

ART

STUDIO FOUNDATIONS I

830 CREDIT: 0.50

LEVEL: 3

This course offers basic knowledge of the elements of realistic conventional drawing, design, and composition. Students will use a variety of media to solve different design problems. Projects include drawing in pencil, charcoal, collage, and pastels. Clay/sculpture projects may also be included. This is an introductory course recommended for students who wish to take more art classes. Only students who have passed Studio Foundations I with a grade of at least 70 may continue in the high school art program.

Open to students in grades 9-12. Prerequisites: none.

PHOTOGRAPHY

659 CREDIT: 0.50 LEVEL: 3

A basic look into the world through the lens of a camera, students will learn about the history of the development of photography. Students will learn how to properly light, stage and take a photograph to edit in the digital environment. Additionally students will cover the interrelationships between photography and the other visual arts, as well as the effects of changing technologies.

Open to students in grades 9-12. Prerequisites: none.

BUSINESS

TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION

660 CREDIT: 0.50 LEVEL: 3

Students will learn the Microsoft Office Suite: Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Access, while integrating the structure and development of business documents.

Open to students in grade 9-12. Prerequisites: none

MUSIC

CHORUS

960 CREDIT: 1.00 LEVEL: 3

The chorus is a group of students with little choral experience. The students begin to learn to read music. Basic singing technique is learned through music to be performed at concerts.

Several concerts, including winter and spring concerts, madrigal feast, and coffee house are grade requirement performances. The concert dress is black pants/long, black skirts, and white shirts/blouses, or costumes. Open to students in grades 9-12. Prerequisites: none.

BAND

950 CREDIT: 1.00 LEVEL: 3

The concert band program offers the student an opportunity to rehearse and perform a variety of concert music including transcriptions of classical orchestral masterpieces, important music for wind ensemble, and music in the popular rock, jazz, and Broadway music styles. The fall marking period places emphasis on marching and maneuvering. There will be opportunities for students to participate in

festivals, exchange concerts, and other social experiences. One of the primary goals of this group is to develop performance standards.

There are a number of school performances and outside school performances in which students are required to participate for a grade. Attendance at home football games and four scheduled basketball games is also required. Uniforms will be provided. Black marching shoes must be purchased. Open to students in grades 9-12. Prerequisites: Student must have previous experience on a band instrument or consent of instructor.

TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN/DRAFTING

735 CREDIT: .50 LEVEL: 3

Sheds, Homes, Schools and Offices. In this course students will learn the ins and outs of architectural design and drafting. Students will complete hand drawn layouts of structures that range from simple to complex and some of even their own design. Students will learn how to create landscape designs that include grass, trees, shrubbery etc. Students will then move into computer based architectural software that will allow them to create stunning designs with fully finished, furnished and landscaped structures that include exterior and interior design. Finally students will create 3-D models of their house designs in the form of framing models and landscape models.

Open to students in grades 9-12. Prerequisites: none.

GRAPHIC DESIGN

740 CREDIT: .50 LEVEL: 3

Movie Posters, calendars, business cards, advertisements, comics, illustrations, and photo editing; Students in this course will use all four areas of graphic design (Design and layout, image generation, pre production and production, and binding and finishing) to create professional looking material using the Corel suite as well as Adobe Photo shop and other programs. Students will use these skills to produce these professional grade materials for class as well as producing material for Stafford High School and the rest of the district.

Open to students in grades 9-12. Prerequisites: none.

WOOD TECHNOLOGY I

710 CREDIT: 1.00 LEVEL: 3

This course is designed for the beginning student in woodworking. The student will learn all of the hand tools, power hand tools, and machinery on an introductory level stressing personal safety when using these tools. The students will learn project planning, layout work, and plan of procedures for product development. Construction techniques and finishing will be explored. Students will construct beginning level projects to develop their skills and appreciation for good craftsmanship. Active participation, positive attitude, and daily cleanup are required. Students will be supplied with basic materials to successfully complete the class. Any materials above and beyond what is supplied will be the responsibility of the student.

Open to students in grades 9-12. Prerequisites: none.

METAL TECHNOLOGY I

750 CREDIT: .50 LEVEL: 3

This first year course in beginning metals is designed for the student who has never had a course in metals. The course involves developing safe work habits using various hand tools, hand-operated equipment, and other hand related processes that are used in the fabrication of sheet metal projects. The student will learn how to use basic measuring tools, basic layout procedures, and pattern making that is used for sheet metal bending and forming. Fastening concepts using various forms of hardware, soldering, brazing, spot welding, and MIG welding used in sheet metal work will also be covered.

Open to students in grades 9-12. Prerequisites: none. Taking CAD I at the same time is recommended.

LANGUAGE

FRENCH I

510 CREDIT: 1.00 LEVEL: 4

This is an introduction to spoken French, through the use of tapes, oral classroom drills, short speeches, and skits as well as an introduction to basic written French, through written workbook exercises, classroom drills, dictation, and short compositions. French culture and customs are introduced. On completion of the course, students should be able to hold a limited conversation, give a short speech, write a short composition, and read simple prose. The student should earn a grade of 70 to continue to French II. Some short selections are read.

Open to students in grades 9-11. Prerequisites: none.

SPANISH I

550 CREDIT: 1.00 LEVEL: 4

Initial instruction emphasizes correct pronunciation of the language, basic vocabulary, essential grammar concepts, and study skills. On completion of the course, students should be able to hold a limited conversation, give a short speech, write a short composition, and read simple prose. Students are introduced to Spanish customs and culture. A student who does not achieve at least a 75 in this course is advised not to take Spanish II.

Open to students in grades 9-12. Prerequisites: none.