

BOARD MEETING DATE:	Monday, December 16, 2024
AGENDA ITEM:	2025-2026 New Course Proposals
AGENDA LOCATION:	Action ▾
PRESENTER TITLE & NAME:	Dawn Jordan
DEPARTMENT:	Learner Services



BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Each year, district and campus leadership, counselors, and teachers review current courses in alignment with graduation requirements, Career and Technical Education (CTE) offerings, and student interest. For the 2025-2026 school year, we are recommending several new courses at Argyle Middle School and Argyle High School. A summary of the course descriptions is provided for your review. If approved, these classes would be available for student request. There is a minimum number of students required before a class is offered.

BUDGETARY IMPACT & FUNDING SOURCE

Curriculum and supplies for new CTE classes if the class is offered. Total expected costs can be accommodated within the campus & CTE budgets.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION

(Only complete if it is a consent or action item)

Administration recommends the AISD Board of Trustees approve the 2025- 2026 new course offerings as presented.

MOTION

(Only complete if it is a consent or action item)

A motion might be, "I move to approve the addition of the 2025- 2026 new courses as presented."

New Courses Beginning 2025-2026 SY

Classes that are marked “CTE” carry additional funding.

- \$6160 X 1.1 for CTE courses not in an approved program of study;
- \$6160 X 1.28 for *levels one and two* CTE courses in an approved program of study, as identified by the agency; or
- \$6160 X 1.47 for *levels three and four* CTE courses in an approved program of study, as identified by the agency.

Campus	Dept.	Class	CTE Level	Grades	Description
Argyle High School	Math	Calculus AB AP		11-12	Calculus (AB) Advanced Placement is the study of introductory differential and integral calculus. Graphing technology will be utilized in this course.
Argyle High School	Social Studies	World History Honors		10	World History Honors is focused on the study of significant people, events, and issues from the earliest times to the present. Traditional historical points of reference in world history are identified as students analyze important events and issues in western civilization as well as in civilizations in other parts of the world.
Argyle High School	CTE	Criminal Investigation	Level 3	11-12	Criminal Investigation is a course that introduces students to the profession of criminal investigations. Students will understand basic functions of criminal investigations and procedures, and will learn how to investigate or follow up during investigations. Students will learn terminology and procedures related to criminal investigation (crime scene processing and evidence collection). Through case studies and simulated crime scenes, students will analyze evidence such as fingerprint analysis, bodily fluids, hairs, fibers, shoe and tire impressions, bite marks,

					drugs, tool marks, firearms and ammunition, blood spatter, digital evidence, and other types of evidence. Students will put case evidence together and prepare for a courtroom presentation.
Argyle High School	CTE	Practicum in Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security	Level 4	12	The practicum course is an unpaid capstone experience for students participating in a coherent sequence of career and technical education courses in the Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security Career Cluster. The practicum course is designed to give students supervised practical application of previously studied knowledge and skills. Practicum experiences can occur in a variety of locations appropriate to the nature and level of experience. Students are encouraged to participate in extended learning experiences such as career and technical student organizations and other leadership or extracurricular organizations. During this course, students will also have the chance to obtain their dispatch certification.
Argyle Middle School	CTE	Digital Media / Animation	Level 3	7-8	Digital Media & Animation is an introduction to traditional animation. Skills learned in Animation will prepare students for a possible future in the television/movie industry in the areas of animation, character and story development, special effects, and motion graphics. In addition, this course is designed for students who want to pursue careers in video gaming, print advertising, scientific visualization, medical animation, interactive applications, and architectural rendering.
Argyle High School	Theatre	UIL Theatrical Design (Independent Study)		9-12	Students will use elements of design, color theory, USITT standards and follow the UIL Theatrical Design prompt to create technical designs for hair and makeup, costume, marketing, and set design contests. Students will read the prompt script, and create a prompt statement and concept for design. All students who take the course will compete in the UIL Theatrical Design contest.
Argyle Middle School	CTE	Digital Communication in the 21st Century	Level 1	7-8	Digital Communications in the 21st Century will prepare students for the societal demands of civic literacy, independent working environments, global

