

Policy 6143: Courses Of Study

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The Governing Board recognizes that a well-aligned sequence of courses fosters academic growth and provides for the best possible use of instructional time. The district's course of study shall provide students with opportunities to attain the skills, knowledge, and abilities they need to be successful academically, professionally, and personally.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish processes for ensuring the articulation of courses across grade levels within the district. As necessary, the Superintendent or designee shall work with representatives of appropriate area districts and postsecondary institutions to ensure articulation of courses with other institutions to which district students may matriculate. The sequence of courses shall be designed to ensure that each course provides adequate preparation for the next course in the sequence, only utilizes prerequisites that are essential to success in a given program or course, avoids significant duplication of content, and allows for reinforcement and progression in the subject matter.

The district shall not provide any course separately or require or refuse participation by any student on the basis of the student's actual or perceived sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender expression, gender identity, ethnic group identification, immigration status, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, or mental or physical disability or any other characteristic listed in Education Code 200 and 220, Government Code 11135, or Penal Code 422.55, or the student's association with a person or group with one or more of such actual or perceived characteristics. Education Code 200, 220: Government Code 11135: Penal Code 422.55: 5 CCR 4940)

Elementary Grades

The Board shall adopt a course of study for elementary grades that sufficiently prepares students for the secondary course of study.

Secondary Grades

The district shall offer all otherwise qualified students in grades 6-12 a course of study that prepares them, upon graduation from high school, to meet the requirements and prerequisites for admission to California public colleges and universities and to attain entry-level employment skills in business or industry. The district's course of study may provide for a vigorous academic curriculum that integrates academic and career skills, includes applied learning across all disciplines, and prepares all students for high school graduation and career entry. (Education Code 51228)

In addition, the course of study for students in grades 9-12 shall include instruction in skills and knowledge for adult life, career technical training, and a timely opportunity for all otherwise qualified students to enroll, within four years, in each course necessary to fulfill the requirements and prerequisites for admission to California public colleges and universities prior to graduation. (Education Code 51224, 51228)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a process by which courses that meet California

college admission criteria (referred to as "Aa-Gg" course requirements) are submitted to the University of California for review and certification. The Superintendent or designee shall maintain an accurate list of all current high school courses that have been so certified, shall ensure that the list is provided annually to all students in grades 9-12 and their parents/guardians, and shall make updated lists readily available. (Education Code 51229, 66204)

Policy Reference Disclaimer:

These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State	Description
5 CCR 10020	Automobile driver education
5 CCR 10040-10043	Automobile driver training
5 CCR 10060	Criteria for high school physical education programs
5 CCR 430-438	Individual student records
5 CCR 4940	Nondiscrimination; course access
Ed. Code 200	Equal rights and opportunities in state educational institutions
Ed. Code 220	Prohibition of discrimination
Ed. Code 234.1	Student protections relating to discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying
Ed. Code 234.7	Student protections relating to immigration and citizenship status
Ed. Code 242	Access to information about educational laws and policies regarding right to accurate and inclusive curriculum
Ed. Code 33319.3	Driver education; CDE materials on road rage
Ed. Code 33540	Standards for government and civics instruction
Ed. Code 48980	Parent/Guardian notifications
Ed. Code 49060-49079	Student records
Ed. Code 51202	Instruction in personal and public health and safety
Ed. Code 51203	Instruction on alcohol, narcotics and dangerous drugs
Ed. Code 51204	Course of study designed for student's needs
Ed. Code 51204.5	History of California; contributions of specified groups
Ed. Code 51210	Course of study for grades 1-6
Ed. Code 51220	Course of study for grades 7-12
Ed. Code 51225.3	High school graduation requirements
Ed. Code 51226.7	Model curriculum in ethnic studies

