Executive Summary Prepared for Board of Trustees Meeting 01-11-2022

Board Goal:

The <u>MIDDLE SCHOOL Course Planning Guide</u> for the 2022-2023 school year supports the following Board goals:

- Remain committed to providing equitable and outstanding opportunities for every student on every campus (Growth & Management)
- Cultivate a consistent, strong, district-wide balanced curriculum based on ongoing needs assessment that supports all students (Teaching & Learning Goal)
- Foster and support an advanced digital learning environment (Teaching & Learning Goal)
- Instill in students a love of life-long learning. (Climate)

Purpose of Report

Updates are made the planning guides each year to reflect changes in course offerings and other related policies and practices. The purpose of this report is to share with the Board of Trustees the changes that will be reflected in the 2022-2023 Denton ISD Course Planning Guide, including:

- General reformatting, corrections, revisions, and editing
- General clarifications –credit recovery, "courses taken in middle school" means "courses taken before high school,", explanation of the Spanish for Spanish Speakers program (final draft of this section to be added before board meeting), STAAR/EOC exams not valid for credit recovery.
- Course changes recommended by course committee: Middle School Dance 2, Robotics 1, Principles of Applied Engineering, and sunsetting Gateway to Tech I-IV.

<u>Objectives</u>

To provide parents, students, administrators, counselors, teachers, and district personnel with a readily-available, accurate source of information related to district courses, course planning, and related policies and practices.

Operational Impact

N/A

<u>Results</u>

Board approval of the Middle School Course Planning Guide for 2022-2023 will allow the catalog to be distributed for spring registration.

Other Options

The Board could decide to not approve the changes to the course planning guide