**Bassick Elective Descriptions**



**Auto 1-4-** Hands on learning. Full repair facility for everything automotive (welding, body & paint, tires, etc.) Your work your way up through the sections.

**Plane Build –** A full year program open to 10, 11 12th grade. Students are mentored through the process of assembling an airplane. Students first learn to read and understand the blueprints and technical vocabulary required to follow the process of manufacturing an actual plane.

**Manufacturing-** Learn how to use and then create items with a 3D printer. Learn how to use and create items with a Laser Cutter.

**HCC Advanced Manufacturing-** Taken in your Junior and Senior year you attend Housatonic Community College from 12:00-2:00 and work towards earning a certificate in advanced manufacturing. After graduation you finish one additional semester there to complete your certification, you earn college and HS credits at the same time.

**Construction**- 11th and 12th grade students will work with someone in the construction field learning the basics of tool use, mixing and pouring cement, scaffolding, wood working and will work on building a wall. Students will also learn job readiness skills (writing a resume, interview skills, etc.). These students will also leave with a safety certification “OSHA-10”

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**Financial Literacy-** Learn about managing finances: banking accounts, checking accounts and credit cards. Learn how to do budgets. Do an apartment search working within a budget. Participate in the stock market game where you learn to purchase stocks and learn about the stock/financial market.

**Marketing –** (Should be taken after Financial Literacy) Learn the foundations of business. Learn about products (price, place and promotion). How products are formed, bought and sold. Advertising of products.

**Entrepreneurship-** (Should be taken after Marketing) Learn how businesses are formed. Study entrepreneurs of the past and how they came to be. Learn how to create a business plan and then write a business plan for a business of your choice.

**Culinary Arts-** 11th and 12th grade students will learn how to cook and work in a kitchen. Student will work in a real kitchen with a chef 4 days a week (off school grounds). Students will also learn job readiness skills (writing a resume, interview skills, etc.) Also, you will earn a kitchen safety certification “servesafe”.

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**Graphic Communications-** Use computer software in conjunction with a colored printer and a laminating machine to create posters, calendars, note pads, etc.

**Media Technology-** Learn Microsoft Office (TEAMS, Outlook, Word, PowerPoint, Excel, etc.). and Webpage Design (HTML and JavaScript )

**Computer Visual Arts-** Do some work with yearbook class to create content for the yearbook. Work on publications, flyers, and posters for the school and edit images in photoshop. Students will also publish a book they have created.

**Studio Arts**- Students will study the most famous world art and practice their own painting and drawing skills doing work with portraits, landscapes, still life and more

**Photography-** Work on the Bassick Voice yearbook. Photograph staff members and seniors in the photo labs. Also, going to sporting events to photograph them for the yearbook.

**Intro to Law-** Learn about courtroom procedures, your rights in court and during police encounters. You have a mock trial (argue a court case). You also go on field trips to the real court to see court cases.

**Journalism-** Talk about the news and practice journalistic writing. Also responsible for the creation of the Bassick newspaper.

**Crime Scene Investigation-** What it means to be a crime scene investigator. Learn what a crime scene is and how that plays into Law and Justice from a scientific view as well. Good class for students interested in Social Studies and Science.

**Psychology/Sociology-** Learn about disorders of the mind. Create molds of the brain and its various parts and learn what the parts of the brain do. Study different psychological theories. Create stories and analyze fictional characters and their psychological disorders according to the DSM-5. Learn about groups and their impacts on society and study societal problems, causes and solutions.

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**Intro to Theatre and Performing Arts-** Get a brief overview of the main parts of performing arts to get an idea of which ones you enjoy. Work on acting, theatrical design (costumes, sets, props, sound, and lights), music and dance. At the end of the course, we will conference to see if you have an interest in continuing with the performing arts, and if so, what you should do next.

**Performing Arts 1-** Theatre performance class (pre req: Intro to Theatre and Performing Arts OR teacher recommendation). You will pick one theatre job to focus on. You will create a portfolio or audition book for that job. By the end of the semester, we will produce a show on stage for Bassick students where you will either be an actor or work behind the scenes as a designer, stage manager, director, advertiser, or producer.

**Choir-** Singing in a large group. Learn how to read and write your own music

**Modern Band-** An introductory class where you will choose to play piano, guitar, bass, drum-set, or vocals. You will work to learn and improve on your chosen instrument in preparation for a culminating concert.

**Beginning Band-** A to concert n introduction band instruments (trumpet, trombone, clarinet, flute, saxophone, and classical percussion). Students will learn to play their respective instruments in preparation to perform in concert.