

Semester Elective Courses

Creative Writing

Course: 2551

TEDS: 85000XXX

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College and Career Readiness

Course: 1299

TEDS: 12700300

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Investigating Careers: Intro to Audio/Video Production

Course: 1370

TEDS: 12700400

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Speech Communications

Course: 2552

TEDS: 03243620

This is an activity-based class that allows students to become better speakers in both formal and informal situations. The students learn to speak in front of a group, interact within a group, and improve their research skills. Students will learn skills through organization, practice, delivery, self-evaluations, and technology.

Conversational Spanish

Course: 2550

TEDS: 03443000

This course is *not* a prerequisite for Spanish I or Spanish I Honors. This course exposes students to the language and culture at a basic level through the use of music, games, authentic material, peer to peer interaction, and other teacher-led activities. Within this course, students will do the following: participate in highly predictable contexts through the use of memorized and recalled words and phrases, demonstrate understanding of simple, clearly spoken and written language, engage in direct oral or written communication with others in a low risk environment, and socialize with peers in the Spanish language in order to obtain information. This course provides a great avenue for students to discover a passion for the Spanish language!

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Entrepreneurship

Course: Z0822X **(VIRTUAL CLASS)**

TEDS: 13034400

High School Credit: 1

Students will learn the principles necessary to begin and operate a business. The primary focus of the course is to help students understand the process of analyzing a business opportunity, preparing a business plan, determining feasibility of an idea using research, and developing a plan to organize and promote the business and its products and services. In addition, students understand the capital required, the return on investment desired, and the potential for profit. This course is only available as an online course through the Keller ISD Virtual Learning program. *Students who successfully complete this course receive high school credit for the graduation requirement of the 21st century skill. Students earn 1 credit for this course, but the course is taught in 1 semester.*

Health

Course: 0855

TEDS: 03810100

High School Credit: .5

Health Education enables each student to develop an understanding of the attitudes and habits that are conducive to healthful living. The Health Education class will help students develop skills that will make them health literate adults. Students will use problem solving, research, goal setting, and communication skills to protect their health and that of the community. *Students who successfully complete this course receive high school credit.*

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Interpersonal Studies

(VIRTUAL CLASS)

Course: Z8823X

TEDS: 13024400

High School Credit: .5

Interpersonal Studies examines how the relationships between individuals and among family members significantly affect the quality of life. Students use knowledge and skills in family studies and human development to enhance personal development, foster quality relationships, promote wellness of family members, manage multiple adult roles, and pursue careers related to counseling and mental health services. *This course is only available as an online course through the Keller ISD Virtual Learning program.*

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Lifetime Nutrition and Wellness

(VIRTUAL CLASS)

Course: Z0825X

TEDS: 13024500

High School Credit: .5

This laboratory course allows students to use principles of lifetime wellness and nutrition to help them make informed choices that promotes wellness as well as pursues careers related to human services. Students are encouraged to participate in extended learning experiences such as career and technical student organizations and other leadership or extra-curricular organizations. *This course is only available as an online course through the Keller ISD Virtual Learning program. Students who successfully complete this course receive high school credit.*

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Professional Communications

(VIRTUAL CLASS)

Course: Z0465X

TEDS: 13009900

High School Credit: .5

Professional Communications blends written, oral, and graphic communication in a career-based environment. Careers in the global economy require individuals to be creative and have a strong background in computer and technology applications, a strong and solid academic foundation, and a proficiency in professional oral and written communication. Within this text, students will be expected to develop and expand the ability to write, read, edit, speak, listen, apply software applications, manipulate computer graphics and conduct Internet research. *This course is only available as an online course through the Keller ISD Virtual Learning program. Students who successfully complete this course receive high school credit for the graduation requirement of the 21st century skill.*

Speech Communications

Course: 2553

TEDS: 03243630

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Student Aide

Course: 2182

TEDS: 85000XXX

This service position requires students who are dependable, trustworthy, and able to work closely with others and represent the school in a positive manner. This is a leadership position, which requires trustworthiness, a cheerful attitude, initiative, and a sense of responsibility. Citizenship and academics will be taken into consideration. **Student aide selection involves an application process.**

World Mythology

Course: 2683

TEDS: 83300XXX

World Mythology is an elective that will cover multiple cultures and their myths. Students will be able to identify the characteristics of a myth and its hero, villain, trickster and other archetypes. Students will be able to locate and explain the significance of the Greek, Celtic, Nordic, Egyptian, Hindu, Chinese and Japanese cultures. We explore myths that were used to teach a lesson, to explain the physical environment and to pass on cultural/ethnic traditions. We also explore current pop culture trends and what these trends borrow from mythology. (Star Wars, Harry Potter, Lord of the Rings, Iron Man, Thor, Batman, etc). The class will have an interdisciplinary approach, incorporating history, geography, psychology, sociology, architecture, economics, literature, philosophy and anthropology.