

Oak Meadow

High School Catalog

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Introduction

Oak Meadow High School is an academically challenging distance-learning college-prep program. We place a high value on helping our students to realize and express their own intelligence independently.

At Oak Meadow, we believe that excellence involves more than just academics. For students to realize their full potential, intellectual development must be balanced with self-awareness, critical thinking, social responsibility, and physical activity. The Oak Meadow curriculum encourages integrative thinking, participation in community activities, and exploration of the natural world.

Students have ample opportunities to express their creative faculties through essays, projects, and community service. With our Independent Study program, students explore their own interests by enrolling in elective courses in their community while earning credit towards graduation. This allows students to enhance their educational experiences with their own thoughts, expressions, and interests.

Oak Meadow also places a high premium on flexibility, providing you with the resources to construct the best possible educational program for your needs. With our enrollment options, Individualized Educational Programs, and open scheduling, we can provide fulfilling curricula for special-needs students, students who travel frequently, international students, or virtually any non-traditional learning environment.

Because we believe that students should be independent thinkers, we encourage critical and creative thinking skills. Teachers act as academic guides, providing insightful feedback and helping to design the optimum educational framework for each student. By combining rigorous academics, creative projects, individual choices, and our teachers' expertise, Oak Meadow High School helps students develop into enthusiastic, responsible and successful young adults.

In addition to teacher support and regular evaluations, Oak Meadow provides enrolled High School students with the following services:

- College Admissions Support
- Transcripts
- Assistance with Driver License Documentation
- Assistance with Work Permit Documentation
- Guidance Counseling

A one-time **\$250 matriculation fee for juniors and graduating seniors** is paid at the beginning of the year to cover the costs of academic and college planning, extra support from teachers and staff, transcripts, and letters of recommendation. This fee covers all costs of matriculation services except college application fees.

We also create an Oak Meadow Yearbook for every academic year, featuring photographs and brief descriptions of any enrolled students who wish to participate. Enrolled families will receive detailed information regarding photo submission, deadlines, etc.

Oak Meadow is fully accredited in grades K-8 by the Middle States Commission on Elementary Schools (a commission of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools), and in grades 9-12 by the Commission on Secondary and Middle Schools (a commission of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools). In addition, Oak Meadow is accredited by the Commission on International and Trans-Regional Accreditation.



Oak Meadow School is also registered with the NCAA Clearinghouse, and our courses are approved for student athletes who wish to meet NCAA Collegiate eligibility standards for Division I and II.



*With Oak Meadow, doing what you
love isn't something that happens
after you finish school.
Students live their visions and pursue
their goals every day.*

High School Enrollment

Enrollment in Oak Meadow High School gives students freedom to learn in their own way, while receiving academic credit and support as they learn. A variety of enrollment options are available, and you can customize school enrollment to meet your student's unique needs, depending upon the type of curriculum you choose.

Traditional Courses

Students who enroll in a Traditional course receive enrollment, curriculum materials and full teacher support for one fee. Students have the opportunity to communicate with their teacher for guidance and support. Lessons are sent by email or postal mail. Teachers review lessons, provide comments and evaluations. This enables an ongoing relationship between students and teachers.

\$600 per course per 10-month school year. (\$425 per course per 5-month semester)

Online Courses

Our Online courses offer a self-directed, independent study format, and a grading service for one low fee. The online courses offer no additional teacher support.

\$400 per course per 10-month school year. (\$275 per course per 5-month semester)

Students have the option of taking both online and traditional courses.

Credits earned can be transferred to other schools or used to graduate from Oak Meadow High School.

Individualized Educational Program (IEP) - This is a curriculum developed to meet your child's specific needs, through a consultation with an Oak Meadow curriculum counselor. An IEP is not necessary for most students. Oak Meadow curricula are designed to accommodate a wide range of student abilities and learning styles and most students' needs can easily be met within the context of a standard curriculum without requiring an IEP. An IEP, however, is intended for students whose backgrounds, abilities, or learning styles are such that a simple substitution of grade levels and subjects is not sufficient. IEPs are appropriate for students working significantly below grade level as well as those working significantly above grade level. **The price for an IEP is \$600 per course.**

- IEPs are only available for enrolled students. Call the office to arrange a consultation.

Note: Teacher fees are for 36 lessons or 10 months, whichever comes first. For lessons sent by postal mail, these fees do not include return postage. For non-U.S. residents, a \$50 per year initial postage fee is required, and teachers bill for the return postage.

Refund Policies

Although we make every effort to ensure that your curriculum purchase or school enrollment is successful, occasionally circumstances arise that force parents to return a curriculum or withdraw a child from enrollment in Oak Meadow School. If this occurs, we will refund the price of your curriculum and enrollment fee subject to the following limitations:

Curriculum Refunds

We will give you a full refund of your purchase price if you return the materials *undamaged* (in saleable condition) and postmarked within *30 days* after the date the curriculum was sent to you. We do not refund shipping and handling charges. **Before returning your curriculum, call or email the office for a Return Authorization Number. After 30 days, curriculum refunds are not available.**

Enrollment Refunds

To cancel your student's enrollment in Oak Meadow School, you must send a letter, fax, or email to the Oak Meadow office informing us of your student's withdrawal. The postmark (for a letter) or the electronic imprint date (for fax or email) will serve as the official date of termination. If you withdraw **within 30 days** from the start date of your enrollment, we refund the enrollment fee, less the following non-refundable amounts:

- **\$75.00 per course is non-refundable.**



What About College

Oak Meadow High School graduates successfully follow diverse paths, and not all of these include college. Some students have started their own businesses, while others have entered directly into various fields as apprentices. What is most important to us is that our graduates love what they are doing and continue to learn and grow.

