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Galion High School Course Guide

2024-25



GALION HIGH SCHOOL

2024-25 COURSE OFFERING GUIDE

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INTRODUCTION

This Curriculum Guide has been carefully prepared to inform you of all the high school's programs to assist you in selecting an appropriate plan for your experience at Galion High School. The information in this guide is significant in planning your educational future. Making rational course selections is an important responsibility and should not be taken lightly. Seeking input from parents, teachers, and counselors will enable you to make the right choices. Read and study the information on the following pages carefully before selecting. You are responsible for making accurate, realistic, and beneficial plans for your high school years.

Course offerings at Galion High School focus on academic content standards related to required state assessments, college readiness standards assessed by the ACT organization, and 21st-century skills expected in today's workforce. Course offerings also reflect the needs and interests of all students.

The educational programs and activities of the Galion City Schools are available to students without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap. Discrimination complaints should be brought to the Board of Education Office, Galion City Schools, 470 Portland Way North, Galion, OH 44833, or by phone at 419-468-3432. FAX 419-468-4333.

SELECTING COURSES TO ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS

Students, families, and faculty should plan coursework together. Students should seriously consider the type of high school program they desire. By doing so, students will select programming that matches their interests, skills, and future plans.

The time to plan for any important endeavor is before it begins. Properly selected courses will help you gain satisfaction and happiness in your high school career. The following information will help you select an appropriate program of study:

1. Consider the basic courses that must be taken to meet minimum graduation requirements.
2. Consider the courses required by the type of post-high school education you may undertake.
3. Consider thoroughly the courses/programs available through Galion High School.
CCP College Now GECA Sci-Med Bio-Science
4. Consider your interests; try to take courses that will increase your knowledge in your interest areas.
5. Consider weighted courses that can impact weighted rank (through the class of 2025).
6. Consider the grades you have earned in the past.
7. Consider how hard you have tried to succeed in your schoolwork before deciding what type of course you take.
8. Discuss courses with teachers and school counselors during scheduling.

SCHEDULING PROCEDURES

- The scheduling process typically begins in February.
- Approximately one week before scheduling begins, The Course Offering Guide is available to students and parents to begin reading and thinking about choices. A planning worksheet is included in this guide.
- Counselors will meet with students in a group setting to review the scheduling process/procedures, requirements, course descriptions, etc. At this time, students begin completing their initial Registration Form.
- Students will take the Registration Form home to share with parents to make any further changes with parental input and return to Guidance by the designated deadline.
- Counselors collect and review each student's initial form to check requirement needs, prerequisites, etc.
- Counselors may meet with some students individually to discuss choices, make suggestions, and make changes if needed.
- Following this input, courses, teaching assignments, and the Master Schedule will be finalized.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

- Once students complete the registration process, their choices are considered final.
- Because of district-level master calendar changes, no schedule changes will be made once the school year begins unless deemed necessary by the administration for situations such as conflicts, requirements, and class size balance.

ACADEMIC PLANNING: Students must meet minimum state and local requirements in all programs.

A. **Four-Year Galion High School** – SEE PAGES 3 & 4 FOR SPECIFIC GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

B. **Career Tech** – **Pioneer Career & Technology Center** is an option for students after two years of high school. In preparation for attending Pioneer, a student should make every attempt to pass all needed requirements in the 9th and 10th grades. Pioneer courses are as follows:

Local Graduation Requirements: Total credits = 20.5

1. English – **four** credits
2. Math – **four** credits (must include 1 credit of Algebra I, Geometry & Algebra II or its equivalent)
3. Science – **three** credits (must include 1 Biology, 1 Physical & 1 Advanced credit of either)
4. Social Studies – **three** credits (must include American History and American Government and World History/Economics)
5. Health – **one-half** credit
6. Physical Education – **one-half** credit (2 courses at ¼ credit each)
7. Fine Arts – **one** credit
8. Financial Literacy – **one-half** credit
9. 60 hours of community service required
10. The remaining credits to meet the required total must be from world language, fine arts, business, career-technical education, family & consumer sciences, technology, agriculture education or additional units beyond requirements from English, math, science, or social studies.
11. Meet graduation/ testing requirements per ODE guidelines.
 - a. Competency score of 684 or above on Algebra I and ELA II tests.
 - b. Diploma seals = 1 state seal, 1 local seal

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CLASS OF 2023 AND BEYOND:

The minimum requirements set forth by the Ohio Department of Education and the Galion Board of Education are 20.5 credits, one-half credit (60 hours) of community service, or prorated if entering Galion High School after the 9th-grade year at fifteen hours per year. All students must receive economics and financial literacy instruction during Grades 9-12. Additionally, all students must receive instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automated external defibrillator from an approved source during Grades 9-12 unless the student is exempted from such training due to disability or by written request of the parent. Other graduation requirements, per ODE, can be found on page 6.

COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENT: 60 HOURS

To be COMPLETED by the end of the SENIOR Year

The Galion City Schools believe that participating actively in community service will enhance students' interpersonal skills and self-esteem, enable them to connect their academic learning to the real world, and make them aware of the range of service opportunities in our community. The Board of Education further believes that devoting time during the student's school years to serve others, or the community as a whole, may engender a lifelong commitment to service and thereby make this community, or any community where our graduates make a life, a better place to be.

To graduate from Galion High School, students must complete 60 hours of Community Service by May 1 of the senior year. It is recommended that students attempt to earn 15 hours of Community Service each of their four years of High School. This will equal 60 hours by the end of their Senior Year. Community Service Log Sheets can be picked up in the Guidance office or from the website. Completed Community Service Logs should be returned to the Guidance office with the proper signatures. Students moving into Galion High School will have their Community Service pro-rated. For example, if a Junior student moves to GHS, that student would be responsible for 30 hours of community service.

Guidelines for Community Service

- Service hours must be completed without compensation.
- Service hours may be completed for non-family community members or community organizations (i.e., Historical Society, Gill House, City of Galion, Galion City Schools).
- Total hours must be **submitted by May 1st of senior year**.

- Hours should be submitted to the Guidance office every school year.

Credits needed for class standing:

Sophomore = 4.5

Junior = 10

Senior = 15

Graduate = 20.5



OHIO'S GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

CLASS OF 2023 AND BEYOND

Ohio's long-term graduation requirements take effect for the class of 2023. For students entering ninth grade on or after July 1, 2019, Ohio's new high school graduation requirements provide more flexibility to choose a graduation pathway that builds on a student's strengths and passions – one that ensures students are ready for their next steps after high school. Students in the classes of 2018 through 2022 may also use these requirements as a pathway to graduation.

As a part of this pathway to graduation, students must show that they have completed all three parts of these requirements.

1. Credit Requirements:

Students must earn a minimum total of 20 credits in specified subjects and take your required tests. Schools can locally require more than 20 credits. Schools are still required to administer all the high school end-of-course assessments. These are: English Language Arts II, Algebra I (or Integrated Math I), Geometry (or Integrated Math II), Biology, American History, and American Government.

2. Competency:

Students can demonstrate competency by earning a passing score on Ohio's high school Algebra I (or Integrated Math I) and English language arts II tests. Students who do not pass the test will be offered additional support and must retake the test at least once. If students have not met the competency score on these tests, there are four additional ways to show competency.

Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4	Option 5
Algebra I and ELA II	Career Readiness	College Credit Plus	Military Enlistment	ACT or SAT

Refer to the back of this page for a brief description of each option.

Option 1. To demonstrate competency using Ohio's state tests, students must earn a score of 684 or above on both the Algebra I (or Integrated Math I) and English language arts II end-of-course exams.

Option 2. To demonstrate competency by Career Readiness, students must demonstrate two career-focused activities, at least one must be a foundational option.

- Foundational options: 1. Cumulative score of proficient on 3 or more WebXams. 2. Earn 12-points of industry credential. 3. Complete a registered pre-apprenticeship, an apprenticeship, or show evidence of acceptance into an approved apprenticeship. 4. State-issued license for a practice in a vocation.
- Supporting options: 1. Work-Based Learning. 2. Earn the workforce readiness score on the Workkeys. 3. Earn the OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal.

Option 3. To demonstrate competency through the College Credit Plus Program, students must earn credit in a non-remedial math or English course for the subject area not passed.

Option 4. To demonstrate competency through Military Enlistment, students must provide evidence of enlistment in a branch of the armed forces to demonstrate competency.

Option 5. To demonstrate competency using the ACT or SAT, students must obtain a remediation-free score in the math and/or English subject area on the ACT or SAT. To demonstrate competency in English, a student must be remediation-free in the subjects of English and reading on the ACT or SAT.

3. Readiness:

Students can meet the readiness requirement by earning two diploma seals. In alignment with their graduation plan, students should be choosing seals that align with their goals and interests. These seals give students the chance to demonstrate academic, technical and professional skills and knowledge that align to their passions, interests and their post-high school pathway.

Of the two seals students are required to earn, at least one of the two must be State-Defined. Ohio's 12 diploma seals are:

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| • OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal (State-Defined) | • Honors Diploma Seal (State-Defined) |
| • Industry-Recognized Credential Seal (State-Defined) | • Seal of Biliteracy (State-Defined) |
| • College-Ready Seal (State-Defined) | • Technology Seal (State-Defined) |
| • Military Enlistment Seal (State-Defined) | • Community Service Seal (Locally-Defined) |
| • Citizenship Seal (State-Defined) | • Fine and Performing Arts Seal (Locally-Defined) |
| • Science Seal (State-Defined) | • Student Engagement Seal (Locally-Defined) |

Want to learn more?

Contact your school counselor or
visit education.ohio.gov/graduation



**Galion High School
Locally Defined Graduation Seals**

Community Service Seal













- 60 Hours of community service required.
- Service hours must be completed without compensation.
- Service may be completed for non-family community members or community organizations (i.e., Historical Society, Gill House, City of Galion, Galion City Schools)
- Hours must be submitted by May 1 of each year. Any hours completed after May 1 should be included in the following year's hours.
- Seniors must have hours submitted by April 1 of their senior year.
- Hours can be started no earlier than July 1 before the student's freshman year starts.

Fine Arts Seal

- Students must earn 8 points.
- Each fine or performing arts class is worth one (1) point. (Any Performing or Visual Art Class offered at GHS and PCTC)
- Fine/performing arts extracurricular activities and outside performances, such as local theater, orchestra, choir, music contest, etc. may also earn points. The activity advisor will determine if the student has participated meaningfully and sign verification paperwork. Outside performances require pre-approval from the Principal or designee.

Student Engagement Seal

- Complete 8 extra-curricular experiences during high school, such as athletics, clubs, or student government.
 - Extra-curricular activities and/or clubs must be school-sponsored and supervised.
 - The coach, athletic director, or club advisor will determine if the student has participated meaningfully and sign verification paperwork.
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- Galion High School will honor any seals that were earned at a previous school with documentation.

