Course: Advanced Animal Science

Course Description: Advanced Animal Science will address the advanced knowledge and skills necessary to care for and meet the needs of animals, along with soft skills necessary for careers in the Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources sector. Topics covered include: animal health care practices, nutrition management, reproductive practices, medical terminology, animal classification, surgical techniques, and employability skills. Advanced Animal Science has an increased focus on the veterinary portion of animal husbandry. Utilizing appropriate equipment and technology should enhance classroom and laboratory content. Algebra, English, Biology and human relations skills will be reinforced in the course. Work-based learning strategies appropriate for this course are school-based enterprises and field trips. This class is reinforced through the FFA and Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) activities such as the Livestock Evaluation Career Development Event and related Proficiency Awards. Each student will be expected to maintain a SAE.

Career Cluster: Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources

Prerequisites: Recommended: Intro to AFNR, Fundamental Animal Science

Program of Study Application: Advanced Animal Science is the second pathway course in the Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Program of Study, Animal Systems pathway. Advanced Animal Science is preceded by Fundamental Animal Science and is recommended to be taken prior to participation in Ag Biotechnology.

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<td><strong>SUB-INDICATOR 1.1 (Webb Level: 4 Extended Thinking):</strong> Choose prevention and treatment programs for animal diseases, parasites and disorders.</td>
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<td><strong>SUB-INDICATOR 1.2 (Webb Level: 2 Skill/Content):</strong> Discuss how to provide biosecurity for animals, people, and facilities.</td>
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<td>Types of vectors and fomites</td>
<td>-Understand how vectors and fomites impact animal health</td>
<td>-Diagnose illnesses based on symptoms</td>
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<td>Biosecurity</td>
<td>-Why biosecurity plans are in place</td>
<td>-Examine treatment options for various diseases</td>
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<td>Types of parasites</td>
<td>-Best management practices</td>
<td>-Tour a biosecurity facility</td>
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<td>Disease causing organisms</td>
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<td>-Check animal vitals</td>
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<td>Common symptoms of disease</td>
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<td>-Fecal analysis</td>
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**Benchmarks:**
Students will be assessed on their ability to:
- Create a biosecurity plan for an animal production.
- Read a case study and determine an illness.
- Write a treatment for an animal disease.

**Academic Connections**

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<td>English: 1.)9-12 W.2 – Write to inform 2.)9-12 RI.1 – Interpreting a text explicitly and drawing inferences.</td>
<td>-Write a treatment plan after determine animal illness. -Compare and Contrast a biosecurity plan for species given.</td>
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**INDICATOR #ADAn 2: Develop proper nutrition management practices to optimize animal performance.**

**SUB-INDICATOR 2.1 (Webb Level: 3 Strategic Thinking):** Assess nutritional elements as they affect animal performances.

**SUB-INDICATOR 2.2 (Webb Level: 3 Strategic Thinking):** Assemble feed rations to provide for animals’ nutritional needs.

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| - Feedstuffs  
- Identify nutrient classes  
- Plant nutritional content based on plant development  
- Organs of digestion systems  
- Key points of nutritional labels (TDN, crude fat, crude fiber, crude protein) | - Understand what each nutrient does for the body  
- Which feedstuffs provide certain nutrients | - Evaluate feedstuffs for nutritional value  
- Convert between dry matter and as-fed  
- Convert calories  
- Determine nutrient for animals  
- Determine calories found in animal feeds  
- Visit with an animal nutritionist  
- Balance rations while |
Benchmarks:
Students will be assessed on their ability to:
- Develop a feed program for various stages of feed production.
- Prescribe feed additives and growth promotions for a set of animals.
- Design a total mixed ration for a herd of animals.
- Compare and contrast animal feeds and human foods.

Academic Connections

ELA Literacy and/or Math Standard (if applicable, Science and/or Social Studies Standard):
English:
9-12 W.6 – Use technology, including the internet, to produce an individual writing product

Sample Performance Task Aligned to the Academic Standard(s):
-Create an informational flyer describing a fictional feedstuff.

**INDICATOR #ADAn 3: Select reproductive practices to optimize animal production.**

**SUB-INDICATOR 3.1 (Webb Level: 4 Extended Thinking):** Identify management practices in breeding that account for high quality animals.

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<td>Artificial insemination</td>
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<td>Embryo transfer</td>
<td>Understand how estrous cycles are involved in breeding management</td>
<td>Observe a veterinarian performing artificial insemination</td>
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<td>Conduct a semen test for motility and morphology</td>
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<td>Organs in the reproductive system</td>
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<td>Observe a veterinarian collecting animal semen</td>
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<td>Hormones involved with estrous cycles and reproductive health</td>
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Benchmarks:
Students will be assessed on their ability to:

- Develop a breeding program for a livestock.
- Categorize breeding programs for efficiency.
- Compare and contrast reproductive systems between animal species.

