



**2021-2022
Secondary Course Catalog**

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FAITH ACADEMY SECONDARY 6TH-12TH

PARENTAL ROLE

At the secondary level, the parental role will evolve from “guide for dependent study” to “guide to independent study” as the student matures.

- Students in the 6th – 8th grades will begin to assume some independence from the parent in the completion of assignments. Parents should read Canvas assignments, structure time and place for completing the assignments, offer assistance as needed, and verify that each assignment is completed. Parents should understand that Canvas assignments may not contain detailed instructions for the parent concerning the completion of assignments, since students will be expected to learn how to receive verbal instructions and record this through notes. Parents may contact teachers to verify instructions; however, they should reinforce with students the expectation for this skill to be developed. Parents may spot-check work to check for understanding of the practiced concept, but should not “pre-grade” assignments. Teachers use this opportunity for independent practice as an indicator of whether or not there is a need for re-teaching the concept.
- Students in the 9th – 10th grades will require supervision in order to help them develop disciplined study habits and personal responsibility for the completion of assignments in a timely manner. Parents will supervise student work, monitor student assignments, and discuss content as required. Parents should provide opportunity for independence based on the maturity and success of their students. If students have problems turning work in on time or understanding the subject matter, it is the parents’ responsibility to enforce stricter accountability and provide the extra help that is needed –either by the parent or a tutor. Parents should maintain a “satellite classroom” environment for the student on days not attending Faith Academy. Parents are responsible for monitoring student grades as a reflection of the students’ learning and participation in each course and providing necessary incentives or punishments if grades are not acceptable.
- Students in the 11th – 12th grades study independently, as required in post-secondary education programs. Parents should be available to assist as needed with organization, accountability, and spiritual guidance. Parents should review Canvas assignments often enough to monitor all major assignments and make sure the student is investing the time necessary to complete these assignments. In some courses, the student may need a tutor to help with home assignments if the parent is unable to review the material. It is crucial that parents make sure that students maintain a “satellite classroom” schedule on the days not attending Faith Academy (work should be secondary to school). Although the parental role changes as the student matures, parental involvement is still expected by teachers in these final years of high school.

COURSE PREREQUISITES

Successful completion of the preceding course in the Faith Academy sequence; satisfactory performance on the appropriate placement test and/or permission of the Academic Chair may be required; specific course prerequisites are listed where applicable.

ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS

English

The primary purpose of the English program is to develop and refine student skills in both oral and written communication and to promote understanding of and appreciation for fine literature. Emphasis will be placed on reading and writing proficiencies, as well as evaluating the world's great literature against the standard of scriptural truth and wisdom. Courses will give students the opportunities needed to improve reading, composition, and higher-level thinking skills. Emphasis will be placed on reading comprehension and reading analysis, vocabulary and spelling, mechanics of grammar, components of various types of compositions including a research paper, and an increasing knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of literature. Students will be taught the principles that literature should be evaluated by Biblical standards and that lessons learned through the study of literature should be applied to life.

Mathematics

The mathematics department exists to help students learn to appreciate the orderliness of the creation and, by extension, the Creator; even as they learn to think logically and analytically using highly structured mathematical systems. A concurrent focus on the development of problem solving skills and methodologies gives the math program an important applications emphasis.

Science

The goals of the science department are to teach essential scientific concepts, skills, and methodologies; to encourage the development of higher-level thinking skills; and to help students better understand the Creator-creation relationship in the context of modern scientific knowledge and discovery.

Social Studies

The social studies department has as its primary interest the social aspects of human existence and experience. Specifically, it examines the various institutions, relationships, ideas, and problems related to the origin, development, and essential nature of human society in general as well as specific cultures and societies. The primary goal of these courses is to prepare students for effective ministry and useful citizenship within whatever life station or geographical location the Lord should deem appropriate for their service. Students will be expected to develop the ability not only to understand and utilize general facts and ideas, but also, and especially, to sift and evaluate a given culture's values, traditions, etc., through a Biblical grid supported by a knowledge and understanding of essential information and concepts associated with the areas of history, government, economics, and geography. These courses also prepare our students to have a strong biblical worldview of active and responsible citizenship. *Students must have three years of high school social studies to graduate (Plan I) or four years (Plan II). All students must take US History, Government, and Economics to graduate.*

Foreign Languages

The primary goals of the foreign languages department are to help students gain proficiencies in the use of a second language, to encourage the development of skills which will help students better understand and utilize the communicative power of languages in general, and to help students develop a greater awareness of, interest in, and increased appreciation for the people of other cultures. Ultimately, it is hoped that by achieving these goals our students might become better students of the Bible and more concerned and effective ambassadors for Christ.

Technology

The technology department is dedicated to preparing students for both their academic pursuits and life in the 21st century, as with each passing year technology takes on a greater significance. Through these technology courses, students will develop a working knowledge of a variety of basic computer skills and applications. Students will also gain an understanding of the value of this expertise as well as a glimpse at the vast array of opportunities available today. Students may choose to further explore more advanced applications including computer programming.

Bible

The ultimate goal of the Bible department at Faith Academy is to help students know Christ, grow with Christ, and go forth as disciples of Christ. It is our desire at Faith Academy that every student have a deep and intimate knowledge about God, the Scriptures, and His mission to the world. Students will have an overview of the whole Bible and God's activity throughout history. They will be introduced to the person of Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord and be encouraged to put their whole trust in Him. They will learn about a personal relationship with Jesus and how to walk practically in their faith through regular chapels, fall retreats, and spring mission trips. Ultimately, students at Faith Academy will fall in love with Jesus and represent him in every aspect of their life and faith.

COURSE LIST BY DEPARTMENT – JUNIOR HIGH

6th Grade Academy

The 6th Grade Academy is a program that helps students develop a Christian worldview by drawing on educational practices of interdisciplinary studies, inquiry-based learning, and critical thinking skills. The different courses are woven together in a way that provides academic challenge through a yearlong thematic focus on how we as individuals and as a community can be stewards of God's creation: His physical creation, His creation of our individual spirituality, and His creation of all the different people in our hometowns, our nation, our world.

