

GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10

DATE OF MEETING: April 8, 2014

TITLE: Approval of Community Schools Summer 2014 Program Offerings and Related

Fees

BACKGROUND:

On February 11, 2014, the Governing Board approved the establishment of a Community School Fund pursuant to A.R.S. §15-1141. This fund is used to account for revenues and expenditures associated with academic and skill development for all citizens, including summer school on a tuition basis, GED testing, and adult basic education programs.

This Board item is presented for the Board's approval of fees associated with educational programs to be offered by the District's Community Schools Program during Summer 2014.

High School Summer School

Two three-week semester courses will be held at Canyon del Oro High School this summer. Students from all District high schools are eligible, and may earn up to one transferable credit by participating in both semesters. Each semester will offer the following classes: Algebra 1 and 2; Biology; Chemistry; Economics; English 9, 10, 11 and 12; Geometry; Intermediate Algebra; Physical Education; Physics; US/AZ Government; US/AZ History and World History/Geology. Classes will be held Monday through Thursday, 7:30 am to 1:00 pm. The first semester will run from June 2nd to June 19th; the second semester from June 23rd to July 10th.

The High School Summer School Registration will be accepted from March 31 through May 23, 2014. The associated fees for this program are:

Registration: \$20 (one-time fee)
Tuition: \$130 per semester

Lab: \$10 per semester (Biology, Physics, and Chemistry)

Summer S.T.E.A.M! (Science Technology Engineering Arts and Math)

Summer S.T.E.A.M! Afternoon Enrichment Camps will be offered at Rio Vista, Donaldson, and Painted Sky Elementary Schools to students (District and non-District) in grades 2-5. Each Summer S.T.E.A.M! camp session will be held Monday through Thursday, 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm during June. Sessions are scheduled to be held June 2-5; June 9-12; June 16-19; and, June 23-26.

Camp Invention

Students will collaborate to play, construct, experiment, and think critically through challenges based on scientific principles and hands-on creativity.

Arts Exploration

Students will explore a wide variety of visual and performing arts, culminating in a demonstration of their talents on the last day of class.

Creativity in Action

Students will develop creative problem-solving and critical thinking skills while finding solutions to a real-world environmental issue. Students will present a performance-based solution at the end of the week. Shorter hands-on problem solving and mini-workshops on creative skills will also be utilized.

Engineering Adventures

Students will engage in real-world engineering adventures through hands-on activities and inquiry. Based on the *Engineering is Elementary* curriculum developed by The Museum of Science in Boston.

Summer S.T.E.A.M! registration will be accepted from March 31, 2014 through May 9, 2014; students may enroll for 1, 2, 3 or all 4 weeks. Tuition is \$120 per student per camp session.

High School Online Summer Courses

Through the Mesa Distance Learning Program (MDLP), the District will be offering online summer courses to current District high school students. Courses will be taught by highly qualified and appropriately certified teachers.

Registration for the Program may only be initiated through the student's home school counselor beginning March 31st. Course work may begin as early as May 23, 2014. Students will be given the opportunity to earn up to 1.0 transferable credit or two semesters of course work. All online course work must be completed by August 1, 2014; to receive course credit, the student must pass the final exam. There are no fees associated with this program.

RECOMMENDATION: This is presented for the Board's approval, which the administration recommends. INITIATED BY: Todd A. Jaeger, Associate to the Superintendent Date: March 12, 2013 Patrick Melson

Patrick Nelson, Superintendent