Most graduates, however, choose to go on to college, and they have attended a wide variety of colleges and universities. Some have chosen to attend large public universities such as Columbia University, the University of Arizona, the University of Kentucky, the University of Maryland, Iowa State University, Oberlin, the University of Minnesota, Prescott College, Colorado State University, or the many schools in the University of California system. Others preferred smaller private colleges such as Simon's Rock or Mount Holyoke. Those with artistic interests have chosen schools such as the North Carolina School of Performing Arts, Academy of Arts or Bennington College.

Our registrar and guidance staff is available to all juniors and seniors to assist in the college application process. This includes SAT/ACT registration, transcript requests and letters of recommendation. We know our students won't be with us forever, and we want to make their transition to life after Oak Meadow High School as smooth and successful as possible.

A one-time **\$250 matriculation fee for juniors and graduating seniors** is paid at the beginning of the year to cover the costs of academic and college planning, extra support from teachers and staff, transcripts, and letters of recommendation. This fee covers all costs of matriculation services except college application fees.

Independent Study Credit

Oak Meadow High School students have a unique opportunity to integrate academic learning, artistic skills and practical experience while earning a high school diploma. All the required academic courses necessary for graduation from Oak Meadow are available from the school, but students can also receive Independent Study Credit for other activities or work experience in their local area.

Oak Meadow High School students are engaged in a wide variety of activities, and we integrate those activities into their curriculum. Some Oak Meadow students are skilled athletes and have achieved prominence in a wide range of fields such as karate, triathlons, figure skating, tennis, and dressage, becoming Junior Olympic champions and Olympic competitors. We also have a lot of artists and dancers, and Oak Meadow students have written and published books, performed in symphony orchestras, created award-winning videos, and worked as actresses and actors in the film industry. Some students are getting a head start on their careers by serving as interns in various professions, while others start their own businesses in everything from computer web design to photography. Others are learning first-hand about cultures in other countries, traveling with their families around the world.

Graduation Requirements

For students who are planning to graduate high school with Oak Meadow, we require a distribution of academic subjects that will provide a full and balanced high school education, as well as a well-rounded transcript for college entrance requirements. Completing the required number of courses in each subject area, combined with a balanced schedule of electives, languages, and independent study, will fulfill the prerequisites for most undergraduate institutions. **Students must take at least three classes or 2.5 credits per year to be listed as a full-time student. Graduating seniors must be fully (three classes) enrolled to receive a diploma.**

Students who wish to receive a high school diploma from Oak Meadow must complete a minimum of 20 units (90 hour/one semester, course = ½ Unit). Whether you are taking online or traditional courses, the units earned and courses required are the same. The number of units in each subject area required for graduation and the Oak Meadow courses currently available in each subject area are as follows:

English - 4 Units

English 9
English 10
American Literature
World Literature
English 9 *online*
English 10 *online*
English 11 *online*
English 12 *online*

Mathematics - 3 Units

Consumer Mathematics
Bookkeeping I and II
Applied Business Math
Algebra I
Geometry
Algebra II
Advanced Mathematics
Calculus
Algebra I *online*
Geometry *online*
Algebra II *online*

Social Studies - 4 Units

US History
World History
U.S. Government *
World Geography *
U.S. History *online*
World History *online*
U.S. Government *online**

World Geography *online**

Science - 2 Units

Environmental Science
Biology with Lab 1.5 Units
Chemistry with Lab 1.5 Units
Physics
Biology *online*
Environmental Science *online*
Chemistry *online*
Physics *online*

Fine Arts - 1 Unit

The Study of Art
Integrated Drawing

Health and Physical Education –2 Unit

Lifetime Health and Fitness*
Local Fitness Class (180 hours)

Electives - 5 Units

Psychology (one semester)
Latin I, II, & III
Spanish I, II, & III
French I, II, & III
German I, II & III

We require 2 units of Health and Physical Education, composed of the following:

- 1 **required unit** Lifetime Health and Fitness (or an equivalent health course transferred from another school)
- 1 **elective unit** that can be completed in one of two ways:
 - a) Complete 180 hours of an organized physical activity (dance, gymnastics, karate etc.,) in a student's local area under the guidance of an instructor.
 - b) Transfer 1 unit of physical education from another school.

Students who intend to enroll in college after graduation should plan to use some of their electives to fulfill the specific requirements for college entrance. We highly recommend that college-bound students take three years of a foreign language.

Students may choose to earn credit through **Independent Study** or through vocational experience in their local area. A maximum of 2 units may be earned for vocational training.

Course Credits

Beside each course mentioned on the *Typical Course Schedule*, we list the number of credit units you receive from that course. All of the courses listed are two-semester courses for which you receive 1 unit (1/2 unit per semester), except Psychology and Lifetime Health Online, which are one-semester courses.

We require a minimum **20 units** of course credit for graduation from Oak Meadow. Therefore, you must complete approximately 5 units each year if you expect to graduate in four years. 15 of the 20 units required for graduation are in required courses, and 5 are in elective courses. Please keep this in mind when you are deciding which courses to take. If you wish to accelerate your progress and graduate in three years, remember to include these 5 units of electives in your plan of study. US Government is a required course. Students wishing to graduate from Oak Meadow must be fully enrolled for both semesters and take at least three courses during their senior year.

