The Warren County School District
2022 Summer School Program
Grades 9-12

The Warren County School District will be offering summer school courses online at the conclusion of the 2021.2022 school year. Students interested in summer school courses may <u>only</u> take up to one full credit of initial coursework during summer school. Students participating in credit recovery courses may take one credit at a time but add credits after completion of the course(s), time permitting. Transportation is NOT provided since all coursework is online and can be accessed from home or anywhere there is a high-speed internet connection. The district will work with students on an individual basis if a laptop computer is needed. Cellular hotspots will not be provided. Classes start June 13, 2022 for all courses.   Any course must be completed by August 5, 2022. There are no extensions. **If the student is taking a course for credit and is not 25% complete with the course by 7/6/22, then the course will be dropped and no credit will be awarded. If the student is taking a course for credit and is not 50% complete with the course by 7/22/22, then the course will be dropped and no credit will be awarded. Students must complete the entirety of the course in order to receive credit – this includes completing final exams as required.**

All students that have **<u>NOT</u>** taken an online course should complete an orientation – a virtual orientation training course will be available on the student dashboard for all students. If you need further assistance, please contact our office for a training. Any questions regarding online courses or summer school can be referred to the Virtual Academy at (814) 723-0574.

<u>Cost</u>

There will NOT be any fee for ALL Summer School program courses during the Summer 2022 session. However, if a student is taking a course for credit and is not 25% complete with the course by 7/6/22, then the course will be dropped and no credit will be awarded. If the student is taking a course for credit and is not 50% complete with the course by 7/22/22, then the course will be dropped and no credit will be awarded.

<u>Office Hours</u>

Office hours will be set and posted by the instructor of the course. This will occur on average one hour weekly. The instructor will meet with any student who needs additional help through office hours posted within the announcements of the course. Instructors will be able to assist students through Microsoft Teams virtual conferencing.

<u>Transportation</u>

No transportation will be provided since all courses are taken virtually.

<u>Registration Forms/Sign-Up Date</u>

Registration forms are available and can be completed online. Forms can be found on the WCSD webpage and all district building webpages. Completed registration forms should be received by the morning of June 6th, 2022. No applications will be accepted after June 24th, 2021. If there are any obstacles to registering online, please call Laurie Maxwell at (814) 723-0574 ext. 1701 and she can help assist you with registering students.

<u>Summer School Questions</u>

If you have any specific questions regarding Summer School, please contact one of the following:

Neal Kent	(814) 723-0574 ext. 1317	Summer School Coordinator
Ericka Alm	(814) 723-0574 ext. 2010	2022.2023 WCSD Virtual Administrator

<u>Course Offerings Summer 2022</u>

<u>Credit Recovery Offerings:</u>

The 2022 Summer School Program will offer a credit recovery program. A student must successfully complete a series of modules and then pass the final exam in order to receive credit. The following courses are summer credit recovery options:

• English 9-12 • US History I • US History II • World History • Economics * • American Government * • Algebra IA • Algebra IB	• Algebra II • Geometry • Consumer Math • Biology • Environmental Science • Chemistry • Physics

* Half Credit Course

<u>Initial Credit Offerings:</u>

The 2022 Summer School Program will also be offering additional summer learning opportunities for initial credit. Please be aware these courses are rigorous and will require some written evaluation throughout. Courses are largely self-guided learning opportunities. Please identify when requesting your course which academic level you will need: **Non-CP or CP**. These courses can be taken for initial credit or enrichment (student will not receive credit or a grade). Students may take up to 1.0 credit of initial course offerings. These offerings include the following:

• English 9-12 • Mythology & Folklore * • Gothic Literature * • US History I • US History II • World History • Economics * • American Government * • Criminology * • History of the Holocaust * • Forensic Science I * • Algebra I CP • Algebra IA • Algebra IB	• Algebra II • Geometry • Consumer Mathematics • Veterinary Biology * • Environmental Science • Biology • Forensic Science II * • Marine Science • Astronomy I* • Chemistry • Physics • Health * • Physical Education I * • Physical Education II * • Computer Literacy *

*Half Credit Course

<u>**Elective Course Descriptions**</u>

All course descriptions for "core" content courses can be found at: https://www.wcsdpa.org/Page/1089

<u>**History of the Holocaust –**</u> "For the dead and the living, we must bear witness." Discover the harrowing details of the history of the rise of anti-Semitism that contributed to the start of the Holocaust and the power of the Nazi party. Learn of the persecution of European Jews and other groups, and the tremendous aftermath for everyone involved in World War II, and what has been done since to combat genocide.

<u>**Mythology & Folklore-**</u> Mighty heroes. Angry gods and goddesses. Cunning animals. Mythology and folklore have been used since the first people gathered around the fire as a way to make sense of humankind and our world. This course focuses on the many myths and legends woven into cultures around the world. Starting with an overview of mythology and the many kinds of folklore, the student will journey with ancient heroes as they slay dragons and outwit the gods, follow fearless warrior women into battle and watch as clever animals outwit those stronger than themselves. They will explore the universality and social significance of myths and folklore, and see how they are still used to shape society today.