 <p>STATE SEAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 points or above on BOTH the Am. History and the Am. Govt. end of course state tests • “B” or higher in both high school courses of Am. History and Am. Govt • “B” or higher in qualifying CCP courses (both) 	 <p>STATE SEAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 points or above on the Biology state end of course test • “B” or higher in a high school Advanced Science course • “B” or higher in qualifying CCP course
 <p>STATE SEAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earn one of Ohio’s 6 options for an Honors Diploma • GHS students generally earn the “Academic Honors Diploma” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Course Guide or ODE website 	 <p>STATE SEAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earn a remediation-free score on the ACT or SAT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ACT scores: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English 18 or above • Reading 22 or above • Math 22 or above
 <p>STATE SEAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “B” or higher in CCP Technology course • “B” or higher in approved high school Technology course 	 <p>STATE SEAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show proficiency in 15 identified professional skills, as endorsed by three (3) mentors • For requirements see ODE website
 <p>STATE SEAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide evidence of Military Enlistment • Example: Signed military contract 	 <p>STATE SEAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earn 12 points of industry-recognized credentials from a single career field <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mainly applies to students choosing to attend Pioneer
 <p>STATE SEAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate English Language Arts proficiency and high levels of proficiency in another world language <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Testing in world language required 	 <p>LOCAL SEAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate skill in fine or performing arts according to locally approved evaluation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GHS students must earn 8 points: each music or art class = 1 pt • See Course Guide
 <p>LOCAL SEAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GHS requires 60 hours of Community Service for graduation (= 0.5 credit) • This will also meet the Local Community Service seal requirement 	 <p>LOCAL SEAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participate/complete 8 school sponsored and supervised extra-curricular activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examples include Athletics, Clubs, or Student Government

GRADUATION HONORS

VALEDICTORIAN/SALUTATORIAN (**Classes of 2024 and 2025**) will be based on cumulative weighted GPA per Board Policy 5430 and Administrative Guideline 5430.

The Board of Education acknowledges the usefulness of a system of computing grade point averages and class ranking for high school graduates, both to inform students of their relative academic placement among their peers and to provide students, prospective employers, and institutions of higher learning with a predictive device so that each student is more likely to be placed in an environment conducive to success.

The Board authorizes a system of class ranking, by grade point average, for students in grade(s) 9-12. All students shall be ranked together, except those identified D.H.

Class rank shall be computed by the final grade in all subjects for which credit is awarded.

Any two (2) or more students whose computed grade point averages are identical shall be given the same rank. The rank of the student who immediately follows a tied position will be determined by the number of students preceding him/her and not by the rank of the person preceding him/her.

A student's grade point average and rank in class shall be entered on his/her record and shall be subject to the Board's policy on release of student records.

The Superintendent shall develop procedures for the computation of grade point averages and the assignment of rank in class to implement this policy which shall include:

- A. a provision for students graduating before their class;
- B. a system for fairly averaging makeup courses;
- C. a statement of the methods for such computation and assignment to be made available for those to whom a student's grade point average or rank in class is released.

Class of 2026 and Beyond

SUMMA CUM LAUDE GRADUATE – Summa Cum Laude honors are bestowed upon the students with the highest honors. (3.85 – 4. GPA) These students wear orange and blue honor cords on graduation day.

MAGNA CUM LAUDE GRADUATE – Magna Cum Laude honors are bestowed upon the students with great honors. (3.7 – 3.84) These students wear solid orange honor cords on graduation day.

CUM LAUDE GRADUATE – Cum Laude honors are bestowed upon the students with honors. (3.5 – 3.69) These students wear solid blue honor cords on graduation day.

The cum laude distinctions are reserved for only those students who have earned a minimum GPA of 3.5 + with no failing semester grades (F) or incompletes (I).

Cum laude distinction is based on the seventh semester cumulative GPA. However, in fairness to students that do not earn any cum laude designation after seven semesters but do meet the threshold after eight semesters, the student can request a cum laude sticker for the diploma. This only applies to students that did not earn any cum laude designation but ended up meeting the “cum laude” threshold after eight semesters. Students who earned

one of the three distinctions after seven semesters will maintain the cum laude distinction earned despite possible changes in GPA after an additional semester.

The cum laude system does not eliminate the Valedictorian or Salutatorian designations until the class of 2026. The class of 2025 will be the last class to rank students.

HONORS DIPLOMAS FOR CLASSES 2024 AND 2025



Ohio High School Honors Diploma

Criterion	Ohio Diploma	Academic Honors Diploma	International Baccalaureate Honors Diploma	Career Tech Honors Diploma	STEM Honors Diploma	Arts Honors Diploma (Includes dance, drama/theatre, music, and visual art)	Social Science & Civic Engagement Honors Diploma
Math	4 units, must include one unit of algebra II or equivalent	4 units, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II (or equivalent), and one other higher level course or 4 course sequence that contains equivalent or higher content	4 units, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II (or equivalent), and one other higher level course or 4 course sequence that contains equivalent or higher content	4 units, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II (or equivalent), and one other higher level course or 4 course sequence that contains equivalent or higher content	5 units, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II (or equivalent), and one other higher level course or 4 course sequence that contains equivalent or higher content ⁴	4 units, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II (or equivalent), and one other higher level course or 4 course sequence that contains equivalent or higher content	4 units, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II (or equivalent), and one other higher level course or 4 course sequence that contains equivalent or higher content
Science	3 units	4 units, including two units of advanced science ²	4 units, biology, chemistry, and at least one additional advance science ²	4 units, including two units of advanced science ²	5 units, including two units of advanced science ²	3 units, including one unit of advanced science ²	3 units, including one unit of advanced science ²
Social Studies	3 units	4 units	4 units	4 units	3 units	3 units	5 units
World Languages	N/A	3 units of one world language, or no less than 2 units of each of two world languages studied	4 units minimum, with at least 2 units in each language studied	2 units of one world language studied	3 units of one world language, or no less than 2 units of each of two world languages studied	3 units of one world language, or no less than 2 units of each of two world languages studied	3 units of one world language, or no less than 2 units of each of two world languages studied
Fine Arts Electives	2 Semesters 5 units	1 unit N/A	1 unit N/A	N/A 4 units of Career-Technical minimum ³	1 unit 2 units with a focus in STEM courses	4 units 2 units with a focus in fine arts course work	1 unit 3 units with a focus in social sciences and/or civics
GPA	N/A	3.5 on a 4.0 scale	3.5 on a 4.0 scale	3.5 on 4.0 scale	3.5 on a 4.0 scale	3.5 on a 4.0 scale	3.5 on a 4.0 scale
ACT/SAT/WorkKeys¹	N/A	27 ACT/1280 SAT ⁸	27 ACT/1280 SAT ⁸	27 ACT/1280 SAT ⁷ /WorkKeys (6 Reading for Information & 6 Applied Mathematics) ⁷	27 ACT/1280 SAT ⁸	27 ACT/1280 SAT ⁸	27 ACT/1280 SAT ⁸
Field Experience	N/A	N/A	Complete a field experience and document the experience in a portfolio specific to the student's area of focus ⁵	Complete a field experience and document the experience in a portfolio specific to the student's area of focus ⁵	Complete a field experience and document the experience in a portfolio specific to the student's area of focus ⁵	Complete a field experience and document the experience in a portfolio specific to the student's area of focus ⁵	Complete a field experience and document the experience in a portfolio specific to the student's area of focus ⁵
Portfolio	N/A	N/A	Develop a comprehensive portfolio of work based on the student's field experience or a topic related to the student's area of focus that is reviewed and validated by external experts ⁶	Develop a comprehensive portfolio of work based on the student's field experience or a topic related to the student's area of focus that is reviewed and validated by external experts ⁶	Develop a comprehensive portfolio of work based on the student's field experience or a topic that is related to the student's area of focus that is reviewed and validated by external experts ⁶	Develop a comprehensive portfolio of work based on the student's field experience or a topic that is related to the student's area of focus that is reviewed and validated by external experts ⁶	Develop a comprehensive portfolio of work based on the student's field experience or a topic that is related to the student's area of focus that is reviewed and validated by external experts ⁶
Additional Assessments	N/A	N/A	N/A	Earn an industry-recognized credential or achieve proficiency benchmark for appropriate Ohio Career-Technical Competency Assessment or equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A

NOTE: Items shaded in blue are changes that were made to the honors diploma system, including the entire STEM, Arts, and Social Science and Civic Engagement Honors Diplomas

NOTES:

For the Academic, International Baccalaureate, and Career Tech Honors Diplomas, students who entered the ninth grade between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2017 may choose to pursue the diploma by meeting the requirements of these criteria or the previous criteria. Students entering the ninth grade on or after July 1, 2017 must meet these criteria.

Completion of any advanced standing program, which includes Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, College Credit Plus, and may include Credit Flexibility, can be counted toward the unit requirements of an Honors Diploma.

Students must meet all but one of the criteria to qualify for an Honors Diploma, and any one of the criteria may be the one that is not met.

Diploma with Honors requirements pre-suppose the completion of all [high school diploma requirements](#) in the Ohio Revised Code including:

½ unit physical education (unless exempted), ½ unit health, ½ unit in American history, ½ unit in government, and 4 units in English. The class of 2021 and beyond will need to have ½ unit in world history and civilizations as well.

¹ Writing sections of either standardized test should not be included in the calculation of this score. The Locating Information test is not included in the calculation of the WorkKeys score.

² Advanced science refers to courses that are inquiry-based with laboratory experiences and align with the 11/12th grade standards (or above) or with an AP science course, or with an entry-level college course (clearly preparing students for a college freshman-level science class, such as anatomy, botany, or astronomy).

³ Program must lead to an industry recognized credential, apprenticeship, or be part of an articulated career pathway which can lead to post-secondary credit.

⁴ The fifth mathematics and science credit for the STEM honors diploma may be fulfilled with a single course.

⁵ Field Experience refers to experiential learning in either an internship or apprenticeship. Students will document their experiences by describing their understanding in a portfolio.

⁶ The student portfolio is a collection of experiential learning and competencies based on the student's field experiences. Students will engage with professionals or scholars in the field while developing their own portfolio or ePortfolio of original work that documents their technical, critical and creative skills representative of their honors focus; students' work must be reviewed and evaluated by scholars or professionals within the field/area of study in which the students' work is focused, and the scholars or professionals must be external to the district staff; students will give a presentation to showcase the work and provide an analysis of it to the school and local community. If the student does not complete a field experience, the portfolio can be based on a collection of work related to the student's honors diploma area of focus.

⁷ Students must score a minimum of a 6 on the Applied Mathematics WorkKeys Assessment and a minimum of 6 on the Reading for Information WorkKeys Assessment in order to meet the WorkKeys score requirement. The WorkKeys option applies only to the Career Tech Honors Diploma.