Elective Subjects

Required subjects are those which you must complete before graduation from Oak Meadow School. **Elective subjects** include everything other than required subjects. At this time, the following elective courses are available through Oak Meadow: Psychology, Integrated Drawing, the Study of Art, Spanish I, Spanish II, Spanish III, Latin I, Latin II, Latin III, French I, French II, French III, German I, German II and German III, or Career Academy Courses. In addition to these Oak Meadow courses, you have access to a virtually unlimited selection of non-Oak Meadow courses, but to receive credit for these elective subjects, they must be in one of the following three forms:

1. **Correspondence Courses.** You can enroll in correspondence courses offered by another school, such as the University of Tennessee High School Division. The amount of credit received from Oak Meadow is based upon the recommendations of the school offering the course.
2. **Local Courses.** You can enroll in a course in your local area, such as photography, pottery, theater, etc. which meets regularly (at least once per week). Credit will be based

upon the number of hours of instruction per week. For example, if you receive one hour of instruction per week, you will receive one-tenth unit of credit each semester that you are enrolled in this course. In other words, 180 hours of instruction will earn one Unit.

3. **Work.** You may work part-time at a job, and receive credit for this experience. For this alternative, you receive one-tenth unit of credit for every 40 hours of work experience, up to a maximum of 2 units of vocational credit.

To receive credit through one or more of these approaches, you will need to complete the Independent Study Credit Form that will be sent to you from our office when you enroll. Your employer or instructor must complete this form and return it to us.

Oak Meadow Diploma Options for 2008 and Beyond

Starting in the 2008-09 school year, Oak Meadow will be offering two high school diploma options. Our goal is to offer students choices that will best fit their needs as they look towards life goals after high school.

Standard Option: This choice is suitable for students whose plans do not include college after graduation. **Required Units: Total Core: 18 units Electives 3 units**

- English 4
- Social Studies 4
- Math 3
- Science 3
- Fine Arts 1
- Health & PE 2
- Computer Application 1

Advanced Option: This option is for those students who are planning to attend a four college after high school. **Required Units: Total Core: 23 units. Electives a minimum of 1**

- English 4
- Social Studies 4
- Math 4
- Science 4
- Fine Arts 1
- Health & PE 2
- Computer Applications 1
- Foreign Language 2



Suggested Course Schedule

NINTH GRADE

U.S. HISTORY	1 UNIT
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE	1 UNIT
ENGLISH 9	1 UNIT
ALGEBRA I	1 UNIT
ELECTIVE (FOREIGN LANG.)	1 UNIT
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	

TENTH GRADE

WORLD HISTORY	1 UNIT
BIOLOGY W/LAB	1.5 UNITS
ENGLISH 10	1 UNIT
GEOMETRY	1 UNIT
ELECTIVE (FOREIGN LANG.)	1 UNIT
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	

ELEVENTH GRADE

ART	1 UNIT
CHEMISTRY W/LAB	1.5 UNITS
AMERICAN LITERATURE	1 UNIT
ALGEBRA II	1 UNIT
WORLD GEOGRAPHY	1 UNIT
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	

TWELFTH GRADE

U.S. GOVERNMENT	1 UNIT
HEALTH	½ UNIT
WORLD LITERATURE	1 UNIT
ELECTIVES (ADV. MATH IF COLLEGE BOUND)	2½ UNITS
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	

FINE ARTS: You are required to take one art course during your four years.

- Four year universities require three years of one foreign language, or two years each of two languages. We recommend that students contact prospective colleges during their sophomore year to learn about their specific requirements.
- We strongly recommend students take math up through Advanced Mathematics if college bound.
- Sophomores should begin SAT/ACT prep, and take the PSATs for the first time.

New Online Courses in Computer Technology!

In today's technological world, every high school graduate needs to be computer literate in order to succeed in college and the job market. To meet this need, Oak Meadow has partnered with Career Academy, the global leader in self-paced computer technology training solutions for the IT Professional. Career Academy provides the most complete and up-to-date self-paced certification and job-related training library available.

The Oak Meadow-Career Academy Partnership combines the training expertise and professional staff of Career Academy, the latest technological trends in content development and delivery, and the worldwide reach of the accredited Oak Meadow distance learning program, to create an outstanding computer-training program that is available to high school students around the world.

How It Works

Each course begins at the computer, with students watching and listening to experts, then responding to their instruction with hands-on lab simulations. Students can learn anywhere there is a compatible computer and can complete their work wherever and whenever they choose. Students can always contact a certified instructor for assistance through Career Academy's 24/7 online live-chat Learning Zone. The Oak Meadow-Career Academy Partnership empowers students to use technology to learn effectively and to explore a future of their own making.

How We Do It

Each computer technology course includes an instructor and a classroom. Students learn directly from industry experts who appear on the computer screen in full motion video and audio, taking students through each step of a given task with detailed explanations. Every session is like learning one-on-one as the instructor leads the student through hands-on lab simulations, administers tests, and opens the class for online questions and discussion. In addition, students can then print out essential lessons and information for review and independent work, consulting online with instructors as necessary.

Students participating in these courses will receive elective credit toward graduation.

Microsoft Office Suite

**Two Semester Course – \$500 per semester
#30000**

Microsoft Office is the most popular suite of office productivity applications on the market. Skills in these applications are critical to almost anyone that will work with personal computers in almost any type of organization. The Office Specialist Program is designed for students with no prior computer experience who are interested in pursuing a career in an administrative, office support role of virtually any career where basic computer skills are required. Learning Microsoft Office 2003 skills will help you succeed in today's business, academic, and government environments. These courses teach effective communication skills and provide a comprehensive understanding of word processing, spreadsheets and presentations.

The most frequently used Office applications are Internet Explorer (web browser), Word (word processing), Excel (spreadsheets), Outlook (email, calendar), PowerPoint (presentations), and Access (database).

Web Design & Graphics

**Two Semester Course – \$500 per semester
#30005**

These individual courses include training on several of the most common software applications used for the design and deployment of content such as text, photos, graphics, video, and animations on web sites. Today's web content is often media rich and highly engaging. Web designers need unique skills and knowledge to create online experiences that provide dynamic, useful content. For students who seek to blend their personal creativity with computer skills, these courses may be of strong interest.

