Description:
This course introduces high school students to the study of psychology and helps them master fundamental concepts in research, theory, and human behavior. Students analyze human growth, learning, personality, and behavior from the perspective of major theories within psychology, including the biological, psychosocial, and cognitive perspectives. From a psychological point of view, students investigate the nature of being human as they build a comprehensive understanding of traditional psychological concepts and contemporary perspectives in the field.

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Course objectives:
- Compare and contrast the field of psychology with other social and physical sciences.
- Describe social learning and discuss factors that influence socially learned behavior.
- Define sensation and describe the study of psychophysics.
- Identify brain structures and various factors influencing memory formation.
- Summarize the nature versus nurture debate.
- Define personality and discuss environmental and biological influences on personality.

Contents:
Module 1: What is Psychology?
Module 2: Psychological Research, Sensations, and Perceptions
Module 3: Our Senses and How They Work
Module 4: Classical and Operant Conditioning
Module 5: Learning Theories, Introduction to Memory
Module 6: Memory
Module 7: Measuring Intelligence
Module 8: Intelligence and Emotion
Module 9: Emotion and Behavior

Grading Scale
A = 90-100%
B = 80-89%
C = 70-79%
D = 60-69%
F = under 59%

Grade Weighting
Quizzes......................... 70%
Final Exam..................... 30%