



**What Is the Human Services Career Cluster?**

This diverse Career Cluster prepares individuals for employment in career pathways related to families and human needs.

There are thousands of challenging educational and training opportunities within the high-skilled world of Human Services. Learners need a solid background in communication, science and technical skills. Education and training can be obtained in high schools, technical colleges, two-year community colleges, four-year colleges/universities and career technical schools/institutes.

**Possible/Related Careers for the Human Services Career Cluster**

There are over 60 careers related to the Human Services Career Cluster, including but not limited to the following examples:

- Abuse/Crisis Counselor
- Career Counselor
- Cosmetologist
- Emergency Relief Worker
- Funeral Director
- Massage Therapist
- Mental Health Counselor
- Personal Trainer
- Sign Language Interpreter

**Possible/Related Majors for the Human Services Career Cluster**

There are an increasing number of college majors related to the Human Services Career Cluster, and among the most common are:

- Child Development
- Clinical Counseling
- Cosmetology
- Family & Consumer Sciences
- Human Services, General
- Mortuary Science
- Public Administration
- Social Sciences, General
- Youth Ministry

**Related OLCHS Co-Curricular Activities for the Human Services Career Cluster**

OLCHS students are encouraged to participate in co-curricular activities. Some related to the Human Services Career Cluster are:

- Alliance
- Bible Talk
- Class Advisory Boards
- Forensics/Speech Team
- International Club
- Muslim Student Association
- National Honor Society
- Peer Mediation
- Students Against Destructive Decisions
- Student Council
- Student Helpers
- World Languages

**Related Service Learning Sites for the Human Services Career Cluster**

OLCHS students are required to earn service learning hours in order to graduate. Some volunteer sites related to the Human Services Career Cluster are:

Name	Location
Arab American Family Services	5440 W. 87 <sup>th</sup> St., Burbank
Community Nutrition Network	8925 S. Kostner Ave., Hometown
The Mosque Foundation Community Center	7360 W. 93 <sup>rd</sup> St., Bridgeview
Muslim Civil Rights Center	7667 W. 95 <sup>th</sup> St., Hickory Hills
South Suburban PADS	Various PADS sites in Oak Lawn (October – April)
Worth Township Youth Service Bureau	11601 S. Pulaski Rd., Alsip

## **Aligned Elective Courses for the Human Services Career Cluster**

Although required courses align with all 16 Career Clusters, students *must* take these courses in order to graduate from OLCHS. Therefore, they are not included below.

Students are encouraged to customize their 4-year plan with specific courses, related prerequisite courses and related career information on Career Cruising.

*This guide is intended to provide general information related to career interest areas. It does not imply any guaranteed acceptance into a program of study. Students and families should carefully review post-secondary goals and entrance requirements for all post-secondary institutions of interest. Students and families are encouraged to use this as a supplemental guide during their planning.*

<b>Department and Elective Courses</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Business</b>				
Entrepreneurship	X	X		
<b>English</b>				
Speech			X	X
Mass Media Writing			X	X
<b>Family &amp; Consumer Sciences</b>				
Intro to Culinary Art & Child Development	X	X		
Child Development		X	X	X
Advanced Child Development		X	X	X
Parenting			X	X
<b>Foreign Language</b>				
French or French Honors	X	X	X	X
Spanish or Spanish Honors	X	X	X	X
Spanish for Heritage Speakers	X	X	X	X
<b>Math</b>				
AP Statistics*				X
<b>Physical Education</b>				
Adventure Education		X	X	X
Peer Training		X	X	X
Junior Leadership Training & Lifeguarding			X	
Senior Leaders				X
<b>Science</b>				
Advanced Biology – Human Systems			X	X
Intro to Anatomy & Physiology			X	X
<b>Social Science</b>				
AP Human Geography*	X	X	X	X
AP Macroeconomics*			X	X
AP Microeconomics*			X	X
AP Psychology*			X	X
Economics			X	X
History of Chicago			X	X
International Relations			X	X
Law in American Society			X	X
Psychology			X	X
Sociology			X	X

*\*The Federal Career Clusters framework recommends students enroll in Advanced Placement and/or Dual Credit courses when available and relevant.*