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# High School Victory Corps

Organized at the request of the leaders  
of our national government

*A suggested schedule of subjects to meet  
requirements of the program*



## TO STUDENTS

Your government has asked your cooperation in the great war effort. Prior to graduation, you will be asked to contribute portions of your time to community service.

Upon graduation you may be needed to serve either in the armed forces or in industry.

The High School Victory Corps is designed to aid you in both instances and prepare you to fill positions in which you are best fitted and most needed.

*This is your Program. It is developed to meet your needs*

SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 1

Portland, Oregon

## *Explanation—*

This program is placed in your hands to enable you to determine the various courses that are available to fit you to prepare for your part in the war effort. You should study carefully the courses offered and determine the division for which you hope to qualify.

The five divisions outlined are constructed to train for certain positions in the armed forces or in our war program. This is a day of specialization and the armed forces are no exception. Sixty-three out of every one hundred men are specialists. The high school student should be able to qualify in this group.

The great call for the services of men has created a demand that women fill the posts vacated by those who have enlisted. Millions of women are needed to care for this situation. Your country will expect you to forego plans that would prevail in normal times and take your place in industry. Already women have demonstrated their ability to perform the technical tasks that are demanded. This program is designed to aid you in preparing for this work.

As the situation develops, more courses will be introduced. You should keep posted regarding these changes. Many standard courses will have to be postponed because of the immediate demands. The fact exists that in all probability those of you now in school will upon graduation take your place in the war effort. You cannot afford to proceed in the normal way.

The plan offered here has been suggested by the leaders of our government as a means of aiding you in making the necessary preparation. You should consider your desires, but at the same time survey your training and ability. The following pages list many of the courses and the occupations for which they furnish a background training.

Some demand a greater technical training than others. The choice is yours to make, but your careful consideration of abilities and time to prepare is essential. It is suggested that you consult with your parents, your counselors and the school administrators before presenting your forecast for programming.

## *A Strong Body—*

Strong, healthy men and women capable of withstanding the stress and strain of war and industrial life are needed now as never before. As a result of this situation, physical education is to be stressed above all other subjects for those who will enter the war effort during the next two years. This means that as you reach the junior year, daily physical education classes will be required. The program will be created with the aim of building a physical condition capable of meeting requirements and benefiting you when you begin your service. This applies to girls and boys alike.

Freshmen and sophomores are expected to engage in intramural sports or follow a program outlined for home accomplishment.

Community demands will be many. Aid in harvesting crops, emergencies in canning industries, and drives of various kinds will all require the help of Victory Corps members. Your school clubs must turn their efforts to aid in the war effort.

## *Insignia—*

Insignia designating the various divisions of the Victory Corps is to be worn by those who qualify. The insignia may be worn on the upper part of the sleeve of coat or other garment and you must maintain all standards to continue its use. The wearing of all insignia will be an honor and will denote your desire to do your part.

## *Military Drill—*

Elements of military drill will be included in the physical education program. Pupils desiring further training outside of school hours may receive it by taking advantage of the opportunity for such instruction offered by the state guard. Lack of qualified instructors from the armed forces makes it necessary to limit the drill to this extent. The essentials of such drill will, however, be given in the school's physical education program.

Because of the direct use to which arithmetic and mathematics are put in the specialists' divisions of the armed forces and the skilled trades of industry, pupils must include many courses in this field. Consult with your teachers to determine which courses you will need to prepare for the service you desire.

Pupils at Benson, Girls Polytechnic, High School of Commerce, Sabin and Jane Addams will find that these schools offer many opportunities for training specialists not found in the other schools. Advanced work to fit the pupil for definite war assignment may be arranged by consultation with the counselors and administrators of these schools.

The Civil Air Patrol organized as a branch of the United States Army offers an opportunity for those planning to become pilots to receive training outside of school hours. See your counselors regarding this service.

## **SPECIAL COURSES**

### *Pre-Induction Fundamentals of Auto Mechanics—*

A one year course. Open to third or fourth year students.

Designed to give fundamental training for various occupations associated with maintenance and repair of automotive equipment. Knowledge and skills that may be acquired are prerequisites for the following Army ratings:

- Tank Mechanics and Drivers.
- Aerial Engineer and Technicians (ground).
- Antiaircraft Division.
- Motorcycle Drivers and Scouts.
- Ambulance Corps.
- Scout Car Drivers and Mechanics.
- Air Ground Crew.
- All motor transportation units.
- Auto Mechanics (Army and Marines).
- Basic work for many Navy machine positions.
- War industries.

## Pre-Induction Fundamentals of Radio—

A one semester course. A recommended prerequisite for pre-flight. Open to seventh or eighth term students.

Designed to provide fundamental principles that underlie the radio with special application to its use in war.

The course is basic to many Army and Navy occupations. Pupils who excel in this branch will find excellent technical positions available. This division has a demand far in excess of the supply. See counselor for list of positions.

