Academic Decathlon  2018-2019
“99% of life is just showing up”

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Tuesdays and Thursdays 1:10 - 2:00 p.m. Room 12
Wednesdays 7:00 - 7:50 a.m. in the SSL (starting September 26)
Fridays in February 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. in the SSL

The Corpus Christi Academic Decathlon team competes annually in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles Junior High Academic Decathlon. The daylong event takes place each spring. This year’s date is TBD, but it will be either a Saturday or Sunday. The location is Cal State Long Beach.

Every student will study one topic for Super Quiz, one topic for the Individual Tests and a variety of logic problems. Students will study in small groups. Each group will have a coach. Coaches may be faculty, parents or team members with prior experience.

Goal

The elective class prepares both the competition team and alternates to compete in the Super Quiz, Logic Test and eight Individual Tests at the Decathlon and any scrimmages scheduled before the Decathlon.

Classroom Expectations

Students are expected to follow all school rules. Students are looked up to by their peers and the younger students. They should display exemplary behavior and promote good study habits.

Students must bring their white Decathlon binder and all study materials to each study session.
**Schedule**

On Tuesdays, the team will study for the Super Quiz in small groups. On Thursdays, the team will prepare for the Logic Test. Wednesday mornings will be the study time for the Individual Tests. In February, the team will meet after school either from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. if there is no faculty meeting or from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. if there is a faculty meeting. During the last month of preparation students are welcome to meet outside of school for additional preparation.

**Grading**

The elective course grade will be a III, II or I based on the guidelines in the Parent Handbook.

Because each subject group will be working on different material, students are responsible for completing the assignments given by their coaches. Small group assignments will not be posted on Gradelink. Students must write them in their planners. General assignments, for example, Fine Arts Study Guide Completion, Practice Test #1, Practice Test #2, will be listed on Gradelink. **Students compete as a team and rely on each other to complete assignments in order to be prepared for the competition. Students who let their teammates down by not being prepared will receive a lower grade.**

**Materials Needed**

Students will receive a white Decathlon binder. All materials should be kept there. The Resource Guide, Study Guides, Practice Tests and Assessment Tests (if needed to determine the competition team) will be provided. Students may want to use flashcards or Quizlet in the last weeks before the competition for memorization.

The complete Academic Decathlon Guidelines can be found on the school website: [https://www.corpuschristi-school.com/apps/classes/show_class.jsp?classREC_ID=895318](https://www.corpuschristi-school.com/apps/classes/show_class.jsp?classREC_ID=895318).