



THE CENTER FOR CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

Course Syllabus 2021-2022

EPISD Course Title:	Prac Law PCS 1 (Semester 1 Criminal Courts)
EPISD Course Number:	HT4L10Y2
EPISD Course Description:	130.340 Court Systems and practices is an overview of the federal and state
	court system. The course identifies the roles of judicial officers and the trial
	processes from pretrial to sentencing and examines the types and rules of
	evidence. Emphasis is based on constitutional laws for criminal procedure such
	as search and seizure, stop and frisk, and interrogation.

EPISD Course Title:	Prac Law PCS 1 (Semester 2 Criminal Investigation)
EPISD Course Number:	HT4L10Y2
EPISD Course Description:	130.338 Criminal Investigation is a course that introduces students to the
	profession of criminal investigation. Students will understand the basic
	functions of criminal investigation and procedures and will learn how to
	investigate and follow up during investigations. Students will learn
	terminology and investigative procedures related to criminal investigation,
	crime scene processing.
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Criminal Courts (Semester 1) Program Overview

[Industry Standards and Course Competencies]

1st Grading Period (1st 9 Weeks):	2nd Grading Period (2nd 9 Weeks):
Standards Covered:	Standards Covered:
Part One: The Purpose and Structure of American Courts Introduction: Law and the Judicial Function Sources of Law Court Organization and Structure Specialized Courts	Part Three: Court Processes
Part Two: Courtroom Actors and the Courtroom Workgroups Prosecutors Defense Attorneys Judges	





- Criminal Defendants and Crime Victims
- The Jury

Standards Delivered/Assessed:

Students will demonstrate and apply knowledge of the foundations of our courts, types of courts and key persons & their roles in court. Students will be provided with Law Enforcement skills such as, Building Clearing, Felony Traffic Stops, and Basic Crime Scene Investigations.

Standards Delivered/Assessed:

Students will demonstrate and apply knowledge of the court process and its role in criminal justice, and issues associated with courts. Students will be able to demonstrate the proper tactics when clearing a building, conducting felony traffic stops and the ability to secure and process a crime scene.

Criminal Investigation (Semester 2) Program Overview

[Industry Standards and Course Competencies]

3rd Grading Period (3rd 9 Weeks):

Standards Covered:

Part One:

- The Investigation of Crime
- The History of Criminal Investigation
- The Role of Evidence in Criminal Investigations
- The Law and Criminal Investigations

Part Two:

- Physical Evidence and the Crime Scene
- Interviews and Eyewitness Identifications
- Interrogations and Confessions
- Behavioral Analysis and Other Related Evidence

Standards Delivered/Assessed:

Students will demonstrate and apply knowledge of the foundations of criminal investigations and the crime scene process. Students will be provided with Law Enforcement skills such as, Building Clearing, Felony Traffic Stops, and Basic Crime Scene Investigations.

4th Grading Period (4th 9 Weeks):

Standards Covered:

Part Three:

- Information from the Public, the Media, Electronic Networks, and Other Sources
- Death Investigations
- The Investigation of Sex Crimes, Assault, Child Abuse, and Related Offenses
- The Investigation of Robbery

Part Four:

- The Investigation of Burglary, Vehicle Theft, Arson, and Other Property Crimes
- Digital Evidence and the Investigation of Fraud and Other Computer-Related Offenses
- The Documentation and Presentation of Evidence
- Terrorism, Technology, and the Future of Criminal Investigation

Standards Delivered/Assessed:

Students will demonstrate and apply knowledge of the criminal investigative process and the fundamentals of a crime scene and the ability to secure and process a crime scene. Students will be able to demonstrate the proper tactics when clearing a building and conducting felony traffic stops.





<u>Soft Skills</u>- Students will be introduced to Soft skills that are a contribution of people skills, social skills, communication skills, character traits, attitudes, and other personal attributes which prepares the student for the industry. The following topics will be covered during the months of the school year.

September	New Student and DC Orientation
October	Professionalism/ The Master Student
November	Problem Solving/ Discovering Yourself
January	Verbal Communication/ Memory
March	Written Communication/ Notes/ Tests
April	TBD

Program provided resources:

- 1. Police duty belt, simulated weapons (plastic replicas)
- 2. Handcuffs with case
- 3. Handout materials

Student Provided Resources:

- 1. Implements for Writing
- 2. One Notebook
- 3. Uniform (polo shirt, tactical pants, belt) Optional at this time.

ACADEMIC FOUNDATIONS

Grading Scale
100 - 90 = A
89 - 80 = B
79 - 70 = C
69 - 0 = F

Grading Breakdown:				
Within a Nine Week Period	For the Semester			
Content Engagement (Participation)	20%	NW1 (Summative)	45%	
Content Understanding (Daily Work)	40%	NW2 (Summative)	45%	
Content Mastery (Tests)	40%	Semester Exam (Summative)	10%	

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY

Consequences for Cheating / Plagiarism:
Private Teacher / Student Conference and Call to Parent/Guardian
1 st Infraction - Revised assignment after parent contact
• 2 nd Infraction - Invalidation of Grade (0) and referral to CCTE Administrative Team





ACADEMIC WORK (REDO Inadequate Work)

	Guidelines for Redoing Work
	For the following Activities Only:
	 Quizzes (Labs) & Tests (Exams)
	Specific Information
	• Students are allowed to redo attempted assignment where a grade of 70% was not earned
	Student responsibility to make arrangements with teacher
	Redo's are for grades of 69 or less
• T	eacher shall allow a student one additional attempt to achieve a passing score of 70%. (Check IEP if applicable)
	Remediation shall be encouraged before a student is allowed to redo assignment/ test.
	Good Faith (Student must try to complete assignment on first attempt)

ACADEMIC WORK (Make Up Due to Absence)

Guidelines for Making Up Work
Student responsibility to make arrangements with teacher
• Student is given 1 day for every day absence – Regardless of Type of Absence
Specific Information
 Assignment turned in on time after absence – Opportunity to earn full credit
 Assignment turned in 1 day late after scheduled due date – Opportunity to earn 70%
• Assignment turned in 2 days late after absence – Student will earn 0% (Zero)