

## Academic Preparation/Leadership

Course Name	Credits	Grade Levels	Prerequisites
G-Force, College Transition	.5 each semester	11-12	Counselor Approval
Student Aide	No credit awarded to fulfill graduation requirements	12	Counselor Approval *This course does not count towards graduation credits
Supportive Peer Relationships	.5-1	11-12	LHS, HHS administrator approval
PATH to College and Career I-IV	1 each year	9-12	LHS, HHS, JHS administrator/approval

### G-Force, College Transition

**Course Number:** Z050.MS

**Grade Placement:** 11-12

**Prerequisite:** Counselor Approval

**Credit:** .5

**PEIMS#:** N1290050

This course is designed to teach students to assist peers with college applications, financial aid, scholarships, and college acceptance information. Counselor approval is required. The juniors take the class in the spring semester and Srs take the class in the fall semester. These students are trained as ambassadors to work with other students in the college application process.

### Student Aide

**Course Number:** Z000.MS

**Grade Placement:** 12

**Prerequisite:** Counselor Approval

**Credit:** .5

In order to take this course, students must be enrolled in at least five other courses in addition to student aide. Credit for this course cannot be used to fulfill graduation requirements. This course is designed for students to assist in the attendance office, principal's office, classrooms, counseling center, and the library media center. Students are taught office skills and are supervised by school professionals. Priority is given to providing aides for the Attendance Office, the Counseling Center, and the Library. If all those slots can be filled, students may have the option of serving as an aide for a teacher of their choice. The aide grades are not figured into a student's GPA to determine class rank. Also, an aide assignment does not count as one of the classes a student must take to be considered full-time. **\*This class does not count towards graduation credits**

### Supportive Peer Relationships

**Course Number:** ZO40.MY, Z040.MS

**Grade Placement:** 11-12

**Prerequisite:** Administrator Approval

**Credit:** .5 - 1

**PEIMS#:** N1290044

Supportive Peers is a program in which students develop relationships and support students with disabilities or students who need extra support for high school. The curriculum is derived from the peer tutoring model in which successful, upper-level students instruct and encourage their peers in learning successful academic skills, developing appropriate social behaviors, enhancing self-esteem and improving peer relations.

### PATH to College and Career 1-IV

**Course Numbers:** Z711.MY, Z712.MY, Z713.MY, Z714.MY

**Grade Placement:** 9-12

**Prerequisite:** Administrator and or Counselor Approval

**Credit:** 1 elective per year

**PEIMS#:** N1290051, N1290052, N1290053, N1290054

These sequences of courses are approved through the Texas Education Agency. The PATH to College and Career courses advance each year in intellectual curiosity, conscientiousness, dependability, emotional stability, and perseverance through tasks that foster deeper levels of thinking and reasoning in the four core content areas. Path students in grades 11 and 12 will take the *Accuplacer* for college readiness for dual credit courses and college admissions their senior year. Seniors will also complete college applications and learn about financial aid resources. PATH courses focus on developing the habits and skills that are expected in college study and the workforce. Although it is not required to be a first generation college student to be in a PATH class, there is special emphasis for understanding the first college generation to go to college challenges and the importance of walking through this process. Students also will experience: practicing writing and skills for learning, understanding the many college and career choices available and designing a personal action plan; developing a greater understanding of ethics and personal character through self-reflection activities and using critical thinking, reasoning and research skills. Students will take college trips, practice notetaking skills, and learn to track grades and graduation credits. Guest speakers will also be a part of this course.

