



The Legal Pathway teaches students about a variety of law including family law, torts, business law, product liability, criminal law, criminal defenses, and how to present a case in a mock trial setting.

Upon completion of the pathway students will be prepared for a full range opportunities in their pursuit of work and education. Students choosing to continue their education at the community college or university will be aware of special programs and majors educational institutions offer. Likewise, students choosing to begin their career will graduate with important job-seeking and workplace skills and an understanding of how to enter the industry with awareness of growth opportunities.

To sign up for the Legal Pathway, contact your Canyon counselor today!

“I enjoy teaching and sharing my passion with students! If you share my same passion for law this pathway is for you.”

Clark Smith
*Criminal Justice &
Legal Pathway Teacher*

Canyon Legal Pathway Community Partnerships:

R & S Law Group, APC, Law Offices of William W. Green & Associates, Camarena & Plese Law, and more!



For more information, visit www.canyonhighschool.org or contact Public Service Pathway teacher Mr. Clark Smith, clark.smith@orangeusd.org.



Sample Four-Year Plan

The table below represents a sample four-year plan sequencing the required to classes to be a Canyon High School Legal Pathway completer. Students must complete a level 02 & 03 class to be a pathway completer and earn a tassel to wear at graduation. Students should work closely with their counselors to incorporate appropriate honors, IB and AP courses, as well as other graduation and A-G required courses.



Course Type	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
Legal	Law and Order	Business Law	Professional Internship	Professional Internship

Legal Pathway Course Descriptions:

Law and Order UC-G (02): In this college articulated class, students will learn a wide variety of law including family law, torts, business law, product liability, criminal law, criminal defenses and case presentation in a mock trial setting.

Business Law (03): Students will learn the basic principles of law as it relates to business. Units of study include contracts, torts, product liability, real estate law, intellectual property, case analysis, ethics, court systems, as well as other related business law topics.

Professional Internship (03): Allows students to apply academic knowledge and demonstrate technical 21st-century skills in a workplace setting. Students will prepare job readiness documents and will interview at an assigned site before interning with a local Canyon Business Partner.

Legal & Public Service Pathway Teacher



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Mr. Smith comes to Canyon with 30 years of industry experience including field training officer, S.W.A.T., narcotics, crimes against property, auto theft, crimes against children, special enforcement detail, robbery homicide, and corporal.