Courses include introductions to:

- Adobe PhotoShop CS2
- Adobe Illustrator CS2
- Adobe PhotoShop Web CS2
- Macromedia Dreamweaver
- Macromedia Cold Fusion MX 7
- Macromedia Flash 8

CompTIA Certifications

**One Semester Course – \$750
#30010**

This course combines three types of CompTIA certification into a single semester of study, preparing students to take CompTIA Certification examinations and enter the workforce or post-secondary school as a fully credentialed IT professional.

A+

A+ Certification is the computer industry recognized credential that certifies the competency of PC Service Specialists. It is sponsored by CompTIA - the Computing Technology Industry Association. This certification program is backed by over 50 major computer hardware and software manufacturers, vendors, distributors, resellers, and publications. Certification provides a wealth of benefits to any person seeking a job in the computer industry.

This course has two areas of focus: Hardware and Operating Systems. Subject areas include: installation configuration, diagnosing, preventive maintenance and basic networking. Your successful computer career can start with this one course, or it can serve as proof of your computer hardware and operating system knowledge. Many computer services organizations require A+ certification for their technicians.

Network+ 2005

The Network+ certification covering the 2005 objectives, certifies that the successful candidates can describe the features and functions of network components and has the skills needed to install, configure, and troubleshoot basic networking hardware peripherals and protocols. This certification is sponsored by CompTIA - Computing Technology Industry Association. A typical candidate should have CompTIA A+ certification or equivalent knowledge, though A+ certification is not required.

Security+

Information security has become one of the most important aspects of IT management. Government and corporations must protect information from many threats. The Security+ certification is recognized around the world as the benchmark for foundation-level security professionals. Incorporating a comprehensive range of security knowledge areas, Security+ was developed with input from industry, government, academia, and front-line practitioners, so you can be assured of its relevance.

Network Engineering

MCSA (Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator)

**Two Semesters (One Year Course) – \$750 per semester
#30015**

Microsoft Certified Systems Administrators (MCSA) administers network and system environments based on the Microsoft Windows operating systems. Specializations include MCSA Messaging and MCSA Security. This certification is closely associated with the MCSE.

The MCSA is focused more on administration of networked environments as opposed to MCSE's focus on design and implementation.

MCSE (Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer)

**Three or Four Semester (One & One-Half to Two Year Course) – \$750 per semester
#30020**

The Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE) is one of the popular and commonly held IT industry certifications. Microsoft Certified Systems Engineers (MCSE) design and implement an infrastructure solution that is based on the Windows operating system and Microsoft Windows Server System software. Specializations include MCSE Messages and MCSE Security. This certification is closely associated with the MCSA (Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator). The MCSA certification focuses more on system administration whereas MCSE focuses on design and implementation of networked environments.

CCNA (Cisco Certified Network Associate)

**Two Semester (One Year Course) – \$750 per semester
#30025**

Cisco is a major provider of computer network hardware and software. The CCNA certification (Cisco Certified Network Associate) indicates foundation in and apprentice knowledge of networking. CCNA certified professionals can install, configure, and operate Local Area Networks (LAN), Wide Area Networks (WAN), and dial-up access services for small networks (100 nodes/devices or fewer).



Course Descriptions

ENGLISH

English 9

Students read three novels, explore poetry from a variety of authors, read a play and enact a scene, strengthen grammar skills, and develop a variety of writing skills (expository, interpretive, satire, and character portraits). Students are encouraged to read actively, ask questions, look deeply and make discoveries. The following books are required for this course:

The Oak Meadow English 9 Syllabus
The Least You Should Know About English
A Wizard of Earthsea
Animal Farm
To Kill a Mockingbird
Our Town

English 9 online

This course offers a skills-centered introduction to the elements of literature, using a range of classic and modern reading selections to illustrate each concept. Organized into twelve “collections” of short stories, poems, articles, and novel excerpts, the text focuses on literary concepts such as plot, setting, character, and symbolism. Later units feature genres such as poetry, biography, and drama. In each lesson, contemporary essays and introductory readings help illustrate the major themes.

English 10

Continues the development of writing skills started in English 9, and focuses on writing a wide variety of papers, such as compare/contrast, process, analysis, archetypal stories, and vignettes. Grammar and punctuation skills are refined through written work. In addition, students write two research papers following the traditional form. Students also read three novels and explore poetry by a variety of authors. Reading comprehension and critical thinking are emphasized. The following books are required for this course:

The Oak Meadow English 10 Syllabus
A Separate Peace
Huckleberry Finn
Anthem

English 10 online

This course offers skills-centered study of the elements of literature, using a range of classic and modern reading selections to illustrate each concept. The text is organized into eleven “collections” of short stories, poems, articles, and novel excerpts, each devoted to a major aspect of literary analysis such as plot, voice, theme, and style. Later units feature genres such as poetry, biography, and drama. In each lesson, contemporary essays and introductory readings help illustrate the major themes.

American Literature

Students read the thoughts and feelings of American men and women who have helped create and articulate the unique heritage of the American people and the rich fabric of our culture. Active reading and critical evaluation is emphasized. Students refine composition and presentation skills by writing essays (expository, interpretive, contrast/compare), magazine columns, travel guides, interviews, editorials, and speeches. In addition, students explore the works of modern American poets and write a literary research paper. The following books are required for this course:

Oak Meadow American Literature Syllabus
The Great Gatsby
The Red Badge of Courage
To Be a Slave

English 11 online

The text Essentials of American Literature uses the major movements and periods in American history as a backdrop for exploring the historical and cultural influences on literature, incorporating myth, politics, and emerging styles. Organized into six “collections” by historical period, the course presents short stories, poems, essays and novel excerpts that illustrate the issues and cultural attitudes of the time. Students will examine the way the American literary voice has developed, from early colonial writing and oral tradition through modern fiction, nonfiction, and poetry.

