

Psychology

RCAS Policies/Procedures:

Students will be required to follow all RCAS policies and procedures. To view the RCAS High School Student Handbook, click [handbook](#).

Course Description:

Psychology is the scientific study of behavior and mental processes. The course will emphasize the mind and its development, principles of learning, memory, sensation and perception, personality theories, emotion and stress, states of consciousness, motivation, and abnormal behavior.

Textbook:

Visualizing Psychology 3E, Wiley

Required Resources:

N/A

“Limited Choice” Resources: (students will be asked to choose at least one title from this list)

Crash Course Psychology, Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorder 5th Edition (summarized)

Student Choice:

Will student be asked to choose additional reading material from the classroom or school library?

No

Essential Questions:

What are the foundations of modern psychological study?

How do our behaviors and mental processes develop and change over time?

What contributes to our individual behaviors and mental processes, and what happens when there is a disease or disorder of those processes?

How does society and connection influence our behaviors and mental processes?

Essential Learning Intentions:

I can accurately and consistently apply my understanding of social studies concepts in familiar situations using relevant content or ideas.

I can accurately and consistently analyze a concept in familiar contexts using relevant resources.

I can clearly and consistently articulate an accurate and relevant claim or conclusion on a familiar topic, and use resources to accurately support that claim or conclusion.