

**School Board Meeting:**

**November 10, 2025**

**Subject:**

BHS Course Proposals

**Presenters:**

**Pam Miller & Mark Mischke**

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**SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:**

No recommended action at this time. Action will be taken at the November 24 School Board meeting.

**DESCRIPTION:**

New course proposals and course modifications have been solicited and developed for next school year. The district's course proposal process begins in September and ends with school board approval in December. Once approval for course changes is given, the course information is included in the registration and scheduling process for the middle school and the high school.

**Overview of the Course Proposal Process**

The course proposal process includes a series of steps to ensure that all perspectives of possible implications of the addition or modification of each proposed course have been considered. The following information is communicated to teachers as they consider submitting a proposal.

- A course outline will be required for all proposals.
- Course outlines shall be written under the guidance of the Department of Teaching & Learning.
- The Director of Teaching & Learning may reject or recommend redesign of a course proposal at any time in the process.
- Incomplete proposals will not be processed.
- Course proposal support is required from the following groups prior to school board approval:
  - BHS Principal
  - Department Chairs
  - Community Teaching & Learning Council
- Course approval does not guarantee implementation. Implementation is dependent on resources and scheduling considerations. Courses that do not receive sufficient

student requests will not be offered next year, but may remain in the registration book as an option for the following school year. Feasibility of implementation is determined by the site principal.

The course proposals review process timeline for this year is as follows:

BHS Department Chairs on October 20, 2025

Community Teaching & Learning Council on November 7, 2025

School Board Meeting – Course Proposal Review on November 11, 2025

School Board Meeting – Course Proposal Approval on November 24, 2025

All course proposals recommended to move forward will be presented to the school board for approval. Each individual or group was asked to use the following criteria in formulating a recommendation for each course.

### **Criteria to Consider**

- *Evidence of student need or parent/community demand*
- *Program rationale match*
- *Program standards alignment*
- *Cost and/or resource availability*
- *Overlap with other courses*
- *Match of content and course length*
- *Efficiency in utilization of space and personnel*

### **BHS Course Proposals**

#### **For Potential Implementation in 2026-2027**

Each of the proposals received were reviewed by the BHS Principal and the Director of Teaching & Learning prior to being discussed by the BHS Department Chairs. Course proposal information for each course is included as an attachment.

<b>Department</b>	<b>Course Deletion</b>
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FCS	Adulting 101
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<b>Department</b>	<b>Course Modification</b>
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Tech Ed	Competitive Engineering One and Two
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<b>Department</b>	<b>Course Addition</b>
Tech Ed	Welding 2
Science	Unified Science
Science	CIS Biology
Science	CIS Environmental Science <i>or</i> AP Environmental Science
Social Studies	AP Human Geography
Social Studies	CIS Economics
Social Studies	CIS Personal Finance
Social Studies	CIS American Government
<b>Department</b>	<b>Course Modification • Hybrid</b>
Tech Ed	CIS Auto Service and Maintenance - Hybrid
Math	College Algebra - Hybrid
Math	CIS Statistics - Hybrid
Phy Ed	Jr/Sr PE - Hybrid
<b>Department</b>	<b>Bison Online</b>
Science	Anatomy & Physiology A/B - Online
Health	Nutrition & Wellness - Online
Phy Ed	Exercise Science - Online
Business Ed	Intro to Criminology - Online
Business Ed	Entrepreneurship - Online
FCS	Child Development & Parenting - Online
Music	Music Appreciation - Online
Tech Ed	Digital and Interactive Media - Online
Tech Ed	Principles of Architecture and Construction - Online
Tech Ed	Principles of Drafting and Design - Online
Tech Ed	Principles of Engineering & Technology - Online

At the November 24 Board Meeting, approval will be recommended for each course proposal presented, and for all approved new course proposals to be included as additional opportunities for student registration.

Each new course approved for implementation in 2025-2026 will be allotted curriculum development hours. These hours are under the direction of the Department of Teaching & Learning.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- **BHM New Course Proposals for 2026-2027**