



High School New Course/Instructional Initiative Requests for 2026-2027

Course Name Changes/Restructuring	Grade Level	Content Area	Purpose/Rationale for Addition or Change
Course PEIMS Change: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AP Seminar/English 2 Service ID Change 	10	RLA	TEA removed AP Seminar as an innovative course and deleted the service ID and available only as a local credit. AP Seminar curriculum will be delivered through this course and students will still be able to challenge the AP Seminar exam for college credit.
PEIMS & Course Name Change: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practicum STEM Cybersecurity to: Practicum of Information Technology Practicum in STEM to: Practicum in Engineering Engineering Design & Development (PLTW) to: Engineering Design & Presentation Introduction to Engineering Design to: Engineering Design Process (Grade 9) 	9 - 12	CTE	Changes to TEA service IDs have necessitated corresponding course name updates to maintain alignment with state requirements.
PEIMS & Course Name Change: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> College Prep ELAR w/English 4: Offer as separate courses 	12	RLA	Currently a stacked course, which has created PEIMS service ID issues. It is also recommended to split into separate courses in anticipation of CCMR accountability changes occurring in 2027-28. Students needing TSIA Readiness in ELAR will complete College Prep ELA through Edgenuity (Region 20 approved) in a designated Advisory class. This change removes the need for two separate grading systems; extends CCMR earning opportunities; and English IV is accepted for all endorsements where College Prep ELAR is not.
PEIMS & Course Name Change: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business English & English 4: Offer as separate courses 	12	RLA	Currently a stacked course causing PEIMS service ID issues; recommended to be offered as separate courses. Business English is best suited for CTE completers and supports workforce readiness.
Adding IHE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dual Credit Physics - currently w/ASU add NVC 	11 & 12	Science	A teacher request has been made to add course offerings from NVC in addition to ASU. The district is currently working on credentialing the teacher to support this addition.



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PA: S - Peer Assistance for Students w/Disabilities	11-12	SPED & CTE	This course, designed as a practicum-style course, provides Human Services students with the opportunity to support peers with disabilities in building confidence, independence, and social skills. Peer assistants receive training in confidentiality and positive support strategies, promoting empathy, leadership, and meaningful connections.
Outdoor Life Physical Education	9-12	Athletics	Outdoor Life Physical Education is a year-long course promoting lifelong fitness and outdoor recreation skills. In Semester 1 (Aquatics), students learn water safety, swimming techniques, and teamwork through activities like stroke refinement and water polo. In Semester 2 (Land-Based), they build leadership and problem-solving skills through hiking, orienteering, and camping basics.
Engineering Design & Problem Solving	11 & 12	CTE	This course can be stacked with Practicum as a 1-hour option for students who do not have room in their schedule for the full 2-hour Practicum. It also aligns with state-level changes in Engineering curriculum.
Agricultural Structures Design & Fabrication	10 & 11	CTE	In Agricultural Structures Design and Fabrication, students explore career opportunities, entry requirements, and industry expectations while developing the knowledge and skills needed for mechanized agriculture and technical systems. The hope is to expand the program to help address current enrollment pressures in Ag Mechanics. A dedicated space is available at CHS, and for equity, BHS students would be provided transportation.
Principles of Transportation Systems	9 & 10	CTE	Adding this course would strengthen the current Automotive curriculum and lay the foundation for an Aviation program in 2027–28, including Introduction to Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs/Drones). Additionally, Auto Basics would be reclassified as a Level 2 course.



Course Requests/Staffing for P-TECH Cybersecurity through Northwest Vista College			
Course Name	Program	Content Area	Rationale
Practicum of Information Technology	Cyber	CTE	A dedicated Practicum Cybersecurity teacher is needed to support work-based learning opportunities for students.

Course Requests/Staffing for P-TECH Health Science through San Antonio College			
Course Name	Program	Content Area	Rationale
Dual Credit English (ENGL Comp. 1301 & 1302)	Health Science	RLA	The inaugural P-TECH Health Science cohort will begin their junior year (2026-27), completing required dual credit courses through San Antonio College (SAC). It is recommended that BISD approve SAC as a dual credit partner for both existing and new courses aligned with the P-TECH Health Science crosswalk, ensuring students stay on track toward program completion.
Dual Credit English Literature (ENGL Lit.)		RLA	
Dual Credit Algebra		Math	
Dual Credit Pre Calculus		Math	
Dual Credit US History		SS	
Dual Credit Anatomy & Physiology		Science	
Dual Credit Biology		Science	
NEW: Dual Credit Psychology		SS	
NEW: Health Science Theory & HS Clinical		CTE	
NEW: Dual Credit Medical Terminology		CTE	This dual credit course serves as a prerequisite for EMT Level 1 Certification within the P-TECH Health Science program, offering an option for students who are not pursuing an Associates of Science degree.