

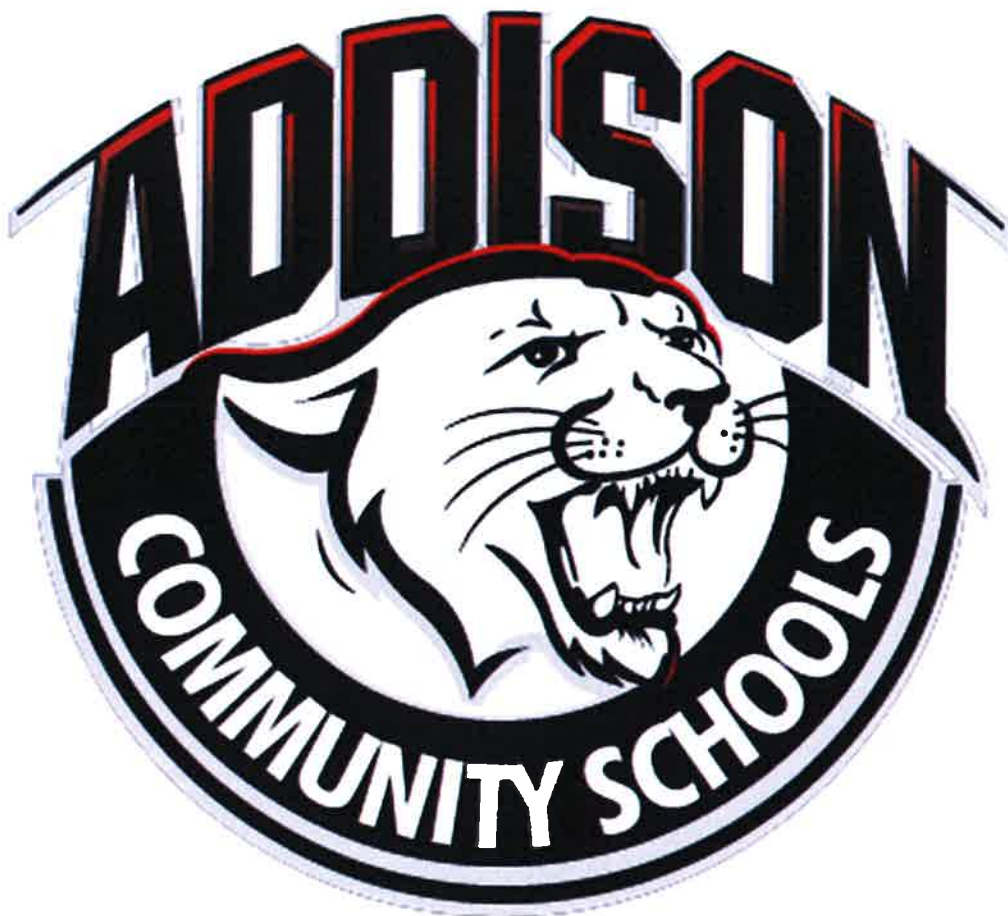
**ADDISON MIDDLE SCHOOL
COURSE DESCRIPTION GUIDE
2020-2021**

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For the 2020-21 school year, the board of education will allow instruction of all courses listed in the course catalog as traditional/seated courses to be adapted for delivery in a virtual/digital format.

Vision Statement

The vision of Addison Community Schools is to prepare confident students in making positive contributions to the global society and the community in which they live.

Mission Statement

The mission of Addison Community Schools is to provide a well-balanced curriculum and learning environment, supplemented by enriching experiences in order for all learners to be successful.

Beliefs

- A strong, well-rounded academic and extracurricular program is imperative for high student achievement.
- A safe, orderly, and predictable environment that is also enjoyable promotes learning.
- Having a balance between maintaining a solid foundation of technology with being on the cutting edge promotes high student engagement in learning.
- Building a culture of collaboration and providing frequent and timely communication among all stakeholders, will create meaningful partnerships between the school and community.
- All children and families have the right to effective instruction, and the responsibility to learn, progress, and experience success.

Valuable Websites for Careers and Education

www.collegeview.com

This site contains a college search, career information, and financial aid possibilities.

www.mois.org

This site is the Michigan Occupational Information System which reviews over 2000 careers.

www.careermag.com

This site contains up-to-date information on careers, career searches and articles relating to finding and keeping a good job.

www.finaid.com

This site contains a variety of information on calculating costs, scholarships and grants, scams, and other searches.

www.fafsa.ed.gov

Official site of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This site contains frequently asked questions and a guide to completing the form. The document can be downloaded and filed electronically.

www.petersons.com

This site is the Peterson's Education Center. It contains general information about colleges, careers, and distance learning.

www.MI-StudentAid.org

This site is the MI-SEARCH guide for searching for scholarships and financial aid.

www.ed.gov/funding.html

This site is a student guide to education funding.

www.ed.gov/inits/hope

This site provides information about HOPE and lifetime learning tax credits.

www.msfaa.org

This site offers information on financial aid, links to state and federal aid, and links to Michigan colleges and universities.

