

School Board Workshop:

November 14, 2022

Subject:

BHS Course Proposals

Presenters:

**Pam Miller, Director
Teaching and Learning**

SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:

No recommended action at this time. Action will be taken at the November 28th school board meeting.

DESCRIPTION:

New course proposals and course modifications have been solicited and developed for next school year. The district's course proposal process begins in August and ends with school board approval in November. Once approval for course changes is given, the course information is included in the registration and scheduling process for the middle school and the high school.

Overview of the Course Proposal Process

The course proposal process includes a series of steps to ensure that all perspectives of possible implications of the addition or modification of each proposed course have been considered. The following information is communicated to teachers as they consider submitting a proposal:

- A course outline will be required for all proposals.
- Course outlines shall be written under the guidance of the Department of Teaching and Learning.
- The Director of Teaching and Learning may reject or recommend redesign of a course proposal at any time in the process.
- Incomplete proposals will not be processed.
- Course proposal support is required from the following groups prior to School Board approval:

Department Chairperson
Site Principal

Department Chairs
District Teaching and Learning Council
Community Teaching and Learning Council

- Course approval does not guarantee implementation. Implementation is dependent on resources and scheduling considerations. Courses that do not receive sufficient student requests will not be offered next year, but may remain in the registration book as an option for the following school year. Feasibility of implementation is determined by the site principal.

The course proposals review process timeline for this year is as follows:

BHS Department Chairs on October 17, 2022
District Teaching and Learning Council on November 3, 2022
Community Teaching and Learning Council on November 4, 2022
School Board Meeting – Course Proposal Review on November 14, 2022
School Board Meeting – Course Proposal Approval on November 28, 2022

All course proposals recommended to move forward will be presented to the School Board for approval. Each individual or group was asked to use the following criteria in formulating a recommendation for each course.

Criteria to Consider

- *Evidence of student need or parent/community demand*
- *Graduation requirement impact*
- *District goals match*
- *Program rationale match*
- *Program standards alignment*
- *Post-secondary impact*
- *Cost and/or resource availability*
- *Overlap with other courses*
- *Match of content and course length*
- *Efficiency in utilization of space and personnel*

Secondary Course Proposals

Each of the proposals received were reviewed by the site principal and the Director of Teaching and Learning. A total of 13 new courses are being presented for consideration. The course names are listed below, and detailed course proposal information for each proposal is included as an additional attachment.

Department	Course Addition
Agriculture	Intro to Ag Business
Agriculture	Unified Ag
Business	Sports Marketing and Entertainment
Math	Intro to Computer Programming
Music	CIS Music in World Cultures
Music	CIS Intro to Music Theory and History
Music	Musical Theatre
Music	Music Production
Phy Ed	Net Games 1 and 2
Phy Ed	Officiating and Coaching Philosophies
Phy Ed	Mind and Body Connection
Phy Ed	9/10 Competitive Team Sports
Science	Chem X

At the November 28 board meeting, I will recommend approval for each course proposal presented, and for all approved new course proposals to be included as additional opportunities for students.

Each new course approved for implementation in 2022-2023 will be allotted curriculum development hours. These hours are under the direction of the Department of Teaching and Learning, and are completed mainly during the summer months.

ATTACHMENT:

- BHS New Course Proposal Outlines 2022-23