Sixth grade students have a schedule that differs somewhat from both the elementary and the junior high schedules, creating a separate learning group. Teachers in the Faith 6th Grade Academy work collaboratively in designing cross-curricular studies and in giving close attention to the learning and behavioral needs of each student.

Courses in the 6th Grade Academy include English Language Arts (reading, writing, vocabulary, grammar), History (Ancient Times), Math, Science (Life Science) and Bible. In addition, all sixth grade students take Beginning Tech and Study Skills. To enroll in 6th grade at Faith Academy, students must take the full 6th Grade Academy course load.

English: ENGL0601 Fall, ENGL0602 Spring

The sixth-grade course in English will continue to emphasize the development of skills in the use of oral and written language for the purpose of effective communication in the various subject areas. Students will be encouraged to apply their knowledge of grammar, vocabulary, and punctuation as they refine their composition skills. Sixth-grade reading materials will be drawn from a variety of genres and topics. Students will also be introduced to some fundamental concepts associated with the appreciation of literature. Students will complete several writing assignments, including a research paper appropriate for this grade level.

6th Math: MATH0601 Fall, MATH0602 Spring

In addition to providing a review of basic arithmetic skills, as well as common and decimal fractions, this course also includes place value, ratio, proportion, percent, and geometry concepts. Probability, graphing, consumer applications, and pre-algebra skills are introduced. At the end of the spring semester, all students are eligible to take a pre-algebra placement test that may exempt them from 7th grade math and allow them to enroll in 8th grade pre-algebra. Students who are eligible for pre-algebra will be on a 5-year math tract that enables them to graduate with calculus or another 5th year math course.

Participation in math competitions will occur in class with top students competing at district level.

Earth Science: SCIE0601 Fall, SCIE0602 Spring

This course will study the earth, as related to the lithosphere, hydrosphere, celestial sphere, and earth's atmosphere. Students will study astronomy, oceanography, meteorology, and geological records that confirm the Biblical accounts of creation and worldwide flood. The course will not simply be a collection of facts, but a presentation of the interesting processes, historically important events, and the structures and actions that can be observed in or from the earth today. Students will complete an individual earth science project to be displayed at the Academic Showcase in the spring.

Ancient Studies: SOST0601 Fall, SOST0602 Spring

Students in this course will study ancient civilizations by geographical regions. It will begin in the Middle East, where history began, and continue through the history, geography, and culture of Europe, Asia, Africa, and Central America. A good introduction to worldwide missions and missionary heroes and the contrast of Christianity and other world religions are also presented.

Technology (6th grade): TECH0601 Fall, TECH0602 Spring

The Beginning Tech introduces keyboarding skills as well as Microsoft Office applications for word processing, spreadsheets and presentations. Creative design software that prepares students for digital presentations is also a part of Beginning Tech. Study Skills will teach note taking, research, communication (both verbal and written), and problem solving.

6th Grade Bible: BIBL0601 Fall, BIBL0602 Spring

ENGLISH

COURSE PREREQUISITES

Students must have received a passing average (average of fall and spring semesters) from previous course or satisfactory performance on the appropriate placement test.

English: ENGL0701 Fall, ENGL0702 Spring

Students will continue to develop their composition skills, writing increasingly complex analyses that include thesis statements and evidence paragraphs. During this year they will also write a research paper appropriate for the grade level. Students will work on correcting and editing their writing using reference materials for grammar, a dictionary and a thesaurus. Course materials and instruction will maintain emphasis on grammar, vocabulary and reading. Literature studied will require increasing development of critical reading skills as well as literary analysis. In addition, the principles stressed include the belief that literature should be evaluated by biblical principles and that lessons learned through the study of literature should be applied to life.

English: ENGL0801 Fall, ENGL0802 Spring

To advance composition skills, students will use texts and research material to support an arguable thesis and to provide evidence that supports that thesis, as well as interesting and relevant introductions and conclusions. In literary analysis, students will develop and refine their skills in evaluating themes, characters, conflicts, settings, use of language, and other literary concepts. An expectation is that student writing will increase in grammatical complexity and variety. Students will develop public speaking skills through expressing opinions and responding to the comments of classmates during discussions, and through presenting special projects and citing Scripture and poetry.

MATH

COURSE PREREQUISITES

Students must have received a passing average (average of fall and spring semesters) from previous course or satisfactory performance on the appropriate placement test.

7th Math: MATH0701 Fall, MATH0702 Spring

This course is a bridge between mathematics fundamentals and pre-algebra. It includes the study of fractions, decimals, percentages, word problems, geometry, perimeter, circumference, area, pi, volume, ratio, proportion, exponents, scientific notation, and much more.

Participation in math competitions will occur in class with top students competing at district level.

Pre-Algebra: MATH0801 Fall, MATH0802 Spring

Pre-Algebra serves as the transition course from arithmetic to Algebra. The text used is designed so as to automate the use of fractions, mixed numbers, and decimals in all operations. Functions (linear and quadratic), polynomials (adding, subtracting, and multiplying), and trigonometry are introduced. Perimeter, area, volume, and other geometric formulas are also introduced. The beginning concepts of Algebra will be practiced thoroughly.

SCIENCE

COURSE PREREQUISITES

Students must have received a passing average (average of fall and spring semesters) from previous course or satisfactory performance on the appropriate placement test.

Earth Science: SCIE0701 Fall, SCIE0702 Spring

This course will study the earth, as related to the lithosphere, hydrosphere, celestial sphere, and earth's atmosphere. Students will study astronomy, oceanography, meteorology, and geological records that confirm the Biblical accounts of creation and worldwide flood. The course will not simply be a collection of facts, but a presentation of the interesting processes, historically important events, and the structures and actions that can be observed in or from the earth today. Students will complete an individual earth science project to be displayed at the Academic Showcase in the spring.

