



GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10

DATE OF MEETING: May 7, 2013

TITLE: Approval of New Course Titles and New Course Levels:

- International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme at CDO – new course level approvals
 - Yearbook & Design III (CTE course at AHS) – new course level approval
 - Advanced Writing at several middle schools – new course aligned to Common Core State Standards in Writing
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BACKGROUND:

We have several course level approvals and one new course request for the Board's consideration.

1. These level requests are all part of the IB Programme at CDO; these are new levels of existing courses:
 - IB Mandarin SL
 - IB Russian SL
 - IB Mandarin III
 - IB Russian III
 - IB Physics SL
 - IB Physics HL
 - IB Anthropology SL
 - IB Advanced Filmmaking SL
 - IB Dance SL
 2. This course is part of the CTE program in Yearbook and Design at AHS; it is a new level:
 - Yearbook and Design III
 3. Many of our middle schools have “split” the reading and writing components of language arts into two special courses. This new course in many ways mirrors the intent of the already approved Advanced Language Arts class at the middle school level. This Advanced Writing class takes the writing components of the Common Core State Standards and offers acceleration and increased expectations of rigor and performance.
 - Advanced Writing – grades 6, 7, and 8
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RECOMMENDATION:

This item is presented for the Governing Board's information and approval.

INITIATED BY:

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Monica Nelson, Associate Superintendent

Date: May 7, 2013

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