques, test-taking strategies, benefits of visual aids, and reading techniques.