## **MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY**

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

A one-semester course that helps students understand the Greek and Latin based language of medicine and health care. Emphasis is place on word roots, suffixes, prefixes, abbreviations, symbols, anatomical terms, and terms associated with movements of the human body. This course also stresses the proper pronunciation, spelling, and usage of medical terminology. This course is helpful to anyone considering going into the health care field.

DSD integrates this course into the yearlong Medical Anatomy and Physiology course. This course can also be taught as a stand-alone semester class.

## **STRANDS:**

- General medical terms (used throughout all other strands).
- Anatomical terms
- Terms associated with movement
- Integumentary system
- Skeletal system
- Muscular system
- Nervous system
- Special Senses
- Endocrine system
- Cardiovascular system
- Lymphatic system
- Respiratory system
- Digestive system
- Urinary system
- Reproductive system