



**GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10**

DATE OF MEETING: December 6, 2022

TITLE: Approval of New Courses for the 2023-2024 School Year

BACKGROUND:

Each year we bring requests for new courses to the Governing Board for approval. The proposal of new courses is in response to the needs and interests of students and represents an opportunity to diverse course offerings to further expand the options available to students.

Below is a list of the of the courses and the corresponding description that are recommended for approval.

Cross Middle School:

Introduction to American Sign Language: This course will expose students to the basic vocabulary and grammar for novice-level communication. Students will be able to introduce themselves, share personal information, and talk about their surroundings. Students will also learn about the culture, history, literature and art associated with the hearing impaired.

Ram's Choir: This course is specifically designed for students in Special Education. Students will learn proper vocal techniques that are involved in choral performances and have the opportunity to perform in front of audiences. Additionally, students enrolled in this course will focus on hearing musical differences and patterns, while learning to identify the different instruments by sound and sight.

Introduction to Theater: This class will cover basic theater skills needed to be a successful theater performer, tech, or viewer. We will learn and work on performance skills such as improv, script analysis, and acting as well as technical theater skills like prop, set, and costume creation and designing. We will also cover the basics of musical theater. Quarter 1 will focus on improv, basic acting technique and monologues and will end with auditions for a play. Quarter 2 will focus on learning the play as well as performing it. Quarter 3 will focus on set, costume, and prop design for the school's musical. Quarter 4 will focus on creating and collecting props, collecting costumes, and building and painting sets, as well as working as backstage help for the musical.

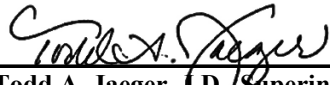
RECOMMENDATION:

This list is presented for the Governing Board's approval.

INITIATED BY:


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Date: November 30, 2022


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