EDP On-Line

An Educational Development Plan, (EDP), helps students identify career goals, lists the interests and skills needed to meet those goals, and documents the experiences, education, and accomplishments needed to successfully attain them.

Local schools in the Hillsdale-Jackson-Lenawee Intermediate School Districts use the web-based EDP to facilitate career planning and course selection. Students are able to complete and up- date their EDP to facilitate career planning and course selection. Students are able to complete and update their EDP anywhere via the Internet. This on-line tool is confidential and secure because students must enter personal student ID's and passwords to access the system.

No

personal information is entered. Students may print out a copy of their EDP to review at any time.

To access the On-Line EDP:

Type in the following web address
at the top of your browser's
screen:

**[http://careercruising.c
om](http://careercruising.com)**

Press the enter key
Login: Addison
Password: panthers
Click "Submit."

Next, click with your mouse in the
EDP field and type in your EDP
password (your EDP ID and Pass-
word are provided by the school

English

English 6

Applicable Grades: 6

Course Length: 2 Semesters

Required

Students will be reading, writing and discussing many genres of the language, including grammar, short story, poetry, drama and others to allow students to meet benchmarks identified for 6th grade students.

Credits: MS

Type of Course:

English 7

Applicable Grades: 7

Course Length: 2 Semesters

Required

Students will be reading, writing and discussing many genres of the language, including grammar, short story, poetry, drama and others to allow students to meet benchmarks identified for 7th grade students.

Credits: MS

Type of Course:

English 8

Applicable Grades: 8

Course Length: 2 Semesters

Course: Required

Students will be reading, writing and discussing many genres of the language, including grammar, short story, poetry, drama and others to allow students to meet benchmarks identified for 8th grade students.

Credits: MS

Type of

STEAM

Cardboard Design

Applicable Grades: 8

Course Length: 1-2 Semesters

Elective

Focus will be on design basics, including math skills.

Credits: MS

Type of Course:

Medical Detective

Applicable Grades: 8

Course Length: 1-2 Semesters

Elective

Focus will be on basic forensics.

Credits: MS

Type of Course:

Activities in Math

Applicable Grades: 6

Course Length: 1-2 Semesters

Elective

Focus will be on applying math skills to hands on activities.

Credits: MS

Type of Course:

Careers

Applicable Grades: 7

Course Length: 1-2 Semesters

Elective

Focus will be on providing an introduction to career paths.

Credits: MS

Type of Course:

Art

Applicable Grades: 6

Course Length: 1-2 Semesters

Elective

Focus will be on providing students the opportunity to expand their skills in various techniques in the field of art.

Credits: MS

Type of Course:

Computer Coding

Applicable Grades: 7

Course Length: 1-2 Semesters

Elective

Focus will be on developing a basic understanding of computer coding.

Credits: MS

Type of Course:

Fine Arts

Art 6

Course Length: 1-2 Semester

Credits: MS

A foundation level class structured to introduce students to the visual elements and principles of design, art history, and careers in art at a 6th grade level.

Art 7

Course Length: 1-2 Semester

Credits: MS

A foundation level class structured to introduce students to the visual elements and principles of design, art history, and careers in art at a 7th grade level.

Art 8

Course Length: 1-2 Semester

Credits: MS

A foundation level class structured to introduce students to the visual elements and principles of design, art history, and careers in art at an 8th grade level.

Band

Course Length: 1-2 Semesters

Credits: MS

This course is designed to give each band member a chance to perform publicly in an environment conducive to learning, growing, and music making.

Chorus

Course Length: 1-2 Semesters

Credits: MS

This course is designed to help students learn to sing in group and solo setting. The class will have the following general purposes: To help students learn to sing and perform as a group. To help increase students' knowledge in a variety of choral styles. To increase knowledge of note reading and sight singing. To increase knowledge of music theory and music history. To improve students' performance skills.

Mathematics

Math 6

Applicable Grades: 6

Credits: MS

Course Length: 2 Semesters

Type of Course:

Required

Develop students' core knowledge and skills relating to mathematics to meet 6th grade benchmarks.

Math 7

Applicable Grades: 7

Credits: MS

Course Length: 2 Semesters

Type of Course:

Required

Develop students' core knowledge and skills relating to mathematics to meet 7th grade benchmarks.

