



TH Jr/Sr High School
Taconic Hills Central School District

2017-2018 Distance Learning Offerings





Distance Learning- THCSD offers distance learning courses on the following pages. The class format allows students to interact with teachers and students from other schools by way of TV monitors, video cameras and computers in the distance learning lab here on campus. Students are able to raise their hands to ask a teacher a question no matter where they are located. THCSD is the provider of some courses and the recipient of others. All virtual learning labs will be staffed with a Technology Technician.

DL.819 Adolescent Psychology **Credit: 0.5**

Prerequisites: none

Level: 10-12

Bell Times: 11:02 AM—11:42 AM

Offered by Coxsackie-Athens CSD spring semester only

This 20-week class focuses on psycho-social issues of adolescence in America. Adolescent development in other cultures will be explored as well. Topics include the psychological and intellectual function, gender roles, moral development, relationships, influence of media, goal-setting, career paths, and stress management.

DL.AMSL1 American Sign Language I **Credit: 1**

Prerequisites: none

Level: 10-12

Bell Times: 1:11 PM—1:51 PM

Offered by Coxsackie-Athens CSD

This course is an introductory course. ASL is a complex visual/spatial language that employs hand shapes, movements and positions, along with facial expression and postures of the body to communicate specific meanings. ASL has its own grammar rules and is a natural language that has developed over time by its users. ASL is the native language of many Deaf men and women, as well as some hearing children born to Deaf families across North America. It is the fourth most common language used in the US. Students will learn basic historical and cultural perspectives of the Deaf Community, Sign vocabulary and their components, and Basic American Sign Language grammar. Each student is expected to use American Sign Language skills for a final presentation about themselves as the culminating experience.

DL.AMSL2 American Sign Language II **Credit: 1**

Prerequisites: American Sign Language I

Level: 10-12

Bell Times: 11:02 PM—11:42 PM

Offered by Coxsackie-Athens CSD

Students will demonstrate intermediate receptive and expressive knowledge of American Sign Language (ASL) as well as make connections with Deaf Culture values and their associated behavior patterns by



comprehending short conversations, communicating in a wider array of situations in culturally appropriate ways and sharing American Deaf Culture information.

CW.DL Civil War**Credit: 0.5****Prerequisites:** 1 semester of US History**Level: 9-12****Bell Times: 10:16 AM—10:59 AM****Offered by Cohoes CSD fall semester only**

This course is designed to give students an understanding of the Civil War. The course will cover the 3 causes of the Civil War from slavery to the election of Lincoln. The course will then move to the actual war, where this country lost over 620,000 soldiers and thousands more civilians. From Fort Sumter to Gettysburg, to Appomattox Courthouse and many battles in between, students will become familiar with the personalities of the generals who directed the war and the lives of the soldiers.

CRWR.DL Creative Communications**Credit: 1****Prerequisites:** none**Level: 10-12****Bell Times: 1:05 PM—1:51 PM****Offered by Rensselaer CSD**

This course is a public speaking/ writing workshop. Students will write and speak every day, and they will explore different writing techniques and styles. This elective will have students develop their writing and speaking skills through exploring a variety of techniques and genres. Students will cultivate their skills through prewriting, editing, re-writing, and critiquing and also reading brief examples of good writing and viewing speeches. Goals will be met through collaboration, writing, and speaking activities. Students will be learning to provide effective feedback and respond accordingly to critiques both verbally and electronically. Students will develop practical communication skills but also refine skills on how to express their ideas creatively using style and voice.

DL.CRJ Criminal Justice**Credit: 1****Prerequisites:** none**Level: 11-12****Bell Times: 12:28 PM-1:08 PM****Offered by Coxsackie-Athens CSD**

This Criminal Justice course will illustrate topics as they apply to the areas of law enforcement, Both Criminal and Civil law will be analyzed on the State and Federal Levels of government. A review of court



systems, court procedures, court cases, and criminal violations will also be demonstrated.

HoloStdy.DL Holocaust**Credit: 0.5****Prerequisites:** 1 semester of US History**Level: 11-12****Bell Times: 10:16 AM—10:59 AM****Offered by Cohoes CSD spring semester only**

This course is designed to trace the history of anti-Semitism throughout the world and events leading to the Holocaust. Particular attention is given to the rise of Nazi Germany and the life of Adolph Hitler.

DL.MBIO Marine Biology**Credit: 1****Prerequisite:** One Science Regents and two units of science (Earth Science and Living Environment)**Level: 9-12****Bell Times: 7:35 AM—8: 17 AM****Offered by Catskill CSD**

A non-Regents level course, Marine Biology is an opportunity for students to complete their third year of science. This course provides an integrated overview of the marine environment. Content that will be covered during the course includes but is not limited to: history of oceanography; chemical, physical, and geological aspects of the ocean; ocean zones, marine life and ocean communities; marine ecosystems: beaches, tidal zones, and estuaries; human impact and environmental issues and concerns. Students will need to perform basic laboratory exercises including dissection; however, there is not a separate lab section. Laptops and access to Google classroom must be available to students. (Students may need to provide their own transportation to school for this class.)

TBD Music In Our Lives**Credit: 1****Prerequisite:** none**Level: 9-12****Bell Times: 1:48 PM—2:29 PM****Offered by Scotia-Glenville CSD**

A full year course which is open to all students. This course covers a broad range of topics in music, including basic elements of music (rhythm, melody, harmony), composition and performance, music notation, vocations in music, basic music theory, music history (Western European "classical" through Rock-n-Roll/Contemporary), and music appreciation.



DL.242AP Psychology Advanced Placement

Weighted Credit: 1.04

Prerequisites: Open to Grade 12 students or very academically motivated 11th grade students.

Level: 11-12

Bell Times:

8:46 AM– 9:28 AM

Offered by: Cohoes CSD

This course is designed to introduce students to the systemic and scientific study of the behavior and mental processes of human beings and other animals. Students are exposed to the psychological facts, principles and phenomena associated with each of the major sub-fields within psychology. They also learn about the ethics and methods psychologists use in their science and practice. An Advanced Placement exam is taken at the conclusion of the course.

Remember, A mind that is stretched by a new experience can never go back to its old dimensions.



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STUDENT REGISTRATION



Student Name: _____

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Parent Contact Info: _____

Limited spaces available. please request courses in order of preference:

Course #1:

Course #2:

Please fill out the registration information above and return it to your High School Guidance Counselor.

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