

ESL DEPARTMENT

The goal of the ESL department is to equip and prepare English language learners to be successful in their mainstream classes. Emphasis is placed on vocabulary, speaking, reading, comprehension, writing, study skills, American culture, American history, basic math, science prep, and technology skills. Further support is offered each student through tutorials available before, during and after school.

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All courses with “ESL” in the title meet elective requirements for graduation. All courses with “ELL” in the title meet subject specific graduation requirements.

Required Courses:

English 1-2 ELL
US History 1-2 ELL
Physical Science 1-2 ELL

Honors Courses:

None

Elective Courses:

ESL 1-2
ESL 1-2 Extension
ESL 3-4
ESL 3-4 Extension
ESL Reading 1-2
ESL Reading 1-2 Extension
ESL Reading 3-4
ESL Reading 3-4 Extension
ESL Reading 5-6
ESL Math Prep 1-2
ESL Social Studies Prep 1-2
ESL Science Prep 1-2

ESL 1-2

ESL 1-2 Extension

This course is designed for the beginning ESL student. The focus of this course will be to develop basic communication skills, a beginning English language vocabulary, and a primary understanding of grammatical structures. This course is typically for a first-year English language learner.

Prerequisite: Must be ESL student level 1-2

Duration: 2 semesters

Credit: 1 per semester

Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12

ESL 3-4

ESL 3-4 Extension

This course is designed for the intermediate ESL student. The focus of this course will be to continue the development of communication skills, English language vocabulary, and understanding of grammatical structures. Successful completion of learning goals from ESL 1-2 or demonstration of equivalent skills is required for registration in this course.

Prerequisite: ESL students only as determined by ESL Program

Duration: 2 semesters

Credit: 1 per semester

Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12

ESL 5-6

This course is designed for advanced ESL students with a focus on developing increased fluency in reading more advanced materials. Students will develop comprehension strategies and build vocabulary skills, as well as develop capacity for written response to a variety of reading materials. Successful completion of learning goals from ESL Reading 3-4 or demonstration of equivalent skills is required for registration in this course.

Prerequisite: ESL students only as determined by ESL Program

Duration: 2 semesters

Credit: 1 per semester

Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12

ENGLISH 1-2 ELL

This course offers the English 1-2 curriculum with enhanced vocabulary focus and cultural orientation for ELL students..

Prerequisite: Permission of ESL Department

Duration: 2 semesters

Credit: 1 per semester

Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12

ESL READING 1-2

ESL READING 1-2 Extension

ESL READING 3-4

ESL READING 3-4 Extension

ESL READING 5-6

Basic reading skills for each level of study are introduced and practiced. These include: basic comprehension, vocabulary expansion, identification of main ideas, supporting details, sequencing, and using prediction as a reading tool.

Prerequisite: ESL students only as determined by ESL Program

Duration: 2 semesters (may be repeated)

Credit: 1 per semester

Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12

ESL MATH PREP 1-2

This course is designed to teach the math vocabulary in English as well as to introduce the four basic operations and their applications. It is specifically for students without an extensive academic background. It precedes Basic Math or General Math. This course does not meet the math requirements for graduation.

Prerequisite: ESL students Level 1-2 only

Duration: 2 semesters

Credit: 1 per semester

Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12

ESL SOCIAL STUDIES PREP 1-2

This course teaches social studies, geography, and history vocabulary in English as it covers American History from Pre-Columbus to the Civil Rights Era. It also covers basic study skills as well as map skills. It precedes U.S. History 1-2 and World Geography. This course does not meet the social studies requirement for graduation.

Prerequisite: ESL students Level 1-2 only

Duration: 2 semesters

Credit: 1 per semester

Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12

US HISTORY 1-2 ELL

This course has a special focus on language development, but content and standards are the US History standards. This course continues the study of United States history from 1914 to present. Students address the social, economic and political development of the nation and relate it to both past and present. Instruction is organized around the themes of geography, history, culture and the elements of citizenship. Students investigate these themes using textbooks, newspapers, novels, primary sources and technology. This course meets the district requirement for US History.

Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in ESL 3-4 or ESL 5-6

Duration: 2 semesters

Credit: 1 per semester

Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12

ESL SCIENCE PREP 1-2

This course is designed to teach science vocabulary in English as well as basic scientific content in preparation for mainstream Science courses. This course does not meet the science requirements for graduation.

Prerequisites: ESL students level 1-2 only

Duration: 2 semesters

Credit: 1 per semester

Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12

PHYSICAL SCIENCE 1-2 ELL

This course has a special focus on language development, but content and standards are the Physical Science 1-2 standards. This course engages students in inquiry-based problem solving as they investigate Physical Science issues that are relevant to their daily lives. Topics of study include: matter, energy, forces and motion, Earth in space, and Earth structures and processes. This course provides a foundation for other science courses. This course meets the district requirement for biology.

Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in ESL 3-4 or ESL 5-6

Duration: 2 semesters

Credit: 1 per semester

Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12

ESL TUTORIAL

This is a resource offered to every ESL student in place of a mainstream study hall. Resources, study skills, as well as one-on-one assistance is available to support students in their mainstream classes.

NEWCOMER CENTER

This is offered at the Omaha Public Schools Career Center and includes only level 1-2 ESL students who do not know any English and who enroll in Central at least four weeks after the beginning of a semester. Elective credit is given in relation to the hours spent there.

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES DEPARTMENT

Family and Consumer Sciences empower individuals and families across the life-span to manage the challenges of living and working in a diverse, global society. The work and family relationship is a unique focus of the discipline. The study of Family and Consumer Sciences helps the student develop an understanding of how individuals interact with others and with their surroundings; how

individuals cope with change; and how individuals learn to manage his/her life in a meaningful way.

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Required Course:

Human Growth and Development (one semester)

Honors Courses:

Honors Human Growth and Development

Honors Introduction to Education 1-2 (Dual Enrollment)

Honors Early Childhood Development 1-2 (Dual Enrollment)

Honors Early Childhood Development 3-4 (Dual Enrollment)

Elective Courses:

Clothing and Textiles 1-2

Clothing and Textiles 3-4

Clothing Design Workshop

Creative Textiles (one semester)

CAD Design Fashion 1-2

CAD Design Fashion 3-4

CAD Housing/Interior Design

Parenting (one semester)

Family Living 1-2

Foods and Nutrition 1-2

Culinary Skills 1-2

Sports Nutrition (one semester)

Foundations of Healthcare

Independent Study FCS 1-2

Teen Parenting 1-2

Teen Parenting 3-4

Teen Parenting 5-6

Teen Parenting 7-8

HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

This course helps senior high students acquire responsible decision-making skills related to wellness, communication skills, healthy relationships, preventing abuse, chemical usage, sexuality, prenatal care, etc. All senior high school students are required to enroll in one of the Human Growth and Development courses, but a parent/guardian may choose to opt out his/her student. (Year)

Prerequisites: None

Duration: 1 semester

Credit: 1

Grade Level: 10, 11

HONORS HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

This honors course helps high students acquire responsible decision-making skills related to wellness, communication, healthy relationships, preventing abuse, chemical usage, sexuality, prenatal care, etc. Expectations include additional reading assignments and more in-depth projects than the regular Human Growth course. All senior high school students are required to enroll in one of the Human Growth and Development courses, but a parent/guardian may choose to opt out his/her student. (Honor's Credit). One class will meet every other day all year, opposite the honors science labs and the other will meet every day for a semester.

Prerequisites: None

Duration: 2 semesters every other day OR 1 semester every day

Credit: .5 per semester every other day OR 1 per semester every day

Grade Level: 10, 11