World Literature

Students read the works of international authors, both current and historical, and refine grammar and composition skills through writing a variety of papers on

different topics. In addition to active reading and critical evaluation of literature, students write a variety of essays (expository, compare/contrast, personal opinion, and interpretive), a biographical research paper, poetry, movie reviews, news articles, an analysis of symbolism and irony, and a one-act play. The following books are required for this course:

Oak Meadow World Literature Syllabus
Don Quixote
Ramayana
The Metamorphosis
A Doll's House

English 12 online

The text Essentials of British and World Literature uses the history of Great Britain as a backdrop for exploring major literary works from around the world. Organized into seven “collections” by historical period, the course begins with early Anglo-Saxon literature and mythic epics, tracing the development of English literature to the modern era. In each lesson, concepts and genres are compared across cultures, including Indian myth, Chinese poetry, and South American fiction. Throughout all lessons, students will read selections from seminal works of British literature.

SOCIAL STUDIES

U.S. History

Explores American history from 1775 to the present through an interdisciplinary approach that includes literature, art, and biographies. Students are encouraged to integrate information, discover patterns, and develop critical thinking skills in their responses to significant issues and events in American history. Throughout this course, students are required to use information from the text and related sources to evaluate causes and explore values in history. All assignments are designed to help students think more widely, feel more deeply, and act more intelligently. The following books are required for this course:

The Oak Meadow U.S. History Syllabus
American Vision

U.S. History online

The textbook The American Vision encourages critical thinking, integrates history with geography, as well as making social and cultural connections. The full panorama of American history comes alive through vivid and accurate re-telling, and National Geographic maps

add dimension to the narrative and give students an understanding of the interrelationships of places and events. The course covers pre-Colonial North America up through the beginning of the 21st century and the War in Iraq.

World History

In addition to learning historical facts, students are introduced to the artists, musicians, literature and influential people of historical periods. This course integrates geography throughout and emphasizes critical thinking, the development of research skills, and the understanding of relationships between people and events as a means of understanding current world events. Students are encouraged to interpret factual information, determine cause and effect, separate facts from opinions, explore values, synthesize, form hypotheses and evaluate conclusions. The following books are required for this course:

The Oak Meadow World History Syllabus
Glencoe World History

World History online

Glencoe World History, a comprehensive course that covers prehistory to the present day, helps link the events of the past with the issues that confront students today. It motivates and engages students in meaningful learning as they develop an understanding of the world's cultures and an appreciation for the interdependence of world regions.

U. S. Government

Based upon the premise that analyzing current information is essential to an effective citizenry, this course asks students to research, compare, contrast, and think critically about government-related issues. Students learn the ideals behind the American system of government, the mechanics of its operation, and are then encouraged to take their places as independent thinking citizens in the country. The following books are required for this course:

Oak Meadow U.S. Government Syllabus
Democracy in Action

U.S. Government online

The text United States Government: Democracy in Action encourages critical thinking, emphasizes key government concepts, and relates the institutions of government to everyday life. Beginning with several

lessons on the historical foundations of our democracy, the course then focuses a unit of study on each of the major branches of government: Legislative, Executive, and Judicial. Later units focus on state and local government, public services, and alternative political systems in countries throughout the modern world.

World Geography *Online and Traditional*

Glencoe World Geography presents a clear and comprehensive coverage of geography, encourages active learning, and introduces the tools and technologies used by geographers. The course is organized into eleven units by geographic region, with individual lessons on each region's physical and cultural geography, and its place in the modern world. Throughout the course, students learn how geography has affected historical events in various regions of the world, and Case Studies provide opportunities to discuss the environmental challenges facing the world's regions.

MATHEMATICS

Algebra I

This course covers topics typically treated in a first-year algebra course. Includes evaluation of expressions involving signed numbers, exponents and roots, properties of the real numbers, absolute value and equations and inequalities involving absolute value, scientific notation, unit conversions, solution of equations in one unknown and solution of simultaneous equations, the algebra of polynomials and rational expressions, work problems requiring algebra for their solution, graphical solutions of simultaneous equations, Pythagorean theorem, algebraic proofs, functions and functional notation, solution of quadratic equations via factoring and completing the square, direct and inverse variation, and exponential growth. The following book is required for this course:

Saxon Algebra I

Algebra I *online*

Glencoe Algebra 1, containing fourteen chapters in five units of study, introduces the basics of equations, functions, and statistics. Beginning with real numbers and variables, the course covers linear and quadratic equations, graphing on a coordinate plane, polynomials, and radical functions. The final unit focuses on the techniques of statistical analysis. Key Concepts are presented in words, symbols and models, or examples to enhance students' understanding.

Geometry

This course introduces students to basic theorems of Euclidean plane geometry and their applications, and explores both plane and solid geometric figures. Students learn how to prove theorems by the axiomatic method and to use these theorems in solving a variety of problems. Students also learn how to accomplish a variety of geometric constructions. The following book is required for this course:

McDougal Littell Geometry

Geometry *online*

Glencoe Geometry, containing thirteen chapters in four units of study, covers elemental geometric concepts from the lowly point through three-dimensional volumes. Students will practice writing proofs, testing for congruence, and calculating probabilities. Course lessons also focus on symbolic logic, basic trigonometric functions, and transformations.