					awareness, and the mastery of analysis and communication skills. Students will be expected to design and present an effective product based on well researched issues in order to thoughtfully propose suggested solutions to authoritative stakeholders. The outcome of the process and product approach is to provide students an authentic platform to demonstrate effective application of multimedia tools within the contexts of global communication and collaborative communities and appropriately share their voices to affect change that concerns their future.
Argyle Middle School	CTE	Interpersonal Studies	Level 2	7-8	Interpersonal Studies examines how the relationships between individuals and among family members significantly affect the quality of life. Students use knowledge and skills in family studies and human development to enhance personal development, foster quality relationships, promote wellness of family members, manage multiple adult roles, and pursue careers related to counseling and mental health services.
Argyle Middle School	CTE	Professional Communications	Level 1	7-8	Professional Communications blends written, oral, and graphic communication in a career-based environment. In this course, students will read, write, edit, speak, and listen. Students will use software applications, manipulate graphics within documents and presentations, and conduct internet research to improve their interpersonal skills in a professional setting. This course aligns with an industry certification available to all students.
Argyle High School	CTE	Entrepreneurship I	Level 2	10-12	In Entrepreneurship, students will gain the knowledge and skills needed to become an entrepreneur. Students will learn the principles necessary to begin and operate a business. The primary focus of the course is to help students understand the process of analyzing a business opportunity, preparing a business plan, determining the feasibility of an idea using research, and developing a plan to organize and promote the business and its products and services. In addition, students will understand the capital required, the return on investment desired,

					and the potential for profit. Industry Based Certification in Entrepreneurship and Small Business will be offered.
Argyle High School	CTE	Graphic Design and Illustration II	Level 3	10-12	Careers in graphic design and illustration span all aspects of the advertising and visual communications industries. Within this context, in addition to developing advanced technical knowledge and skills needed for success in the Arts, Audio/Video Technology, and Communications Career Cluster, students will be expected to develop an advanced understanding of the industry with a focus on mastery of content knowledge and skills.
Argyle High School	CTE	Fashion Marketing	Level 2	10-12	Fashion Marketing is designed to provide students with knowledge of the various business functions in the fashion industry. Students in Fashion Marketing will gain a working knowledge of promotion, textiles, merchandising, selling, visual merchandising, and career opportunities. Fashion Marketing is part of the Marketing and Sales Program of Study, providing students an opportunity to complete a graduation requirement.
Argyle High School	CTE	Practicum in Business Management	Level 4	11-12	Practicum in Business Management is designed to give students supervised practical application of previously studied knowledge and skills. Practicum experiences occur in a paid or unpaid arrangement and a variety of locations appropriate to the nature and level of experience. Students implement personal and interpersonal skills to strengthen individual performance in the workplace and in society and to make a successful transition to the workforce or postsecondary education. Students apply technical skills to address business applications of emerging technologies. Students develop a foundation in the economic, financial, technological, international, social, and ethical aspects of business to become competent consumers, employees, and entrepreneurs. Students enhance reading, writing, computing, communication, and reasoning skills and apply them to the business environment. Students incorporate a broad base of knowledge that

