
TORRANCE HIGH SCHOOL

A California Distinguished School

Course Offerings for Incoming 8th Grade Students

BIOLOGY 1H*

This one-year course provides students with an understanding of the basic biological principles and laboratory experiences to develop the skills and attitudes engendered in the Life Sciences. This course is designed to meet University entrance requirements as a laboratory science. (Must be concurrently enrolled in Geometry or Geometry Honors.)

* **On the application form indicate under course one your first and second choice.**

List only one of these if you do not want to be considered for the other.

GEOMETRY OR GEOMETRY H

This course studies the relationships among plane figures such as lines, angles, and polygons. Simple space concepts such as rectangular solids are also examined. The development of a deductive proof using the principles of logic is included.

Prerequisite: Algebra 1 with a grade of B or better both semesters.

JAPANESE 1

This class provides practice in listening for comprehension and speaking Japanese as well as learning to read and write in Hiragana and Katakana (Japanese alphabet). Students will learn about Japanese culture through activities such as dialogues, speeches, writing and reading stories, and word processing on the computer. (Non-native speakers only.)

KOREAN 1

This class is an introductory one-year course that will provide practice in listening, speaking, and the use of basic phrases. It will include brief dialogues related to activities in school, home and community. Students will learn to read and write using the Hangul characters. As students develop fluency, they will also develop an appreciation of Korean customs and history. (Non-native speakers only.)

MARCHING BAND (P. E. Band)

This group performs half-time shows at all football games and provides pep music at rallies and home basketball games. In addition, this group competes in the fall throughout California and travels every other year to various cities throughout the country. Marching band is open to all students – no experience necessary. P. E. Band: each participant must have a physical examination from a doctor, insurance, parent permission forms on file, and clearance from the Business Office before he/she may participate. Additionally, participants must meet District eligibility requirements. Please note: all band students are required to participate in Concert Band, which performs two to three concerts per year and at competitive festivals in the spring. Contact Band Director Carlos Anwandter at canwandter@etusd.org or (310) 533-4396, extension 8126 if you have questions.
