

FAME Public Charter School
Course Description
ECONOMICS

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In this course students will be introduced to fundamental concepts of modern economics. In addition to studying the main kinds of economic systems, students will learn about the law of supply and demand, saving, borrowing, and spending, the Federal Reserve System and money supply, the role of government in an open market, and the rights and responsibilities of businesses and consumers. This course is typically taken in the 11th or 12th grade.

Objectives:

- *Compare and contrast traditional, command, and market economic systems
- *Identify the law of supply and demand
- *Understand basic economic concepts and terminology
- *Understand the role of government in the U.S. free enterprise system
- *Understand principals of savings and investment

Curriculum:

Curriculum may be selected from the following:

- *Textbook: Glencoe, Economics: Today and Tomorrow
- *North Dakota Independent Study, Economics, Course HSS2061
- *U. Of Nebraska-Lincoln, Economics, Course #BUSH 035 057, text
- *Laurel Springs, Economics, online or text book course

Methods of Assessment:

A variety of assessment tools may be used. Written work, as described above, will be corrected in collaboration between the student, teacher, and parent. Final papers and chapter tests will be graded by the teachers. Assessment tools include but are not limited to:

- Periodic review of work by the independent study teacher
- Portfolios
- Parent facilitator observation
- Graded assignments
- Written examinations
- Research projects
- Oral presentation

Course Grading Scale:

Weekly Chapter Assignments: 40%

Chapter Review Tests: 60%

This is a one-semester course. Five credits will be awarded with a passing grade.

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