

# Approval of Middle School Course Planning Guide 2023-2024

January 10, 2023

## SUMMARY:

- This item requests approval of the Middle School Course Planning Guide for 2023-2024

## PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- On 12/13/2022, the Board was provided a report on the updates reflected in the 2023-2024 Middle School Course Planning Guide.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Updates were made in the planning guide to reflect four areas of change:
  - o General Revisions, to include addition of TEA notification letters for Algebra II and automatic college admissions, plus the addition of Dance 3, elective course descriptions, and other misc. revisions
  - o General Clarifications, including PE health semester requirements/options, credit by exam rules, and prerequisites for Spanish for Spanish Speakers courses
  - o Changes in Practice, to include semester averaging for MS courses that receive HS credit
  - o Course Changes, to include a Languages and Cultures HS elective credit course for accelerated Spanish Dual Language/Spanish for Spanish Speakers courses, a student mentor course, and a Sports and Skills 6 course.

## SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

- None

## FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

- None

## BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- Passage will allow catalog distribution in time for spring course registration
- Will provide students access to new courses

## PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

- PEIMS/course reporting
- Staff training for new courses

## PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

- None

## ALTERNATIVES:

- No alternative actions are proposed

## OTHER COMMENTS:

## SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

## STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- Dr. Mike Mattingly, Associate Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, and Staff Development
- Dr. Lisa Thibodeaux, Director for Secondary Curriculum, Instruction, and Staff Development

## ATTACHMENT:

- Middle School Course Planning Guide 2023-2024

## APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

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