

CATHOLIC CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

2011-2012 High School Curriculum

Faith, Knowledge, and Tradition

CCHS Mission

Catholic Central High School is a four-year co-educational high school committed to providing a Catholic based education. It offers a student of any race, religion, or ethnic origin the opportunity to develop and expand their abilities and creative talents in all aspects of their life. Catholic Central is committed to creating a strong academic curriculum and instilling life-long Christian values so a student can become a responsible and contributing member of our intellectual, spiritual, moral, emotional, social, and physical community.

CCHS Graduation Requirements-26 credits

Fine Art: ½ credit

- Band, Art, or Choir

FINE ARTS: ART Courses

There are material fees for all classes in this department*

INTRODUCTION TO ART 1 #610

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
1 Semester - 0.5 credit

This is a prerequisite for all subsequent art courses. Art I has been planned to accommodate a wide range of backgrounds and skill levels and introduces a variety of media and techniques. It teaches the fundamentals of visual composition, form, subject and content emphasizing 2-dimensional work as well as 3-dimensional projects. Students will draw, paint, build pottery/sculpture, and create a basic animation project. Learning is acquired through a sequential step-by-step process, using design thinking. A portfolio is required for the completion of the class.

DRAWING & DESIGN #620

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
1 Semester - 0.5 credit

Pre-Requisite: Introduction to Art 1

This course is for students who wish to develop their drawing and design skills. Emphasis is placed on realistic and abstract rendering, using graphite, charcoal, ink, marker, pastels,

craypas, scratch techniques, and animation drawing. A portfolio is required for the completion of the class.

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY & DESKTOP DESIGN #626

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
1 Semester - 0.5 credit

Pre-Requisite: Introduction to Art 1

This course is for students who wish to develop their skills in basic photo shooting, capturing and modifying techniques. The Desktop Design portion of this course will cover page layout and poster layout design fundamentals, using the digital photography skills to enhance learning. Students will take portrait photos, explore the environment for design photos, create a story slide show, create a tri-fold brochure, produce a slide show presentation, and design a magazine page. A portfolio is required for the completion of the class.

VIDEO ART & ANIMATION #627

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
1 Semester - 0.5 credit—Offered even years only

Pre-Requisite: Introduction to Art 1

This course is for students who wish to develop their skills in basic filmmaking and then animation techniques. Students will create both still-series and commercial videos, learning editing software in the process. Animation covers the history of animation along with basic animation concepts and skill

development. Students will learn a number of formats including hand-drawn cell, clay-mation, and computer-generated animations. A portfolio is required for the completion of the class.

PAINTING #630

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
1 Semester - 0.5 credit –Offered odd years

Pre-Requisite: Introduction to Art 1

Students will be introduced to the color fundamentals of visual form, subjects and content. Watercolors, pastels, oil pastels, and acrylics will be used along with developing Photoshop skills. Students will create watercolor and acrylic paintings, along with greeting cards and comic strips. Some materials will be required.

CERAMICS/SCULPTURE #632

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
1 Semester- 0.5 credit

Pre-Requisite: Introduction to Art 1

Building on their knowledge on skills learned in Art I, 3-dimensional forms will be created in clay and other sculpture materials. Clay hand built and wheel thrown pottery and sculpture will be created along with linear sculpture. Some supplies may need to be purchased.

DESIGN STUDIO # 645

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
1 Semester - 0.5 credit—Offered even years only

Pre-Requisite: Introduction to Art 1

This course is for students who wish to develop their skills and understanding of different design careers, including architecture, industrial design, interior design, fashion design, graphic design, and animation. A portfolio is required for the completion of the class.

INDEPENDENT ART & DESIGN #650

Seniors Elective
1 Semester - 0.5 credit

Pre-requisite: CONSENT OF INSTRUCTOR

This course is made available only to those seniors who have taken a number of other Art & Design courses and wish to further their explorations into specific areas of Art & Design.

