

BUSINESS AND COMPUTER

ACCOUNTING 1				
Grade Level: 9-12	Credits: 1	College Credit: Yes	Fine Arts Credit: No	Prerequisite: None
<p>Accounting is the language of business. It is an essential part of every business institution and organization. This class is your chance to take away more knowledge about finance that is applicable to the real world. It can take you to the next level in business. This class is a structured class and many students love its connection to math, finance, and entrepreneurship. Any student interested in any aspect of business and/or planning to study business in college (such as accounting, business administration, marketing, economics, finance, management, and business administration) will need a strong background in accounting. Students should follow up this class with Accounting 2 for an even broader look at business activities and prepare for owning their own business or taking college business courses. Also, we have a fun workplace atmosphere! Join us. This is an Honors Course.</p>				

ACCOUNTING 2				
Grade Level: 9-12	Credits: 1	College Credit: Yes	Fine Arts Credit: No	Prerequisite: Accounting 1
<p>This class is a continuation of Accounting 1 and expands accounting concepts to include the accounting for larger corporations and covers paying employees and payroll taxes. This class is highly recommended for all accounting students, but especially for those interested in college business, finance, and marketing classes and those who are interested in owning their own business! If you want a well-rounded introduction to accounting for a business, we recommend you take both trimesters of accounting. Hope to see you there! This is an Honors Course.</p>				

BUSINESS & PERSONAL LAW				
Grade Level: 9-12	Credits: 1	College Credit: No	Fine Arts Credit: No	Prerequisite: None
<p>Law for Business and Personal Use is a brief introduction to Minnesota's legal system. Personal points of emphasis are criminal law, civil law, constitutional rights, tort law, and juvenile law; while business law looks at consumer law, etc. This is a great class for all wanting to know more about how our laws affect them daily and how the legal system is set up.</p>				

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT				
Grade Level: 9-12	Credits: 1	College Credit: No	Fine Arts Credit: No	Prerequisite: None
<p>Business Management covers many of the general topics important to any business or management position. We cover the functions of management, strategic planning, business analysis, operations, communication and decision-making, business ethics, human resources, etc.</p>				

COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

Grade Level: 9-12	Credits: 1	College Credit: Yes	Fine Arts Credit: No	Prerequisite: None
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This course will cover basic computer topics, such as being more efficient, staying organized in a Google world and Internet safety, but will also give an introduction to Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Access. Computer skills are used in almost 100% of careers. Join us and expand your skills while you have fun creating documents on the computer! This is an Honors Course (ACC- articulated credit for 2 year schools.)

INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS

Grade Level: 9-12	Credits: 1	College Credit: No	Fine Arts Credit: No	Prerequisite: None
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Take a tour through the world of business! Discover what you're most interested in while you uncover talents you can apply in the business world. Touch base with general business topics such as careers, management, communication, marketing, economics, human resources, finance, entrepreneurship, and more. Join us and find your place in business!

INTRODUCTION TO MARKETING

Grade Level: 9-12	Credits: 1	College Credit: Yes	Fine Arts Credit: No	Prerequisite: None
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Marketing is everywhere! If you're interested in business and looking for an exciting introduction to the world of marketing, check us out! Topics and activities include creating a marketing plan, advertisements, online posts, logos, slogans, sales promotions, and much more. Students also participate in a social media marketing simulation that looks at social media statistics in order to create and post social media ads that generate sales. No prior business knowledge is needed. Our field trip to the Mall of America puts our new marketing knowledge to use too! We'd love to have you join us! This course could give you college credit and is an Honors Course.

PERSONAL FINANCE

Grade Level: 10-12	Credits: 1	College Credit: No	Fine Arts Credit: No	Prerequisite: None
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This course will teach you how to handle your month-to-month finances. Become a better manager of your money by learning more about banking services, maintaining a realistic budget, completing your income taxes, purchasing a vehicle, investing your money to make it grow and how to use credit wisely. This is a course EVERY student should take for the life skills you will learn.

SMSU MANAGEMENT 101

Grade Level: 11-12	Credits: 1	College Credit: Yes	Fine Arts Credit: No	Prerequisite: 3.0 or higher GPA, juniors top 1/3 of class and seniors top 1/2 of class
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Southwest Minnesota State University and Waconia High School have teamed to offer Management 101. Successful completion of this course will not only fulfill high school credit, but also awards 3 college credits in the MNSCU transfer curriculum. This course explores all of the traditional functions performed by business, an introduction of principles and concepts of business, and the framework and environment of our free enterprise system in a global world. Students must be a junior or senior and have a GPA of 3.0 or above in order to enroll in this course. This is an Honors Course.

START YOUR OWN BUSINESS (BizInnovator Program through University of Iowa)

Grade Level: 9-12	Credits: 1	College Credit: Yes	Fine Arts Credit: No	Prerequisite: None
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Start Your Own Business is an entrepreneurship class geared toward business Startups. What business could you start? We will look at how businesses start and how successful businesses continue to succeed. Students learn first hand how startups begin by identifying problems, gathering data, and generating viable business solutions. You will be able to investigate your own business ideas too! Course units are designed by the University of Iowa and students are eligible for 3 credits from the U of Iowa. This is an Honors Course.

VIDEO PRODUCTION

Grade Level: 9-12	Credits: 1	College Credit: No	Fine Arts Credit: Yes	Prerequisite: None
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Have you ever watched a cool or inspiring video and wondered how it was made? This course will give you the tools and skills to shoot videos that are heads and shoulders above the majority of videos posted on YouTube! With a heavy emphasis placed on Adobe Premiere Pro editing software, the course will teach you the basics of video production: framing, lighting, sound, editing, effects, etc.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Grade Level: 12	Credits: 1-3	College Credit: No	Fine Arts Credit: No	Prerequisite: Steady Employment
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This program is open to eligible seniors who desire developing occupational proficiency through community job experiences. An on-the-job training agreement is agreed upon between the school and the employer. Students must be employed an average of ten hours per week. The classroom seminar meets twice a week and students are released early to go to work. Topics covered include: career planning, job seeking and keeping skills, job satisfaction, job-related communication skills, and managing your income.