



SEMHS 9th Grade Elective Courses

Foreign Language (Met through Early College Academy)

**Placement based on test given by Spanish department

Spanish 1P- *Unlock a new language and culture.*

- Introduction to Spanish language and culture.
- Emphasis on listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills.

Spanish 1XP- For native Spanish speakers.

- Conducted entirely in Spanish
- Develop proficiency in oral and written communication, grammar and literature



Visual and Performing Arts (Met through Early College Academy)

Aeolian Choir P- *Harmony in voices, harmony in community.*

- Beginning choral ensemble.
- Performances for the school and community.
- After-school rehearsals for aspiring vocalists.



Piano P- *Key to musical exploration.*

- Keyboard performances and appreciation for piano literature.
- Reading music notation and exploring various musical styles.

Guitar P- *Strumming to the rhythm of diversity.*

- Foundation in guitar performance.
- In-class performance opportunities.
- Appreciation for music across styles and cultures.



Intro to Theater P- *Unveiling the magic behind the stage.*

- Explore careers in professional theater and stage technology.
- Develop basic acting and construction techniques.
- Gain insights into the world of theater production.



Art 1P- *Express your creativity.*

- Explore traditional and contemporary art forms.
- Emphasis on Elements of Art and Principles of Design.
- Hands-on experiences with various media and techniques.



Photography 1P- *Capture the moments.*

- Introduction to digital photography as a creative tool, focusing on color, lighting, storytelling, composition, camera settings, photo techniques, art elements, and design principles.



Dance 1P- *Artistry in motion.*

- Introduces students to basic techniques in various styles like ballet, jazz, and hip-hop, building strength, flexibility, and rhythm while fostering creativity and teamwork.



LEADERSHIP



ASB- *Shaping leaders for effective student government.*

- Develop qualities and skills essential for student governance.
- Emphasis on parliamentary procedure, group leadership, and budgeting.
- Participate in student activities and Associated Student Body functions. **Must maintain good academic standing.

AVID

AVID 9P- *Preparing for college success*

- Rigorous tutorial program focusing on writing skills.
- Collaboration, standardized test preparation, and note-taking.
- Supportive components include parental involvement and classroom tutors. **Must maintain good academic standing.



EARLY COLLEGE ACADEMY (ECA)

Counseling 101 & 103- *Simultaneous high school diploma and college credits.*

- Four-year program offering college credits.
- Rio Hondo College courses taught on campus in grades 9 through 12.
- Cohorts will complete 8 predetermined courses throughout the four years. **Must maintain good academic standing.

CTE PATHWAYS

Business and Finance

Navigating the world of finance.

- Explore key business concepts.
- Develop financial literacy and understanding of business pathways.
- Examination of careers in business.



Health Administration Services

Building a foundation in health science.

- Technical skills in health science and integrated subject matter.
- Exposure to health/medical information and coding systems.
- Recommended for those interested in a career in healthcare.



Professional Theater-

Unveiling the magic behind the stage

- Explore careers in professional theater and stage technology.
- Develop basic acting and construction techniques.
- Gain insights into the world of theater production.



Manufacturing & Product Development

Crafting pathways in manufacturing.

- Foundational concepts for career pathways in manufacturing.
- Learn to design, build and test engineering projects using CAD computer software. Recommended for those interested in engineering fields.



****Courses marked with "P" meet the UC/CSU A-G requirements. Courses must be met with a "C" or better to be eligible for college acceptance.**