Physical Science: SCIE0801 Fall, SCIE0802 Spring

This course is an introduction to basic fundamentals of physics and chemistry, utilizing labs for hands-on application of these concepts. To further prepare students for high school science, emphasis will be placed on the scientific method, research techniques, and proper documentation of experiments, culminating with a kit-based science project in the spring.

Course Prerequisites: Completed or enrolled concurrently in MATH0801 and MATH0802.

SOCIAL STUDIES

COURSE PREREQUISITES

Students must have received a passing average (average of fall and spring semesters) from previous course or satisfactory performance on the appropriate placement test.

World History: The Middle Ages: SOST0701 Fall, SOST0702 Spring

This course follows the world's Ancient History covered in 6th grade. The period of time goes from the fall of Rome through the Renaissance, focusing on the different eras of history in different regions of the world. In addition to the castles and knights many might associate with the Middle Ages, this course helps students understand many other interesting events, interesting historical figures, and world culture changes associated with that time. The student demonstrates how the Christian Church was one of the most influential powers of this era.

American History: SOST0801 Fall, SOST0802 Spring

This course is a study of the history and geography of the United States beginning with early explorers and discovery of the continent of America continuing through major events that impact our history. The student will have the opportunity to investigate the early foundations of our national government; important issues and events that impact where our nation is today; and the individuals whose Christian influence changed society and helped pave the way to *one nation under God*.

BIBLE (7th-8th Grades)

This class is developed with the intent of moving students along in Bible knowledge and historical timelines. It is our desire to see this class become the most anticipated course of the day for students at Faith Academy.

7th Grade Bible: BIBL0701 Fall, BIBL0702 Spring

8th Grade Bible: BIBL0801 Fall, BIBL0802 Spring

ELECTIVES (7th-8th Grades)

Art: ARTS0681 Fall, ARTS0682 Spring

Students receive beginning art instruction that includes an introduction to drawing fundamentals, perspective, color study, pastels, watercolor, portraits, pen and ink, and block printing. *Students cannot take the spring semester of Art without previous art class experience. We encourage you to make this a full year of art.*

Class size: Limited to 12 per section

Introduction to Robotic Technology (Botball): BOTB0681 Fall, BOTB0682 Spring

This is a team competition class. Students, working in small groups, will design, build, and program a semi-autonomous robot. Students will learn the basics of programming in C, in order to direct the robot in completing a series of simple tasks. Robots are built from Lego® and metal components and are capable of utilizing a variety of electronic digital and analog sensors. Students will also participate in researching the varied current uses and possible future applications of robotics. All students will be expected to attend workshops and any other extra practices. The Team competition will take place in the spring. Students must take both fall and spring semesters.

Course Prerequisites: Ability to type 25 WPM, a typing test will be given the first week of school.

Class size: Limited to 12 students

Math Lab: MTLB 0781 Fall, MTLB 0782 Spring

Math Lab is designed to help students build a foundation in math by providing additional practice on fundamental concepts that are important for future math success. This course is for students who need extra review on math concepts. Students will not be working on homework for their current math class but reviewing concepts they need to review.

Technology I: TECH1301 Fall (3 credits), TECH 1302 Spring (3 credits)

This class is available for 8th graders and High School students only.

This required course focuses on practical applications in Microsoft Windows. Students will become proficient in Word, Excel, Power Point, and Google Docs, developing useful skills for the classroom and beyond. Students will also learn to code. Using *Scratch*, developed by the MIT Media lab, students apply computational thinking to build algorithms that sequence commands, events, loops, and conditions. They learn how to construct scripts to develop animated scenes, mazes, interactive stories, and games. This class will allow students to earn 6 technology credits toward their high school diploma requirements.

Course Prerequisites: Ability to type 25 WPM

Class Size: Limited to 15 per section

Spanish I: SPAN1301 Fall (3 credits), SPAN1302 Spring (3 credits)

This class is available for 8th graders and High School students only.

In a primarily Hispanic state, Spanish is becoming more and more vital to our economy and nation. This course provides students with an introductory level of Spanish. A connection between Spanish and the many cultures that speak it is achieved by emphasizing language skills as a means to understand, interact, and witness. Students are introduced to dialogue, Spanish grammar and vocabulary, familiar passages of Scripture, rotating projects, oral presentations, current events, skits, games, native speakers, and role playing. Online tools are integrated into learning and homework.

JUNIOR HIGH ATHLETICS

Junior high athletes will report at the beginning of the sport season. Available sports may vary subject to student interest. Practice start times are given as a guide for schedule; coaches will send out specific times and information. Students must turn in physical and any other required athletic forms before allowed to begin practicing.

Football: ATHL0681JF Fall

6th grade boys can choose between flag or tackle football, 7-8th grade boys will be enrolled in tackle. Open to 6th- 8th grade boys, fall competition, practice begins when school starts

Volleyball: ATHL0781V Fall

Open to 6th- 8th girls, fall competition, practice begins when school starts

Cheer: ATHL0681C Fall

Open to 6th- 8th girls, practice begins 1st of August

Basketball: ATHL0781BB Fall (Boys), ATHL0781GB Fall (Girls)

Open to 6th- 8th grade boys and girls, winter competition, practice begins in October

Tennis: ATHL0682T Spring

Open to 6th- 8th grade boys and girls, spring competition, practice begins in late February

Track & Field: ATHL0682TR Spring

Open to 6th- 8th grade boys and girls, spring competition, practice begins in late February

High School Diploma Options

Plan I: Minimum High School Program

Plan I should prepare students for entry into community colleges and less competitive four-year colleges. To earn this diploma, students are required to earn the following credits:

ENGLISH:	24 credits (<i>English I, II, III, IV</i>)
MATHEMATICS:	18 credits (<i>Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II</i>)
SCIENCE:	18 credits (<i>Biology, Chemistry, 3rd Lab Science</i>)
SOCIAL STUDIES:	18 credits (<i>U.S. History, Gov/Econ, and either World History or Geography</i>)
FOREIGN LANGUAGES:	12 credits (<i>must be in the same foreign language</i>)
TECHNOLOGY:	6 credits
PHYSICAL EDUCATION:	6 credits
FINE ARTS:	6 credits
SPEECH:	3 credits
ELECTIVES:	45 credits (<i>includes Bible</i>)

