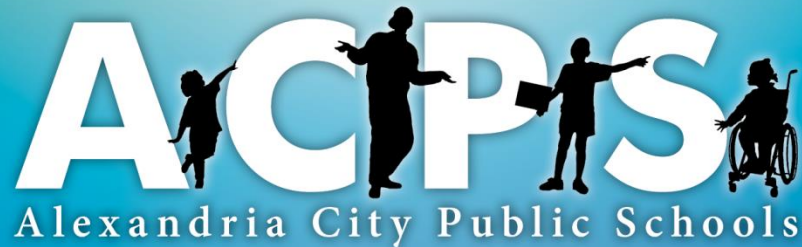


The 2020-21 Program of Studies



School Board Meeting

December 5, 2019



EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS

Essential Questions

- What is the purpose of the Program of Studies?
- What is new in the 2020-21 Program of Studies?
- What courses have changed or have been deleted in the 2020-21 Program of Studies?



Purpose of the Program of Studies

- Begins the **advisement period** for students and families
- Provides **guidance** for Individualized Career and Academic Planning (ICAPs)
- **Outlines schedule possibilities** at all grade levels
- Links school-based learning with the **knowledge and skills** required for success in the workplace
- Offers steps for **academic and career planning** for grades 6th-12th
Includes **course requirements and expectations**
- Defines **graduation requirements**
- Provides **information about academies** (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics, International Academy, Health Sciences Academy, Academy of Finance)
- **Lists support offered** to students
- Provides students and families with a **list of course offerings**

Course Additions

Dual Enrollment

- Dual Enrollment Medical Laboratory Sciences I
- Dual Enrollment Biotechnology Foundations in Health and Medical Sciences
- Dual Enrollment Emergency Medical Sciences I & II
- Dual Enrollment Sports Medicine I
- Dual Enrollment Pharmacy Technician I

Science/Career and Technological Education

- Sterile Processing
- Biology I (IA)
- Computer Network Software Operations

Visual and Performing Arts

- Music of Our Lives

Course Additions



Dual Language Spanish Social Studies (Middle School Course)



Dual Language Spanish Language Arts I (Middle School Course)



Cybersecurity 1 & 2 (Online Course)



Marine Science II (Online Course)



Forensic Science I: Secrets of the Dead (Online Course)



Introduction to Coding (Online Course)

New Information

- Virginia Profile of a Graduate
- Educational Design Team (EDT) framework
- Expectation that all students have the opportunity to do a science fair project in middle school
- English sequence of course options for 6th-12th grade
- Social Studies sequence of course options for 6th-12th grade
- 2020-21 ACPS Career and Technical Education (CTE) Pathways
- 2020-21 ACPS CTE list of courses 6th-12th grade
- Spanish Dual Language Program in Middle Schools



Course Changes and Deletions

- 3 courses deleted from high school offerings
- 1 courses deleted from online course offerings
- 2 course deleted from middle school offerings
- Updated descriptions for high school Mathematics, Health & Medical Sciences and World Languages



Questions and Discussion

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