Algebra II

This course covers topics typically treated in a second-year algebra course. Students integrate topics from Algebra I and Geometry and begin the study of trigonometry. The course provides opportunities for continued practice of the fundamental concepts of algebra, geometry and trigonometry to enable students to develop a foundation for the study of Advanced Mathematics. The following book is required for this course:

Saxon Algebra II

Algebra II *online*

Glencoe Algebra 2, containing fourteen chapters in five units of study, begins with linear equations and inequalities, covers polynomials, logarithms, and statistics, and concludes with trigonometric functions and graphs. Students will practice on real-world examples and study technological applications.

Advanced Mathematics

Prepares the foundation for further study of mathematics at the college level through a presentation of standard pre-calculus topics, including substantial new material on discrete mathematics and data analysis. The following book is required for this course:

Calculus

Calculus treats all the topics normally covered in an Advanced Placement AB-level calculus program, as well as many of the topics required for a BC-level program. The text begins with a thorough review of those mathematical concepts and skills required for calculus. In the early problem sets, students practice “setting up” word problems they will later encounter as calculus problems. The problem sets contain multiple-choice and conceptually-oriented problems similar to those found on the Advanced Placement examination. Whenever possible, students are provided an intuitive introduction to concepts prior to a rigorous examination of them. Proofs are provided for all important theorems. The following book is required for this course:

Saxon Calculus

Consumer Math

This course is designed for the student who is challenged by abstract forms of higher math. The course focuses on “real life” processes to teach algebra, geometry and statistics. The following book is required for this course:

Mathematics Connections Integrated and Applied

Applied Business Math

This course presents fundamental mathematics in the context of business and consumer applications to help provide a strong link between math skills and business applications. Each chapter includes activities designed to help students develop a personal collection of career-oriented projects while emphasizing critical thinking, problem-solving, and workplace competencies. The following books are used:

Applied Business Mathematics
Workbook
Test Packet

Bookkeeping I and II

This course introduces students to basic records skills used in business. The course covers: Budget records, credit records, cash receipts records, checking account records, petty cash, accounts receivables, retail sales, purchase orders, accounts payables, financial statements, and payroll records. **This is a two-year course.** The following books are required for this course:

Keeping Financial Records for Business
Workbook 1-9
Workbook 10-16

SCIENCE

Biology w/Lab

This course helps students build success in science. The text is friendly and accessible, with abundant photos and technical illustrations. The 40 labs included in the course develop a range of important science skills in data collection, modeling and exploration (no special materials are required for labs). The following books are required for this course:

The Oak Meadow Biology Syllabus
Holt Biology

Biology online

Holt Biology is the result of the latest developments in biology and the teaching of biology, with complete content emphasized throughout. Students get the thorough, accurate explanations and instructions they need to develop a solid foundation in the fundamentals. Advanced students find challenge in the depth of open-ended activities and critical-thinking questions. The course covers fundamental concepts in biology including genetics, the theory of evolution, ecology and biodiversity. Later units focus on the major forms of life on Earth, including plants, vertebrates and invertebrates, and human biology.

Environmental Science

Introduces fundamental ecological concepts and explores the interactions within ecosystems. Students learn about the biosphere, major biomes, ecosystems, chemical cycles, and the role of living things in ecosystems. In addition to learning about environmental problems such as land, water and air pollution, overpopulation, and habitat destruction, students explore practical alternatives for protecting the environment and moving toward a sustainable future. The following books are required for this course:

The Oak Meadow Environmental Science Syllabus
Holt Environmental Science

Environmental Science *online*

This course challenges students to think for them with thorough and unbiased coverage of environmental and Earth science, as well as ecology, health, and policy topics. The course will focus individually on each of the components of our environment, including air, water, land, and energy resources. Units of study are also devoted to the dynamics of human populations, ecological concerns, and environmental policy.

Chemistry (lab available)

An energetic, comprehensive course that introduces students to the fundamental principles of chemistry and develops the critical thinking skills necessary to discuss issues in fields impacted by chemical processes. Students also learn techniques for making and recording accurate scientific observations through laboratory investigations. The following books are required for this course:

Oak Meadow Chemistry Syllabus
Chemistry (Addison-Wesley)
Oak Meadow Chemistry Workbook

Chemistry *online*

Holt Chemistry presents the fundamentals of chemistry in twenty engaging chapters. Crucial content is developed progressively throughout the program. For example, the atom is presented in an “inside out” approach – from atoms to the Periodic Table, to bonding, to molecules and reactions, and so on. The course also connects the material to its historical basis, current research, and modern applications.

Physics

This course combines traditional physics instruction with the modern quantum theories of the nature of the universe. The subject is taught at an introductory level, which will allow the average student to grasp the concepts of Newton’s laws, static’s, dynamics, thermodynamics, optics, DC circuits, waves, electromagnetic, and special relativity. The following books are required for this course:

Oak Meadow Physics Syllabus
Saxon Physics
Coming of Age in the Milky Way

Physics *online*

A comprehensive physics course that takes a step-by-step approach to problem solving, Holt Physics strikes a balance between theoretical, mathematical models and concrete, real-world examples. The course includes discussions of major scientific developments throughout history, real-world applications and examples, experimental technology, and current theoretical physics.

Electives

Psychology

An experiential course designed to help students become more aware of themselves as unique individuals. Using their own experiences as a guide, students are encouraged to be scientists in the process of exploring themselves and their place in the universe as they examine such topics as love, beauty, joy, spontaneity, and self-actualization. Psychology is a one-semester course. The following books are required for this course:

Oak Meadow Psychology Syllabus
1984

Health & Physical Education

Lifetime Health and Fitness

Lifetime Health and Fitness provides up-to-date information about health and wellness issues and presents it in a readable, student-friendly format. Fundamentals of health, such as self-esteem, abstinence, and drugs, alcohol and tobacco, are covered with an emphasis on responsible decision-making. Lifetime Health and fitness is a full year course, and satisfies the graduation requirement for Humanities (*not* the Science requirement).

