PLEASANT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

CTE Education, Child Development and Consumer Ed. Industry

Course Descriptions

**Introduction Class - Life Management**
This year long exploratory introduction course to the pathway allows students to obtain a food handler card. Life Management is open to freshman and fulfills a health requirement if enrolled for the entire year. Students will study child development, conflict resolution, time management and receive an introduction of the pathway. FCCLA leadership is interwoven into the curriculum. Students can compete for scholarships. Life Management receives Univ. of CA A-G elective “G”

**CONCENTRATOR Classes—HEROES Teach concentrator course** that studies development of children and classroom planning. Understanding developmental norms, special needs, cultural expectations are important to many professionals. This class includes a job shadow and presenting lessons to a variety of audiences. This class is articulated with Butte College and qualifies for Univ. of CA A-G—Elective. Students earn CPR/First Aide and train to work with children of all ages. HEROES Teach also receives Butte Credit and Univ. of CA A-G elective. It studies education, application of child development to a variety of situations, the relationship between child development and learning theories. This class has job shadows and helps prepare you for success in Teaching in the after school program course.

**Capstone Class—Teach in the After-school Program** This concentrator and capstone course will train and then CUSD will hire students for 300-720 hours annually to work in the after-school program. Tutoring in math/ELA, nutrition, recreation and small group activities will be organized by student staff. This course will be pending both UC A-G “G” entrance requirement. Students that have already successfully completed Human Development and HERO’s Teach will have a priority; however all students must apply for the course. Students must be able to obtain a work permit, transport themselves and work independently and as a team. Students may enroll for the full year or one semester. Students will work from 2 PM to 6PM at an elementary site.

**POST-SECONDARY OPTIONS:**
- Community College/CSU-UC
- Certificate in Early Childhood
- AA in Child Development
- AA in Social Work
- AA Transfer to Education
- BS in Child Development
- BS in Liberal Arts

**HIGHLIGHTED CAREERS:**
- Preschool Director
- Educator/Teacher
- Social Work / Coach
- Child Development Specialist
- Child Psychology
- Counselor
- Curriculum Specialist

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Did you know by completing the child development and ed pathways you would be one class away from an Early Childhood Education Credential? Allowing you to work and continue your education at the same time! Learning and Earning!