

FOREST LAKE AREA SCHOOLS FOREST LAKE, MN 55025

January 3, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: 12.2

TOPIC: FIRST READING OF PROPOSED NEW COURSE: EXTENDED MEDICAL CAREERS

BACKGROUND: During the 2012-13 school year, two new courses were added to the Physical Education and Health Department course offerings: Emergency Medical Responder and Emergency Medical Technician. These courses cover 3 quarters and provide a pathway to readiness for a health career for those interested students. Through the interest of students and the registration numbers from this 2012-13 school year, discussion began about offering a third course in the sequence.

PROCESS: Prior to this school year, one course was offered at the high school in the health care field: "Intro to Health Care" In order to expand the opportunities for students in this career field, two courses were proposed and approved at the high school – "Emergency Medical Responder" and "Emergency Medical Technician." To round out this sequence of courses, the proposed course, Extended Medical Careers, would provide students the opportunity to apply skills learned in the previous two courses. They can also explore careers in athletic training, CPR training, and other emergency care fields. The course outline for the proposed course is attached.

RECOMMENDATION: First Reading of Proposed New Course: Extended Medical Careers.