

Required Classes at NSA

7 th Grade	8 th Grade	9 th Grade
English 7 (1.0) Math (1.0) Utah Studies (1.0) Integrated Science 7 (1.0) Health (.5) Physical Education (.5) Technology, Life, Careers (1.0) Art Foundations 1 (.5) Music Connections (.5)	English 8 (1.0) Math (1.0) U.S. History (1.0) Integrated Science 8 (1.0) Physical Education (.5) Keyboarding 1 (.5) 2.0 elective credits	English 9 (1.0) Math (1.0) Biology or Earth Systems (1.0) Geography for Life (1.0) Physical Education (.5) Computer Technology (.5) 1.0-2.0 elective credits

Elective Classes

Drawing I (.5)

Drawing focuses on black and white or monochromatic rendering from life, pictures, masterworks, and imagination. This course is designed to develop higher-level thinking and art-related technology skills. Some experiences in art criticism, art history, and aesthetics may be included.

Commercial Art & Electronic Media I (.5)

Commercial Art is an overview of traditional art media and new electronic art media used in modern communications such as advertising design, illustration, graphics, and typography. This course is designed to develop higher-level thinking, art-related technology skills, and strategies for communicating to selected audiences through art. Some art criticism, art history, and aesthetics may be included.

Guitar I (.5)

This course provides opportunities for students to develop their musical potential and aesthetic understanding through learning to play a guitar. Emphasis will be placed on: playing position, tone production, fundamental techniques, simultaneous playing and singing, reading music, and composing songs/lyrics. Knowledge and skills will include experiences in singing, playing, listening, and connecting to cultures. Instrument required.

Choir I (.5) or Choir I (1.0)

This course provides opportunities for students to develop their musical potential and aesthetic understanding through singing in a choral ensemble. Study includes the care and cultivation of a beautiful tone, aesthetic awareness, ability to read music, the building of technical skills, team spirit, and responsible rehearsal habits. Students will strengthen listening skills and their ability to analyze and evaluate music and music performances.

Business Web Page Design (.5)

This semester course provides students with advanced Internet skills and techniques as well as a major emphasis on beginning Web page design. Students will explore resources of the Internet and its tools through the use of e-mail, search engines and browsers. HTML and Web publishing software will be used to create, format, illustrate, design and edit Web pages.

Spanish I (1.0)

This is a course designed to teach elementary skills in listening, speaking, reading, and spelling. The focus is on vocabulary for classroom and school subjects, foods, clothing, telling time, reading the calendar, weather and seasons, modes of transportation, and common locations. Students will develop an appreciation of the countries where the language is spoken.

Spanish II (1.0)

This is a course designed to teach intermediate skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing. The course content includes further development of vocabulary for dining, traveling, shopping, and personal feelings. Students will develop an appreciation of the countries where the language is spoken.

Prerequisite: Spanish I

Journalism I (.5)

This is a course designed to train students in newspaper writing and reading. Interviewing, writing, and editing are emphasized. Students produce a class newspaper.

Creative Writing I (.5)

This is an introductory course in imaginative composition. The study and writing of personal experiences, character sketches, short fiction, and poetry is emphasized. Students have the opportunity to prepare manuscripts for publication, awards, and scholarships.

Humanities (.5)

This course combines thematic studies and chronological studies of various cultures and civilizations in order to understand origins, influences, and relationships within and among cultures and civilizations. The various themes are woven through the art, music, and literature of a culture and civilization, which are the basis of humanities studies

Released time for LDS Seminary (0). 9th grade only

The following classes are offered as early morning extracurricular activities. Students may earn .5 credits for participation. A \$25/quarter fee is required.

Band I (.5)

This is a course in beginning band offered for students who have had little or no previous experience in playing an instrument. Instrument required.

Band II (.5)

This is a band class for students with at least one year of band experience. Rehearsals and performances outside of class time are part of the course requirement and will constitute a portion of the grade. Instrument required. Prerequisite: Band I.

Guitar I (.5)

This course provides opportunities for students to develop their musical potential and aesthetic understanding through learning to play a guitar. Emphasis will be placed on: playing position, tone production, fundamental techniques, simultaneous playing and singing, reading music, and composing songs/lyrics. Knowledge and skills will include experiences in singing, playing, listening, and connecting to cultures. Instrument required.