## Pre-Induction Fundamentals of Electricity—

A one semester course. Prerequisite for pre-flight. Open to third or fourth year students.

Designed to give the pupil the basic foundation for further specialization in this field, both in armed forces and industry. It replaces part of the former physics course with special application to war effort.

This course is essential for those who plan to deal with technical operation of aeroplane, radio, etc. It will be basic to many technical positions in war industry, as well as 35 Army and Navy occupations. See counselor for further information.

## Pre-Induction Pre-Flight Course—

A one semester course. Open to eighth term students. This course is offered for those who plan to enlist in air service.

Designed to prepare pupil to pass screening tests given by all branches of air service and to provide information basic to courses pupil will receive at air schools.

This course should not be attempted unless the pupil has had proper previous training. It should not be attempted unless he is in excellent physical condition. Those with physical defects such as color-blindness, those wearing glasses or those who have other physical defects will not be accepted by armed forces.

## Pre-Induction Fundamentals of Machines—

A one semester course. A recommended prerequisite for pre-flight. Open to third or fourth year students.

Designed to teach the principles of physical science that underlie the action of common mechanical devices. This course replaces part of the usual course in physics. It will include fundamentals of that course with direct application to the war effort.

The course includes information and understanding basic to the following Armed Service occupations:

All Air Services—ground and flying—	
Air Engineers.	Specialist work in War Industries.
Demolition Specialists.	Pilots.
Pioneers.	Bombardiers.
Mine Planters.	Gunners.
Power Turret Operation.	Navigators.
Carburetor Specialists.	Ground Service Groups.

## Requirements for General Membership in the Victory Corps Program

All pupils in the secondary school are eligible for membership in the Victory Corps. No reservations other than general membership are made for students in preparatory or divisional program. Lower termers will not be asked to take special subjects, but will be requested to contribute to the school victory program.

The United States Office of Education has stipulated that candidates for membership in the Victory Corps Program must meet the following simple requirements:

1. The student should be participating in the physical fitness program provided by his school.
2. The student should be following the war time study program provided by his school.
3. The student should be participating in at least one wartime activity. Activities may include civilian defense activities, U. S. O. volunteer activities, Red Cross services, scale model airplane building, participation in health services, farm aid, school-home-community activities. Activities which are not listed, but which are sponsored by the school, will be acceptable. Pupils taking part in such organizations as the Red Cross, Girl Scouts, Girl Reserves, Camp Fire Girls, P. M. H. Clubs, Boy Scouts, and other similar youth organizations will satisfy these requirements, provided they can prove their good standing in the group and their regular and active participation. A statement signed by your club advisor and presented to your school guidance counselor will be sufficient. To supply help for farmers in the community, lower division boys and girls belonging to the Victory Corps should be organized to assist in the harvesting of crops.
4. The candidate must make application for general membership in the Victory Corps on the form provided by the school. The applicant must have the signature of his parent or guardian accompanying his own.
5. The student whose application is accepted will be privileged to wear the general insignia of the Victory Corps.

Upper term students, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth termers, are given the opportunity to enter any one of five divisions of the Victory Corps. These include the Air Service Division, Sea Division, Land Service Division, Production Service Division and Community Service Division. All divisions are open to both boys and girls. Pupils in the first two years of school should be careful to forecast those subjects which will enable them to qualify for the division of the Victory Corps which interests them most. All students should seek the advice of their teachers and counselors before making their forecast. Requirements for admission and other important details are listed under separate division headings on pages 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 of this pamphlet.

## AIR SERVICE DIVISION

1. To qualify for membership in this division pupils must be planning and have begun preliminary preparation for service in the armed forces as aviation cadets or as aircraft repair and maintenance workers.

2. Pupils planning this division must take M<sup>1</sup> - M<sup>4</sup>, E<sup>1</sup> - E<sup>4</sup> if now a freshman or sophomore.

3. Seniors must have M<sup>1</sup> - M<sup>6</sup> to enter pre-flight unless granted special permission by the counselor.

4. All pupils entering the air service must be prepared to pass screening tests for mathematics, English and current events. If pupils doubt their ability to pass the physical tests given by the air service they are advised to see their family physicians.

5. Fundamentals of Electricity is a pre-requisite to the Radio course.

### REQUIRED SUBJECTS

5th Term	6th Term	7th Term	8th Term
Physical Fitness	Physical Fitness	Physical Fitness	Physical Fitness
U. S. History	U. S. History	Problems of Today	Problems of Today
Fundamentals of Machine	Fundamentals of Electricity	Fundamentals of Radio	Pre-flight
American Literature	American Literature		Military English
Algebra	Solid Geometry	Trigonometry	Advanced Mathematics

(Optional courses at bottom of page. Consult counselor.)

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## SEA SERVICE DIVISION

1. Pupils in this division are prepared for service in some branch of the Navy or Merchant Marine (other than naval aviation.)

