



SAHS Course Proposals for 2027-28

School Board Meeting
October 27, 2026

NEW COURSES: Core Academic

Subject	New Proposed Courses	New or Replacement?	Alignment	Grant funded
English	CAPS Modern Literature and Film Studies	Replacement	Course revision - serves as option for English 12	Cost Neutral
	CE Creative Writing	New	AA Degree & Transfer Curriculum	Yes
	CE Research Paper & Basic Communications	Replacement	Course revision to align with AA Degree & Transfer Curriculum. English credit instead of elective credit.	Cost Neutral
World Language	CIS Spanish IV Immersion	New	New course in Immersion sequence	No



NEW COURSES: CTE and Universal Electives

Subject	New Proposed Courses	New or Replacement	Alignment	Grant Funded
Arts	CE Ceramics	New	AA Degree & Transfer Curriculum	Yes
Health & PE	CE Advanced Weight Training CE Lifetime Fitness and Wellness CE Outdoor Education	New Replacement New	AA Degree & Transfer Curriculum AA Degree & Transfer Curriculum AA Degree & Transfer Curriculum	Yes Cost Neutral Yes
Music	Guitar Level 2	New	Advanced course option	No
FACS	Introduction to Sewing - CTE ACC Interior Design - CTE Global Fashion & Culture (ECS) - CTE	New New New	Industry and student demand Industry and student demand Ethnic Studies Grant	Yes Yes Yes
Ethnic Studies	African-American Film Studies Global Fashion & Culture (ECS) (see above)	New New	Ethnic Studies Grant Ethnic Studies Grant	Yes Yes

NEW COURSES: CTE and Universal Electives

Subject	New Proposed Courses	New or Replacement	Alignment	Grant Funded
Education	Academic Mentor: Foundations of Leadership	New	Introductory Leadership course	No
	Leadership in Action	Replacement	Personal Leadership (course revision)	Cost Neutral
	Child and Adolescent Psychology	New	Intro to Teaching/Grow Your Own Grant	Yes
	Child Development and Preschool Lab	New	Intro to Teaching/Grow Your Own Grant	Yes
	CE Educational Technology	New	AA Degree & Transfer Curriculum	Yes
Digital Technologies	Design and Build with Artificial Intelligence	New	New introductory AI course	Yes, YST grant

NEW COURSES: Online Academy

Subject	New Proposed Courses	Grant Funded
Math	Online Geometry A and Online Geometry B	No
Social Studies	Online World History Online Sports and Society Online Psychology	No
Arts	Online Drawing	No
Personal Finance	Online Personal Finance	No



EXISTING: Course Revisions

Subject	New Proposed Courses	New or Replacement	Alignment	Grant Funded
Digital Technologies	AI and Computer Science Foundations	Revision	Intro to Computer Science and Coding	Yes, YST grant
	CE Artificial Intelligence Programming with Python	Revision	CE Introduction to Computer Programming with Python	Yes, YST grant
	Advanced Computer Science Web App and Game Design	Revision	AP Computer Science Advanced Topics	Yes, YST grant



New Courses: Fiscal Impact for 2027-28

Expense	Estimated Amount
Curriculum writing time	\$31,600
Curriculum and/or materials	\$42,955
Recurring materials and/or software	\$30,272
Total Expenditure: \$104,827	

Grant Source	Estimated Amount
YST Grant (Digital Technologies & Healthcare)	\$4,647
MDE: Intro to Teaching Grant	\$12,495
MDE: Ethnic Studies Grant	\$21,008
Total Grant Revenue: \$38,150	

Total Year 1 Cost to District: \$66,677

Annual Concurrent Enrollment Fees & Aid

	Estimated Amount
Annual fees (paid to sponsoring college) for CE/CIS courses	\$450,025
MDE Concurrent Enrollment Aid	\$178,365

Total Unreimbursed CE/CIS Fees: \$271,660/year



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New Course Proposal Process & Timeline

Beginning May 2027 for 2028-29 school year

Initial Proposal Due May 31	FALL	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER
	Prior to course launch			
A teacher completes the New Course Proposal Form	T&L reviews proposed courses and DCAC feedback. T&L selects the courses to be reviewed and approved by the school board. DCAC reviews proposals and provides feedback T&L provides feedback for courses not chosen to be reviewed and approved and will consider alternate timelines or revised proposals. School board reviews course proposals and approves via consent agenda	New, approved courses are submitted to be uploaded into registration	T&L budget is approved Grant determinations are made	Approved courses are created and materials are purchased ● Curriculum writing time: 10-40 hours (\$574.80-\$1149.60 per course) ● Material costs: Up to \$22,000 per course ● Maintenance costs: Subscriptions, consumable materials, etc.

Internal Review Process

1. **Teaching & Learning:** uses a rubric to evaluate course proposals for advancement
2. **Teaching & Learning/Stillwater Area High School:** Review courses to ensure T&L vetting process did not create unintended gaps in course sequencing and aligns with prioritized building/district need



Core Course Proposal Review Process

1. **Teaching & Learning:** Receive and review course proposals using the rubric
2. **Teaching & Learning/High School:** Share rubric feedback and questions with high school staff for revision and resubmission





Questions