

Students enrolled in the Pre-Law & Public Affairs Magnet Program are required to:

- take at least one elective course each year that will help them to excel at a future career in the fields of law and public affairs;
- attend one *LAWTalk* presentation per semester; and
- participate in the annual FLHS Legal Careers Fair.

All Pre-Law magnet students are also strongly encouraged to earn the AICE Diploma through successful completion of Cambridge coursework.

<u>Areas of Concentration</u>	<u>LAW-RELATED ELECTIVE COURSE LIST</u>
Pre-Law	AICE Law AICE Psychology AP Psychology AICE Sociology AICE Thinking Skills
Government & Politics	Comprehensive Law Honors Constitutional Law Honors Court Procedures Criminal Evidence & Court Procedures (Dual Enrollment)
Criminal Justice & Law Enforcement	Criminal Justice 1, 2, 3 Criminal Justice (Dual Enrollment) Debate 1, 2, 3, 4 Electrocardiograph (EKG) Technician Executive Legal Internship 3, 4 Firefighter 1, 2 First Aid Safety
Public Service (Military, EMT, Firefighter)	Forensic Science Honors Health Science 1 Health Science 2 / Emergency Medical Responder
Social Work	Naval Science 1, 2, 3, 4 Peer Counseling 1, 2, 3, 4 911 Dispatch

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This is a recommended course progression for each area of magnet concentration. All courses listed below are geared toward developing a student's skills in reading, writing, research, and verbal communication and to introducing relevant terminology, concepts, and practicum applicable to the above-referenced careers.

Area of Concentration	Suggested Electives	
Law	<p>9th Grade: Comprehensive Law Court Procedures</p>	<p>11th Grade: AICE Thinking Skills Executive Legal Internship 4</p>
	<p>10th Grade: AICE Law Executive Legal Internship 3</p>	<p>12th Grade: Constitutional Law Criminal Evidence & Court Procedures (Dual Enrollment)</p>
Government & Politics	<p>9th Grade: Debate 1 Constitutional Law</p>	<p>11th Grade: AICE Thinking Skills Debate 3</p>
	<p>10th Grade: AICE Law Debate 2</p>	<p>12th Grade: AP Government Debate 4</p>
Criminal Justice & Law Enforcement	<p>9th Grade: Constitutional Law Criminal Justice 1</p>	<p>11th Grade: Criminal Justice 3 Forensic Science</p>
	<p>10th Grade: Criminal Justice 2 AICE Sociology</p>	<p>12th Grade: Criminal Justice (Dual Enrollment) 911 Dispatch</p>
Public Service (Military, EMT, Firefighter)	<p>9th Grade: Health Science 1 Naval Science 1</p>	<p>11th Grade: Firefighter 1 Naval Science 3</p>
	<p>10th Grade: Health Science 2 / Emergency Medical Responder Naval Science 2</p>	<p>12th Grade: Firefighter 2 Naval Science 4 911 Dispatch / EKG Tech.</p>
Social Work	<p>9th Grade: Public Speaking (Speech 1) Peer Counseling 1</p>	<p>11th Grade: AICE Psychology Peer Counseling 3</p>
	<p>10th Grade: AICE Sociology Peer Counseling 2</p>	<p>12th Grade: AP Psychology Peer Counseling 4</p>



Course Descriptions: LAW & POLITICS

AICE Law – Studies the English legal system, criminal law, and the role of the law in real-world situations. Students will develop analysis and problem-solving skills and learn to communicate legal argument by applying relevant knowledge and understanding to analyze legal concepts, principles, and rules to a range of situations. *Grades 10-12; Prerequisites = Court Procedures, Constitutional Law, or Comprehensive Law*

AICE Thinking Skills – Develops critical thinking, reasoning, and problem solving skills that students can apply across a wide range of subjects and complex real world issues. Students learn how to make informed and reasoned decisions and construct evidence-based arguments. *Grades 10-12*

Comprehensive Law Honors – Studies the American legal system and the comprehensive examination of the civil and criminal justice systems. Students will learn about the reason for laws, social values and their impact on law, examine current events through a legal lens, and write basic legal contracts, motions, and case briefs. *Grades 9-12*

Constitutional Law Honors – Provides students with an overview of basic legal principles, the foundations and structure of our government, and how to interpret the rights/freedoms afforded to all by the United States Constitution. *Grades 9-12*

Court Procedures – A highly interactive course which focuses on pre-trial and trial techniques from how to do an opening statement to closing arguments. *Grades 9-12*

Criminal Evidence & Court Procedures (Dual Enrollment) – Offered through Broward College and includes an examination of the rules governing admissibility of evidence in criminal court. *Grade 12; Prerequisites = Court Procedures, Executive Legal Internship*