⁸ These scores are based on the 2016 ACT and SAT assessments. Concordance tables outlining equivalent scores for past and future tests that differ from the 2016 versions will be published on the ODE website. Tables to concord SAT assessments taken prior to March 2016 can be found [here](#). Further information on test concordance can be found [here](#).

Academic Honors Diploma

New Honors Diploma Requirements

High school students can gain state recognition for exceeding Ohio's graduation requirements through an Academic Honors Diploma. High-level coursework, college and career readiness tests and real-world experiences challenge students.

Students must meet **all but one** of the following criteria. Each of these criteria go beyond the [standard requirements for a diploma for the classes of 2023 and beyond](#). Students must meet general graduation requirements and complete the requirements outlined below to qualify for honors diplomas. Students may replace options 4, 5 or 6 with a "Student Strength Demonstration." The [previous requirements](#) to earn an honors diploma are also available for students in the classes of 2023-2025.

ACADEMIC HONORS DIPLOMA

Requirements	State Minimum
1 Math	Fourth math must be > Algebra 2
2 Science	One additional unit Advanced Science
3 Social Studies	One additional unit Social Studies
4 World Languages	Three sequential units of one world language, or no less than 2 sequential units of two world languages studied
5 GPA	3.5 on a 4.0 scale
6 ACT/SAT	ACT: Score of 27 or higher, SAT: Score of 1280 or higher
7 Seal Requirement	Earn two additional diploma seals, not including Honors Diploma Seal
8 Experiential Learning	Field Experience, OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal*, Portfolio or Work-Based Learning

*Students can use OMJ Readiness Seal in 2 additional seals requirement if it is not used in Experiential Learning.

GRADUATION CEREMONY

Only students currently enrolled, attending, and eligible to receive a diploma may participate in the graduation ceremony. Seniors eligible for a diploma must also complete all obligations (fees paid, equipment returned, textbooks returned, tuition paid, discipline served, etc.) and **attend graduation practice** to participate in the graduation ceremony and receive a diploma.

GRADING SCALE

Galion High School uses a grading scale of A through F based on a 4.0 scale to determine the semester average.

A = 4

B = 3

C = 2

D = 1

F = 0

The cumulative grade point average (GPA) is computed at the end of the semester.

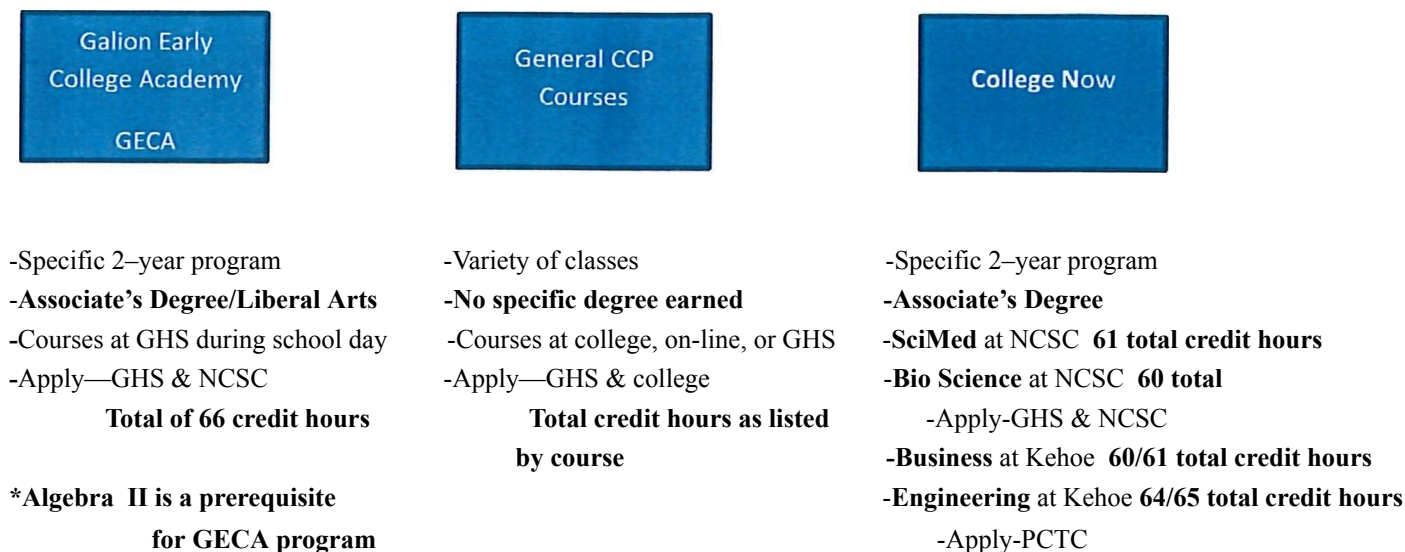
The nine-week grade is determined by percentages as follows:

Grade percentage scale:

- A = (100 - 90)
- B = (89 - 80)
- C = (79 - 70)
- D = (69 - 60)
- F = (59 - 0)

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS (CCP)

College Credit Plus is a state-wide program that allows qualified high school students to earn college credit during high school. The following diagram outlines various components of CCP.



PROCESS FOR CCP

- Obtain mandatory counseling information
- Consider the benefits and risks of participation for the next school year
- Submit the “Intent to Participate” form to Guidance by April 1
- Earn qualifying test scores (ACT or Accuplacer Next Gen); apply to college(s)
- Follow the directions and timeline provided at mandatory counseling meetings/session
- Once a student gains acceptance, discuss potential courses with the college's GHS counselor and CCP advisor. If courses are offered at GHS, the student registers for them with the GHS counselor but cannot do so until a required test score for the course is earned; if courses are not offered at GHS, the student registers for those with the CCP advisor at the college and will receive information from the colleges about when and how to do so.

CCP COURSES AT GALION HIGH SCHOOL

- CCP courses at GHS are North Central State College (NCSC) courses
- The following courses will be offered on the GHS campus for the 2024-25 school year:

English 1010	English 1030	English 2050
English 2070	Communication 1010	History 1050
Politics 1010	Spanish 1010	Spanish 1020
Psychology 1010	Psychology 2010	Sociology 1010
Sociology 2010	Geology 1010	Geology 1030
Math 1110	Math 1130	Math 1150
Statistics 1010	Music Appreciation 1010	Humanities 1010
First-Year Experience 1000		

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS SAMPLE PATHWAYS

A student does not have to follow this pathway; it is a sample. Other pathways are outlined on the colleges' application pages.

This pathway is designed for a student who wishes to complete General Educational Requirements toward a Bachelor's Degree.

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*All courses are 3 semester hours unless otherwise noted.

OSU

English 1110
Psychology 1100
Statistics 1350
History 1151
Sociology 1101

NCSC

English 1010 (offered on Galion campus)
Psychology 1010 (offered on Galion campus)
Statistics 1010 (offered on the Galion campus)
History 1010
Biology 1230 (4 hrs.)

TIER 2

OSU

Courses listed above plus...
Art 2100
Philosophy 1101
Spanish 1103 (4 hrs.)
Biology 1101

NCSC

Courses listed above plus...
English 1030 (offered on Galion campus)
Math 1110 (4hrs.) (offered on Galion campus)
Philosophy 1010
Politics 1010 (offered on Galion campus)

*Students must meet college-readiness standards in a subject area.

*Students must meet any prerequisites or placement criteria for each course set forth by the colleges.

EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS/CREDIT FLEXIBILITY

The Galion City Schools recognizes the need to provide alternative means by which students can customize aspects of his/her learning and earn high school credits in non-traditional ways. Guidelines for submitting an *Educational Option/Credit Flexibility* proposal are available from the Guidance Office.

WEIGHTED CLASS RANK SYSTEM (utilized through the class of 2025)

The following courses at GHS are considered advanced/weighted and receive a 1.5 weight.

Accelerated English 9	French III	Zoology
Accelerated English 10	French IV	Anatomy
Accelerated English 11	Spanish III	Biology II
Accelerated Geometry	Spanish IV	Environmental Science
Accelerated Algebra II		Physics
Precalculus		Chemistry

- CCP courses receive a 1.5 weight.
- Class rank is determined by Board Policy 5430.

COLLEGE TESTING

Galion High School's Six-Digit code number is 362240

**ACT Assessment Dates and Deadlines – Online registration at www.actstudent.org
Application Deadlines are approximately one month before the testing date**

Test Dates:

2024-2025 September 7, 2024
 October 26, 2024
 December 7, 2024
 February 7, 2025
 April 11, 2025
 June 7, 2025
 July 12, 2025

**SAT For online registration and a list of test dates and deadlines, go to
www.collegeboard.org**

**PSAT Optional assessment taken by interested college-bound juniors in the month of October.
(National Merit Qualifying Test)**

ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible in grades 9-12, a student must be enrolled and enrolled in the immediately preceding grading period. The student must have received passing grades in at least five one-credit courses or the equivalent during the preceding grading period.

Students enrolling in the first grading period after advancement from the eighth grade must also meet this requirement.

A student's eligibility or ineligibility continues until the fifth school day of the next grading period. At this time, the grades from the preceding grading period become effective. EXCEPTION: Eligibility or ineligibility for the first grading period commences with the start of the fall sports season. Questions regarding eligibility or ineligibility should be directed to the athletic director.

NCAA Initial-Eligibility Center

All students enrolling at an NCAA Division I or II institution can have their initial eligibility status determined only by the eligibility center. The requirements for the initial eligibility certification are:

1. Register with the eligibility center by completing the student-release form by going online. www.eligibilitycenter.org
2. Request that test scores be sent to the eligibility center (Mark #9999 for A.C.T. or S.A.T.). The address is: NCAA Eligibility Center, P.O. Box 7136, Indianapolis, IN 46207. Telephone – (877) 262-1492.
3. Graduate from high school.

ACADEMIC AWARD

All Galion High School students are eligible. This award is based on grades received at the conclusion of each quarter of the academic school year. The minimum grade point average needed to qualify for an award is 3.5 on a 4.0 scale. Weighted grades do not enter into determining the average for honor roll calculation. Weighted grades are only used to determine class rank.

Please note that students participating in programs that do not provide grades for Quarters 1 and 3 (For example: CCP, some CTE courses, GOA, etc.) cannot be included in the quarterly honor roll because the school may not receive grades for those quarters. Instead, these students will be recognized at the end of each semester (Quarters 2 and 4). Our academic recognition is as follows:

3.50-3.99 Honor Roll

4.0+ Honor Roll With Distinction

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Juniors and seniors who have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.25 are eligible to be considered for membership in the National Honor Society. Students are selected by the high school faculty based on character, service, leadership, and scholarship. The process usually begins in September, with induction typically in November. More details are available on the GHS website.

