

Psychology: Junior and Senior Level Regular and Honors



Facts:

- All students are required to earn .5 credit in a Behavioral Science to graduate.
- Psychology fulfills KUSD graduate requirement as a Behavioral Science .5 credit.
- Honors and Regular Psychology is offered as a one semester course.



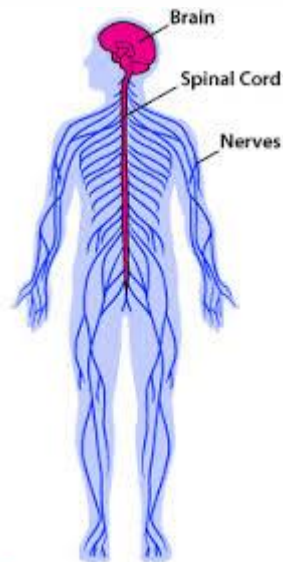
Topics of Study Include:

- Historical roots of Psychology
- Contemporary approaches of Psychology
- Scientific study of Behavior and mental processes in human and animals.
- Experimental Psychology
- Biological understanding of Behavior
- Learning, thinking, and intelligence
- Motivation and Emotion
- Psychological disorders and their treatments
- Sensation, perception and state of consciousness
- Personality theory
- Human development
- Social Psychology

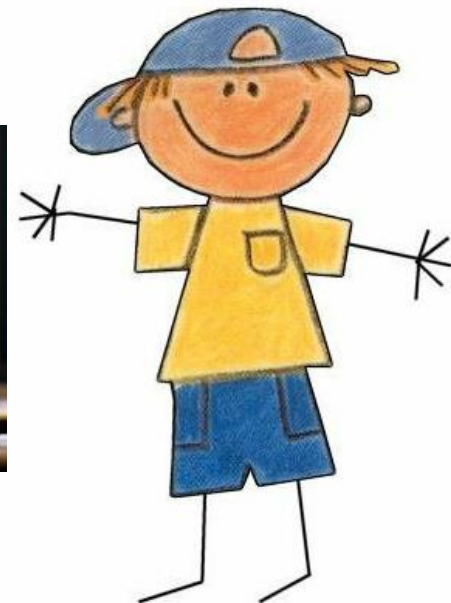


Bio-Psycho-Social Connection:

- While Psychology is not a biology course, there is a focus on learning about the function of the brain, nervous system, and the interconnection between the body and the mind and how those connections are reflected in ones behavior.



■ Central Nervous System (CNS)
■ Peripheral Nervous System (PNS)



Social Studies Skills Learned:

- **Compare and Contrast** (Analyze Content)
- **Group and partner collaboration** (Social Skills)
- **Application of knowledge** (Apply what is learned to experiments, case studies, or simulations)
- **Literacy** (Evaluate and Analyze case Studies of Psychological importance)
- **Writing** (Evaluation of theories and philosophies)
- **Self Advocacy**
- **Research** (Evaluate ideas, concepts, theories, and/or philosophies)

There is a strong focus on vocabulary development and application of vocabulary to develop the skills above.



Pre-Requisites:

- There are no pre-requisites to taking Psychology, but it is only offered to Juniors and Seniors due to the maturity of the course content.

"The principal goal of education is to create individuals who are capable of doing new things, not simply of repeating what other generations have done."

Jean Piaget (1896-1980) Swiss cognitive psychologist.



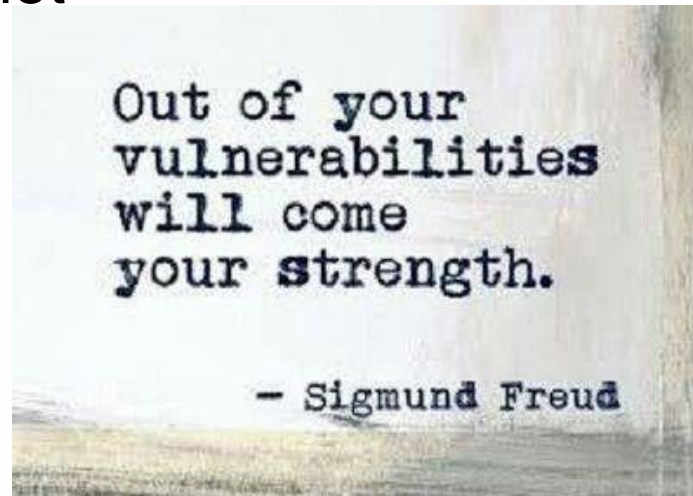
Why take Psychology?

1. Helps to better understand other people.
2. It will make most people a better critical thinker.
3. It can help better understand ones owns behavior, motivation, and understanding of the world.



Recommended Supplies:

- Spiral notebook
- Loose leaf paper
- Blue/black pens and #2 pencils with extra erasers
- Folder/binder to be used for Psychology only
- Colored Pencils/Markers
- Access to the internet



Questions?

Contact Tremper High School's Student Support Team:

- Counselors
- Administrators

If you deliberately plan on being less than you are capable of being, then I warn you that you'll be unhappy for the rest of your life.
Abraham Maslow



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