MURAL ART #652

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
1 Semester - 0.5 credit—Offered odd years only

Pre-Requisite: Introduction to Art 1

This course is for students who wish to develop their skills in painting, while simultaneously providing a service for the school. Project teams will take on the job of creating murals and 2-dimensional environments for different areas of the school building. Some supplies may need to be purchased.

ACADEMIC PROJECT DESIGN #660

Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
1 Semester - 0.5 credit
(Offered as a year-long, variably attended class each year)

Pre-Requisite: Introduction to Art 1

Building on their knowledge on skills learned in various Art & Design courses, students would sign up for an entire year, and spend the equivalent time equal to ½ credit working on required academic projects such as posters, photography, slide shows, brochures, videos, etc. This would be offered 9th hour each day and the Art & Design teacher would work with specific teachers regarding project-work to be completed. Some supplies may need to be purchased.

YEARBOOK PRODUCTION #903, #904

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
2 Semesters - 1.0 credit
Yearbook is a semester course in the writing, layout, and financing of the school's publication, The Marian. Students must have an interest in school activities and be comfortable working with desktop publishing programs and both traditional and digital photographic equipment. Course work will consist of copy/photo gathering and preparation, layouts, graphics, and other production procedures. Meeting assignment deadlines will be stressed.

CHOIR #710

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
1 Semester - 0.5 credit
Concert choir is for all grade levels! In this class we perform songs from Broadway, to pop, to classical/sacred. There are three concerts a year, with the Christmas concert incorporating a wonderful dinner! Participation at all concerts is an absolute must. Emphasis is put on effort, attitude and contribution. You don't have to be a great singer to be in this class-just love to sing!

INDEPENDENT CHOIR #709

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
1 Semester - 0.25 credit
This class is held Monday through Friday during the zero class period. This Concert Choir class focuses on music from all genres: Pop, Classical, and Broadway. If you like to sing this class is for you.

MUSIC THEORY I #730

Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
1 Semester - 0.5 credit (Offered **Fall** Semester Only)
Pre-requisite: CONSENT OF INSTRUCTOR; Students are not required to be in Band but must have a basic understanding of a musical instrument or have vocal training.

Music Theory I is designed to familiarize students with the basic components of music theory. Students will become more familiar with reading various styles of music, scales, intervals and key signatures. The class will also give students a working knowledge of the Finale program, which teaches students how to write music using this software. One of the culminating goals of this class is to have students write their own composition as a final project.

BAND #720, #725

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective
2 Semester - 0.5 credit
Pre-requisite: Previous band experience or CONSENT OF INSTRUCTOR

Band is a performance-based class, which offers students a variety of diverse musical experiences. During first semester, emphasis in band is placed on Pep Band performances, which occur at various fall and winter athletic events. The Pep Band experience familiarizes band members with various pop, jazz and rock musical genres. Throughout the year, the band plays at pep rallies, assemblies and other school events such as formal concerts. During the second semester, our emphasis is studying more traditional band literature. Attendance at all performances is mandatory. A calendar of events will be provided at the beginning of the school year.

BEGINNING BAND #718

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective

1 Semester – 0.5 credit

This class is for students who have never been in band, but would like to learn to play a band instrument. This class will enable students to learn how to play the flute, clarinet, alto saxophone, trumpet, trombone and percussion instruments. In order to enroll, students must rent or own a band instrument. The goal of this class is to have students play instruments at a high level of proficiency. A concert will be given at the conclusion of the semester, and also at the end of the year.

ROCK ENSEMBLE #723

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior Elective

1 Semester - 0.5 credit

Pre-requisite: Previous band experience or CONSENT OF INSTRUCTOR

This class is designed for students that play guitar, bass guitar, keyboard, drum set and horn section, such as trumpet, trombone or sax. The focus in this class will be on rock music such as Led Zeppelin, Rolling Stones, The Who, Eric Clapton and other rock artists. The goal of this class is to perform rock music at pep band events such as athletic events, pep rallies, formal concerts and other special events. The Rock ensemble will allow students to study various types and styles of rock music.