



Date: August 24, 2026
To: Dr. Halverson, Superintendent
Board of Education, East Aurora School District 131
From: Ami Engel, Associate Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment
Subject: East Aurora High School New Course Proposals 2027-2028

BACKGROUND

As part of the annual development of the East Aurora High School course catalog, administration reviews opportunities to expand student access to rigorous coursework, college credit, career-connected learning, and programs that support students in achieving their postsecondary goals. For the 2027–2028 school year, administration is proposing six new course offerings or program additions to the East Aurora High School course catalog.

These opportunities are designed to increase student choice and access while leveraging existing district resources, grant funding, and partnerships to minimize the financial impact on local funds.

SUMMARY

The following courses and programs are proposed for inclusion in the 2027–2028 EAHS course catalog:

- Dual Credit Composition I & II: Required textbooks cost approximately \$3,000, funded through local funds.
- Dual Credit Speech: There will be no anticipated additional costs.
- Digital Art & Design: The course requires approximately \$1,000 for drawing tablets, funded through Title IV.
- AP 2D Art & Design: Photography textbooks will cost approximately \$1,000, funded through local funds.
- ACCEleratoredu: The annual subscription cost is \$2,750, funded through local funds.
- AVID Elective: The district already funds its AVID membership through Title IV, so there is no additional membership cost. An additional cost will be incurred for AVID tutoring, based on the hourly rate for tutors hired to provide academic support.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The anticipated cost of the courses totals \$7,750, excluding the variable cost of AVID tutoring.

RECOMMENDATION

At the September 8, 2026 Board Meeting, It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the addition of Dual Credit Composition I & II, Dual Credit Speech, Digital Art & Design, AP 2D Art & Design, ACCEleratoredu, and the AVID Elective to the East Aurora High School 2027–2028 course catalog.