



**GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM  
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10**

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**DATE OF MEETING:** February 11, 2020

**TITLE:** Approval of New Courses for the 2019-2020 School Year

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**BACKGROUND:**

Each year we bring requests for new courses to the Board. Below you will find a new course for the 2019-2020 school year and a brief description of the course.

**Canyon del Oro High School (CDO)** would like to offer an Adaptive Music class to serve the special education and resource population in grades 9-12 who have an interest in learning more about music. The course is designed to teach general music education with an emphasis in choral singing, appropriate to the ability levels of these students.

Students will learn to listen to music for relaxation, hearing musical differences, hearing patterns, and reflecting on the emotions they feel. They will also learn to recognize musical instruments by sight and sound. Students will learn proper vocal techniques for singing in a choir and will perform music by signing and playing instruments in front of an audience a minimum of two times per year.

The Adaptive Music course curriculum is based on the Park Hill School District High School Adaptive Music Curriculum that is already in place. The music standards and skills are listed according to each unit in the scope and sequence of the course and have been followed this year during the CDO pilot.

Materials for this course will include new music to perform at choir concerts, orff instruments, books, magazines, and additional text at the discretion of the teacher.

During the pilot, this course has been enormously successful, greatly enhancing the student experience while filling a need for music education for special education students.


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**RECOMMENDATION:**


The administration recommends that the Governing Board approve the course listed above.

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**INITIATED BY:**

  
**Michael Bejarano**  
Associate Superintendent for Secondary Education

**Date: January 29, 2020**

  
**Todd A. Jaeger, J.D., Superintendent**