					includes the legal, managerial, marketing, financial, ethical, and international dimensions of business to make appropriate business decisions.
Argyle High School	CTE	Practicum in Entrepreneurship	Level 4	11-12	The Practicum in Entrepreneurship provides students the opportunity to apply classroom learnings and experiences to real-world business problems and opportunities. Students will prepare for an entrepreneurial career in their area of interest in their career cluster and build on and apply the knowledge and skills gained from courses taken in an array of career areas. Practicum experiences occur in a paid or unpaid arrangement and a variety of locations appropriate to the nature and level of the student's need for work-based learning experience.
Argyle High School	CTE	Practicum in Marketing	Level 4	11-12	Practicum in Marketing is a series of dynamic activities that focus on the customer to generate a profitable exchange. Students will gain knowledge and skills that help them to be proficient in one or more of the marketing functional areas associated with distribution, financing, marketing information management, pricing, product planning, promotion, purchasing, risk management, and selling skills. Students will integrate skills from academic subjects, information technology, interpersonal communication, and management training to make responsible decisions. The practicum course is a paid or unpaid experience for students participating in a coherent sequence of career and technical courses in marketing.
Argyle High School	CTE	Career Preparation I	Level 4	11-12	Career Preparation I provides opportunities for students to participate in a work-based learning environment that incorporates continuous collaborative feedback between the employer, teacher, and student. This course combines classroom instruction with business and industry employment experiences that may be outside the student's current program of study. The goal is for students to obtain entry-level employment developing a variety of skills for obtaining and maintaining employment. Career preparation is relevant and rigorous, supports student attainment

					of academic standards, and effectively prepares students for college and career success.
Argyle High School	CTE	Career Preparation I/Extended Career Preparation	Level 4	11-12	Extended Career Preparation provides opportunities for students to participate in a work-based learning experience that combines classroom instruction with business and industry employment experiences. The goal is to prepare students with a variety of skills for a changing workplace. Career preparation is relevant and rigorous, supports student attainment of academic standards, and effectively prepares students for college and career success.
Argyle High School	CTE	Practicum in Early Learning	Level 4	12	Practicum in Early Learning is a field-based course that provides students background knowledge of early childhood development principles as well as principles of effective teaching and training practices. Students in the course work under the joint direction and supervision of both a teacher facilitator and an exemplary industry professional. Students learn to plan and direct individualized instruction and group activities, prepare instructional materials, assist with record keeping, make physical arrangements, and complete other responsibilities of early learning teachers, trainers, paraprofessionals, or other educational personnel.
Argyle High School	CTE	Child Guidance	Level 3	11-12	Child Guidance is a technical laboratory course that addresses the knowledge and skills related to child growth and guidance equipping students to develop positive relationships with children and effective caregiver skills. Students use these skills to promote the well-being and healthy development of children, strengthen a culturally diverse society, and pursue careers related to the care, guidance, and education of children, including those with special needs. Instruction may be delivered through school-based laboratory training or through work-based delivery arrangements such as cooperative education, mentoring, and job shadowing.

Argyle High School	CTE	Digital Media	Level I	9-11	<p>In Digital Media, students will analyze and assess current and emerging technologies, while designing and creating multimedia projects that address customer needs and resolve a problem. Students will implement personal and interpersonal skills to prepare for a rapidly evolving workplace environment. The knowledge and skills acquired and practiced will enable students to successfully perform and interact in a technology-driven society. Students will enhance reading, writing, computing, communication, and critical thinking and apply them to the IT environment.</p>
Argyle High School	CTE	Digital Design and Media Production	Level 2	10-12	<p>Digital Design and Media Production will allow students to demonstrate creative thinking, develop innovative strategies, and use communication tools in order to work effectively with others as well as independently. Students will gather information electronically, which will allow for problem solving and making informed decisions regarding media projects. Students will learn digital citizenship by researching current laws and regulations and by practicing integrity and respect. Students will demonstrate a thorough understanding of digital design principles that is transferable to other disciplines.</p>
Argyle High School	CTE	Digital Audio Technology	Level 2	10-12	<p>This course offers an in-depth exploration of sports broadcasting with a focus on digital media platforms. Students will learn the core skills necessary for producing, reporting, and presenting sports content across various digital formats. The curriculum covers traditional broadcasting techniques while emphasizing the role of social media, live-streaming platforms, podcasts, and mobile apps in modern sports coverage.</p>

Argyle ISD Career & Technical Education

