



CLHS 2024-2025 Elective Guide

MONDAY-THURSDAY

Art*

FINE ARTS

Art will emphasize art terminology, techniques, and material handling skills for graphite, ink, pastel, and colored pencil renderings. Beginning concepts in color theory will be learned through the use of acrylic and watercolor.

Supplies: 9x12 sketch book (required), basic graphite pencil set & kneaded eraser

Prerequisites: None

Homework: Sketch assigned weekly outside of class

Special Note: 1 day out of class in May for Sketch Day

Band*

FINE ARTS

To the glory of God, the Calvary band will learn and perform instrumental music. Students will learn advanced techniques and skills through various genres including classical, jazz, and 20th century repertoire.

Supplies: Instrument & instrument supplies, Concert attire, *Tradition of Excellence: Technique and Musicianship by Pearson & Nowlin (*Purchase from Palen Music or Capital Music for your instrument)

Prerequisites: Foundational knowledge of instrument

Homework: Instrument practice, Music Theory assignments

Special Note: 1 concert each semester and leadership in various Calvary athletic and worship events

Civil Air Patrol*

PRACTICAL ARTS

A phenomenal leadership military-based education program meant solely to develop character, citizenship, and life skills.

The curriculum includes lessons in leadership, physical fitness, communication, and survival.

Activities often include aerospace education, emergency service training, hikes and mud runs, community service, drill/marching, and many more things to develop better citizens.

Attire: Wear Camo Uniforms on Thursdays, Purchase Boots (\$40 - \$80)

Additional Expectations:

7:00 - 7:45 Thursday mornings

1 Sat / month required, 2 optional

Creative Writing*

LANGUAGE ARTS

This course is intended to improve creative writing skills. Students will read and analyze short stories and essays of published authors and learn how to create captivating plots and characters in different genres. We will also tackle the difficult question of what it looks like to be a Christian writer.

Supplies: Journal/Composition notebook

Special Note: PR writing and opportunity to enter in writing contests.

Dance

FINE ARTS

Students will learn the posture, form, and rhythm for basic steps in swing, ballroom, English country, and line dances. Throughout the year, students will differentiate between East and West Coast swing dances and smooth and Latin style ballroom dances, along with demonstrating turns and varied sequences for the following: waltz, foxtrot, tango, cha-cha, rumba, hustle, swing, and more.

Prerequisites: None

Attire: Non-marking soled shoes firmly latched to foot (no street shoes or boots) with school approved uniform loose enough for active walking, lunging, and/or skipping

Digital Photography

FINE ARTS

Each student will learn the fundamentals of photography exposure and the manual settings on his/her camera. During second semester, he/she will learn basic Photoshop skills. At the end of the course, each student should be fully capable of taking quality photographs using his/her camera's manual mode.

Supplies: Camera which permits manual adjustment of Shutter Speed, Aperture, and ISO (Do NOT purchase a camera without being very certain of this ability!); SD/USB converter to transfer photos to PC

Prerequisite: Approval of camera by instructor or principal

Homework: Approximately 1 photo plan and 1 photo assignment per week

Family and Consumer Science

PRACTICAL ARTS

A course designed to help students develop the essential knowledge and skills to make meaningful contributions to family and community. Students will learn and be given opportunities to practice interpersonal relationships, child development, home design and maintenance, basic sewing, car maintenance, and nutritional meals. The goal of the course is to lay the foundation for students to be well-balanced and productive adults.

Supplies: Work clothes and shoes for special class projects (gardening, painting, etc.)

Homework: Class projects including infant simulations and home design.

Strength Training/Agility

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The Strength Training/Agility class will focus on building the body as a whole as well as working on agility and flexibility. It will be designed to help those who want to improve athletic ability in all sports as well as for those who want to build and maintain overall physical fitness for life. Safety will be emphasized early and continued throughout the year. Additionally, students will be instructed in hygiene and organization of a weight room.

Supplies: Standard Calvary PE Dress Code.

Prerequisites: None

Homework: Some written work required to monitor and record personal workouts and progress.

Woodshop

PRACTICAL ARTS

Woodshop provides students the opportunity to plan and build individual projects using advanced construction techniques, proper tool adjustment, and safe tool use. Quality workmanship will be emphasized.

Supplies: Students will need to provide wood and supplies for their larger projects. Wood for small projects will be provided.

Special Note: Students will be using power tools to construct woodworking projects.



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TUESDAY-FRIDAY

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Prerequisites: None

Homework: Sketch assigned weekly outside of class

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Biblical Explorations*

RELIGION

Prepare to explore the Bible like never before! By studying artifacts discovered by modern archeologists, we can paint a fuller picture of the world of the Bible--from Noah's flood to the time of Christ (and yes, we will talk about dinosaurs!).

Prerequisites: None

Supplies: Bible (ESV), journal/notebook

Cadet Teaching

PRACTICAL ARTS

Students will cooperatively serve educators at local grade schools. Calvary students do not have to be interested in teaching but should be motivated to help others and open to learning new ways to serve. Students will gain an appreciation and understanding of the responsibilities of being a teacher.

Prerequisites: Have completed 1 school year at Calvary

Classwork: Supporting teachers with day-to-day projects, assisting students with school work as assigned, designing and/or assisting with projects (may require preparation outside of the school day).

Special Note: Application required. Cadet teaching students will regularly travel to other schools.

Choir*

FINE ARTS

The Calvary choir seeks to worship God in singing. Students will learn about proper posture, breathing, and tone quality. They will sing music from a wide range of genres from classical to contemporary.

Supplies: Concert Attire

Homework: Organization and readiness for our concerts, Music Theory assignments

Special Note: Sing at 2 elementary chapel services each semester, 1 concert each semester, and graduation in May

Devotional Writing*

RELIGION

Spending time in God's Word is what we're called to do to effectively serve in our given vocations. Many people are inspired by the simplest of writing that reflects God's calling to and for us as we navigate postmodern societal norms. In this course, students will be engaged in God's Word as he/she studies and applies key verses to encourage others to see how God works in and through our lives.

Supplies: Composition Notebook, ESV Bible, Chromebook or other laptop

Prerequisite: None

Homework: Weekly devotional study and writing & Final Devotion Project

Great Books & Films of History

SOCIAL STUDIES

From medieval knights and kings to the Wild West of the American frontier, the elective of Great Books and Films of History is designed to provide students with an opportunity to explore historical time periods through classical world literature and film in the context of a Christian worldview.

Prerequisites: None

Homework: Weekly assignments online, reading outside of class is expected, creative project every quarter

Videography

FINE ARTS

Students will have the opportunity to learn new skills in video production. They will learn how to produce various kinds of videos from start to finish by taking their own video clips and doing their own editing on various editing platforms. Videos include but are not limited to: family reels, retreat recap, business promotions, newscasts, Calvary promos, etc.

Supplies: Headphones, SD card, USB drive, video camera (only if you want to use your own, the school has three which the students may use)

Homework: Daily participation in class activities, daily editing assignments, weekly video submissions, group projects, and a final video project.

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