Alternative Pathways

Experiences beyond the classroom

What are Alternative Pathways?

Alternative Pathways are experiences (credits) students can earn outside of the regular classroom setting.

What type of experiences might count as an Alternative Pathway?

- Sports/ Athletics
- Plays/ Theater
- Music Lessons
- Dance Classes
- Trips/ Travel Experiences

- Classes/ Courses
 taken elsewhere
- Science Camp
- Math Camp
- Art Lessons

- Certain Trainings or Certifications
- Gymnastics

What is the general criteria for an Alternative Pathway?

- Experiences must align with a subject area and that subject's content area standards
- Approximately 50 hours = 1 educational experience/.5 credit
- If earning proficiency, difficulty and rigor levels are comparable to content area standards and performance indicators

There are <u>two</u> types of credit you can earn through Alternative Pathways

Educational Experiences

- Student earns approval
- Student documents their experience
- Student completes a series of reflections (pre, mid, & post activity)
- Student earns a pass/fail grade and .5 credit for experience

Educational Experience

- Student earns approval
- Student documents their experience AND evidence of their knowledge and/or skill development
- Student completes a series of reflections (pre, mid, & post activity)
- Student earns a pass/fail grade and .5 credit for experience
- Student earns a proficiency scores for designated standards/ indicators

What about my future experiences?

STUDENTS MUST GET THEIR FUTURE EXPERIENCES PRE-APPROVED IF THEY WANT CREDIT FOR THEM!!!

If I want to earn credit for a future experience, what will I need to do?

- Complete an Alternative Pathway Proposal
- Meet with Alternative Pathway Coordinator and Principal for approval
- Have all permission forms signed
- Start activity, document your experience and evidence, and complete reflections
- Meet with Coordinator during experience
- Complete activity, finish documentation, and complete an experience reflection
- Student presents all documentation to Coordinator and Administrator for final approval

What about my past experiences?

STUDENTS HAVE UNTIL OCTOBER 12, 2018 TO EARN CREDIT FOR PAST EXPERIENCES!!!

If I want to earn credit for a past experience, what will I need to do?

- Complete an Alternative Pathway Proposal
- Meet with Alternative Pathway Coordinator
- Have all appropriate forms signed
- Collect any documentation or evidence
- Complete experience reflection
- Student presents all documentation to Coordinator and Administrator for final approval

Who do I go to with questions?

GNGHS Alternative Pathway Coordinators

- English- Mr. Murphy
- Fine Arts- Ms. Gould
- Math- Ms. Eugley
- Physical Education/ Health- Mr. Dehetre
- Science- Mr. Kerr
- Social Studies- Ms. Thibodeau
- Assistant Principal- Ms. Grealish
- Principal- Mr. Finn