MONITORING ACADEMIC PROGRESS

Students and parents may monitor progress regularly through our web-based electronic grading system, CANVAS. Parents needing assistance logging into CANVAS should contact the Galion Technology Department. (419) 468-3134 ext. 11012

COURSE OFFERINGS

NOTE: *Course Offerings are subject to change based on student enrollment and availability of instructors.*

ART

0310 Art Foundations (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9,10,11, 12 (upperclassmen given priority)

Fee required

Content: Students will be introduced to various forms of two-dimensional and three-dimensional art media and methods with a focus on Elements of Art and Principles of Design.

0311 Drawing I (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9,10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Art Foundations

Fee required

Content: Students will continue to build on the basic drawing skills obtained in Art Foundations. Students will develop drawings from observation and reference images. Media involved: pencil, colored pencil, charcoal, pastels, pen/ink, and markers. Students will refine their skill of composition, technique and content.

0312 Drawing II (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9,10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Art Foundations and Drawing I (B average)

Fee required

Content: This class is for advanced drawing students to create projects of high technical quality and content. Students will be creating pieces focusing on more advanced concepts, compositions, and methods.

0313 Painting I (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Art Foundations

Fee required

Content: Students will continue to build on the basic painting skills obtained in Art Foundations. Media involved: watercolors and acrylics.

0314 Painting II (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Art Foundations and Painting I (B average)

Fee required

Content: This class is for advanced painters to create projects of high technical quality and content. Students will be creating pieces focusing on more advanced concepts, compositions, and methods. An emphasis will be placed on oil painting.

0315 Ceramics I (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Art Foundations

Fee required

Content: Students will learn basic pottery skills involving handbuilding and wheel throwing as well as glazing.

0316 Ceramics II (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Art Foundations and Ceramics I (C average)

Fee required

Content: This class is for the advanced ceramicist to improve throwing and handbuilding skills with more advanced technical and conceptual projects.

0320 Graphic Arts (QP Value 1.0) (Not offered 2024-25)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Art Foundations

Fee required:

Content: Students will primarily use iPads to solve a variety of creative visual art problems using graphic art applications. Students will focus on photography and videography, commercial art and advertisements, graphic design, and digital illustration.

0321 Art – Past and Present: Prehistory to the Renaissance (QP Value 1.0) (Not offered 2024-25)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course teaches students to learn how art has reflected and influenced history and society from ancient cave paintings to the medieval period and Renaissance art and architecture. Curriculum will be enhanced by art websites and PBS documentaries, as well as videos. The historical aspects include socio-political influences, as well as cultural and religious influences of ancient societies. The impact on the art of the period, as well as how those influences remain in modern society will also be examined. This class will enhance and extend previous learning from all the other art classes.

This course offering is determined by student enrollment and staff availability.

0322 Art – Past and Present: Post-Renaissance to Modern Era (QP Value 1.0) (Not offered 2024-25)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course begins with the end of the Renaissance, to World War II and Hitler's obsession with stealing art; culminating with present day artists, actors, and musicians. Students will be viewing documentaries, and/or movies relating to the subject matter, and will also experience virtual tours via the internet in world famous museums. This class will enhance and extend previous learning from all the other art classes, and provides the historical/socio-political aspects which evolve the art of these periods.

This course offering is determined by student enrollment and staff availability.

0323, 0324, 0325, 0326 Advanced Visual Art I, II, III, IV (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Completion of Level I & II courses and/or teacher recommendation

Fee Required

Content: This course is for students who are contemplating an art career. It is an independent study course developed and approved by the instructor, specific to student needs, and focused on portfolio

development. Students must have successfully completed a variety of art courses and demonstrated responsible, independent work habits to be considered.

CAREER TECH PATHWAYS

BUSINESS

0331 Finance Foundations (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Fee required

Content: Students learn how to keep a set of financial records for a simple business organized as a proprietorship. Students develop organizational skills as they follow the accounting procedure. Students receive an introduction to computerized accounting using software that goes along with the textbook. Students learn concepts such as journalizing, posting, and creating financial statements.

0330 Business Law (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: Business Law is designed for students who are interested in how our legal system works. Students learn about different types of business crimes and grounds for lawsuits. Students find out how our court system is organized. Valuable information concerning legal contracts is presented. Contracts involving credit and insurance are stressed.

0333 Financial Literacy (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Required: It is encouraged that this is taken in 10th grade.

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course explores the fundamentals that guide individuals and nations as they make choices about how to use limited resources to satisfy their wants. More specifically, it examines the ability of individuals to use knowledge and skills to manage limited financial resources effectively for a lifetime of financial security. This course will also include instruction in economics.

0332 Marketing Principles (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course introduces students to marketing strategies and techniques. Students will obtain fundamental knowledge, and skills in marketing communications, marketing management, marketing research, merchandising, and professional selling. They will acquire knowledge of marketing strategies, market identification techniques, and international business. Students will generate, screen, and develop new product ideas. Technology, leadership, and communications will be incorporated in classroom activities.

0335 Digital Marketing (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Marketing Principles

Content: Students apply tools, strategies, and processes to communicate digitally with targeted markets. They will create, implement, and critique online advertising, email marketing, websites, social media, mobile marketing, search engine optimization, video, images and podcasts. Technology, employability skills, leadership and communications will be incorporated into classroom activities.

0334 Business Foundations (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course introduces students to various business topics. Students will obtain knowledge and skills in fundamental business activities. They will acquire knowledge of business processes, economics, and business relationships. Students will use technology to synthesize and share business information. Employability skills, leadership, and communications will also be addressed.

0336 Management Principles (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: Students will apply management and motivation theories to plan, organize and direct staff toward a goal achievement. They will learn to manage a workforce, lead change, and build relationships with employees and customers. Students will use technology to analyze the internal and external business environment, determine trends impacting business, and examine risks threatening organizational success. Ethical challenges, project management and strategic planning will also be addressed.

0338 Entrepreneurship (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: Students will use innovation skills to generate ideas for new products and services, evaluate the feasibility of ideas, and develop a strategy for commercialization. They will use technology to select target markets, profile target customers, define the venture's mission, and create business plans. Students will take initial steps to establish a business. Students will calculate and forecast costs, break-even, and sales. Establishing brand, setting prices, promoting products, and managing customer relationships will be emphasized.

WBL – Work-Based Learning (QP Value 1.0)

2.0 credits (Full Year) Elective: 12 only

Prerequisite: None

Students must meet program requirements:

- Be at least 16 years of age. (18 if required by worksite)
- Have enough credits to have senior status
- Be on track to graduate with NO credit deficiencies
- Have attendance record & discipline record rated acceptable by school administration
- Have a valid work permit
- Provide own transportation
- Work a minimum of 20 hours per week
- If employment ends for any reason, the student must notify the instructor immediately and obtain gainful employment within two weeks.
- Agree to all terms and conditions of the program as a whole

Content: Work-based learning is a coordinated sequence of experiences designed to provide students with real-world, job-site learning opportunities. Students are released early from traditional school to pursue their employment.

CBI - Career Based Intervention (QP Value 1.0)

This program is designed for selected students who want to explore careers while getting first-hand experience in the world of work. CBI helps students develop skills to help students succeed in the workplace and ensure their success. In addition, students will participate in career awareness and explore their work attitudes. They may spend part of the day working either at the school or service sites in the community.

ENGINEERING / INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES

0270 Industrial Technology I (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester)

Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Fee Required

Content: This is an introductory course for anyone interested in Industrial Technology. The class provides practical application into woodworking and tool safety. Through the development of wood projects, the students will learn machine safety and how to develop a project from start to finish.

0271 Industrial Technology II (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester)

Electives: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Industrial Technology I (“C” or better and/or instructor approval)

Fee Required

Content: This is a continuation of Industrial Technology I. Through the development of advanced projects the students will begin using advanced woodworking skills and continue their learning of shop safety.

0272 Industrial Technology III (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year)

Elective: 11, 12

Prerequisite: Industrial Technology II (“C” or better and/or instructor approval)

Fee Required

Content: This course is designed for students who want to continue their study of manufacturing methods, quality control, and the technology used in industrial and manufacturing processes. This course offering is determined by student enrollment and staff availability.

0273 Industrial Technology IV (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year)

Elective: 12

Prerequisite: Industrial Technology III (“C” or better and/or instructor approval)

Fee Required

Content: This course is designed for students who want to fine tune their skills in the planning, fabrication, and quality processes involved with advanced projects they choose. This course offering is determined by student enrollment and staff availability.

0275 Engineering Design (CAD) (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year)

Elective 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: none

Fee Required

Content: The objective of this course involves the study and application of technical drawing including sketching, vector graphics, and 3-D design. We will use the design process to plan and develop mechanisms and automated robots using the VEX robotics system. This class will also explore the use of drones through designing and flying using VR goggles and an onboard camera.

0276 Design and Create (CAD) (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year)

Elective 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: none

Fee Required

Content: The objective of this course involves the study and application of vector graphics, photo editing and 3-D design. Students will use computer-controlled prototyping equipment, such as CNC mills, laser engravers, and 3-D printers to solve problems by constructing actual models of their three-dimensional designs. A variety of custom personalized projects will be created using prototyping equipment and woodworking tools.

0274 Robotic Engineering (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Elective 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: none

Fee Required

Content: The objective of this course is to introduce students to the field of Robotics and Engineering. This course covers basic tools such as simple and complex mechanisms, material strength, electrical systems, designing, building, and programming robots. Students will be required to build a variety of robots including lift systems, autonomous vehicles, user-controlled robots, and projectile systems. The VEX robotics system will be used in this course and all robots are programmed using C++.

0278 Computer Science Essentials (QP Value 1.0) (Not offered 2024-25)

1 credit (full year) Elective 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: none

Fee Required

Content: Computer Science Essentials will expose students to a diverse set of computational thinking concepts, fundamentals, and tools, allowing them to gain understanding of programming and its real-world applications. Students will use visual, block-based programming to create mobile applications for both Android and iOS platforms. They then transition to text-based programming using Python to create apps and develop websites.

HEALTH CAREERS

0260 Health Foundations (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Fee required

Content: This class is designed to acquaint students with the various career opportunities in the healthcare field through “hands-on” experiences. Among the topics to be addressed are introductory anatomy, physiology, nutrition, medical measurements and documentation, the role of technology in healthcare, client rights, and patient care skills and parenting skills. The course will partner with Galion Community Hospital and provide speakers from various healthcare occupations. This class is offered via a partnership between Galion City Schools and the Pioneer Career and Technology Center.

0261 Relationships for Healthy Living (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course focuses on relationships between clients and medical personnel. Emphasis is placed on professional expectations, communication and cultural influences. It will include basic medical terminology, obtaining and clarifying information and instructional practices related to establishing and maintaining wellness and healthy lifestyles.