Math 8

Applicable Grades: 8

Credits: MS

Course Length: 2 Semesters

Type of Course:

Required

Develop students' core knowledge and skills relating to mathematics to meet 8th grade benchmarks.

Physical Education and Health

Gym 6

Applicable Grades: 6

Credits: MS

Course Length: 1-2 Semesters

Type of Course:

Required

Participation is a major portion of the grade. Testing is a smaller portion of the grade and includes skill, strength, endurance, and knowledge testing. The major philosophy is to provide individuals with the skills, knowledge, and opportunity to be successful in some type of activity. This course is based on a philosophy of choosing life-long wellness. Students will develop an appreciation of the impact of their heredity, their environment, and their choices upon their personal wellness.

Physical Education 7

Applicable Grades: 7

Credits: MS

Course Length: 1-2 Semesters

Type of Course:

Required

Class builds on the skills learned in Gym 6. Participation is a major portion of the grade. Testing is a smaller portion of the grade and includes skill, strength, endurance, and knowledge testing. The major philosophy is to provide individuals with the skills, knowledge, and opportunity to be successful in some type of activity. This course is based on a philosophy of choosing life-long wellness. Students will develop an appreciation of the impact of their heredity, their environment, and their choices upon their personal wellness.

Physical Education 8**Applicable Grades: 8****Course Length: 1-2 Semesters****Credits: MS****Type of Course:****Required**

Course builds on the skills learned in Gym 7. Participation is a major portion of the grade. Testing is a smaller portion of the grade and includes skill, strength, endurance, and knowledge testing. The major philosophy is to provide individuals with the skills, knowledge, and opportunity to be successful in some type of activity. This course is based on a philosophy of choosing life-long wellness. Students will develop an appreciation of the impact of their heredity, their environment, and their choices upon their personal wellness. Course includes a section on health topics.

Science

Science 6

Credits: MS

Course Length: 2 Semesters

Required

Develop students' core knowledge and skills relating to science to meet 6th grade benchmarks.

Applicable Grades: 6

Type of Course:

Earth Science 7

Credits: MS

Course Length: 2 Semesters

Required

Develop students' core knowledge and skills relating to science to meet 7th grade benchmarks.

Applicable Grades: 7

Type of Course:

Science 8

Credits: MS

Course Length: 2 Semesters

Required

Develop students' core knowledge and skills relating to science to meet 8th grade benchmarks.

Applicable Grades: 8

Type of Course:

Social Studies

History 6

Applicable Grades: 6

Course Length: 2 Semesters

Required

Develop students' core knowledge and skills relating to history to meet 6th grade benchmarks.

Credits: MS

Type of Course:

History 7

Applicable Grades: 7

Course Length: 2 Semesters

Required

Develop students' core knowledge and skills relating to history to meet 7th grade benchmarks.

Credits: MS

Type of Course:

History 8

Applicable Grades: 8

Course Length: 2 Semesters

Required

Develop students' core knowledge and skills relating to history to meet 8th grade benchmarks.

Credits: MS

Type of Course:

Recovery, Online Credits

Online Learning**Applicable Grades: 6,7,8****Course Length: 1 Semester****Elective****Requirements: Principal Approval**

Students enrolled in this class will enroll in an online subject area course needed for grade promotion. An online instructor is assigned to the course who grades and monitors student progress. An Addison teacher facilitates the learning program at the school site. Students must be able to work independently and at a steady pace in order to be successful in an online learning environment. Principal permission is required. Online learning may be utilized for course completion of required courses needed for credit recovery.

Credits: MS**Type of Course:****Independent Study****Applicable Grades: 6,7,8****Course Length: 1 Semester****Elective****Requirements: Principal and Instructor Approval**

Students enrolled in this class will enroll in an independent course. Independent study courses may be any course offered in the course catalog. Students will follow a personalized syllabus and student progress will be monitored and grades will be provided. Students must be able to work independently and at a steady pace in order to be successful in an independent study course. Principal and instructor permission is required.

Credits: MS**Type of Course:****Project Lead the Way****Applicable Grades: 6,7,8****Course Length: Year****Elective**

Introduction to engineering basics to develop entry level skills and allow students to explore interest levels in high school level PLTW courses.

Credits: MS**Type of Course:****App Creator****Applicable Grades: 6,7,8****Course Length: Year****Elective**

Introduction to develop entry level skills and allow students to explore interest levels in computer science skills.

Credits: MS**Type of Course:****Plants and Animals****Applicable Grades: 6,7,8****Course Length: Year****Elective**

Course allows for hands on opportunities to learn more about plants and animals.