2. To enter this division students are required to have completed M<sup>1</sup> - M<sup>4</sup> inclusive. All upper division pupils who have not met this requirement should choose the Land Division Service which offers Applied Mathematics. Lower division pupils will be expected to arrange their programs to meet these qualifications.

3. Other recommended courses to complete this program are blue-print reading and drawing or special shop courses.

4. Students at Benson Polytechnic School or Sabin High School may qualify for this division by taking other shop courses. See counselors for details.

5. Fundamentals of Electricity is a pre-requisite to the Radio course.

### REQUIRED SUBJECTS

5th Term	6th Term	7th Term	8th Term
Physical Fitness	Physical Fitness	Physical Fitness	Physical Fitness
Algebra	Solid Geometry	Trigonometry	Advanced Mathematics
Fundamentals of Machine	Fundamentals of Electricity	Fundamentals of Radio	
U. S. History	U. S. History	Problems of Today	Problems of Today
American Literature	American Literature		Military English

(Optional courses at bottom of page. Consult counselor.)

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# LAND SERVICE DIVISION

1. Pupils in this division are prepared for service in some branch of the ground forces of the Army or Marine Corps.

2. To enter this division pupils must have completed or be taking 1 year of math., 1 year of laboratory or shop science, 1 or more special pre-induction courses and shop courses.

3. Persons enrolling in this division are advised to select Military English which is specially developed to meet the needs of this division as an eighth term elective.

4. All upper division pupils who have not met these requirements may be eligible providing they can secure permission from their counselors or principal.

5. Students of Benson Polytechnic School or Sabin High School may qualify for this division by taking the regular shop courses. See the counselors for details.

6. Applied Math. will be required of all students who have had only one year of mathematics.

7. Students who plan to enter artillery or become officers should include as much mathematics as possible.

## REQUIRED SUBJECTS

5th Term	6th Term	7th Term	8th Term
Physical Fitness	Physical Fitness	Physical Fitness	Physical Fitness
U. S. History	U. S. History	Problems of Today	Problems of Today
Fundamentals of Machine	Fundamentals of Electricity	Auto Mechanics or Radio	Auto Mechanics
American Literature	American Literature		

(Optional courses at bottom of page. Consult counselor.)

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# PRODUCTION SERVICE DIVISION

1. Pupils in this division should be planning or have begun preliminary preparation for service in trades, war industries, or other essential productive civilian occupations.

2. Students will be required to select industrial training and/or blueprint reading and drawing.

3. Pupils doing part time work in an essential occupation will be given Victory Corps credit and will be permitted to substitute this work for shop or drawing.

4. Applied mathematics will be required of all students who have had but one year of mathematics.

## REQUIRED SUBJECTS

5th Term	6th Term	7th Term	8th Term
Physical Fitness	Physical Fitness	Physical Fitness	Physical Fitness
U. S. History	U. S. History	Problems of Today	Problems of Today
American Literature	American Literature		
Industrial Training	Industrial Training	Industrial Training	Industrial Training

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# COMMUNITY SERVICE DIVISION

Pupils who wish to enter this division should be planning to work in community or other service occupations. This division contains courses covering the fundamentals necessary for many occupations. Students should consult their teachers and counselors to obtain information not provided here.

To meet requirements for upper division pupils who plan to attend college are required to take E<sup>5</sup> to E<sup>8</sup> inclusive, H<sup>5</sup> to H<sup>8</sup> inclusive and one

ence. To meet state requirements for pupils who choose preinduction or preinduction take E<sup>5</sup> to E<sup>6</sup> inclusive and H<sup>5</sup> to H<sup>8</sup> inclusive. Pupils who join the Community Service Division from their counselors, to select

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## OPTIONAL SUBJECTS

1. English
  - Public Speaking
  - Journalism
  - Dramatics
  - Other Special courses offered
2. History
  - World History
3. Mathematics
  - Intermediate Algebra
  - Solid Geometry
  - Trigonometry
  - Advanced Algebra
  - Pre-flight
  - Applied Mathematics
  - Refresher Mathematics
4. Science
  - Auto Mechanics
  - Fundamentals of Machinery
  - Fundamentals of Electricity
  - Fundamentals of Radio
  - Biology
  - Physics
  - Chemistry
5. Commercial
  - Typing
  - Stenography
  - Bookkeeping
  - Office Practice
6. Foreign Language
  - Latin, Spanish
  - German, French
7. Art
  - Drafting Techniques
  - Industrial Lettering
  - Industrial Handicrafts
8. Family Life Education
  - Managing the Home Front
  - Home Nursing
  - Nursery School Aide
  - Canteen Aide
9. Distributive Education
10. Industrial
  - Shop
  - Blueprint Reading and Mechanical Drawing
11. Music
  - Instrumental
  - Vocal

NOTE: The school reserves the right to drop those classes which are not properly filled.

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