



Southern Lehigh School District

High School Syllabus

Housing and Interiors

2013-14

Course Description:

This course begins with the study of types and availability of housing in this area. The interior of the home is studied using the design elements and art principles. Students will learn to draw floor plans, make furniture arrangements, and design interiors to meet their future needs. They will use designers' tools and samples. Field trips to furniture stores will conclude the course.

Course Content:

I. Housing Basics

Housing Legislation

II. If You Can Dream It We Can Build It

The Evolution of Exteriors

Understanding House Plans

House Construction

The Systems Within

III. Designing Your Space

Elements and Principles of Design

Using color Effectively

IV. Style

Textiles for Today's Homes

Ceilings, Floors and Walls

Furniture Styles and Construction

Selecting and Arranging Furniture

Windows, Lighting and Accessories

V. Outdoor Living Spaces

Patios, Gardens and Landscaping

Pools, Ponds and Water

VI. A Future in Housing

Housing for Tomorrow

Careers in Housing

Required Textbooks and/or Other Reading/Research Materials

No textbook

Course Requirements:

Students will be required to keep a notebook for gathering of supplemental materials and note taking. Students will participate in hands-on activities creating models, designing interior and exterior spaces and simulating construction techniques. Students will be responsible to create various study aides to be used throughout the course. Students will be required to visit one local historic site during the semester and report on its history and significance in our community. Students will be required to research a topic of their choice culminating in an oral presentation to the class with visual aide(s).

Grade Components/Assessments:

Grades will be based on

- Tests, Quizzes, Alternative Assessments
- Projects and Reports
- Class Participation and Notebook
- Final Project

Each marking period is worth 40% of a students's overall grade. The final exam is worth 20% of a student's overall average.

Quarter 1 40%

Quarter 2 40%

Final Exam 20%

No summer reading required

Each marking period is worth 20% of a student's overall grade. The midterm and final exam are each worth 10% of a student's overall average:

Quarter 1	20%
Quarter 2	20%
Midterm	10%
Quarter 3	20%
Quarter 4	20%
Final	10%

Required Summer Reading/Assignments:

No summer reading required