Oak Meadow Health Syllabus
Lifetime Health

Lifetime Health *online*

Lifetime Health provides up-to-date information about health and wellness issues and presents it in a readable, student-friendly format. Fundamentals of health, such as self-esteem, abstinence, and drugs, alcohol and tobacco, are covered with an emphasis on responsible decision-making.

ART

Integrated Drawing

A course designed to help people of all skill levels learn to draw. The following books are required for this course:

Oak Meadow Integrated Drawing Syllabus
Drawing on the Right Side of the Brain

The Study of Art

From early cave drawings to the nonrepresentational works of modern day artists, students explore some of the great works of art in conjunction with corresponding or concurrent musical and architectural themes. In addition, students experience original works in art galleries, parks, streets, libraries, and concert halls in their local area. The following books are required for this course:

Oak Meadow "The Study of Art" Syllabus
The Story of Art

LANGUAGES

Latin I

Using a reading-based approach, students read a variety of stories written in Latin and gain mastery of grammar rules as their comprehension develops. Students also complete creative projects that reflect aspects of Rome or Greece. The newest additions to our updated Latin program are the CD Audio component and the Omnibus Workbook. Both elements serve to keep the student more engaged in the learning process of language and culture. The following books are required for this course:

Cambridge Latin Course I
Cambridge Latin I Audio CD
Latin I Omnibus Workbook
Oak Meadow Latin I Syllabus

Latin II

The primary focus of this course is translation of works written in Latin. In addition, using readings and activities in a wide variety of topics, students learn more about the culture of the Roman people. The newest additions to our

updated Latin program are the CD Audio component and the Omnibus Workbook. Both elements serve to keep the student more engaged in the learning process of language and culture. The following books are required for this course:

Cambridge Latin Course II
Cambridge Latin II Audio CD
Latin II Omnibus Workbook
Oak Meadow Latin II Syllabus

Latin III

This course continues from Latin II in translation of works written in Latin. The readings for the course are more closely based on historical fact. The following books are required for this course:

Cambridge Latin Course III
Cambridge Latin III Audio CD
Latin III Omnibus Workbook
Oak Meadow Latin III Syllabus

Spanish I

Power-Glide Spanish is designed to help you learn to speak and write Spanish fluently by immersing you in music, stories, and activities, rather than relying upon rote memorization and tiresome drills. *Power-Glide Spanish* can be used with or without a teacher and is compatible with many different learning styles and aptitudes. The following books are required for this course:

Expresate!
Oak Meadow Spanish I Syllabus
Spanish/English Dictionary

Spanish II

Spanish Ultimate Year 2 picks up right where the Year 1 course ends and provides the equivalent of at least one more year of high school study. The focus of *Power-Glide Spanish Ultimate Year 2* is to help you speak freely and expressively in Spanish. You won't find mazes of grammar rules, boring rote memorization, or mind-numbing drills. Instead, the courses give you real language learning — the kind where you actually internalize the language, and begin to use it as your own. These methods provide a rich experience in communication and make the course fun and engaging.

Power-Glide Spanish Ultimate Year 2 Adventure
with compact discs
Oak Meadow Spanish II Syllabus

Spanish III

Students move to a higher level of the spoken and written language and become comfortable using Spanish in a wide variety of conversational and written activities. More advanced vocabulary and grammatical structures provide the basis for “real-life” activities that deepen the appreciation for the different cultures throughout the Spanish-speaking world. The following materials are required for this course:

Expresate!
Oak Meadow Spanish III Syllabus

French I

Power-Glide French is designed to help you learn to speak and write French fluently by immersing you in music, stories, and activities, rather than relying upon rote memorization and tiresome drills. *Power-Glide French* can be used with or without a teacher and is compatible with many different learning styles and aptitudes. The following books are required for this course:

Power-Glide French I with compact discs
Oak Meadow French I Syllabus
French/English Dictionary

French II

French Ultimate Year 2 picks up right where the Year 1 course ends and provides the equivalent of at least one more year of high school study. The focus of *Power-Glide French Ultimate Year 2* is to help you speak freely and expressively in French. You won't find mazes of grammar rules, boring rote memorization, and mind-numbing drills. Instead, the courses give you real language learning — the kind where you actually internalize the language, and begin to use it as your own. These methods provide a rich experience in communication and make the course fun and engaging. The following books are required for this course:

Power-Glide French Ultimate Year 2 Adventure with compact discs
Oak Meadow French II Syllabus

French III

The new French 3 program uses the latest technology in learning a world language. This updated course consists of the student text, an audio/visual CD-Rom, and online access to links with valuable resources. Features include interactive CD-Rom activities, games, cultural videos

and electronic tutors. Our new French 3 program emphasizes the skills of listening, understanding, speaking and writing. The goal is for the students to gain confidence as they communicate in French.

