

Approval of High School Course Catalog and Planning Guide 2009-2010

January 13, 2009

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval for the High School Course Catalog and Planning Guide for 2009-2010. The course catalog is comprised of all of the course offerings, graduation requirements, testing information, GPA guidelines and information, and college information, and also serves as a planning guide. The changes made to this new catalog were for purposes of updating TAKS requirements, deleting courses no longer offered, adding approved new courses, reflecting Board approved changes, and for text editing.

BOARD GOAL:

The High School Course Catalog and Planning Guide for the 2009-2010 school year supports the following Board goals: Vision goal I B - remain committed to providing equitable and outstanding opportunities for every student on every campus; Teaching & Learning goal II A – cultivate a consistent, strong, district-wide balanced curriculum based on ongoing needs assessment that supports all students; and Climate goal III D – instill in students a love of life-long learning.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

None

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

All required or editing changes proposed are the direct result of a review by all high school principals, associate principals, counselors, registrars, the Academic Leadership Team, content area Curriculum Coordinators, the Director of CTE, the Director of Fine Arts, the Director of Bilingual /ESL Education, the Director of Athletics, the Director of Special Education, and the Director of Secondary Curriculum, Instruction, and Staff Development.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

None

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

None

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

Approval will allow the catalog to be distributed for spring registration

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

None

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose not to make the proposed changes or not to publish the Course Catalog.

OTHER COMMENTS:

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

The superintendent recommends approval

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Vicky Christenson, Director of Secondary Curriculum, Instruction, and Staff Development

ATTACHMENT:

Draft copy of the 2009-2010 High School Course Catalog

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____