



Board of Trustees Agenda Item

Date	November 17, 2025
Agenda Item	Consider Approval of New Courses at the Secondary Level for 2026-2027
Policy Reference	EH (Local)
Strategic Goal	Student Success
Department	Teaching & Learning

Recommendation:

The administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the new middle and high school courses; recommended new course name changes and offerings for 2026-2027.

Summary:

In accordance with EH Local, all courses in grades 7–12 are reviewed annually by an internal committee. BISD administration collaborated with secondary campus leadership teams—including principals, assistant principals, counselors, and department chairs—to review and recommend new courses for the 2026–27 school year.

To gather teacher input and due to the number of new course submissions, high school department leads met in person on October 13, 2025 to review and provide feedback on each proposed course. Middle school principals led a similar process with their leadership teams—including counselors, department chairs, and teachers—and submitted feedback forms linking each course to campus and district goals. Each feedback summary was signed by the principal and submitted to the Teaching & Learning department. Following this process, the Executive Leadership Team met on October 20, 2025 to review all feedback, and the recommended new courses and initiatives are now presented for Board approval.

Rationale:

EH Local requires board approval of new courses.

Recommended by:

Dr. Kristin Craft, Superintendent

Submitted by:

Larissa S. Flores, Chief Instructional Officer

Suggested Motion:

I move that the Board of Trustees approve the list of new courses and new course initiatives for the 2026-2027 school year as recommended by administration.