Total required credits for Plan I Diploma: 156

Plan II: Recommended High School Program

Plan II should prepare students for entry into more competitive four-year colleges and universities. To earn this diploma, students are required to submit their ACT or SAT scores before April 30 of their senior year and earn the following credits:

ENGLISH:	24 credits (<i>English I, II, III, IV</i>)
MATHEMATICS:	24 credits (<i>Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, and Pre-Cal or Business Math</i>)
SCIENCE:	24 credits (<i>Biology, Chemistry, Honors Physics I, and Additional lab science</i>)
SOCIAL STUDIES:	24 credits (<i>World History, Geography, U.S. History, Government/Economics</i>)
FOREIGN LANGUAGES:	12 credits (<i>must be in the same foreign language</i>)
TECHNOLOGY:	6 credits
PHYSICAL EDUCATION:	6 credits
FINE ARTS:	6 credits
SPEECH:	3 credits
ELECTIVES:	27 credits (<i>includes Bible</i>)

Total required credits for Plan II Diploma: 156

Plan III: Distinguished High School Program- (Eligibility begins with the Class of 2023)

Plan III should prepare students for entry into competitive four-year colleges and universities as well as competitive majors. To earn this diploma, students are required to submit their ACT or SAT scores before April 30 of their senior year and earn the following credits:

ENGLISH:	24 credits (English I, II, III, IV- one year must be AP or dual credit)
MATHEMATICS:	24 credits (Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Pre-Calculus- Bus. Pre-Cal is excluded)

See "Additional Requirement" below.

SCIENCE:	24 credits (Biology, Chemistry, Honors Physics, and a 4th Science credit.)
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See "Additional Requirement" below.

SOCIAL STUDIES:	24 credits (World History/World Geography I, World History/World Geography II, U.S. History, Government/Economics. At least one year must be dual credit or AP.)
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ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT: 6 credits- Must meet ONE of the following:

1. Complete AP Calculus as a 5th math class
2. Complete a 5th year of science - must be one of the following: Honors Chemistry II, Honors Physics II, Honors Biology II or other pre-approved advanced science.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE:	18 credits (must be the same language)
TECHNOLOGY:	6 credits
PHYSICAL EDUCATION:	6 credits
FINE ARTS:	6 credits
SPEECH:	3 credits
ELECTIVES:	24 credits (includes Bible)

Total required credits for Plan III Diploma: 165

COURSE LIST BY DEPARTMENT – HIGH SCHOOL

COURSE PREREQUISITES

Successful completion of the preceding course in the Faith Academy sequence; satisfactory performance on the appropriate placement test and/or permission of the Academic Chair may be required; specific course prerequisites are listed where applicable.

ENGLISH

English I: ENGL1301 Fall (3 credits), ENGL1302 Spring (3 credits)

This English course examines World Literature using a thematic approach. Students will enhance their critical reading skills with increasingly rich and complex selections. Writing skills will likewise increase using literary analysis of the elements of fiction, poetry and drama, as well as through examining such concepts as allusion, irony, symbolism, sound/syntax, and figurative language. Skills in grammar and vocabulary will continue to develop using classroom as well as home study practice.

Course Prerequisites: *Students must have received a passing average from ENGL0801 and ENGL0802 or satisfactory performance on the appropriate placement test.*

English II: ENGL2301 Fall (3 credits), ENGL2302 Spring (3 credits)

Again, World Literature will be the focus of study in this English course, with emphasis being on Christian literature representing a Biblical worldview. Additionally, students will read selections representing other religions and different worldviews, using the contrast to better refine their understanding and ability to explain their Biblical worldview. Writing assignments will be increasingly complex, drawing not only on the elements of literature, but also on student's ability to read critically, to analyze nuanced language and theme. Grammar and vocabulary will continue to be covered in classroom and home study assignments as an important strategy for building reading comprehension and composition skills

Course Prerequisites: *ENGL1301 and ENGL1302*

English III: ENGL3301 Fall (3 credits), ENGL3302 Spring (3 credits)

Through the study of American literature from pre-Colonial times to the present, students will advance their writing skills through style analysis and literary essays, including a major research paper. They will apply their understanding of English grammar to improvement in writing, revision, and editing. Literary elements will be reinforced, with a focus on allusion, irony, symbolism, sound/syntax, and imaginative comparisons. Students will learn and apply new vocabulary words in their writing. Students will also enhance their speaking skills through oral presentations of poetry, Scripture, and literary passages. This course will be available to both juniors and seniors. In the 2019-2020 academic year, the emphasis will be on American literature. In 2020-21, the course will cover British literature; subsequent years will alternate between American and British literature.

Course Prerequisites: *ENGL2301 and ENGL2302*

English IV: ENGL4301 Fall (3 credits), ENGL4302 Spring (3 credits)

Through the study of American literature from pre-Colonial times to the present, students will advance their writing skills through style analysis and literary essays, including a major research paper. They will apply their understanding of English grammar to improvement in writing, revision, and editing. Literary elements will be reinforced, with a focus on allusion, irony, symbolism, sound/syntax, and imaginative comparisons. Students will learn and apply new vocabulary words in their writing. Students will also enhance their speaking skills through oral presentations of poetry, Scripture, and literary passages. This course will be available to both juniors and seniors. In the 2019-2020 academic year, the emphasis will be on American literature. In 2020-21, the course will cover British literature; subsequent years will alternate between American and British literature.

Course Prerequisites: ENGL2301 and ENGL2302

Dual Credit English Composition I: ENGL4301DC Fall (3 credits), and Dual Credit English Composition II: ENGL4302DC Spring (3 credits)

A dual credit English course provides the first and second semesters of college English. Composition I is a study of the principles and techniques of written compositions including sentence structure, paragraph development, and paper organization. It also stresses the development of critical thinking as it applies to the textual analysis of expository prose. Composition II focuses on the development of critical thinking as it relates to the textual analysis of literary genres: short story, poetry, drama, and the novel. A formal research paper is required.