Ed. Code 51241	<u>Temporary two-year or permanent exemption from physical education</u>
Ed. Code 51501	<u>Nondiscriminatory subject matter</u>
Ed. Code 51911-51921	<u>Comprehensive health education</u>
Ed. Code 51925-51929	<u>Mandatory mental health education and in-service training</u>
Ed. Code 51930-51939	<u>California Healthy Youth Act</u>
Ed. Code 51940	<u>Curriculum for brain and spinal cord injury prevention</u>
Ed. Code 60040-60052	<u>Requirements for instructional materials</u>
Ed. Code 66204	<u>Certification of high school courses as meeting university admission criteria</u>
Gov. Code 11135	<u>Prohibition of discrimination</u>
Gov. Code 7282-7282.5	<u>Standards for responding to U.S. Immigration and Customs enforcement holds</u>
Gov. Code 7283-7283.2	<u>Standards for participation in U.S. Immigration and Customs enforcement programs</u>
Gov. Code 7284-7284.12	<u>Cooperation with immigration authorities</u>
H&S Code 11032	<u>Definition of dangerous drugs</u>
Pen. Code 422.55	<u>Definition of hate crime</u>
Federal	Description
20 USC 1232g	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974
34 CFR 99.1-99.67	Family Educational Rights and Privacy
Management Resources	Description
U.S. DOE, Office for Civil Rights Publication	<u>Dear Colleague Letter: Race and School Programming, August 2023</u>
Website	<u>Instructional Quality Commission</u>
Website	<u>American Red Cross, Hands-Only CPR Training</u>
Website	<u>CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services</u>
Website	<u>Federal Student Aid</u>
Website	<u>American Heart Association</u>
Website	<u>California Student Aid Commission</u>
Website	<u>University of California, A-G Course Submissions</u>
Website	<u>University of California, List of Approved A-G Courses</u>
Website	<u>California State University, Admission Requirements</u>
Website	<u>California Career Resource Network</u>
Website	<u>Department of Justice</u>

Website	California Colleges.edu
Website	California Department of Education
Website	CSBA
Website	U.S. Department of Education

Cross References

Code	Description
0410	Nondiscrimination In District Programs And Activities
0415	Equity
0460	Local Control And Accountability Plan
0460	Local Control And Accountability Plan
1312.2	Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials
1312.2	Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials
1312.4	Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures
1312.4-E PDF(1)	Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures
1312.4-E PDF(2)	Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures
1340	Access To District Records
1340	Access To District Records
3270	Sale And Disposal Of Books, Equipment And Supplies
3270	Sale And Disposal Of Books, Equipment And Supplies
3513.3	Tobacco-Free Schools
3513.3	Tobacco-Free Schools
5022	Student And Family Privacy Rights
5022	Student And Family Privacy Rights
5121	Grades/Evaluation Of Student Achievement
5121	Grades/Evaluation Of Student Achievement
5125	Student Records
5125	Student Records
5126	Awards For Achievement
5126	Awards For Achievement
5131.6	Alcohol And Other Drugs
5131.6	Alcohol And Other Drugs
5138	Conflict Resolution/Peer Mediation

5141.4	Child Abuse Prevention And Reporting
5141.4	Child Abuse Prevention And Reporting
5145.13	Response To Immigration Enforcement
5145.13	Response To Immigration Enforcement
5145.3	Nondiscrimination/Harassment
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5145.6	Parent/Guardian Notifications
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5146	Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students
6000	Concepts And Roles
6011	Academic Standards
6141	Curriculum Development And Evaluation
6141	Curriculum Development And Evaluation
6141.2	Recognition Of Religious Beliefs And Customs
6141.2	Recognition Of Religious Beliefs And Customs
6141.4	International Baccalaureate Program
6141.5	Advanced Placement
6142.1	Sexual Health And HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction
6142.1	Sexual Health And HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction
6142.2	World Language Instruction
6142.2	World Language Instruction
6142.3	Civic Education
6142.4	Service Learning/Community Service Classes
6142.5	Environmental Education
6142.6	Visual And Performing Arts Education
6142.7	Physical Education And Activity
6142.7	Physical Education And Activity
6142.8	Comprehensive Health Education
6142.8	Comprehensive Health Education
6142.91	Reading/Language Arts Instruction
6142.92	Mathematics Instruction
6142.93	Science Instruction
6142.94	History-Social Science Instruction

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