En Voyage Level III
Oak Meadow French III Syllabus

German I

Power-Glide German is designed to help you learn to speak and write German fluently by immersing you in music, stories, and activities, rather than relying upon rote memorization and tiresome drills. *Power-Glide German* can be used with or without a teacher and is compatible with many different learning styles and aptitudes. The following books are required for this course:

Power-Glide German I with compact discs
Oak Meadow German I Syllabus
German/English Dictionary

German II

German Ultimate Year 2 provides the equivalent of at least one more year of high school study. The focus of *Power-Glide German Ultimate Year 2* is to help you speak freely and expressively in German. You won't find mazes of grammar rules, boring rote memorization, and mind-numbing drills. Instead, the courses give you real language learning — the kind where you actually internalize the language, and begin to use it as your own. These methods provide a rich experience in communication and make the course fun and engaging. The following books are required for this course:

Power-Glide German Ultimate Year 2 Adventure with compact discs
Oak Meadow German II Syllabus

German III

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Komm mit
Oak Meadow German III Syllabus

Course Materials Price List

❖ *The following prices are for traditional courses and materials only. For Online High School course pricing, see page 5.*

ENGLISH		
09005	English 9 Course	116.60
09020	The Least You Should Know About English	58.75
09010	Oak Meadow English 9 Syllabus	25.00
09030	A Wizard of Earthsea	7.99
09040	Animal Farm	7.95
09050	To Kill A Mockingbird	6.99
09060	Our Town	9.95
10005	English 10 Course	56.94
10010	Oak Meadow English 10 Syllabus	35.00
10020	A Separate Peace	9.00
10030	Huckleberry Finn	4.95
10045	Anthem	7.99
11005	American Literature Course	57.93
11010	Oak Meadow American Literature Syllabus	35.00
11012	The Great Gatsby	12.95
11014	The Red Badge of Courage	3.99
11016	To Be A Slave	5.99
12005	World Literature Course	60.99
12010	Oak Meadow World Literature Syllabus	35.00
12012	Don Quixote	6.95
12014	Ramayana	12.00
12016	The Metamorphosis	5.95
12018	A Doll's House	1.00

SOCIAL STUDIES		
09125	U.S. History Course	139.55
09140	American Vision	114.55
09130	Oak Meadow U.S. History Syllabus	25.00
10085	World History Course	139.05
10100	World History Text	114.05
10090	Oak Meadow World History Syllabus	25.00
10119	World Geography Course	114.58
10120	World Geography Text	89.58
10125	World Geography Syllabus	25.00
12045	U.S. Government Course	148.65
12046	Democracy in America	118.00
12050	Oak Meadow U.S. Government Syllabus	25.00
MATH		
09120	Algebra I	67.00
10080	Geometry	97.05
10060	Saxon Algebra II	67.00
11040	Saxon Advanced Mathematics	72.00
12040	Saxon Calculus	74.50
09121	Consumer Math	109.15
10061	Applied Business Mathematics Package	104.25
09090	Financial Record Keeping Package	130.83
SCIENCE		
09155	Biology Course	143.00
09170	Holt Biology	118.00
09160	Oak Meadow Biology Syllabus	25.00

10105	Environmental Science Course	135.00
10112	Holt Environmental Science	95.75
10110	Environmental Science Syllabus	25.00
12065	Chemistry Course	249.95
12080	Chemistry	114.95
12070	Oak Meadow Chemistry Syllabus	25.00
12100	Chemistry Lab	110.00
12200	Physics Course	110.45
12201	Saxon Physics	69.50
12202	Oak Meadow Physics Syllabus	25.00
12203	Coming of Age In the Milky Way	15.95
Health and Physical Education		
11080	Lifetime Health and Fitness	128.25
11050	Lifetime/Fitness Syllabus	25.00
11060	Lifetime/Fitness Text	103.25
ART		
13010	Integrated Drawing Course	26.95
13011	Drawing On the Right Side... w/ OM Integrated Drawing Syllabus	25.95
13012	Oak Meadow Integrated Drawing Syllabus	10.00
13030	The Study of Art Course	54.95
13040	Oak Meadow Study of Art Syllabus	25.00
13045	The Story of Art	29.95

Electives		
12105	Psychology Course	32.95
12110	Psychology Syllabus	25.00
12121	1984	7.95
09220	Latin I Course(Cambridge)	87.25
09211	Latin I Textbook	16.25
09212	Latin I Omnibus Workbook	14.00
09213	Latin I Audio CD	32.00
09215	Latin I Syllabus	25.00
10500	Latin II Course(Cambridge)	87.25
10510	Latin II Syllabus	25.00
10520	Latin II Textbook	16.25
10530	Latin II Audio CD	32.00
10540	Latin II Omnibus Workbook	14.00
11200	Latin III Course(Oxford)	53.95
11210	Latin III Syllabus	25.00
11220	Latin III Textbook	28.95
09317	Spanish I Course	94.95
09318	Expresate!	69.95
09312	Spanish I Syllabus (enrolled students only)	25.00
10421	Spanish II Course	154.95
10422	Power-Glide Spanish II w/ CDs	129.95
10420	Spanish II Syllabus (enrolled students only)	25.00
11500	Spanish III Course	111.00
11501	Expresate! – Level III	86.00
11502	Spanish III Syllabus	25.00

09306	French I Course	154.95
09307	Power-Glide French I w/ CDs	129.95
10325	French I Syllabus (enrolled students only)	25.00
10423	French II Course	154.95
10424	Power-Glide French II w/ CDs	129.95
10327	French II Syllabus (enrolled students only)	25.00
11510	French III Course	114.95
11511	En Voyage Level 3	89.95
11512	French III Syllabus	25.00
09325	German I Course	154.95
09326	Power-Glide German I w/ CDs	129.95
09323	German I Syllabus (enrolled students only)	25.00
10425	German II Course	154.95
10426	Power-Glide German II w/ CDs	129.95
09324	German II Syllabus (enrolled students only)	25.00
10425	German III Course	126.58
10426	Komm mit Level 3	101.58
09324	German III Syllabus	25.00
Optional	Language Dictionaries	Price
09305	French/English Dictionary	11.95
09322	German/English Dictionary	12.95
09316	Spanish/English Dictionary	8.95

Ordering Information

Placing Your Order

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