Course Prerequisite: Humanities Chair approval and ENGL2301 and ENGL2302 and CTC acceptance and enrollment by August 1

Dual Credit British Literature I: ENGL5301DC Fall (3 credits), and Dual Credit British Literature II ENGL5302DC Spring (3 credits)

This dual credit English course combines the first and second semesters of college English sophomore level American Literature. The fall semester is a survey of American literature from Pre-Colonial and Colonial literature to the American Renaissance period (mid-19th century). Selected readings are used to represent outstanding expressions of our American literary heritage, viewed within the historical, social and intellectual context during which the literature was created. Students in the course will use and further develop skills in critical reading, critical thinking, and expository writing as they analyze a wide variety of literary selections and genres. The spring semester will be a survey of American literature beginning with Walt Whitman and continuing to the present. Selected readings are used to represent outstanding expressions of our American literary heritage, viewed within the historical, social and intellectual context during which the literature was created. Students in the course will use and further develop skills in critical reading, critical thinking, and expository writing as they analyze a wide variety of literary selections and genres.

Course Prerequisite: Humanities Chair approval and DC ENGL 4301 and DC ENGL 4302 and CTC acceptance and enrollment by August 1

MATH

Algebra I: MATH1301 Fall (3 credits), MATH1302 Spring (3 credits)

Course coverage will include integers and rational numbers; equations and formulas; inequalities, exponents and polynomials; polynomials and factoring; graphs and linear equations; systems of equations; inequalities and absolute value; rational expressions and equations; radical expressions and equations; relations and functions; and quadratic equations. *Students who wish to take five years of math should take this course on the 8th grade level.*

Course Prerequisites: MATH0801 and MATH0802

Geometry: MATH2301 Fall (3 credits), MATH2302 Spring (3 credits)

This course includes a basic introduction to geometry including definitions and postulates; an introduction to proofs; the geometry of parallel lines and planes, congruent triangles and using congruent triangles with other figures, right triangles, and circles; area and perimeter of polygons, surface area, and volume; transformations, symmetry, and similarity; and an introduction to trigonometry. *Students who wish to take five years of math should take this course on the 9th grade level or when offered in summer between 9th and 10th grade years.*

Course Prerequisites: MATH1301 and MATH1302

Algebra II: MATH3301 Fall (3 credits), MATH3302 Spring (3 credits)

Course coverage includes real numbers and problem solving; equations in inequalities; relations, functions and graphs; systems of equations and problem solving; polynomials and polynomial equations; rational expressions and equations; introduction to matrices, operations with matrices, determinants, and inverses; powers, roots, and complex numbers; quadratic equations; quadratic functions and transformations; equations of second degree; polynomial functions; exponential and logarithmic functions; an introduction to conic sections; and trigonometric functions, identities and equations. *Students who wish to take five years of math should take this course on the 10th grade level.*

Course Prerequisites: MATH1301 and MATH1302, MATH 2301 and MATH2302

Business Pre-Cal: MATH 4301B Fall (3 credits), MATH 4302B (3 credits)

This course applies Algebra 1 concepts in practical business and personal finance contexts. Business math helps students achieve success by incorporating Algebra I, Algebra II, and Geometry topics. It encourages students to be actively involved in applying mathematical ideas to their everyday lives—credit, banking, insurance, the stock market, independent living and more.

Course Prerequisites: MATH3301 and MATH3302

Pre-Calculus: MATH4301P Fall (3 credits), MATH4302P Spring (3 credits)

This class follows Algebra II and reinforces and expands the concepts of functions and their graphs. It also includes polynomial and rational functions, exponential and logarithmic functions, solving systems of equations using matrices, conic sections, and graphing. Students will also learn the unit circle, right triangle trigonometry, trig functions of any angle, sine and cosine functions, radian and degree measure, inverse functions, graphs, applications and models, trig identities, formulas, vectors and the trig form of complex numbers.

Course Prerequisites: MATH3301 and MATH3302

AP Calculus: MATH5301 Fall (3 credits), MATH5302 Spring (3 credits)

This is the last course in a five-year math sequence that includes Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, and Pre-Cal. This course is an advanced form of mathematics that teaches the skill of solving problems in which the quantities are constantly changing (i.e. differentiated and integral calculus). At the end of this course, students will have the opportunity to take the AP Calculus exam.

Course Prerequisites: *minimum grade of 85 in both MATH4301 and MATH4302*

SCIENCE

Biology: SCIE1301 Fall (3 credits), SCIE1302 Spring (3 credits)

This course provides a survey of the scope of biology, with emphasis on concepts that may be critical in future decisions on a personal, as well as social, level. Students will learn the use of the microscope, basic cytology, and zoology. This is a lab course that includes written lab reports and dissections.

Course Prerequisites: *SCIE0801 and SCIE0802, MATH0801 and MATH0802*

Chemistry: SCIE2301 Fall (3 credits), SCIE2302 Spring (3 credits)

Chemistry includes the study of different substances to determine what they are made of, what qualities they have, and how they change when they combine with other substances. This chemistry course will present foundational ideas behind atomic structure, bonding, stoichiometry, nomenclature, kinetic theory, solutions, equilibrium, thermo-chemistry, acid-base chemistry, and electrochemistry. It will also stress chemistry applications and promote the development of organized problem solving, classifying matter, quantifying chemicals, and predicting chemical phenomena. This is a lab course that will require students to learn and apply principles of modern chemistry.

Course Prerequisites: *SCIE1301 and SCIE1302, MATH1301 and MATH1302*

Anatomy and Physiology: SCIE4301A Fall (3 credits), SCIE4302A Spring (3 credits)

Anatomy and Physiology is a course designed for those students who have already taken biology and who wish to develop an understanding of the relationships between the structures and functions of the human body. Students will also learn the mechanisms for maintaining homeostasis within the human body. This course will involve laboratory activities, projects, dissections, and CPR training. Students will learn basic first aid to assist athletic teams during the school year. Students should expect to meet on Monday or Thursday for an extended lab at least once per grading period. Students will be required to attend at least two home football and two home basketball games that will serve as lab components.

