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<b>Language Arts, Mathematics, and Foreign Language (Ann Bruemmer)</b>		
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Level</b>
Advanced Placement Literature and Composition	<b>Course Title Change</b> – <u>Advanced Placement English Literature and Composition</u> - Change current title to the official AP course title.	12
Descriptive/Advanced Placement Statistics	<b>Course Title Change</b> – <u>Advanced Placement Statistics</u> - Change current title to the official AP course title.	11, 12
Advanced Placement Latin III	<b>Course Title and Description Change</b> – <u>AP Latin: Literature</u> – <i>Emphasis in AP Latin: Literature will be on literature. This course prepares students for the Advanced Placement test. This course will be weighted on student transcripts. Both a weighted GPA and non-weighted GPA will be reported.</i> (change is to keep course in line with the official AP courses)	11, 12
Advanced Placement Latin IV	<b>Course Title and Description Change</b> – <u>AP Latin: Vergil</u> – <i>Emphasis in AP Latin: Virgil will be on literature. This course is designed to provide college-bound students with the knowledge and skills to successfully complete the advanced placement examination administered by the College Board and to prepare them for college courses. This course will be weighted on student transcripts. Both a weighted GPA and a non-weighted GPA will be reported.</i> (change is to keep course in line with the official AP courses)	11, 12
Chinese II	<b>New Course</b> – <i>This course builds on skills developed in Mandarin Chinese I. Students enrolling in Chinese II must have completed Mandarin Chinese I with a grade of “C” or above. Students work to increase proficiency in the spoken and written language, mastering a larger number of phrases while increasing their ability to relate basic needs, feelings, agreements and disagreements with ease. They will be able to recognize and reproduce a greater number of Chinese characters in addition to acquiring more information about Chinese culture. Classes are taught by a native speaker in conjunction with the Confucius Institute at the University of Kansas with authentic Mandarin Chinese materials.</i>	10, 11, 12
<b>Science, Health, and Physical Education (Anne Hawks)</b>		
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Level</b>
P.E. Plus!	<b>New Course</b> – <u>P.E. Plus!</u> <i>is an elective physical education course open to any 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> grade student who wishes to have PE for the entire school year. This class is an extension of the current physical education curriculum with an emphasis on lifetime activities. Students will focus on attaining and maintaining a certain level of fitness, assume leadership roles in class, and develop a positive attitude towards physical activity that is valued and integrated into daily life.</i>	8, 9
Health 9	<b>New Course</b> – <u>Health 9</u> <i>is an application based course that will engage students in the processes and reflection behind making decisions that support a healthy lifestyle. Students will focus on health enhancing behaviors, services, and products while also studying disease prevention, the influence of culture and societal factors, advocating community health, goal-setting, and decision</i>	9

	<i>making.</i>	
Advanced Placement Physics	<b>Course Name Change</b> – <i>Advanced Placement Physics B.</i> Change current title to the official AP course title.	10, 11, 12
<b>Fine Arts , Business, Family and Consumer Science, Ag Science &amp; Technology, and Vocational Education (Patrick Kelly)</b>		
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Level</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Band, A Band, AA Band	<b>Course Description Change</b> – Add following language to description: <i>Students will be required to provide method books, basic supplies, and basic uniform items. Band directors will review these requirements with students on the first day of class. Assistance is available for families in need.</i>	7, 8, 9
Orchestra 7 Orchestra	<b>Course Description Change</b> – Add following language to description: <i>Students will be required to provide method books, basic supplies, and basic uniform items. Orchestra directors will review these requirements with students on the first day of class. Assistance is available for families in need.</i>	7, 8, 9
Concert Band	<b>Course Description Change</b> – Add following language to description: <i>Students will be required to pay fees for basic uniform, supplies, equipment, and uniform cleaning. Detailed information regarding these costs can be obtained by contacting the school band director.</i>	10, 11, 12
Portfolio	<b>Course Description Change</b> – <i>Portfolio is a class for students who desire to pursue art studies after high school. Each student will sign a mutually developed contract at the beginning of each semester. This contract should clearly demonstrate independent learning in gaining new technical skills, increasing conceptual thinking, and reflecting their personal interests. Individual critiques and planned group activities will help each student achieve at a competitive level. (course is no longer offered outside the school day)</i>	11, 12
Advanced Placement Studio	<b>Course Name and Description Change</b> – <u>AP Studio Art: Drawing</u> ; <u>AP Studio Art: 2-D Design</u> ; <u>AP Studio Art: 3-D Design</u> <i>The course teaches students a variety of concepts and approaches in Drawing, 2-D Design, or 3-D Design so that the student is able to demonstrate a range of abilities and versatility with technique, problem solving, and ideation (i.e., “breadth”). Such conceptual variety can be demonstrated through either the use of one or the use of several media. Students will meet with the teacher supervising their area of concentration. This course will be weighted on student transcripts. Both a weighted GPA and a non-weighted GPA will be reported. (change is made to meet the requirements of the AP College Board)</i>	11, 12
Advanced Placement in Art	<b>Course Name and Description Change</b> – <u>AP Studio Art: Drawing</u> ; <u>AP Studio Art: 2-D Design</u> ; <u>AP Studio Art: 3-D Design</u> <i>The course enables students to develop a body of work investigating a strong underlying visual idea in Drawing, 2-D Design, or 3-D Design that grows out of a coherent plan of action or investigation (i.e., a “concentration”). It is designed to provide college bound students with the knowledge and skills to successfully complete the advanced placement examination. This course will be weighted on student transcripts. Both a weighted GPA and a non-weighted GPA will be reported. (change is made to meet the expectations of the college Board syllabus)</i>	11, 12
Computer Applications I	<b>Modify Course</b> – Add <i>Prerequisite: Successful completion of Keyboard and Document Formatting I.</i> Teachers have requested prerequisite to prepare students for curriculum requirements of Computer Applications I.	8, 9
Family and Consumer Science	<b>Course Name and Description Change</b> – <u>Introduction to Work and Family</u> – <i>This course is a required one-semester (or equivalent) 8<sup>th</sup> grade class. Be prepared for life, now and for the future. Explore nutrition, culinary basics, childcare, and textiles. You will learn ways to manage time and money,</i>	8