Debate 1, 2, 3, 4 – Students will be exposed to the elements of argumentation and public speaking while competing in various county tournaments. *Grades 9-12*

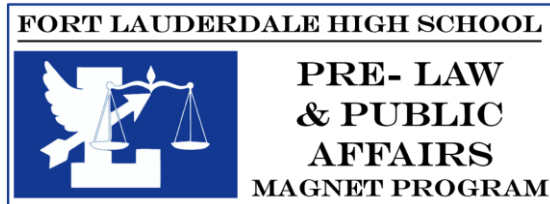
Executive Legal Internship 3, 4 – Helps to deepen the skills learned in its prerequisite, Court Procedures. This class also explores the appellate system culminating in an appellate brief and oral argument. *Grades 10-12; Prerequisites = Court Procedures*

Course Descriptions: LAW ENFORCEMENT & PUBLIC SAFETY

Criminal Justice 1, 2, 3 – This series of courses covers the history and responsibilities of law enforcement, its role in the Federal and State court system, an application of Constitutional Law and individual rights, the causes and consequences of crime, and a comparison of the adult and juvenile justice systems in the United States. *Grades 9-12*

Criminal Justice (Dual Enrollment) – Offered through Broward College and focuses on all aspects of law enforcement in our legal and court system. *Grade 12; Prerequisites = Criminal Justice 1-3*

Electrocardiograph (EKG) Technician – Course provides instruction on the anatomy of the heart, electrophysiology of the heart, and ECG basics. Students sit for the National Healthcare Association's EKG Technician Certification. *Grade 12; Prerequisites = Health Science 1, Health Science 2 – Emergency Medical Responder*



Firefighter 1, 2 - This firefighting program covers the fundamentals of fire service, fire alarms and communication, vehicles, apparatus and equipment. Students complete a course of study comparable to that required of a volunteer firefighter. *Grades 11-12; Prerequisites = Health Science 1, Health Science 2 - Emergency Medical Responder*

First Aid Safety - This course provides a basic overview of the causes and preventions of unintentional injuries, appropriate emergency responses to those injuries, and crisis response planning. Safety education should include cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), the use of an automatic external defibrillator (AED), first aid for obstructed airway, and injury prevention. *Grades 9-12*

Forensic Science Honors - This course is the rigorous study of practice profiling, court-ready documents, crime scenes, evidence and evaluation for civil and criminal cases. (Elective course - does not count as a science requirement.) *Grades 10-12; Prerequisite = Criminal Justice 1*

Health Science 1 - The first part of this two-course series examines the aspects of anatomy and physiology with a focus on the most important and life-essential functions of the body. *Grade 9*

Health Science 2 + Emergency Medical Responder - Teaches students how to react and what to do in an emergency. Hands-on activities include how to perform CPR, how to assess and check vital signs, and how to assess trauma accidents properly. Students will also get an American Heart Association CPR / AED Health Care Provider certificate, four Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) certificates, and a water safety awareness course. (These two courses must be taken in conjunction with each other.) *Grades 10-12; Prerequisite = Health Science 1*

911 Dispatch - Course provides proper and timely training, as well as a sound Medical Protocol, about how to deliver quality care to the calling public with emergency medical needs. Students sit for the APCO Certification exam enabling employment as a 911 operator/dispatcher. *Grade 12; Prerequisites = must be a student in the Pre-Law magnet program*

Course Descriptions: SOCIAL WORK

AICE Psychology - Students explore a range of issues relating to human psychology. The coursework covers a wide range of psychology-related issues, including abnormal conditions, cognition and learning, socialization, and psychological diversity. Additionally, a special emphasis will be placed on research and the application of psychology. *Grades 10-12*

AP Psychology - This course introduces students to the systematic and scientific study of the behavior and mental processes of human beings and other animals. Students are exposed to the psychological facts, principles, and phenomena associated with each of the major subfields within psychology. *Grades 10-12*

AICE Sociology (AS & A level) - This course offers students the opportunity to explore the processes that shape current trends, and helps them to develop an understanding of the complexity and diversity of human societies and their continuities with the past. *Grades 10-12*

Peer Counseling 1, 2, 3, 4 - A course designed to enable students to develop basic knowledge and skills in communication, meeting human needs, and conflict resolution. *Grades 9-12*

Course Descriptions: MILITARY

Naval Science (JROTC) 1, 2, 3, 4 - These courses introduce, build, and broaden the understanding of citizenship, the elements of leadership, the value of scholarship in attaining goals and operative principles of military leadership. *Grades 9-12*