Course Prerequisites: *Completion of SCIE 1301 and SCIE 1302*

Physics: SCIE3301A Fall (3 credits), SCIE3302A Spring (3 Credits)

This course is designed to give students a strong conceptual foundation in physics principles including mechanics, properties of matter, sound, light, and electricity. This course will help students make connections between concepts of physics and their everyday life. *This course is not recommended for students who are interested in math or science based majors in college or any degree in upper-tiered 4-year universities.*

Course Prerequisites: *SCIE2301 and SCIE2302, concurrent with MATH 3301 and MATH 3302*

Honors Physics I: SCIE4301HP Fall (3 credits), SCIE4302HP Spring (3 credits)

This math-based course introduces students to fundamental concepts of physics, focusing on classical, or Newtonian, kinematics and mechanics. Students will use vectors to describe and analyze bodies at rest and in motion, as well as the forces acting upon them. Additional topics include periodic motion, waves, optics, electricity, and magnetism. Labs and projects will provide hands-on application of these concepts.

Course Prerequisites: SCIE2301 and SCIE2302, MATH3301 and MATH3302, successful completion of a placement test, and Stem Chair approval

Honors Physics II: SCIE5301HP Fall (3 credits), SCIE5302HP Spring (3 credits)

This course is the study of the physical world including matter and energy and their interactions. Topics covered in Physics will be explored in greater depth. Additional topics will include general and specific relativity, quantum theory, and the dual nature of light. Laboratory investigations will emphasize the development of process skills. *Lab course – students are required to meet on Tuesday or Thursday, once per grading period for extended lab period. Students will receive a schedule for these labs.*

Course Prerequisites: MATH 3301 and MATH3302, SCIE 4301HP and SCIE4302HP

Honors Biology: SCIE5301B Fall (3 credits), SCIE5302B Spring (3 credits)

Advanced Biology is a rigorous course which investigates biological principles in more depth and breadth than the first year course. Inquiry is paramount, both in the laboratory and in classroom discussions. Experiments focus on both qualitative and quantitative aspects of organisms, cells, genetics, and metabolic processes. Connections are made throughout the course to the individual lives of the students by incorporating current events into our discussions. *Lab course – students are required to meet on Monday or Thursday, once per grading period for a mandatory extended lab period. Students will receive a schedule for these labs.*

Course Prerequisites: SCIE 2301 and SCIE2302

SOCIAL STUDIES

World Geography: SOST1301 Fall (3 credits), SOST1302 Spring (3 credits)

World Geography is a survey of the earth and its resources, of the use of those resources, and of the geographic and cultural features of people in the various regions and countries of the world. Students will learn how physical geography affects the political and economic features of countries and the way of life of their peoples. As stewards of the resources God has provided, students will understand the responsibilities of the mandate that God has given us to exercise dominion over His creation.

World History and Geography II

SOST 2301 Fall (3 credits), SOST 2302 Spring (3 credits) – 10th Grade

Integrating the subjects of history and geography provides for a more complete picture and a deeper understanding of historical events and people than if each were taught separately. Freshmen and sophomores have a two-year study of world history that incorporates knowledge of the physical characteristics of the place where an event took place. For example, students will work from maps (e.g. landforms, political boundaries) that bring the geographic perspective to bear on history. Sophomores continue in the second year beginning with the Renaissance, concluding with the Cold War and late 20th century.

U.S. History: SOST3301 Fall (3 credits), SOST3302 Spring (3 credits)

This course is a study of the history and geography of the United States and will provide students with a survey of important issues and events impacting the United States, beginning with the Revolutionary War and continuing through modern times. The student will have the opportunity to investigate these events from the standpoint of a Biblical worldview and appreciate the courage and sacrifice of past generations that provided the freedoms we enjoy today.

Dual Credit U.S. History: SOST3301DC Fall (3 credits), SOST3302DC Spring (3 credits)

This course is a survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of the United States from the pre-Columbian era to the Civil War/Reconstruction era to the present. The class includes the study of pre-Columbian, colonial, revolutionary, early national, slavery and sectionalism, the Civil War/Reconstruction eras, industrialization, immigration, world wars, the Great Depression, Cold War and the post-Cold War eras. Themes that may be addressed in the class include: American settlement and diversity, American culture, religion, civil and human rights, technological change, economic change, immigration and migration, urbanization, study of U.S. foreign policy, and the creation and expansion of federal government.

Course Prerequisite: Humanities Chair approval and CTC acceptance and enrollment by August 1

Federal Government: SOST4301 Fall (3 credits)

This course will break down the principles and mechanics of a constitutional republic into information students can understand. It will begin with an in-depth and Biblical look at the Constitution and the government it established, as well as the rights and privileges it guarantees the American people. After studying the Constitution and the national government, students will learn about federalism and government at the state and local levels, political parties, elections, pressure groups, citizenship, and the opportunities and responsibilities of American citizens to get involved in their unique political system.

Course Prerequisites: 11th or 12th grade classification required

Honors Federal Government: SOST4301H Fall (3 credits)

This course engages students' critical thinking skills through extensive study and participation in scholarly-based classroom discussion. Assignments in actual civic activism will be expected and graded for thoroughness of engagement. The curriculum includes 1) how the laws of Moses and Christ's salvation set the standard for Western justice and compassion, 2) studying the Declaration of Independence, word for word, as well as the entire US Constitution and 27 Amendments, 3) topics of state and local government, political parties, election law, civil rights and the advent of globalism. Comparative theories in government and economics are covered.

OPTIONAL COLLEGE CREDIT: Material and pacing schedule will be provided for students choosing to self-study and take the College Board CLEP test for *Federal Government*.

