



BISHOP MCNAMARA

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Senior High Curriculum



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The senior high curriculum follows the standards and guidelines of the Diocese of Joliet in all classes.

Honors/ AP Courses

Bishop McNamara Catholic School offers a wide variety of Honors and Advanced Placement courses. Open to those students whose test scores and class performance have shown them to be capable of exceptionally challenging work, these courses present more material, in greater depth, in a shorter period of time. Grades in these courses are given an extra quality point in computing a student's GPA.

WHY CHOOSE AP COURSES?

- Students who are eligible for Advanced Placement courses benefit in several ways. The primary benefit is the knowledge gained from the course itself, but there is added benefit of the confidence that comes with meeting a challenge.
- Select Colleges take into consideration the AP courses studied by prospective students.
- AP Courses save money. Students who score well on the AP exams administered each spring are able to apply these credits towards college, thus saving the expense of course tuition.
- Beginning with the class of 2016, public colleges/universities in Illinois are required to award college credit for AP scores of 3, 4, or 5. Many private universities have the same policy.

Mathematics

- Honors Algebra 2 (9th Grade)
- Honors Geometry
- Honors Precalculus
- AP Calculus AB

English

- Honors English (9th Grade)
- Honors English (10th Grade)
- Honors American Literature (Pre-AP)
- AP English Literature

Science

- Honors Biology
- Honors Chemistry
- AP Chemistry / Dual Credit
- AP Physics

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- AP English Literature

Science

- Honors Biology
- Honors Chemistry
- AP Chemistry / Dual Credit
- AP Physics

Social Studies

- Honors World History
- AP United States History
- AP Psychology / Dual Credit

Modern Language

- Honors Spanish II
- Honors Spanish III—Pre AP

- AP Spanish IV
- Honors French III
- Honors French IV

Prior to approval by the teacher is always required for admission to these courses.

Dual Credit Courses

Dual credit options through Kankakee Community College are available during the 2016-17 school year. Fifty-one percent of juniors and seniors are enrolled in classes with the dual credit option.

Dual Credit Courses offered at BMCS:

- CHEM 1514 General Chemistry I (4 Credits)
- CHEM 1524 General Chemistry II (4 Credits)
- PSYC 1813 Introduction to Psychology (3 Credits)
- ORIN 1503 First Year College Experience (3 Credits)

Dual Credit Courses offered at Kankakee Area Career Center Campus:

- PNUR 1438 Nursing Assistant (8 Credits)
- HLTH 1312 Medical Terminology (2 Credits)
- WELD Basic Welding (4 Credits)
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- CNST 1423 Construction Materials & Methods (4 Credits)
- CDEV 2263 Heads Up Reading for Child Development (3 Credits)

- AUTO 1064 Internal Combustion Engine (4 Credits)
- AUTO 2243 Alignment, Steering, & Suspension (3 Credits)

Bishop McNamara Catholic School

Courses of Study

Accounting

- Accounting I

Language Arts

- English I
- Honors English I
- English II
- Honors English II
- American Literature
- Honors American Literature (Pre-AP)
- AP English Literature

Mathematics

- Algebra I
- Geometry
- Honors Geometry
- Algebra II / Trigonometry
- Honors Algebra II
- Honors Pre-Calculus
- AP Calculus

Religion

- Jesus Christ: God's Revelation to the World
- Jesus Christ: His Mission and Ministry
- Jesus Christ: Source of Our Salvation
- Catholic Tradition, Mission, and Practices
- Sacraments
- Morality
- Social Awareness
- Sacred Scripture
- World Religions

Modern Language

- French I
- French II
- French III
- French IV (AP)
- French V
- Spanish I
- Spanish II
- Honors Spanish II
- Spanish III
- Honors Spanish III (Pre-AP)
- Spanish IV
- Honors Spanish IV (AP)
- Spanish V
- World Religions

College Success Skills

- College Study Skills

Fine Arts

- Art I
- Art II
- Art III
- Chorus
- Band
- Honors Band

Physical Education

- Freshman Physical Education
- Upper Level Physical Education
- Health

Psychology

- Honors Psychology (AP)

Science

- Biology
- Honors Biology
- Chemistry
- Honors Chemistry
- AP Chemistry
- Physics
- AP Physics 1

- Physiology
- Laboratory Assistant

Social Studies

- World History and Geography
- Honors World History
- United States History
- SP United States History
- Economics (1 Semester)
- Government (1 Semester)

Kankakee County Career Center Courses of Study

- Apprenticeship Education
- Architectural Drafting / CAD
- Automotive Technology
- Business Technology Management
- Child Care
- Collision Repair
- Computer Technology
- Construction Technology
- Cosmetology
- Fire Suppression / EMS
- Health Occupations
- Law Enforcement
- Machine Tool Technology
- Welding