# Ghidotti High School Phoenix

## Course Descriptions

The Phoenix series is scoped and sequenced to offer an articulated approach through all four years of high school.

**Phoenix 101** is an introductory course that provides students with the opportunity to develop college and career readiness skills. The content of the course covers such diverse topics as student health, cultural awareness, organizational skills, technological tools, and research strategies. This course promotes skills that enable students to achieve success in their current and future endeavors. Students will learn how to navigate the worlds of Sierra College and Ghidotti with focus placed on scheduling classes, using Schoology, and creating a solid foundation for your four years at Ghidotti.

**Phoenix 102** builds on the college and career readiness skills that were introduced in 9th grade. The content of the course covers such diverse topics as student health, cultural awareness, organizational skills, technological tools, and research strategies. This course promotes skills that enable students to achieve success in their current and future endeavors. Students will start to focus on their futures including college and career exploration, SAT/ACT prep, and healthy lifestyles.

**Phoenix 103** builds on the college and career readiness skills that were introduced in 9th and 10th grades. The content of the course covers such diverse topics as student health, cultural awareness, organizational skills, technological tools, and research strategies. This course promotes skills that enable students to achieve success in their current and future endeavors. Students will focus on college admissions test prep and college essays. They will also continue to explore college and career options.

**Phoenix 104** is the culmination of the college and career readiness skills that were taught in grades 9-11. The content of the course focuses on the senior project, which includes the intership, process journal, research paper, and final presentation. This course promotes skills that enable students to achieve success in their current and future endeavors.

#### <u>Grades</u>

Grades will be posted on Schoology and are based on total points.

(See reverse side for course objectives and expectations)

## Course Objectives

Phoenix is designed to address Ghidotti's Schoolwide Learning Outcomes:

#### Students at Ghidotti will . . .

- 1. be efficient learners who can employ the most effective strategies to complete a task.
- 2. read a broad range of complex, high-quality texts.
- 3. demonstrate mastery of content knowledge.
- 4. be engaged and self-directed learners, who persevere through challenges.
- 5. value evidence and use it to construct viable arguments.
- 6. use appropriate technology or other tools strategically and capably.
- 7. understand diverse perspectives and cultures.
- 8. listen to or read the arguments of others, decide if they are valid and logical, and ask useful questions to clarify or improve the arguments.
- 9. recognize that it takes effort to cultivate intellectual skills and other important human qualities.
- 10. achieve academic and social growth in a safe environment that fosters meaningful personal connections.

#### **Expectations**

- Binder, pen, pencil, paper, books, and Chromebook are required in class each day.
- Please put your cell phones away and close your Chromebooks when you arrive at class. Stay
  outside if you are in the middle of a text conversation, but be sure you are in your seat ready to
  learn before the start of class. I will follow the school Chromebook policy for any infractions.
  For cell phones, I will give give you one warning. The second time I will send your cell phone to
  Kathy. You may pick it up after school. The third time your parent will have to pick it up.
- Late work will be accepted for 50 percent credit. Late work must be turned in by the end of the quarter in which it was assigned.
- Plagiarism and cheating will not be tolerated. Students caught in these behaviors will receive a "0" on the assignment and a referral to the office.
- Make-up and extra-credit work are permitted with restrictions.
- Positive class participation is required.

Once you have read the syllabus with your parents/guardians, please complete the "Syllabus Quiz" on Schoology.