Course Prerequisites: 11th or 12th grade classification required

Economics: SOST4302 Spring (3 credits)

This course will emphasize free enterprise capitalism in a free market economy. The Biblical views of work, wealth, and stewardship will help students to understand the proper economic roles of individual producers and consumers as well as that of the government. Essential concepts such as competition in the marketplace and private ownership of capital are discussed as well as basic economic principles affecting businesses, financial markets, and government.

Course Prerequisites: 11th or 12th grade classification required

Honors Economics: SOST4302H Fall (3 credits)

This course engages students' critical thinking skills through extensive study and participation in scholarly-based classroom discussion. Citizen lobbying techniques are taught and students are expected to make contributions to legislative efforts that affect the economy. The curriculum explains free market economics within the context of Biblical and natural law. Topics include the American monetary system, American innovation, US labor markets and entrepreneurship. Personal finance covers evaluating personal net worth, buying/selling a car & home, investing, filing income taxes, and estate planning.

OPTIONAL COLLEGE CREDIT: Material and pacing schedule will be provided for students choosing to self-study and take the College Board CLEP test for *Principles in Macroeconomics and Microeconomics*.

Course Prerequisites: 11th or 12th grade classification required

BIBLE (9th-12th Grades)

The Bible is the cornerstone of a lifetime of faith in God and His son Jesus Christ. As a discipleship school, it is vitally important that students know the "sword of the Spirit" so that they may walk this life of faith. As such, Bible is credit-bearing in the high school years and a requirement for graduation, with a semester of credit in Bible necessary for every semester a student is enrolled in High School at Faith Academy.

9th Grade Bible: BIBL1301 Fall (3 credits), BIBL1302 Spring (3 credits)

10th Grade Bible: BIBL2301 Fall (3 credits), BIBL2302 Spring (3 credits)

11th Grade Bible: BIBL3301 Fall (3 credits), BIBL3302 Spring (3 credits)

12th Grade Bible: BIBL4301 Fall (3 credits), BIBL4302 Spring (3 credits)

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Spanish I: SPAN1301 Fall (3 credits), SPAN1302 Spring (3 credits)

In a primarily Hispanic state, Spanish is becoming more and more vital to our economy and nation. This course provides students with an introductory level of Spanish. A connection between Spanish and the many cultures that speak it is achieved by emphasizing language skills as a means to understand, interact, and witness. Students are introduced to dialogue, Spanish grammar and vocabulary, familiar passages of Scripture, rotating projects, oral presentations, current events, skits, games, native speakers, and role playing. Online tools are integrated into learning and homework. *This class is available for 8th graders and High School students only.*

Spanish II: SPAN2301 Fall (3 credits), SPAN2302 Spring (3 credits)

This course builds on previous knowledge by reviewing the basics of Spanish I. Spanish II is presented with more intricate grammar, conversation, and idioms. As with Spanish 1, a vital connection between Spanish and the cultures that speak it is achieved by emphasizing language skills as a means to understand, interact, and witness. Cultural understanding and comprehension are honed using an online immersion program. The program exposes students to multiple Spanish-speaking cultures, accents, and socio-economic levels. Bible passages in Spanish are studied, and dialogue skills, multiple verb tenses and theme-based vocabulary are studied. In this course, students will have more sophisticated rotating projects, oral presentations, current events, skits, games, native speakers, role-playing, etc. as part of their program. Online tools are integrated into learning and homework.

Course Prerequisites: Successful completion of Spanish I or satisfactory performance on placement test and permission of Humanities Chair.

Spanish III: SPAN3301 Fall (3 credits), SPAN3302 Spring (3 credits)

In Spanish 3, further development of students' mastery of vocabulary, written and oral communication skills, and grammatical structure with a special focus on verb forms. The course features true stories and letters from missionaries in Spanish-speaking countries as well as selections from Spanish literature. Language as well as culture is taught.

Course Prerequisites: Successful completion of Spanish II or satisfactory performance on placement test and permission of Humanities Chair.

American Sign Language I: SIGN1301 Fall (3 credits), SIGN1302 Spring (3 credits)

This course is the first in a series of courses designed to develop the skills and knowledge needed to communicate in American Sign Language. This introductory level course establishes a novice range of communications skills. This course emphasizes the cultural practices distinct to those that approach the world from a visual perspective. Topics include: historical events that have impacted the language and culture of the deaf community, the distinct cultural practices, and comparison of language features.

American Sign Language II: SIGN2301 Fall (3 credits), SIGN2302 Spring (3 credits)

This course builds on previous knowledge of American Sign Language I. American Sign Language II is designed to continue skill development in expressive signing. We will build on previous knowledge of the ASL alphabet, facial expression, body language, syntax, and basic vocabulary to understand more sophisticated topics and sentence structure. Lessons will allow students to be able to carry conversations in ASL in a variety of social settings. Students will also continue to learn about the Deaf community to better appreciate Deaf culture. Students will learn Bible passages, be able to use ASL while traveling to ask for directions and names of places, describe people, animals, and recognize slang and informal language. Online tools are integrated into learning and homework.

Course Prerequisites: Successful completion of Sign Language I or satisfactory performance on placement test and permission of Humanities Chair.

TECHNOLOGY

Technology I: TECH1301 Fall (3 credits), TECH1302 Spring (3 credits)

This required course focuses on practical applications in Microsoft Windows. Students will become proficient in Word, Excel, Power Point, and Google Docs, developing useful skills for the classroom and beyond. Students will also learn to code. Using *Scratch*, developed by the MIT Media lab, students apply computational thinking to build algorithms that sequence commands, events, loops, and conditions. They learn how to construct scripts to develop animated scenes, mazes, interactive stories, and games.

Course Prerequisites: Ability to type 25 WPM

Class Size: Limited to 15 per section

Honors Programming I: TECH4301H Fall (3 credits), TECH4302H Spring (3 credits)

This class is an object-oriented programming course utilizing the Python programming language. Students will master basic programming concepts such as conditionals, loops, arrays, classes and objects. Students will be introduced to advanced programming concepts including libraries, data structures, search and sort algorithms, and recursion.