0262 Health Resource Management (QP Value 1.0) ½ credit (1 semester)

Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course covers various practices relevant to medical and health-oriented professions. It explains procedures involved in problem-solving, business plan design, acquiring funds, utilizing technology, performance measurement, budgeting revenue and expenditures, managing inventory, etc. It also covers interpersonal and professional interactions regarding employers and employees. Information from this class easily translates into other related professions.

0263 Understanding Mental Health (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: Students learn contemporary mental health theories related to psychiatric disorders and mental diseases. Students will differentiate between stress, anxiety, and crisis, and identify methods to maintain mental health, including problem-solving techniques, treatment and intervention strategies. Students will assess, plan, implement and evaluate the mental health needs of the client. Additionally, students will use therapeutic communication techniques and be able to discuss documentation guidelines and the plan of care with the patient.

0264 Athletic Wellness (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: Students will be able to identify the components of fitness and communicate the relationship between physical fitness, physical performance, injury prevention, and nutritional intake. Students will evaluate an individual's state of nutrition based upon the impact of personal choices and social, scientific, psychological and environmental influences. Further, students will calculate an individual's kilocalorie burn rate and recommend an ideal diet and physical fitness plan.

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE

0285 Culinary Fundamentals (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: none

Fee required

Content: Students will apply fundamental culinary techniques, such as knife handling skills and the recognition, selection and proper use of tools and equipment. An emphasis will be placed on "Mise en Place" (a French culinary term meaning the management of time), ingredients and equipment. Students will apply standard recipe conversions using proper scaling and measurement techniques.

0281 Global Foods (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: none

Fee required

Content: In this course, students will compare cuisines, ingredients and preferred cooking methods of various cultures. The influence of traditions and regional and cultural perspectives on food choices and culinary practices will be emphasized. Students will examine the issues and conditions that affect the availability and quality of food in the global market, and apply advanced cooking

techniques, including the use of specialty and advanced equipment in the preparation of food dishes.

0286 Nutrition and Wellness (QP Value 1.0) (Not offered 2024-25)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: none

Fee required

Content: Students will use principles of nutrition to ensure a healthy body throughout the lifecycle. An emphasis will be placed on planning and preparing meals with an understanding of nutrients and their benefits, portion control and dietary needs. Additional information will include steroid and supplemental use, body weight and management and the implementation of physical activity to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

0287 Human Growth and Development (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Fee required: None

Content: Students will study prenatal development/pregnancy, analyze human growth and learn about development throughout the lifespan. An emphasis will be placed on physical, cognitive, social and emotional development. Additional topics will include human characteristics and traits, genetic defects, parenting styles and responsibilities, and cultural differences.

0288 Textile Design, Construction and Maintenance (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Fee required

Content: The visual appearance of fabric and fashion design will be studied in this course. Students will identify, analyze and apply production processes and techniques to textiles. Additional topics will include the maintenance and alterations of textiles products, including home interior accessories and garments. Sewing project(s) will be included.

0289 Textile Design II (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Textile Design I

Fee Required

Content: This course is a continuation of Textile Design, Construction and Maintenance. Students will enhance skills by completing a personal project in the textiles lab. Course will be offered if student numbers and master schedule allow. This course may run concurrently with Textiles I.

ENGLISH

0030 English 9 (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Required: 9

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course provides opportunity for continued development in literature, language, composition, speaking and listening. Students will gain proficiency in reading both non-fiction and fiction texts along with a variety of poetry, short stories, essays, and full-length works. Writing instruction emphasizes the writing process, grammar, usage, organizational patterns, and idea development. Students will gain proficiency with paragraph structure and will practice writing essays. The student

should be able to write unified paragraphs using the narrative and expository modes to complete coherent and detailed essays. Vocabulary instruction emphasizes word parts and usage.

1030 Accelerated English 9 # (QP Value 1.5)

1 credit (full year)

Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and test scores

Content: Students entering this course should have a solid grasp of paragraph structure as well as grammar, usage, and style; and the vocabulary skills used to decipher new and unusual terms associated with advanced reading selections. Reading assignments focus on critical thinking skills as they apply to complex works of American literature. Writing instruction emphasizes and builds upon previous knowledge of the writing process, and the support of ideas developed in persuasive, narrative, and expository essays. This course prepares students for future accelerated experiences.

0031 English 10 (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Required: 10

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course focuses on the foundational skills of English Language Arts: reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Students will gain proficiency in reading both nonfiction and fiction texts along with a variety of poetry, short stories, essays and full-length works. Writing units build on English 9 instruction on the writing process, grammar usage, organizational patterns, and idea development. Major writing assignments throughout the year will utilize the various types of expository writing, while introducing persuasive writing and literary analysis.

1031 Accelerated English 10 # (QP Value 1.5)

1 credit (full year)

Prerequisite: 85% or higher in Accelerated /College Prep English 9 or teacher recommendation

Content: Students entering this course should have a solid foundation in the English Language Arts skills of reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Reading assignments focus on critical reading and analysis of increasingly complex nonfiction and fiction texts along with a variety of poetry, short stories, essays, and full-length works. Writing instruction emphasizes the writing process, grammatical correctness, development of voice and style, sophistication of ideas, and idea development. Major writing assignments throughout the year will emphasize expository, persuasive, and literary analysis. Weekly vocabulary study emphasizes ACT and/or SAT words. A research paper may be required. This course prepares students for future accelerated experiences.

0032 English 11 (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Required: 11

Content: This course focuses on critical reading and writing skills, specifically, with persuasion, literary analysis and research. Students will study both nonfiction and fiction works to deepen understanding and to observe how authors use the tools of language to achieve their purposes. In-class and out-of-class writing experiences will develop students' abilities to write for a variety of purposes. Vocabulary development will also be emphasized.

1032 Accelerated English 11 # (QP Value 1.5)

1 credit (full year) (students may use this course as part of third English required for graduation)

Prerequisite: Accelerated English 9 or 10 (or with teacher/counselor permission)

Content: This course prepares students with strong critical reading and writing skills that will help ready qualified students to take Composition I. The course emphasizes persuasive writing, literary analysis and research. Nonfiction is featured prominently alongside complex literary works to deepen understanding of how authors use the tools of language to achieve their purpose. Both

in-class and out-of-class writing experiences develop students' abilities to write with control for a variety of purposes. Weekly vocabulary study emphasizes ACT and/or SAT words. A research paper may be required for this course.

0034 English 12 (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Required: 12

Content: This course explores literature through fiction and nonfiction texts along with poetry, short stories, essays, and full-length works. Writing instruction focuses on refining skills in language and structure in various forms, encourages development of critical thinking skills in literary analysis, argumentation, and research and exposes students to college-level vocabulary. Writing units build on English 11 instruction on writing process, grammar usage, organizational patterns, and idea development. A research project is required for this course.

0038 Reading Fundamentals (QP Value 1.0) (Not offered 2024-25)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None (based on recommendation)

Content: This course is designed for students whose reading skills are below grade-level. The course will focus on improving both fluency and comprehension.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS ENGLISH AT GALION

1311 (NCSC English 1010) – English Composition I # (QP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Content: This is a basic course in expository writing and critical reading. Students read a variety of non-fiction works and write summaries, analyses, and essays in response to their reading. Students learn to read actively and accurately and to organize, develop, and revise coherent papers appropriate for a college-educated audience.

1315 (NCSC English 1030) – English Composition II # (QP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Content: This is a course in argument and research writing. Students read issue-based works and write summaries, responses, and an argument and research paper. Students learn to organize research projects, find and evaluate sources, incorporate ideas and quotations from sources, document their sources in MLA and APA style, analyze and use argumentative strategies and persuasive appeals, and prepare and revise effective, coherent papers.

1325 (NCSC Communications 1010) – Speech # (QP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Content: This course involves instruction and experience in giving a presentation. Students are taught the principles of speech content and delivery so that they can effectively participate in a variety of practical speaking situations. Presentations will include the informative speech, persuasive speech, visual aid/demonstration speech, impromptu speech and group presentation.

1335 (NCSC ENGLISH 2050) – American Literature I # (QP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: English 1030

Content: American Literature I is a survey course that examines the development of American literature in English from the early colonies through the Civil War. Through the use of selected texts, students will become familiar with key authors and works that represent American literature in English and

the multiple voices within it. As a survey course, American Literature I is designed to provide students with a foundational understanding of the historical and cultural conditions that influenced the development and formation of American literature. This course will provide the necessary background for a more in-depth understanding of and appreciation for American literature not covered in the course.

1336 (NCSC ENGLISH 2070) – American Literature II # (QP Value 1.5)

3 semester hours

Prerequisite: English 1030

Content: American Literature II is a survey course that examines the development of American literature in English from the mid-nineteenth century to the present. Through the use of selected texts, students will become familiar with key authors and works that represent American literature in English and the multiple voices within it. As a survey course, American Literature II is designed to provide students with a foundational understanding of the historical and cultural conditions that influenced the development and formation of American literature. This course will provide the necessary background for a more in-depth understanding of and appreciation for American Literature not covered in the course, and it will prepare students for more advanced study of literature in general.

Suggested High School English Sequence

Graduation Requirement: 4 credits

Classes marked with # meet the requirements for gifted service options

<u>Grade</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>
<u>College Prep</u>	English 9	English 10	English 11	English 12
<u>Accelerated</u>	# Accelerated English 9	# Accelerated English 10	# Accelerated English 11	#CCP Composition

SCHOOL PUBLICATIONS/YEARBOOK

0290, 0291, 0292, 0293 School Publications I, II, III, IV (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12 (by application)

Prerequisite: Minimum “B” average in English, basic knowledge of computer usage, an application and advisor approval are required.

Content: The major emphasis and final product of the course is the organization and completion of the yearbook. Students will utilize publishing software, applying advanced writing (journalism), technical, and artistic skills in design, photography, and completion of material. Students are responsible for proof-reading and corrections, selling ads, and managing business aspects of school publications. Though not required, it is advisable that some students attend yearbook camp for training in order to obtain a more thorough understanding of the software used for publication (see advisors for information).

DRAMA

Acting & Theater Design (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Content: This course introduces and familiarizes students with theater and acting. The course combines performance, participation activities, and script reading. Students will focus on characterization, movement, and vocal interpretation to build a foundation for acting. In addition, an overview of theater

history through dramatic literature, a study of the role of theater within society, and theater appreciation and etiquette. The course will also touch on the theatrical performance's traditional "backstage" areas. Students will explore a variety of theatrical technologies, including lighting, sound, and construction techniques. A mandatory course requirement is the performance hours served outside the regular school day.

