New IB Courses

We are seeking approval for the following IB courses beginning in the academic year of 2011-12. These are the courses that were previously discussed in the workshop on December 6, 2010. Below are the course descriptions as they would appear in the CHS course guide.

IB SPANISH I

6070Y (6070 A & B)

Grade 11 Level: 3 Credit: 1

Prerequisite: Completion of Spanish II or teacher approval; requires participation in IB diploma program Required IB Assessments: Interactive Oral Activity (internal)

Students are exposed to an in-depth curriculum with emphasis on critical thinking skills, speaking, writing, listening and reading. Spanish texts will be chosen to reinforce these skills, build cultural awareness, and an appreciation of how culture affects language. Students must follow this class with IB Advanced Spanish I as part of their IB diploma program.

IB MANDARIN I

6091Y (6091 A & B)

Grade 11 Level: 3 Credit: 1

Prerequisite: Completion of Mandarin II or teacher approval; requires participation in IB diploma program Required IB Assessments: Interactive Oral Activity (internal)

Students are exposed to an in-depth curriculum with emphasis on critical thinking skills, speaking, writing, listening and reading. Mandarin texts will be chosen to reinforce these skills, build cultural awareness, and an appreciation of how culture affects language. Students must follow this class with IB Advanced Mandarin as part of their IB diploma program.

IB FRENCH I

6093Y (6093 A & B)

Grade 11 Level: 3 Credit: 1

Prerequisite: Completion of French II or teacher approval; requires participation in IB diploma program Required IB Assessments: Interactive Oral Activity (internal)

Students are exposed to an in-depth curriculum with emphasis on critical thinking skills, speaking, writing, listening and reading. French texts will be chosen to reinforce these skills, build cultural awareness, and an appreciation of how culture affects language. Students must follow this class with IB Advanced French as part of their IB diploma program.

IB LATIN I

6096Y (6096 A & B)

Grade 11 Level: 3 Credit: 1

Prerequisite: Completion of Latin II or teacher approval; requires participation in IB diploma program Required IB Assessments: Research Dossier/Oral Presentation/Composition (internal)

Students are exposed to an in-depth curriculum with emphasis on critical thinking skills, speaking, writing, listening and reading. Latin texts will be chosen to reinforce these skills, build cultural awareness, and an appreciation of how culture affects language. Students must follow this class with IB Advanced Latin as part of their IB diploma program.

IB MATH I

2915Y (2915 A & B)

Grade 11 Level: 3 Credit: 1

Prerequisite: Algebra II; requires participation in IB diploma program

Required IB Assessments: Mathematics Portfolio (internal)

Students should have a good background and/or strong interest in mathematics and be competent in a range of analytical and technical skills. The majority of these students will be expecting to include mathematics as a component in their university studies where solid conceptual and computational understanding of math is relevant like business and psychology. Topics in this course will range from pre-calculus to statistics.

IB THEATRE I

6549Y (6549 A & B)

Grade 11 Level: 4 Credit: 1

Prerequisite: None

This course is open to all students including those not pursuing the IB Diploma.

Required IB Assessments: Performance and production presentation (internal), independent project portfolio (internal), research investigation (external), performance proposal (external).

This course involves combining the elements of theatre performance, theatre production, and studying theatre around the world as a mirror on different culture and traditions. Students are required to attend all CHS productions each semester. All students in IB Theatre are required to complete the IB assessments as part of the course even if the student is not pursuing the IB Diploma. Students may earn an IB Certificate for successful completing of the course and a mark of 4 or better on the IB assessments.

IB FILM I

6550Y (6550 A & B)

Grade 11 Level: 4 Credit: 1

Prerequisite: None

This course is open to all students including those not pursuing the IB Diploma.

Required IB Assessments: Production Portfolio (internal), Independent Study/Presentation (external)

Students will learn the creative, analytical and production skills necessary to make films and express themselves in film language. This includes a study of the history of film as well as a detailed study of film sequences usage of observation skills and critical analysis skills. Students will study screenplays and character, production design, and film history from a world cinema perspective. All students in IB Film are required to complete the IB assessments as part of the course even if the student is not pursuing the IB Diploma. Students may earn an IB Certificate for successful completing of the course and a mark of 4 or better on the IB assessments