Course Prerequisites: TECH1301 and TECH1302 (or with teacher approval)

Class Size: Limited to 15 per section (11th and 12th graders only)

Digital Marketing: MLMD 4301 Fall (3 credits), MLMD 4302 Spring (3 credits)

This course requires enrollment in both the Fall and Spring semesters.

In this class, students will explore the tools and techniques necessary to develop, produce and implement digital marketing delivery methods including web, email, video, mobile and social media marketing and advertising for any business product or service. The knowledge and skills acquired and practiced will enable students to successfully perform and interact in a technology-driven society.

Course Prerequisites: Ability to type 25 WPM

Class Size: 12 students per section

Digital Photography/Yearbook: TECH2331 Fall (3credits), TECH2332 Spring (3 credits)

This is an instructional course covering photography, digital photo enhancement, and graphic design layout. Students will gain technical expertise in capturing quality images, apply image editing techniques to photographs, and develop skills in visual communication and presentation. Student projects will include individual publications and production of the school yearbook.

Robotic Technology (Botball): BOTB1301 Fall (3 credits), BOTB1302 Spring (3 credits)

This is a team competition class. Students, working in small groups, will design, build, and program a semi-autonomous robot. Students will learn the basics of programming in C, in order to direct the robot in completing a series of simple tasks. Robots are built from Lego® and metal components and are capable of utilizing a variety of electronic digital and analog sensors. Students will also participate in researching the varied current uses and possible future applications of robotics. All students will be expected to attend workshops and any other extra practices. The Team competition will take place in the spring. Students must take both fall and spring semesters.

Course Prerequisites: Ability to type 25 WPM, a typing test will be given the first week of school.

Class size: Limited to 12 students

ACADEMIC ELECTIVES

Speech Communications: SPCH1301 (3 credits)

Speech Communications is a one-semester course designed to help develop the skills necessary to become an effective communicator. This course exposes students to the communication process. Students will actively participate in a variety of communication experiences including but not limited to, the interview process, informal debate, public speaking (demonstration, narrative, persuasive), extemporaneous and impromptu speeches. *This course is required for graduation.*

Dual Credit Statistics: STAT 4301DC Fall (3 credits)

This course includes topics such as the collecting, organizing, and displaying of data; measure of central tendency; measures of variation; histograms; probability and probability distributions; binomial distributions; normal distributions; linear regression and their applications.

Course Prerequisites: 11th or 12th grade classification required and CTC acceptance and enrollment by August 1

Dual Credit Psychology: PSYC3302DC (3 credits)

This one-semester course is a survey of major topics in psychology. It will introduce the study of behavior and the factors that determine and affect behavior.

Course prerequisites: 11th or 12th grade classification required and acceptance and enrollment with CTC by August 1

FINE ARTS ELECTIVES

Art: ARTS1301 Fall (3 credits), ARTS1302 Spring (3 credits)

Faith Academy art classes promote a Godly approach to both the practice and the enjoyment of the arts. Courses encourage the development of technical and artistic skills, but also promote a greater understanding of the value of the arts in developing critical thinking skills and an improved ability to employ the communicative power of the arts as a means of reaching out to others. Art instruction at Faith Academy begins with an introduction to drawing fundamentals, perspective, color study, pastels, watercolor, portraits, pen and ink, and block printing. The advanced student will be given further instruction in the areas above, plus life drawing, oil painting, collage and mixed media, linoleum block, and calligraphy. High school students will be given the opportunity to enter superior artwork in either ACSI or TAPPS competitions.

Students will be charged for an art kit in the first two weeks of the school year; see pricing on textbook list. *Students can take an additional year(s) of Art for additional elective credit.*

Class Size: 12 students per section

STUDY HALLS

These are non-credit classes that enable the student to complete home assignments from other courses and remain on campus during a break in the class schedule (students must be in class or study hall during school hours). The study hall is a “library” environment where students are expected to remain quiet throughout the period, independently working on school assignments or reading. Study halls will be created based on the number of students requesting throughout the school day.

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Faith Academy will develop both boys' and girls' athletics based on student interest and participation. The purpose of the athletic program is to use athletic competition as a tool to improve the student and give the student an opportunity to glorify God with his or her talents and desires. Our goal is to compete with other similar schools in the area through TAPPS competition. Eligibility for participation is based on fall and spring grades. Practice start times are given as a guide for schedule; coaches will send out specific times and information.

Football: ATHL1301F (3 credits)

Open to 9th-12th grade boys, fall TAPPS competition, practice begins in August

Cheer: ATHL1301C (3 credits)

Open to 9th-12th grade girls

Cheer clinic and tryouts will occur in April for the upcoming school year's squad. Contact Athletics for information. Students will attend a cheer camp during the summer and practice begins in August.

Volleyball: ATHL1301V (3 credits)

Open to 9th-12th grade girls, fall TAPPS competition, practice begins in August

Cross Country: ATHL1301CC (3 credits)

Open to 9th-12th grade girls and boys, fall TAPPS competition, practice begins in August

Swimming: ATHL1301S (3 credits)

Open to 9th-12th grade boys and girls, fall/winter TAPPS competition, practice begins late September

Basketball: ATHL1301BB (Boys – 3 credits), ATHL1301GB (Girls – 3 credits)

Open to 9th-12th grade boys and girls, winter TAPPS competition, practice begins in late October.

Tennis: ATHL1302T (3 credits)

Open to 9th-12th grade boys and girls, spring TAPPS competition, practice begins in late January

Track & Field: ATHL1302TR (3 credits)

Open to 9th-12th grade boys and girls, spring TAPPS competition, practice begins in late January

Golf: ATHL1302G (3 credits)

Open to 9th-12th grade boys and girls, spring TAPPS competition, practice begins in February

Baseball: ATHL1302B (3 credits)

Open to 9th-12th grade boys, spring TAPPS competition, practice begins in late January

Softball: ATHL1302GS (3 credits)

Open to 9th-12th grade girls, spring TAPPS competition, practice begins in late January