WORLD LANGUAGE

0155 Spanish I (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: "C" or better in current English class

Fee Required

Content: Spanish I is a full-year introductory course to Spanish language and culture. Course activities include: reading, writing, and listening activities, communication scenarios and presentations, grammar and vocabulary exercises, interactive games, quizzes and projects. Students are taught through Comprehensible Input (CI) and Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling (TPRS) instructional methods. Students will acquire the target language by listening and reading to support their eventual output of writing and speaking. They learn to communicate on a variety of topics through all modes of communication (Interpersonal, Interpretive, Presentational). Students must be prepared to engage and practice in class and devote individual time outside of class to review and practice. Students must be open and prepared to speak and interact with peers, while learning about different cultures. Obtaining a language proficiency of [Novice Mid to Novice High](#) is expected by the end of this course in preparation for future Spanish classes (ACTFL standards-<https://www.actfl.org/resources/ncssfl-actfl-can-do-statements>).

0156 Spanish II (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Elective 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Spanish I with a "C" average or better. Students with a "D" must get written permission from the instructor.

Fee Required

Content: Spanish II is a full-year course of Spanish language and culture. Course activities include: reading, writing, and listening activities, communication scenarios and presentations, grammar and vocabulary exercises, interactive games, quizzes and projects. Students are taught through Comprehensible Input (CI) and Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling (TPRS) instructional methods. Students continue to acquire the target language by listening and reading to support their eventual output of writing and speaking by expanding and furthering their studies of vocabulary, grammar, and cultural knowledge. They learn to communicate on a variety of topics through all modes of communication (Interpersonal, Interpretive, Presentational). Students must be prepared to engage and practice in class and devote individual time outside of class to review and practice. Students must be open and prepared to speak and interact with peers, while learning about different cultures. Obtaining a language proficiency of [Novice High to Intermediate Low](#) is expected by the end of this course in preparation for future Spanish classes (based on ACTFL standards – <https://www.actfl.org/resources/ncssfl-actfl-can-do-statements>).

0157 Spanish III (QP Value 1.5)

1 credit (full year) Elective: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Spanish I, II with a "C" average

Fee Required

Content: Spanish III is a full-year course of Spanish language and culture. Students are taught through Comprehensible Input (CI) and Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling (TPRS) instructional methods. Spanish III students are expected to continue developing their reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills with the addition of self-expression. They continue to communicate on a variety of topics through all modes of communication (Interpersonal, Interpretive, Presentational). A variety of books, magazines, and articles are used for supplemental reading. Students write in response to prompts, listen to native and narrative speakers, and speak in Spanish. Cultural studies will continue. Course goals include: 1. Achieving a language proficiency of [Intermediate Low to Mid](#) by the end of this course in preparation for future Spanish classes (based on the ACTFL standards – <https://www.actfl.org/resources/ncssfl-actfl-can-do-statements>). 2. To prepare students to be able to take a Spanish placement exam and receive credit for at least one college-level Spanish class. 3. To continue in the study of Spanish as a major or minor.

0158 Spanish IV (QP Value 1.5)

1 credit (full year) Elective: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Spanish III with a “C” average

Fee Required

Content: Spanish IV emphasizes intermediate conversation, reading, listening, and composition skills based on practical situations. Students are taught through Comprehensible Input (CI) and Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling (TPRS) instructional methods. Students will review tenses learned in prior Spanish courses and increase their knowledge of Spanish grammar and vocabulary. Spanish IV students are expected to continue developing their reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills with the addition of self-expression. Students will continue to communicate, both to themselves and aloud, on a variety of topics through all modes of communication (Interpersonal, Interpretive, Presentational), and by using a variety of books, magazines, and articles. Students write in response to prompts, listen to native and narrative speakers, and speaking in Spanish, both conversationally and presentationally. Students will continue studies in Spanish and Latin cultures. Course goals include: 1. Preparing students to take a Spanish replacement exam and receive credit for at least one college-level Spanish class. 2. To continue in the study of Spanish as a major or a minor. 3. To achieve an [Intermediate + level](#) of conversational Spanish (based on the ACTFL standards – <https://www.actfl.org/resources/ncssfl-actfl-can-do-statements>).

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS FOREIGN LANGUAGE AT GALION

1154 (NCSC SPANISH 1010) - Beginning Spanish (QP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Content: This course develops basic speaking, listening, writing and reading skills. The goal is for students to achieve a Novice-Mid level of proficiency across all the aforementioned skills. At this level, students will be able to provide and understand information about themselves and their immediate surroundings using words, phrases and memorized expressions while speaking and listening, reproduce from memory a modest number of words and phrases in context while writing, and identify a number of highly contextualized words and phrases including cognates and borrowed words while reading. Students will have an introduction to Hispanic Cultures by examining a variety of topics. This course is not intended for native speakers of Spanish.

1156 (NCSC SPANISH 1020) - Intermediate Spanish (QP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: 2 years of high school Spanish or **SPAN 1010** (C or above)

Content: SPAN 1020 is a continuation of **SPAN 1010** with more advanced practice in listening, reading, speaking, and writing with an emphasis on practical Spanish. Course includes introduction to Hispanic culture on selected topics. This course is not intended for native speakers of Spanish.

MATHEMATICS

0051 Algebra I (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year)

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course is designed to provide a solid foundation for all future work in mathematics. Emphasis is placed on: identifying mathematical processes while solving various types of problems, explaining the meaning of mathematical structures, and analyzing equivalent representations to choose what is best in given situations. Readiness for mathematical abstractions is important.

0055 Geometry (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year)

Prerequisite: Algebra I

Content: Topics include traditional Euclidean Geometry and 3-dimensional geometric relationships. Deductive and inductive reasoning will be emphasized. Students will learn geometry through an investigative approach by utilizing geometric tools.

1055 Accelerated Geometry # (QP Value 1.5)

1 credit (full year)

Prerequisite: Algebra I (B or above in Algebra I or Teacher recommendation)

Content: Topics include traditional Euclidean Geometry and 3-dimensional geometric relationships. Deductive and inductive reasoning is applied to proving theorems and postulates (the laws of geometric thought). Students will learn through investigation (using geometric tools – as in drawing constructions), application (practical use of laws), and extrapolating ideas across concepts in order to model and solve challenging situations. This course includes projects designed to stretch students academically through advanced content and educational practices. Finally, it moves at a faster pace and enrollment may be determined by staffing availability.

0053 Algebra II (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year)

Prerequisite: Geometry, Algebra I

Content: Algebra II extends the practices of identifying, explaining, and analyzing the structure of mathematics to include advanced algebraic concepts, geometric concepts, trigonometric concepts, and statistical concepts. These concepts follow a logical and cohesive progression, developed through the understanding of expressions and functions, including how they are applied in the real world.

1053 Accelerated Algebra II # (QP Value 1.5)

1 credit (full year)

Prerequisite: B or above in Algebra I and Accelerated Geometry or teacher recommendation

Content: Topics include solving equations, coordinate graphing, logarithms, analytical geometry, determinants, and probability. This class is specifically designed for those students who took Algebra I in grade 8 and Accelerated Geometry in grade 9 or for those students who wish to move at a faster pace. This course offering is determined by student enrollment and staff availability.

0056 Quantitative Reasoning (Algebra II Equivalent) (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year)

Prerequisite: Successful completion of Geometry

Content: This course is designed so that students will learn to recognize, understand and use the quantitative elements they encounter in various aspects of their lives. A study of algebraic operations and applications, trigonometric functions, graphs, and inverse functions, and statistical analysis.

0059 Introduction to Statistics (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Grade 12 only (meets fourth math requirement, but does not qualify for honors diploma)

Prerequisite: 3 math credits previously earned

Content: This course will focus on understanding and interpreting the many aspects of probability and statistics that are encountered in daily life. Students are introduced to the major concepts and tools for collecting, analyzing, and drawing conclusions from data. Specific topics include the binomial and normal distributions, measure of central tendency, measure of dispersion, probability, linear correlation and regression, and other statistical methods. Students will also have opportunities to collaborate on various statistical projects throughout the year.

0057 Precalculus *# (QP Value 1.5)

1 credit (full year) *Counts towards an Honors Diploma*

Prerequisite: Algebra II with “C” or higher

Content: Precalculus weaves together the previous study of algebra, geometry, and mathematical functions into a preparatory course for calculus. The course focuses on mastery of critical skills and exposure to new skills necessary for success in subsequent math courses. Topics include fundamental concepts of algebra, functions and graphs, polynomials and rational functions, exponential and logarithmic functions, trigonometric functions, and systems of equations and inequalities. ACT review and practice will be included throughout the course.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS MATH AT GALION

1552 (NCSC MATH 1110) – College Algebra *# (QP Value 1.5)

4 credit hours

Prerequisite: ACT Math score of 22 or comparable score on Accuplacer Next Gen is required

Content: A study of: 1) polynomial operations, rational expressions, exponents, radicals; 2) linear and quadratic equations, inequalities, absolute value applications and their graphs; 3) graphs of elementary functions and non-functions including inverse functions, combining functions, and translating and transforming functions; 4) study of polynomial functions including the Fundamental theorem of Algebra, zeros of polynomials, rational functions, partial fractions; 5) exponential and logarithmic functions including graphs and applications; 6) Gauss-Jordan elimination and Cramer’s Rule.

1553 (NCSC MATH 1130) – Trigonometry *# (QP Value 1.5)

4 credit hours

Prerequisite: Successful completion of MATH1110 with a grade of a C – or better or ACT Math score of 26 or a comparable score on the Accuplacer Next Gen is required

Content: This course includes the study of trigonometric functions and inverse trigonometric functions and their graphs; solutions of right and oblique triangles and their applications; solutions of trigonometric equations and inequalities; the use of identities, vectors, and complex numbers; and solutions of polar equations and parametric equations. Students must supply a graphing calculator.

1554.1 (NCSC MATH 1150) – Calculus I *# (QP Value 1.5)

5 credit hours

Prerequisite: Successful completion of MATH-1051 or MATH1130 with a grade of C – or ACT Math score of 28 or comparable score on the Accuplacer Next Gen is required.

Content: A study of analytic geometry, limits, continuity, the derivative, basic differentiation rules, rates of change, the product and quotient rules, higher-order derivatives, the chain rule, implicit differentiation, related rates, extrema on an interval, Rolle's Theorem and the Mean Value Theorem. Function analysis includes increasing and decreasing functions and the first derivative test, concavity and the second derivative test, limits at infinity and curve sketching. Concluding topics include anti-derivatives, indefinite and definite integrals, the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, and integration by substitution. Applications include optimization problems, Newton's method, differentials, and areas of planar regions.

1555 (NCSC STATS 1010) – Probability & Statistics *# (QP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: ACT Math score of 22 or a comparable score on the Accuplacer Next Gen is required

Content: This course provides the student with an overview of probability and statistics. Probability terminology, concepts and rules are emphasized in solving probability. Descriptive statistics, including measures of central tendency and dispersion, charts, tables and diagrams are used to summarize data. The student is introduced to the binomial, poisson, hyper-geometric, normal and t-distributions. Confidence intervals, hypothesis testing, correlation, and linear regression are used to make conclusions concerning population parameters from sample data.