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<td><strong>English:</strong> 9-12 W.4 - Produce writing that is appropriate for the task or audience.</td>
<td>- Illustrate a step by step process for proper AI techniques.</td>
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**INDICATOR #ADAn 4: Articulate medical terminology as it relates to animals.**

**SUB-INDICATOR 4.1 (Webb Level: 1 Recall):** Recognize relevant medical terminology related to animals.

**SUB-INDICATOR 4.2 (Webb Level: 2 Skill/Concept):** Apply medical terminology in the correct context.

**Knowledge (Factual):**
- Roots, prefixes, suffixes
- Medical terminology

**Understand (Conceptual):**
- The relationship between medical terminology
- The difference between vaccines and antibiotics

**Do (Application):**
- Prescribe a medication for a given illness
- Participate in a herd inspection

**Benchmarks:**

Students will be assessed on their ability to:

- Convert units of measurements.
- Fill out herd health records.
- Complete herd inspection records.

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<td><strong>Math:</strong> HSN.Q.A.3 - Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement when reporting quantities.</td>
<td>- Properly administer a medication, selecting a unit appropriate to the size of the animal.</td>
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### INDICATOR #ADAn 5: Classify, evaluate and select animals based on anatomical and physiological characteristics (National AFNR AS.06).

**SUB-INDICATOR 5.1 (Webb Level: 2 Skill/Concept):** Apply principles of anatomy and physiology to uses within various animal systems.

**SUB-INDICATOR 5.2 (Webb Level: 1 Recall):** Identify and explain the relationships among the various systems of the body.

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<td>- Identify external anatomy</td>
<td>- The relationship between anatomy and physiology and animal production and use</td>
<td>- Compare and contrast body systems and adaptations between animal systems</td>
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<td>- Knowing terminology used to defend animal selection</td>
<td>- The impacts of body systems on animal performance, health, growth, and reproduction</td>
<td>- Participate in the Livestock Evaluation CDE</td>
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**Benchmarks:**
*Students will be assessed on their ability to:*
- Research the relationships between body systems and their effects.
- Write and present a set of reasons defending animal selection.
- Create a poster depicting desirable structural traits.

**Academic Connections**

**ELA Literacy and/or Math Standard (if applicable, Science and/or Social Studies Standard):**

Science:  
HS-LS4-3 – Apply concepts of statistics and probability to support explanations that organisms with an advantageous heritable trait tend to increase in proportion to organisms lacking this trait.

English:  
9-12 W.6 – Use technology, including the internet, to produce an individual writing product.

**Sample Performance Task Aligned to the Academic Standard(s):**

- Write a lab report to use with an Agriscience fair project, explaining why animal selection leads to advantageous traits in livestock.

- Create a Prezi to depict the difference between body systems.

### INDICATOR #ADAn 6: Utilize principles of surgical techniques.
**SUB-INDICATOR 6.1 (Webb Level: 1 Recall):** Identify surgical tools and supplies.

**SUB-INDICATOR 6.2 (Webb Level: 4 Extended Thinking):** Apply proper surgical techniques to medical situations.

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<td>- Identify tools and equipment</td>
<td>- The importance of spaying and neutering</td>
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<td>- Understand the appropriate uses of tools</td>
<td>- Analyze surgical scenarios</td>
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<td>- Apply techniques using a cadaver</td>
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<td>- Observe a veterinarian perform a surgery</td>
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**Benchmarks:**

*Students will be assessed on their ability to:*

- Illustrate the steps of an animal surgery.
- Administer medications using a syringe.
- Perform suture techniques.

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**ELA Literacy and/or Math Standard (if applicable, Science and/or Social Studies Standard):**

**English:**

9-12 RI.1 – Interpreting a text explicitly and drawing inferences.

**Math:**

HSN.Q.A.3 - Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement when reporting quantities.

**Sample Performance Task Aligned to the Academic Standard(s):**

- Analyze a surgical report after watching the surgery.
- Properly draw a medication using various tools, paying close attention to proper units of measurement for the given task.

**INDICATOR #ADAn 7:** Develop employability skills related to the Animal Systems Pathway.
SUB-INDICATOR 7.1 (Webb Level: 2 Skill/Concept): Develop soft skills to enhance employability.

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<td>- Proper communication etiquette</td>
<td>- Importance of employability skills in careers</td>
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<td>- Proper interview apparel</td>
<td>- Job interview skills</td>
<td>- Tour industries</td>
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<td>- How to give a proper hand shake</td>
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<td>- Write e-mails to industry professionals</td>
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<td>- How to tie a tie</td>
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**Benchmarks:**
*Students will be assessed on their ability to:*
- Perform mock interview.
- Compose a cover letter and resume.
- Develop questions for an industry tour.

**Academic Connections**

**ELA Literacy and/or Math Standard (if applicable, Science and/or Social Studies Standard):**

**English:**
1) 9-12 SL.1 - Participate in collaborative discussion

2) 9-12 W.2 – Write to inform

**Sample Performance Task Aligned to the Academic Standard(s):**

- Organize a panel discussion over small professionals.

- Complete a small animal proficiency application.

**Additional Resources**

[www.vspn.org](http://www.vspn.org)
Create flashcards; quizlet
[www.dreveterinary.com](http://www.dreveterinary.com)
Local veterinarian for supply catalog, example tools, and live surgical demonstrations
Use virtual labs.