Credits: MS**Type of Course:****Study Skills****Applicable Grades: 6,7,8****Credits: MS**

Course Length: Year**Type of Course:****Elective**

Helps students develop positive study habits while learning organizational skills, time management, note taking and other study skills.

Study Skills and Current Events**Applicable Grades: 6,7,8****Credits: MS****Course Length: Year****Type of Course:****Elective**

Helps students develop positive study habits while learning organizational skills, time management, note taking and other study skills. This class will also incorporate current events and civic literacy.

Seminar**Applicable Grades: 6,7,8 Credits: MS****Course Length: Year Type of Course: Elective**

Provides an individualized opportunity for students to work with a teacher to develop study habits, accountability and organizational skills to properly identify their educational needs. Students will have the opportunity to regularly check their grades, meet with teachers in areas that need additional development and build positive relationships.

Novel Experiences**Applicable Grades: 6,7,8****Credits: 0.5****Course Length: 1 Semesters****Type of Course:****Elective**

Course will allow students to choose 3 literary works to read and complete assignments on. This course may be repeated as long as students do not repeat the same novels. This course may be completed utilizing online learning platforms.

Edgenuity Course Offerings

Course

Spanish 1

Spanish 2

French 1

French 2

German 1

German 2

Chinese 1

Chinese 2

Latin 1

Latin 2
Spanish I
Spanish II
Spanish III
AP Spanish Language & Culture
French I
French II
AP French Language & Culture
German I
German II
Chinese I
Chinese II
Latin I
Latin II
Agribusiness Systems
Animal Systems
Banking Services Careers
Business Computer Information Systems
Business Law
Career Explorations
Career Explorations I
Career Explorations II
Career Explorations III
Careers in Allied Health

Careers in Logistics Planning and Management
Services
Careers in Marketing Research
Career Management
Career Planning & Development
Construction Careers
Corrections: Policies and Procedures
Engineering and Design
Engineering and Product Development
Family and Community Services
Fire and Emergency Services
Food Products & Processing Systems
Food Safety and Sanitation

Forensics: Using Science to Solve a Mystery
Fundamentals of Computer Systems
Fundamentals of Digital Media
Fundamentals of Programming and Software Development
Health Science Concepts
Introduction to Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
Introduction to Business
Introduction to Careers in Architecture and Construction
Introduction to Careers in Arts, A/V Technology, and Communications
Introduction to Careers in Education and Training
Introduction to Careers in Finance
Introduction to Careers in Government and Public Administration
Introduction to Computer Science
Introduction to Human Growth and Development
Introduction to Careers in the Health Sciences
Introduction to Careers in Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics
Introduction to Coding
Introduction to Health Science
Introduction to Human Services
Introduction to Information Technology
Introduction to Information Technology Support and Services
Introduction to Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security
Introduction to Network Systems
Introduction to Stem
Keyboarding Applications
Law Enforcement Field Services
Legal Services
Medical Terminology
Marketing and Sales for Tourism and Hospitality
Microsoft Office Specialist
Network System Design
New Applications: Web Development in the 21st

Century
Nursing Assistant
Nursing: Unlimited Possibilities and Unlimited Potential
Personal Care Services
Personal Finance
Pharmacy Technician
Physicians, Pharmacists, Dentists, Veterinarians, and Other Doctors
Planning Meetings and Special Events
Plant Systems
Power, Structural, and Technical Systems
Principles of Food (8500390) FL
Public Health: Discovering the Big Picture in Health Care
Science and Mathematics in the Real World
Scientific Discovery and Development
Scientific Research
Security and Protective Services
Small Business Entrepreneurship
Software Development Tools
Stem and Problem Solving
Sustainable Service Management for Hospitality and Tourism
Teaching and Training Careers
Technology and Business
Therapeutics: The Art of Restoring and Maintaining Wellness
Transportation and Tours for the Traveler
Virtual Tutor: ACT
Virtual Tutor: SAT
Virtual Tutor: PSAT
Virtual Tutor: GED
Virtual Tutor: HISET
Virtual Tutor: TASC
Virtual Tutor: Compass
Virtual Tutor: Accuplacer
Virtual Tutor: ACT Workkeys
Virtual Tutor: ASVAB
Algebra I Honors

Geometry Honors
Algebra II Honors
Pre-Calculus Honors
Language Arts 9 Honors
Language Arts 10 Honors
Language Arts 11 Honors
Language Arts 12 Honors
Biology Honors
Chemistry Honors
Physics Honors
Economics Honors
Survey of United States History Honors
Survey of World History Honors
United States Government Honors
United States History I Honors
United States History II Honors
Character & Leadership Development
College & Career Readiness
Mental Health & Wellness
Personal Development
Social and Emotional Success
Unlock Your Purpose
“Intervention on Purpose” Modules