<u>**Gothic Literature**</u> - From vampires to ghosts, these frightening stories have influenced fiction writers since the 18th century. This course will focus on the major themes found in Gothic literature and demonstrate how the core writing drivers produce, for the reader, a thrilling psychological environment. Terror versus horror, the influence of the supernatural, and descriptions of the difference between good and evil are just a few of the themes presented. By the time students have completed this course, they will have gained an understanding of and an appreciation for the complex nature of dark fiction.

<u>**Criminology**</u> - In today's society, crime and deviant behavior are often one of the top concerns of society members. From the nightly news to personal experiences with victimization, crime seems to be all around us. In this course, we will explore the field of criminology, the study of crime. In doing so, we will look at possible explanations for crime from psychological, biological, and sociological standpoints, explore the various types of crime and their consequences for society, and investigate how crime and criminals are handled by the criminal justice system. Why do some individuals commit crimes but others don't? What aspects in our culture and society promote crime and deviance? Why do individuals receive different punishments for the same crime? What factors shape the criminal case process, from arrest to punishments?

<u>**Veterinary Biology**</u> - As animals play an increasingly important role in our lives, scientists have sought to learn more about their health and well-being. Taking a look at the pets that live in our homes, on our farms, and in zoos and wildlife sanctuaries, this course will examine some of the common diseases and treatments for domestic animals. Toxins, parasites, and infectious diseases impact not only the animals around us, but at times…we humans as well! Through veterinary medicine and science, the prevention and treatment of diseases and health issues is studied and applied

<u>**Forensic Science I**</u> – Fingerprints. Blood spatter. DNA analysis. The world of law enforcement is increasingly making use of the techniques and knowledge from the sciences to better understand the crimes that are committed and to catch those individuals responsible for the crimes. Forensic science applies scientific knowledge to the criminal justice system. This course focuses on some of the techniques and practices used by forensic scientists during a crime scene investigation (CSI). Starting with how clues and data are recorded and preserved, the student will follow evidence trails until the CSI goes to trial, examining how various elements of the crime scene are analyzed and processed.

Forensic Science II – Although the crime scene represents the first step in solving crimes through forensic science, the crime laboratory plays a critical role in the analysis of evidence. This course focuses on the analysis of evidence and testing that takes place within this setting. We will examine some of the basic scientific principles and knowledge that guides forensic laboratory processes, such as those testing DNA, toxicology, and material analysis. Techniques such as microscopy, chromatography, odontology, entomology, mineralogy, and spectroscopy will be examined.

Consumer Mathematics – The student explores topics such as business statistics, profit calculations, payroll, banking, interest calculations, insurance, taxes, and other business topics.
Students will also learn how to make financial choices, the dangers of debt, and how to make good financial decisions.

Marine Science – About 70% of the Earth is covered by water. Even today, much of the world's oceans remain unexplored. Marine scientists make exciting new discoveries about marine life every day. In this course, students will discover the vast network of life that exists beneath the ocean's surface and study the impact that humans have on the oceans.

Astronomy - Why do stars twinkle? Is it possible to fall into a black hole? Will the sun ever stop shining? Since the first glimpse of the night sky, humans have been fascinated with the stars, planets, and universe that surrounds us. This course will introduce students to the study of astronomy, including its history and development, basic scientific laws of motion and gravity, the concepts of modern astronomy, and the methods used by astronomers to learn more about the universe. Additional topics include the solar system, the Milky Way and other galaxies, and the sun and stars. Using online tools, students will examine the life cycle of stars, the properties of planets, and the exploration of space.

Health - In this course, students acquire the knowledge and skills they need to lead a healthy life. This course focuses on the impact of personal decisions on the student's own health. Students learn how to find, evaluate, and use reliable information related to a variety of health topics. They also study the basic science behind nutrition, exercise, stress, and psychology, and examine how these factors affect a person's overall health. They explore topics related to aging and sexuality and identify ways to remain healthy and safe throughout life's major events and challenges. Each lesson in the course guides students in applying what they have learned in the lesson to their own lives and choices—and gives them a chance to discuss the topic with peers and instructors.

Computer Literacy - Most children can read and write for a while before they are literate. Once they learn to put their skills to work, though, they acquire literacy. It's the same thing with computer literacy. You may know how to do some things on the computer—but to be computer literate, you have to make those skills work for you. That's what you will learn in Computer Literacy, a one-semester course. You will develop your overall understanding of computers and enhance your technical skills in both basic computer functions and in the use of various types of software. You will learn to use various software 63 applications (word processing, spreadsheet, and presentation software), which are based on Open Office programs unless otherwise noted. You will also learn to navigate the Internet and use e-mail. When studying word processing software, you will write a letter and format documents, create tables and charts, and use other advanced tools. You will learn how to format and use the basic tools and formulas of spreadsheet software.