

# Natural Resource Systems Program of Study



# **Education Planning Guide for Middle School and Beyond**

This program of study, along with other career planning materials, serves as a guide to assist students in the Auburn School District in developing a relevant middle-to-high school plan that will prepare them for further education and/or employment in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math career cluster. The program of study outlined below can be individualized to meet each learner's education and career goals. It allows students to earn high school credits while completing coursework in middle school, earn college credits while completing coursework within high school, and apply those credits toward attainment of a college certificate and/or degree. It is important to share and review this plan with a parent/guardian and school counselor.

	Grade	English	Social Studies	Science	Math	Health/ Fitness	Arts	Career and Technical	Related Electives	Auburn School District Graduation Requirements
Auburn SD Component of Program of Study	Middle School	Successfully complete required coursework for 6 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> grade, and these electives —					Kitchen Science, STEM Mechatronics		Credit Requirements (24.0 credits	
	9	Language Arts	World Studies (.5) or AP Human Geography	Science (1.0) Next Gen or Biology	Algebra I			Horticulture Science*	Orientation or Career Choices	total): 4.0 credits - English 3.0 credits - Social Studies 3.0 credits - Math 3.0 credits - Science 1.5 credits - Fitness 0.5 credits - Health 2.0 credits - Health 2.0 credits - World Language ** 1.0 credits - Career and Technical 4.0 credits - Electives  Additional Requirements:  High School and Beyond Plan Culminating Project/Portfolio Certificate of Academic Achievement or Approved Alternative
	10	Language Arts	Global Issues (.5) or AP Euro	Science (1.0) Next Gen or Chemistry	Geometry	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Health (.5)	2.0 Credit from	CTE Biology Science*	- Minimum of two	
	11	American Literature 1, 2	U. S. History or AP U. S. History	Chemistry	Advanced Algebra and Trig	1.5 Credits	Fine Arts or Course Equivalencies	Natural Resources 1, 2	years of the same world language are required for students planning to enroll at a four-	
	12	Senior English Electives	Civics (.5) and Elective (.5) or AP American Government (1.0)	Physics or AP Biology or AP Chemistry	AP Statistics or Pre- Calculus	From Fitness Courses		Natural Resources 3, 4 or AP Environmental Science CTE	year university	

\*Students who earn a "B" or better in these courses may be eligible for college credit. See page 2 for more information. \*\*Credits may be applied in a chosen career pathway

	Apprenticeship Opportunities	Earn a Certificate and Enter the Workforce	Earn an Associate's Degree and transition to a 4-year university or enter the workforce	Earn a 4-year college degree, and then enter the workforce
of Study	To learn more about apprenticeships in this program, go to:  Apprenticeship Registration & Tracking	Renton Technical College Field Survey Technician Land Survey Technician	Green River Community College Geographic Information Systems Natural Resources Water/Wastewater Technology	University of Washington Environmental Health Oceanography
	Environmental Control Painter Environmental Control Systems Craft Worker	Green River Community College Geographic Information Systems Water Distribution	Highline Community College Environmental Science Oceanography	Washington State University Environmental Science and Regional Planning  Western Washington University Environmental Policy Environmental Science  Eastern Washington University Environmental Science

The Post-High School program options listed above for this Program of Study represent just some examples of options available within the Puget Sound area, including programs where agreements for dual credit exist between the college and school district. For other options available related to this program of study, visit your career center or the websites of local colleges.



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The Natural Resource Systems Program of Study gives students hands-on experience while learning the major concepts and themes of biology through laboratory and field experiences. Courses focus on the ecological interactions between living and physical systems.

#### Occupational Information

The following represent occupations within this field and their average annual earnings and openings based on data from the Washington State Employment Security Department. For more information about these and other occupations within this field, go to https://esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo

Washington State

	Projected Openings	
<u>Occupation</u>	2016-2026	<u>Earnings</u>
Environmental Engineers	10	\$102,776 yr.
Environmental Engineering Technicians	21	\$ 60,896 yr.
Environmental Science and Protection Technicians	191	\$ 82,105 yr.
Chemical Technician	35	\$ 43,595 yr.
Natural Sciences Managers	149	\$123,864 yr.
Occupational Health and Safety Specialist	112	\$ 75,248 yr.

## **Post-High School Connections**

The following courses within this program of study may be eligible for college credit at several local colleges if students earn a "B" or better:

High School Course	<u>Credits Possible</u>	<u>College</u>	College Course
Natural Resources	5	Green River Community College	NATRS 100

### Student Leadership Development



The National FFA Organization is dedicated to making a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

For information about this leadership opportunity, talk with a Career and Technical Education instructor.

# Scholarship Opportunities

For local, state, and national scholarship opportunities, please visit your counseling and/or career center, Career Cruising <a href="https://www.careerCruising.com">www.careerCruising.com</a>, WOIS <a href="https://www.wois.org">www.wois.org</a>, <a href="https://www.careerCruising.com">thecareermap.org</a> or Fast Web <a href="https://www.FastWeb.com">www.FastWeb.com</a>.

For more information about this Program of Study, contact an instructor, a school counselor or a career specialist.