



**Class of 2021  
Transition  
to High School**



## Casteel Highlights 2016-17

- Phase II construction
- Unique opportunities exclusive to Casteel
- Athletic Academies
- STEM:
  - Engineering
  - Computer Science
  - Cyber Security
- AP Diploma/AGEC







# Honors

- The Honors curriculum is geared toward freshmen and sophomores.
- Honors courses are available at Casteel High School.
- Grades in Honors classes are weighted.
- Honors classes are often taken in preparation for the transition to Advanced Placement courses in junior and senior years.
- Talk with your school's counseling office, or check out the CUSD Course Description Catalog, to find out the courses available.



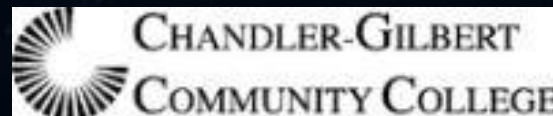
## Advanced Placement (AP)

- AP courses are offered at Casteel High School.
- These accelerated courses prepare students to take the national AP exams (given in the spring) as well as help them prepare for the rigors of college.
- If students score well on the AP exam, they may be granted advanced placement status and/or college credit.
- Students are eligible to take AP courses beginning their **JUNIOR** year of high school.
  - AP Human Geography may be offered beginning in the sophomore year.
  - AP World History/Geography may be offered for freshman.
- Course information is available in the school's counseling office.



# Dual Credit Enrollment

- Dual credit from a college may be granted in specified academic and/or occupational courses.
- Dual credit courses earn both high school and college credit for the same class.
- Dual credit courses will be taught at Casteel High School starting 2017-2018, in partnership with CGCC.
- Payment of tuition to the cooperating community college is required (scholarships may be available).
- See high school counseling departments for specific information and the availability of courses at your high school.







# Graduation Requirements

Curriculum Area	CUSD Graduation Requirements	Arizona University Entrance Requirements
English	4 credits	4 credits
Math	4 credits	4 credits
Science	3 credits	3 lab science credits
Social Studies	3 credits	2 credits
Career and Technical Education/Fine Arts	1 credit	1 Fine Arts credit OR CTE credit
World Language	0 credit	2 credits (2 years of same language)
Physical Education	1 credit	0 credit
Comprehensive Health	$\frac{1}{2}$ credit	0 credit
Required Courses	16 $\frac{1}{2}$ credits	16 credits
Elective Courses	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ credits	0 credits
Total Required Credits	22 credits	16 credits



## Physical Education (PE)

- 1 Credit of PE is required for graduation. There are, however, multiple ways to earn that credit:
  - Take a PE course listed in Course Description Catalog.
  - 3 semesters of Marching Band = 1 credit of PE
  - 3 semesters of Color Guard = 1 credit of PE
  - 3 semesters of AFJROTC = 1 credit of PE
  - Dance classes may be applied to PE credit







## Fine Arts Programs

Casteel High School offers:

- Concert, Marching and Jazz Bands
- Orchestra
- Choir
- Dance
- Theater
- Art Classes
- Photography







# Casteel Athletics

FALL	WINTER	SPRING
FOOTBALL*	GIRL'S BASKETBALL*	SOFTBALL*
GIRL'S VB*	BOY'S BASKETBALL*	BASEBALL*
CROSS COUNTRY*	WRESTLING*	TRACK AND FIELD
FRESHMAN TENNIS*	GIRL'S SOCCER*	BOY'S VB*
SWIM AND DIVE*	BOY'S SOCCER*	
BOY'S AND GIRL'S GOLF*		
		*Indicates Academy offering

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# Casteel Athletics







# Career and Technical Education (CTE)

Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs are planned course sequences of high quality academic core content and technical skills, which focus on a specific career cluster and prepare students to successfully transition toward their career goal.





# Career and Technical Education (CTE)

## CTE Programs Available:

- Allied Health-Sports Medicine
- Culinary Arts (2017-2018)
- Early Childhood Education
- Engineering Sciences
- Software Engineering
- Graphic Design
- Marketing
- Digital Photography
- Biomedical Science







## **Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC)**

Mission: “Develop citizens of character dedicated to serving their nation and community.”

- Casteel HS will bus students to Basha HS
- May enter the program as a freshman
- Academics, self-discipline and leadership are strongly emphasized.
- College elective credit may be earned for every AFJROTC course (must earn a “B” or above and pay required fees), as well as high school elective credit.
- PE credit may be waived for successful completion of 3 semesters in AFJROTC.

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## **Additional Programs Offered**

- East Valley Institute of Technology (EVIT), Grade 10 - 12 students only
- Academic Decathlon
- District College Fair
- ASU Hispanic Mother-Daughter Program
- Science Olympiad
- AP Capstone Diploma
- After-school Tutoring
- ALEK/READ180
- Career Center
- Release Time Seminary
- Color Guard
- National Honor Society
- Variety of clubs for students to join



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## Casteel High Special Because:

- Only school in the state to offer Design Thinking
- Offers CTE Engineering Sciences curriculum
- Offers Premier Computer Technologies
- Offer the PSAT 8/9
- State of the art Café-LUNCH
- Sports Academies
- K-12 articulation of PLTW
- PLTW Cyber Security Internships
- PLTW Biomedical Internships
- AP Capstone/International Diploma



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