



Thornton Fractional

HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 215

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Curriculum Guide

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COLLEGE STEP-UP PROGRAM

(start college early)

Course Length S

Grade Level 12

Prerequisite: A Test Placement Score may be required.

Seniors have an opportunity to earn up to 12 college credits tuition free or at a reduced tuition cost. District 215 has partnered with South Suburban College to offer this unique opportunity for our senior students. Students' first course at SSC is tuition free. If students choose to take a second course in the same semester, they will only pay 1/3 of the tuition. SSC discounts the tuition by 1/3 and District 215 pays 1/3 of the tuition. Students earning an A or B in one of the courses can then enroll in the next semester for one course tuition free and a second course at the reduced tuition rate. A senior student at District 215 can graduate with potentially 12 college credits already completed.

* Student must test into a 100-level course to qualify for the tuition waivers. Student fees and books are to be paid for by the student/parent.

NATIONAL EQUITY LAB (NEL) PROGRAM

(start college early)

Course Length S

Grade Level 12

Prerequisite: College Readiness based on benchmarks from State test or submission of writing sample.

Seniors have an opportunity to earn up to 8 college credits tuition free or at a reduced tuition cost. District 215 has partnered with National Equity Lab (NEL) to deliver online college credit-bearing courses via a combination of asynchronous and synchronous learning during the regularly scheduled school day. Courses are taught by college professors and facilitated by the high school teacher. Course selections vary each semester and are offered through Howard, Yale, Arizona State, Cornell, and University of Connecticut. College credit for the course taken, as well as high school elective credit, will be issued upon successful completion of the course.