Suggested High School Math Sequence**Graduation Requirement: 4 credits****# Classes marked with # meet the requirements for gifted service options #***** An Honors Diploma requires Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II (or equivalent), & one other higher level math course ***

<u>Grade</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>
Accelerated	Algebra I	# Acc. Geom. or Geom fetry	# Acc. Alg II or Algebra II	# CCP Alg / CCP Trig	# CCP Calc I/ CCP Stats 1010 or # CCP Alg/ CCP Trig or HS Intro to Stats
College Prep	Pre-Algebra	Algebra	Geometry or # Accel. Geometry	Algebra II or # Accelerated Algebra II or Quantitative Reasoning	HS Intro to Stats or Pre-calculus or # CCP Alg / CCP Trig

MUSIC – BAND, CHOIR, DRAMA**0140 Band (Marching)** (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Co-Curricular Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Prior band membership or permission from instructor

Content: **Marching Band**: Students will learn about, practice, and perform a variety of music. The

music studied will vary greatly and will expose the student to a broad sampling of different musical styles, genres and forms. Participation outside regular school hours is required. See the band director for details. Unexcused absences from practice or performances will reflect in the student's grade. Special accommodations are available for students with conflicting school activities. See the band director for details and agreements. Course may be repeated for credit. A maximum of two credits may be used to fulfill the fine arts graduation requirement; however the course will be used in compilation of grade point average and class rank. Two parades (Come Home to Galion and Memorial Day) are scheduled and required. Marching Band is split into 2 levels: Concert and Symphonic Band. Determination of placement is based on audition performance.

Concert Band: Students will rehearse and perform a variety of music. Students will develop technical skills on their instrument as well as study music theory, music history, and rehearsal and performance techniques.

Symphonic Band: This course is designed to provide students with an intermediate experience on band instruments. Curriculum for this course is an extension of the skills and concepts introduced in Concert Band.

Band Auxiliary: Flag Corps

Non-credit Extra-curricular: 9, 10, 11, 12

(Unless student also takes band during school day)

Prerequisite: Auditions are held in the spring of the previous year

Content: The purpose of this group is to enhance the visual aspect of the marching band performance. The existence and the specific organization of the band auxiliaries will be upon student interest and the availability of a suitable advisor. Qualified members are considered part of the band during marching band season and are required to follow all band rules, procedures, and practice/performance schedules otherwise notified in writing. Participation outside regular school hours is required. Rule violations or unexcused absences from practices or performances may result in denial of participation or dismissal. All band and school rules apply.

Band Auxiliary: Majorette

Non-credit Extra-curricular: 9, 10, 11, 12

(Unless student also takes band during the school day)

Prerequisite: Auditions are held in the spring of the previous year

Content: Same as Band Auxiliary: Flag Corps

Pep Band

Non-credit Extra-curricular: 9, 10, 11, 12

(Not part of student's school schedule)

Prerequisite: Band membership or permission from instructor

Content: Performances include playing at athletic and community events. Literature played will include traditional school songs as well as standard contemporary marching band and pep band repertoire. All band and school rules apply.

Jazz Band

Non-credit Extra-curricular: 9, 10, 11, 12

(Not part of student's school schedule)

Prerequisite: Permission from instructor. Auditions are as needed for proper instruction.

Content: Jazz band functions as a part of the larger band program. Students will learn to play a variety of music styles, predominantly focusing on swing and standard "big band" style music. Music

history, basic music theory, improvisation techniques, and stylistic considerations as they relate to jazz music will be taught. Attendance requirements include two outside school practices a week and various performances. Practices will begin following the conclusion of the traditional marching band season. All band and school rules apply.

0090 Concert Choir (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None (Treble voices only)

Content: Students will be introduced to all kinds of vocal music. There will be three concerts and a contest during the year. Unexcused absences from a performance will reflect in the student's grade. A maximum of two choir credits may be counted toward graduation requirements.

***Treble voices include any student who identifies as female.**

0091 Chamber Choir (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None (Tenor voices only)

Content: Students will be introduced to all kinds of vocal music. There will be several concerts and performance opportunities throughout the year. Unexcused absences from a performance will reflect in the student's grade. A maximum of two choir credits may be counted toward graduation requirements.

*** Tenor bass voices include any student who identifies as male.**

0092 Symphonic Choir (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Elective: 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: This is an audition-only choir. Students will need one year of either Concert Choir or Chamber Choir AND pass an audition in order to participate in this class, unless the instructor gives special permission.

Content: Students will be introduced to all kinds of advanced vocal music. There will be several concerts and performance opportunities during the year. Unexcused absences from a performance will reflect in the student's grade. A maximum of two choir credits may be counted toward graduation requirements.

*** This class includes treble and tenor bass voices.**

0094 Music: Sounds, Songs, Styles

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course is not a majority performance class. It includes a survey of various genres of music, music history, basic music theory, bucket drumming, composition and other musical topics.

0142 Keyboarding (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: This music course is designed to teach piano skills to beginners. In working through the first two levels of the Finger power and Shaum method book series, students will learn finger dexterity and hand independency, key recognition, and basic music theory. Additionally, students will learn to recognize and employ various types of articulations and creatively voice their melodies.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS FINE ARTS AT GALION

1910 (NCSC MUSC 1010) – Music Appreciation (QP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Content: This course is designed to develop listening skills used for understanding elements of musical style in a historical perspective and the significance of music as fine art.

1810 (NCSC HUMA 1010) – Introduction to the Humanities (QP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Content: This course is a genre-based introduction to the humanities and the fine arts. The student will explore the six major means of artistic expression within the fine arts: painting, literature, drama, film, photography, and sculpture. The course focuses on an understanding of the genre itself as well as the various critical theories that apply on the fine arts, including but not necessarily limited to mimesis, formalism, didacticism, and postmodernism. Field trips are required in the course.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH

0100 Physical Education (QP Value 1.0)

¼ credit (1 semester) Required: 9,10 (unless waived—see below)

Prerequisite: Students MUST dress as required and participate daily to be eligible to earn class credit.

Content: This co-ed class will promote physical fitness as well as individual physical skills with emphasis on team sports and some individual sports. The PE dress requirement will consist of athletic shorts, sweats, yoga pants, or leggings in blue, black, or gray, a pair of tennis shoes, socks, and a plain white t-shirt or any t-shirt that supports our GHS athletic teams (ex. Galion Tennis, Tiger Football, etc.). If clothing is an issue, students should see the front office or guidance office.

NOTE: To waive a PE course requirement (per Galion board policy po 5460) a student must have successfully completed two seasons of high school athletics, cheerleading, showtunes, or two high school marching band seasons prior to his/her junior year. Please see your school counselor if you are interested in waiving your physical education requirement.

0110 Health (QP value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Required: 9 or 10

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course stresses personal and social health concerns. Students will be introduced to pertinent topics and will have information on which to develop good health habits and make informed health-related decisions.

0112 Lifetime Fitness (QP Value 1.0)

¼ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: Physical Education requirement met & teacher approval

Content: This course will give an introduction to lifelong fitness and total wellness through the use of various activities including weight training, cardiovascular training, and flexibility exercises. This course is designed to introduce safety, proper technique, and the benefits of physical training.

SCIENCE

0063 Biology (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Required: 9

Fee Required

Content: This course investigates the composition, diversity, complexity and interconnectedness of life on Earth. Fundamental concepts of heredity and evolution provide a framework to explore the living world, the physical environment and the interactions within and between them.

0062 Physical Science (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Required: 10 (grade 9 with teacher permission)

(Meets Physical Science graduation requirement)

Content: This course covers topics such as laws of motion and forces found in nature, matter, mass, velocity, acceleration, properties of waves and simple machines. The course also covers composition of matter, earth processes, states of matter, atoms, elements, compounds, radioactive substances, plate tectonics, basic space concepts and natural resources.

0064 Forensic Science * (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) 11, 12

Prerequisite: Biology, Physical Science

Fee Required

Content: Forensic Science is the application of science (chemistry, physics, and biology) to the criminal and civil laws that are enforced by police agencies in a criminal justice system. It includes the investigation of fingerprinting, fiber analysis, ballistics, arson, trace evidence analysis, poisons, drugs, blood spatters, and blood samples. Students are taught the proper collection, preservation, and laboratory analysis of various samples.

0068 Zoology *# (QP Value 1.5)

1 credit (full year) 11, 12

Prerequisite: Biology, Physical Science

Fee Required

Content: This course provides an introduction to the classification, relationships, structure, and function of major animal phyla. Emphasis is on levels of organization, reproduction and development, comparative systems, and a survey of selected phyla. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate comprehension of animal form and function, including comparative systems of selected groups. Laboratory exercises include microscope observations and dissections to reinforce topics discussed in lecture.

0065 Chemistry *# (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) 10 (with teacher permission) 11, 12

Prerequisite: Physical Science and Algebra I with at least a “C” average *Counts towards an Honors Diploma*

Fee required. * Beginning in 2023-2024, this will meet the requirement of an advanced science.

Content: This course explores the structure of atoms, properties of matter, trends in periodic law, types of chemical bonds, characteristics of elements, naming of ionic and covalent compounds, fundamentals of chemical reactions, and data analysis using stoichiometry. Laboratory activities and student projects are designed to enhance the learning of state standards.

0069 Biology II *# (QP Value 1.5) (Not offered 2023-2024)

1 credit (full year) 11, 12 (grade 10 with teacher permission) *Counts towards an Honors Diploma*

Prerequisite: Biology with at least a “C” average

Fee Required

Content: This course is an extension of the ninth grade Biology course. It includes interrelationships of living organisms, levels of biological organization, human biology, social implications, biochemistry,

evolution, ecology, and genetics. Extensive laboratory work and problem solving are essential components.

0066 Physics *# (QP Value 1.5)

1 credit (full year) 11, 12 *Counts towards an Honors Diploma*

Prerequisite: Physical Science, Algebra II with at least a “C” average

Fee Required

Content: Physics addresses the concepts of mechanics, wave behavior, thermodynamics, Newton’s laws of motion, thermal properties of matter. It also covers electricity, magnetism, optics, the interactions among electric charges, properties of electric and magnetic fields and forces, and the characteristics of electromagnetic waves.

0067 Anatomy *# (QP Value 1.5)

1 credit (full year) 11, 12 * Counts towards an Honors Diploma*

Prerequisite: Biology and Physical Science with at least a “C” average or with teacher permission

Fee Required

Content: This laboratory course concentrates on the study of human anatomy and physiology. Laboratory study includes the dissection of mink and rats for comparative purposes. This course is designed for students interested in medical-related careers.

