## Honors Microeconomics Grades: 11, 12

Microeconomics is the study of an economy from a micro or smaller perspective. This course is a dual enrollment course meaning a student has an opportunity to earn three transferrable college credits from Gwynned Mercy College.

So why should a student take Microeconomics in high school? There are any number of excellent reasons for taking this course in high school. For one, the low cost to the student for taking a college level course which has been less than many community colleges. Another is we cover the full curriculum required by colleges, but, instead of the fifteen weeks in college students have the class for 36 weeks. This gives us the opportunity to learn Micro topics in a variety of methods like activities building towers out of toothpicks and marshmallows to demonstrate the economic costs associated with a project. We also use a variety of videos from the detail oriented Kham Academy videos great for getting additional information on a topic, to the AC/DC Economics concepts, good for a quick review of a topic.



The Advantage of time gives the student the advantage of being taught the subject rather than having to learn much of the subject on their own. Teaching with discussion is a normal occurrence. Additionally, we use multi media to present a significant portion of the subject and with the course being taught in a computer lab students have the opportunity to research timly topics in microeconomics such as the impact on the average consumer of falling oil and gas prices.

For those students that want to get a head start on college, are looking for an honors course, are going to have to take economics in college, or are looking to have learn economics in a different way this course is for that student.

Here are a couple more videos shown in class that most students enjoy as a way to check if they understand a given topic. Students do not understand until each unit is complete. By the time we finish they understand the video's and have the opportunity to produce their own at the end of the year.

1stPlace 2013 – Elastic demand baby

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EUDCvhxAuIA&list=PL1oDmcs0xTD\_tsoFu6iIRmd48Ugyefem\_

2009 Econ Bin Laden https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7MXZMPol5zQ