

Summer School 2019: JHS Exploratory Course Descriptions

Nutrition and Exercise

Students will learn, discuss and practice developing an interest in, and maintaining an interest in living a healthier lifestyle. The goal is to enrich a student's understanding of food/nutrients and the benefits of engaging in daily exercise in today's fast-paced society. This course includes the study of the human body systems, the effect of graded exercise, and nutritional analysis.

Technology Fundamentals

Students will learn functional keyboarding skills emphasizing personal and occupational goals along with computer literacy. The first part of the course will focus primarily on learning the alphabetic keys and the second part of the course will focus primarily on computer literacy. Computer literacy will include the introductory concepts of word processing, spreadsheets, Power-Point presentations, internet research, HTML (web design), email and scanning.

Beginning Video Production

Students will learn a basic understanding and knowledge of the various aspects of the TV/Video industry. Students will be involved in the components necessary to produce a TV/Video program. This will include operation of camera, editing, script writing and directing. Students will apply all learned knowledge through a daily broadcast of the schools events and happenings.

Beginning Guitar

Students will develop the fundamental skills necessary to play the guitar both as an accompanying and solo instrument. Both individual and group instruction will be provided. The student will have an opportunity to practice and perform in class relatively simple guitar music.

Exploratory Art

This course is designed to provide experiences in art elements such as line, shape and form, space, texture, and color. Additionally, students will be introduced to drawing and painting, lettering, printmaking, sculpture and art appreciation.

Marine Sciences

Overview of physical/chemical oceanography, earth science, and ecology/biology of the ocean.

Science Project

Engineering and investigation projects designed to explore scientific concepts, developing critical thinking skills, and enhance problem solving abilities for incoming 8th graders.

Creative Writing

This course is designed to introduce the basics of creative writing. Students will explore various genres and acquire the skills necessary to create original pieces. Students will participate in composing anthologies, plays, short stories, journal entries, and other projects. It is the goal of this class to teach an understanding and enjoyment for the various genres of literature and to encourage creative writing.

Exploratory Spanish - This course covers cultures and customs of the Spanish speaking countries, grammar, and oral language production. The curriculum is constructed in a consistent way. Each unit is focused on one Spanish speaking country or a specific timespan within the history of that country.