Public Service Pathway – Criminal Investigations



PRINCIPLES OF LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY, CORRECTIONS AND SECURITIES

KISD #: 963218 PEIMS: 13029200
Grades: 9 1.0 Credit
Prerequisite: None

Students will gain knowledge of professions in law enforcement, protective services, corrections, firefighting, and emergency management services. Students will examine the roles and responsibilities of police, courts, corrections, private security, and protective agencies of fire and emergency services.

LAW ENFORCEMENT I

KISD #: 963018 PEIMS: 13029300 Grades: 10-12 1.0 Credit Prerequisite: None

Students will develop an introductory knowledge of the history, organization, and functions of local, state, and federal law enforcement. Students will understand the role of constitutional law at local, state, and federal levels; the U.S. legal system; criminal law; and law enforcement terminology and the classification and elements of crime.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

KISD #: 963618 PEIMS: 13029550
Grades: 11-12 1.0 Credit
Prerequisite: Law Enforcement I

Students will learn terminology and investigative procedures related to criminal investigation, crime scene processing, evidence collection, fingerprinting, and courtroom presentation. Through case studies and simulated crime scenes, students will collect and analyze evidence such as fingerprint analysis, bodily fluids, hairs, fibers, shoe and tire impressions, bite marks, drugs, tool marks, firearms and ammunition, blood spatter, digital evidence, and other types of evidence.

FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY

KISD #: 965318 PEIMS: N1303012 Grades: 12 1.0 Credit

Prerequisite: Criminal Investigations

Forensic psychology is found at the intersection between psychology and the criminal justice system. It involves understanding criminal law in the relevant jurisdictions in order to be able to interact within the criminal justice system. It utilizes and applies basic skills developed in psychology and criminal scenarios resulting in a structured and scientific approach to investigative analysis; thereby, enabling police and law enforcement officials to predict criminal activity via scientific analysis rather than intuition. Students will learn basic structured psychological investigative techniques in question building, interviewing, criminal behavior characteristics, truth detection methodology, research methods, statistical analysis and probability forecasting.

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