	<i>handle stress and work with others. Gain confidence in taking care of yourself and your environment. Aligns with KSDE approved course description and the requirement that as a part of an approved program, introductory courses must be completed in 8<sup>th</sup> grade or later.</i>	
Modular Technology I	<b>Delete Course</b> – This course no longer approved by KSDE and enrollment has been low for a number of years.	10, 11, 12
Modular Technology II	<b>Delete Course</b> – This course no longer approved by KSDE and enrollment has been low for a number of years.	10, 11, 12
Cooperative Occupational Training	<b>Delete Course</b> – This course is no longer approved nor funded through KSDE Career and Technical Education.	12
COT Lab Experience	<b>Delete Course</b> – This course is no longer approved nor funded through KSDE Career and Technical Education. Students have other opportunities for on-the-job training (OJT) in specific program areas.	12
Power Mechanics I	<b>Course Title Change</b> – <u>Small Engine Repair II</u> . This course is approved for CTE funding and on the VE-2 form on file with KSDE.	10, 11, 12
Power Mechanics II	<b>Course Title Change</b> – <u>Small Engine Repair III</u> . This course is approved for CTE funding and on the VE-2 form on file with KSDE.	10, 11, 12
Construction Trades II	<b>Course Title Change</b> – <u>Construction Technology II</u> . This course is approved for CTE funding and on the VE-2 on file with KSDE.	10, 11, 12
Construction Trades III	<b>Course Title Change</b> – <u>Construction Technology III</u> . This course is approved for CTE funding and on the VE-2 on file with KSDE.	10, 11, 12
Business Tech/Mgmt/ Business Tech OJT	<b>Course Fee Change</b> – (current fee \$25 BPA state/national dues) – Proposed Fee: <i>\$20 BPS dues required or \$10 FBLA dues required.</i> Participation in BPA or FBLA is required to complete the curriculum. Student dues cannot be paid with Perkins or CTE funds. LFSHS and LHS participate in different programs (BPA or FBLA).	12
Computerized Accounting III	<b>Course Fee Change</b> – (current fee is \$30 workbook fee, \$12 practice set) – Proposed Fee: \$0. A workbook and practice set is no longer required.	11, 12
Marketing I	<b>Course Fee Change</b> – (current fee \$15 DECA dues) – Proposed Fee: <i>\$18 approximate cost of workbooks.</i> Participation in DECA is not required. Workbooks are required for use in class.	10, 11, 12
Marketing II	<b>Course Fee Change</b> – (current fee \$15 DECA dues) – Proposed Fee: <i>\$18 approximate cost of workbooks.</i> Participation in DECA is not required. Workbooks are required for use in class.	11, 12
Marketing III Management	<b>Course Fee Change</b> – (current fee \$15 DECA dues) – Proposed Fee: <i>\$15 dues required.</i> Participation in DECA is required to complete the curriculum. Student dues cannot be paid with Perkins or CTE funds.	12
Wood Technology I	<b>Course Fee Change</b> – (current fee \$25) – Proposed Fee: <i>\$30.</i> Fee will include workbook and shop fee.	10, 11, 12
Welding II	<b>Modify Course</b> – Add: <i>Prerequisite: Welding I</i>	10, 11, 12
Journalism and Newspaper	<b>Course Description Change</b> – change from a semester only course to semester/year course. This coincides with language in the VE2 approved application to KSDE.	10, 11, 12
Digital Imaging	<b>Course Description Change</b> – Delete “digital painting”.	10, 11, 12
Digital Imaging Studio	<b>Course Description Change</b> – Delete “three-dimensional modeling and animation”. Add “digital painting, webgraphics, and digital portfolio creation”.	10, 11, 12
Explorations of Health Careers I	<b>New Course</b> – <i>Exploration of Health Careers I is taught in conjunction with Johnson County Community College (JCCC). Students will jointly enroll in Introduction to Health Care Delivery (HC 101) and HPER 200 (First Aid</i>	11, 12

	<i>and CPR). These courses are taught at the JCCC Lawrence Campus at Centennial School. Students will meet once a week at the high school for additional curriculum. Students will be required to pay tuition to JCCC. Current out of county fees are \$78 per credit hour. Students will earn four hours of college credit after completing the course. Total tuition will be \$312. There are no other fees for the course.</i>	
Explorations of Health Careers II	<b>New Course</b> – <i>Exploration of Health Careers II is taught in conjunction with Johnson County Community College (JCCC). Students will jointly enroll in Certified Nurse Aide (AVHO 102 and/or Certified Medication Aide (AVHO 104). These courses are taught at the JCCC Lawrence Campus at Centennial School. Students will meet once a week at the high school for additional curriculum. Students will receive CAN or CMA certification once the course is completed. Students will be required to pay tuition to JCCC. Current tuition for CNA is \$228; tuition for CMA is \$199. Students will also need to supply white pants and shoes.</i>	11, 12
<b>Social Studies (Ron May)</b>		
<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Level</b>
Social Studies 9	<b>Course Description Change</b> – <i>Ninth grade social studies is a yearlong, two-credit course required for high school graduation. The first semester is civics, including constitution, federal government, and the political process. The second semester is a study of world governments and economics. (course was updated and revised to better fit the course sequence through high school)</i>	9