0061 Environmental Science *# (QP Value 1.5)

1 credit (full year) 11,12 * Counts towards an Honors Diploma*

Prerequisite: Physical Science with at least a “C” average

Content: In this higher-level physical science course, students will apply scientific principles and laws from biology and chemistry to analyze and interpret data relating to the dynamics of Earth’s history, the atmosphere, oceans, ecosystems, agriculture, population dynamics, energy challenges, and climate change. Exploratory and investigative activities will utilize the outdoors as our classroom, and student-driven, individual research projects coinciding with community service projects will be encouraged.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS SCIENCE AT GALION

1664 (NCSC GEOLOGY 1010) – Physical Geology *# (QP Value 1.5)

4 credit hours

Content: Physical Geology is an introductory course describing the fundamental concepts of Geology for Non-Science majors. These fundamental concepts are grouped in seven modules: Module (Geology, Earth Science, and the Scientific Method) is an introduction to the science of Geology and its many branches; this module also discusses the steps in the scientific method, and describes the systems approach to geology. Module II (Origin and Evolution of Earth) discusses the formation of the universe and the solar system, and introduces Earth’s neighbors in the science system. Module III (Plate Tectonics and the Dynamic Earth) discusses Earth’s internal structure and introduces the Theory of plate tectonics, a unifying idea that explains Earth’s surface processes and features. Module IV (Earth Materials: Minerals and Rocks) discusses the materials from which Earth is made, as well as their structure and classification. Module V (Structural Geology) describes how Earth’s internal and external processes interact to produce earthquakes and mountains. Module VI (Energy Resources) describes the energy resources that the Earth provides us and how they are produced and used. Module VII (Hydrology and Stream Geomorphology)

discusses how water shapes the surface of our planet and helps create a multitude of erosional and depositional landforms.

1665 (NCSC GEOLOGY 1030) – Historical Geology ** (QP Value 1.5)

4 credit hours

Historical Geology is an introductory course describing the fundamental concepts of Geology for Non-Science majors. It contains 12 individual lessons grouped in 3 modules. Module I- Fundamental Concepts explains the basic concepts of historical geology including, earth materials and geologic time. Module II – The Evolution of the Earth and Life Through Time follows the evolutionary processes of both the solid Earth and biology through time. Module III – A closer look into the Major Time Periods is an in depth look into each of the five major time periods with the focus on biologic evolution.

Suggested High School Science Sequence

Graduation Requirement: 3 credits – combination of physical and biological

Students will be permitted to take Physical Science & Chemistry as a sophomore, if they intend to enroll in NCSC Sci-Med or Bio-Science as a junior.

Classes marked with # meet the requirements for gifted service options

*** An Honors Diploma requires 4 credits of science – two must be advanced ***

<u>Grade</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>
Accelerated	Biology	Physical Science	Chemistry Or # Biology II	# Environmental Sci or # Physics or # Anatomy	# Environmental Sci or # Physics or # Anatomy
College Prep		Biology	Physical Science	Forensics or # Biology II	# Environmental Sci or # Physics or # Anatomy

SOCIAL STUDIES

0070 World Studies/Economics (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Required: 9

Prerequisite: None

Content: The world studies portion of the course examines world events from 1600 to present, exploring the impact of the democratic and industrial revolutions, the forces that led to independence movements and the effects of global interdependence. The economics portion of the course examines how individuals, businesses and government make decisions about the use of scarce resources in a world of unlimited wants and needs. It also aims to engage students in basic economic concepts revolving around fundamentals of economics, microeconomics, macro-economic, and international trade.

0071 American History (QP Value 1.0)

1 credit (full year) Required: 10

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course examines the history of the United States of America from 1877 to present. The federal republic has withstood challenges to its national security and expanded the rights and roles of its citizens. The episodes of its past have shaped the nature of the country today and prepared it to attend to the challenges of tomorrow. Understanding how these events came to pass and their meaning for today's citizens is the purpose of this course. The concepts of historical thinking introduced in earlier grades continue to build with students locating and analyzing primary and secondary sources to draw conclusions from varying perspectives.

0073 American Government (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Required: 11

Prerequisite: None

Content: How the American people govern themselves at national, state and local levels of Government is the basis for this course. The course involves an in-depth study of the American political system. The direct impact of our government on our lives is examined.

0074 Modern Historical Conflicts (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 11, 12 (or 10 with teacher approval)

Prerequisite: None

Content: Modern Historical Conflicts is a course focused on the origins and consequences of 21st century wars. Students will address military technology, strategy, and the effect of war on human society in the 21st century. This course offering is determined by student enrollment and staff availability.

0076 Sociology (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 11, 12 (or 10 with teacher approval)

Prerequisite: None

Content: Topics covered include social groups, group interaction, cultural diversity and conformity, social classes, the socialization process, and social deviance. This course offering is determined by student enrollment and staff availability.

0078 Scandals in History (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 11, 12 (or 10 with teacher approval)

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course examines scandals that have rocked society and changed the course of history. Topics include, but are not limited to, Watergate, the Iran-Contra Affair, the Lewinsky Scandal, Teapot Dome, Credit Mobilier, and the Whiskey Ring. Also, student-generated topics will be considered as potential material for exploration and discussion. This course offering is determined by student enrollment and staff availability.

0075 History Through Film (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 11, 12 (or 10 with teacher approval)

Prerequisite: None

Content: In this course students will examine historical events by watching, discussing, and writing about movies. There will be a focus on 20th Century American history. Movies can provide some factual information about a historical figure, event, or time period; they can also distort the past. A major part of the course will be discussion of how movies accurately and inaccurately portray history. For every

film watched, students will answer two questions: What does this movie tell a modern viewer about a particular time period? What is the underlying theme of the movie?

0079 Comparative Politics (QP Value 1.0) (Not offered in 2024-2025)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective 11, 12 (or 10 with teacher approval)

Prerequisite: None

Content: Comparative Government and Politics introduces students to fundamental concepts used by political scientists to study the processes and outcomes of politics in a variety of country settings. The course aims to illustrate the rich diversity of political life, to show available institutional alternatives, to explain differences in processes and policy outcomes, and to communicate to students to the importance of global political and economic changes. This course offering is determined by student enrollment and staff availability.

0095 History of Music and Popular Culture (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Elective: 9, 10, 11, 12

Prerequisite: None

Content: In this course, students will critically analyze eras of history and focus on the culture of the times in terms of popular music. Students will progress through American History in an effort to determine how society reacted to events and how music, and culture impacted daily lives. We will move through case studies of various genres of music: blues, rock 'n' roll, soul, disco, country and hip hop and how they are truly a reflection of the values of society.

0333 Financial Literacy (QP Value 1.0)

½ credit (1 semester) Required: It is encouraged that this is taken in 10th grade.

Prerequisite: None

Content: This course explores the fundamentals that guide individuals and nations as they make choices about how to use limited resources to satisfy their wants. More specifically, it examines the ability of individuals to use knowledge and skills to manage limited financial resources effectively for a lifetime of financial security. This course will also include instruction in economics.

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1753 (NCSC POLITICS 1010) – American National Government # (QP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Content: This course involves an examination of the people, values, institutions, processes, and policies associated with the American government. Special emphasis is given to the way in which all of the variables interact to form the dynamic that is American politics.

1762 (NCSC PSYCHOLOGY 1010) – Introduction to Psychology # (QP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Content: This is an introductory level course that is a study of basic human behavior. Topics include the history of psychology, scientific methods, biological processes, cognitive processes, sensation and perception, consciousness, learning, intelligence, human development, personality theory, psychopathology and treatment, stress and health, and social psychology.

1765 (NCSC PSYCHOLOGY 2010) – Human Growth & Development # (QP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Prerequisite: Psychology 1010

Content: This course presents an overview of the total lifespan of human growth and development from conception through death. Major theories of human development will be studied through examination of the dynamics of human growth in relation to physical/neurological, socio/emotional, and cognitive development across the lifespan.

1758 (NCSC SOCIOLOGY 1010) – Introduction to Sociology # (OP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Content: Introduction to the theoretical foundations and methods used to gather, interpret, and evaluate data in sociology. Insight into how society is organized by focusing on the structure and function of social institutions, the impact of culture and socialization on individuals and groups, and systems of stratification among various racial and ethnic, social class, gender and sexuality groups.

1812 (NCSC SOCIOLOGY 2010) – Cultural Diversity and Racism # (OP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Content: Sociological exploration of American racial and ethnic groups. Emphasis placed on social construction of race and ethnicity, and patterns of intergroup contact. Historical comparative analysis of selected groups with emphasis on economic, political and structural inequalities.

1774 (NCSC HISTORY 1050) – Western Civilization I # (OP Value 1.5)

3 credit hours

Content: This course presents an overview of European civilization from antiquity to about the year 1600, stressing the chief political, social, cultural, and religious developments within this span of time. This class will help students gain a better understanding of the historical narrative of European civilization, particularly as it relates to political institutions and structures and social and cultural developments; develop improved textual interpretation skills through the careful reading and discussion of ancient and medieval texts; and refine their ability to express ideas and produce convincing arguments through writing essays and short papers.

Suggested High School Social Studies Sequence

Graduation Requirement: 3 credits

Classes marked with # meet the requirements for gifted service options

*** An Honors Diploma requires 4 credits of social studies ***

<u>Grade</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>
	World Studies/Economics	American History	American Government and Social Studies Elective	Social Studies Elective or # CCP Social Studies Electives

1862 (NCSC FYEX 1000) – College and Career Success for CCP Students

2 credit hours

Content: For many students, navigating the first year of college is a struggle as they are faced with new academic challenges and new challenges for managing relationships, resources, and more. This course is designed to assist students in determining their life course (academic and career). It will have students research careers and the education/training necessary to attain those careers. Students in FYEX1000 will also look at the soft skills necessary for success in school and life – motivation, goal-setting, time management/organization, interdependence, diversity, locus of control, self-efficacy/assertiveness, grit, growth mindset, deep learning, critical thinking, financial literacy, and study skills. This course includes 10 hours of financial literacy that may fulfill the state required high school financial literacy graduation requirement (through the class of 2025 only).

PERSONALIZED LEARNING LAB

Students need to fill their schedule with seven periods of Academic Instruction. In the case of a student whose schedule has a “hole” to fill and the course offerings for that class period will not work – they have previously taken the course, they have not met a prerequisite, etc. – they will be given a Personalized Learning Lab (PLL). Personalized Learning Lab will allow the student to choose an online offering from various elective classes to earn either .5 credit or 1 credit. Students will meet with their school counselor to finalize this course choice.

Work Space

Use this space to sketch out your plans/ideas so that you are prepared when you fill out your registration form.

STUDENT NAME _____

GRADE NEXT YEAR _____

You must be enrolled in a minimum of 7 credited classes each semester.

COURSE

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Four Year Plan

Grade 9

Grade 10

Grade 11

Grade 12

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