

Mt. Diablo USD

Board Policy

Courses Of Study

BP 6143

Instruction

The Governing Board recognizes that a well-aligned sequence of courses fosters academic progress 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 in school, college, and the workplace.

(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)

(cf. 6141 - Curriculum Development and Evaluation)

(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish processes for ensuring the articulation of courses across grade levels within the district. As necessary, he/she also 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, avoids significant duplication of content, and allows for reinforcement and progression in the subject matter.

District policies and practices shall not direct students away from choosing programs and/or courses that prepare him/her academically for post-secondary education, especially for cultural or linguistic reasons. (Education Code 66204)

Elementary Grades

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

(cf. 6146.5 - Elementary/Middle School Graduation Requirements)

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. (Education Code 51228)

(cf. 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement)

(cf. 6141.5 - Advanced Placement)

(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)

(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)

(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)

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 before graduation, in each course necessary to fulfill the requirements and prerequisites for admission to California public colleges and universities. (Education Code 51224, 51228)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a process by which courses that meet college admission criteria (referred to as "a-g" course requirements) are submitted to the University of California for review and certification. He/she 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 each student in grades 9-12, and shall make updated lists readily available. (Education Code 51229, 66204)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

33319.3 Driver education; CDE materials on road rage

33540 Government and civics instruction in interaction with government agencies

48980 Parental notifications

51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety

51203 Instruction on alcohol, narcotics and restricted dangerous drugs

51204 Course of study designed for student's needs

51204.5 Social science instruction; history of California; contributions of various groups

51210-51212 Course of study for grades 1-6

51220-51229 Course of study for grades 7-12

51241 Exemption from physical education

51911-51921 Comprehensive health education

51930-51939 Comprehensive sexual health and HIV/AIDS prevention instruction

51940 Curriculum for brain and spinal cord injury prevention

60040-60052 Requirements for instructional materials

66204 Certification of high school courses as meeting university admission criteria

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

11032 Definition of dangerous drugs

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

10020-10049 Automobile driver education and training

10060 Physical education program

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20
6101-6251 School-to-Work Opportunities Act of 1994

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Career Resource Network: <http://www.californiacareers.info>

California Colleges.edu: <http://www.californiacolleges.edu>

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

California State University, Admission Requirements:

http://www.csumentor.edu/planning/high_school

University of California, a-g Course Submissions:

http://www.ucop.edu/a-gGuide/ag/course_submissions

University of California, List of Approved a-g Courses:

<http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/freshman/requirements>

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~~The Superintendent or designee shall establish processes for ensuring the articulation of courses across grade levels.~~

~~(cf. 6146.5—Elementary/Middle School Graduation Requirements)~~

~~Courses of study for secondary grades shall prepare students to pass the High School Exit Exam CHSEE, meet the requirements and prerequisites for admission to California public colleges and universities and/or attain entry-level employment skills in business or industry upon graduation from high school. (Education Code 51228)~~

~~(cf. 6146.1—High School Graduation Requirements)~~

~~(cf. 6162.52—High School Exit Examination)~~

~~(cf. 6178—Vocational Education)~~

~~The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all otherwise-qualified students have a timely opportunity, within the four years before graduation, to enroll in each course necessary to fulfill the requirements and prerequisites for admission to California public colleges and universities. (Education Code 51228)~~

~~In addition, the course of study for high school students shall include instructions in skills and knowledge for adult life and career technical training. (Education Code 51224)~~

~~(cf. 6030—Integrated Academic and Vocational Instruction)~~

~~Guidance services shall be available to help students select courses relevant to their academic needs and future goals.~~

~~(cf. 6164.2—Counseling/Guidance Services)~~

~~Legal Reference:~~

~~EDUCATION CODE~~

~~33319.3— Driver education; CDE materials on road rage~~

~~33540— Government and civics instruction in interaction with government agencies~~

~~51201.5— Instruction on AIDS and AIDS prevention~~

~~51202— Instruction in personal and public health and safety~~

~~51203— Instruction on alcohol, narcotics and restricted dangerous drugs~~

~~51204— Course of study designed for student's needs~~

~~51204.5— History of California; contributions of men, women and ethnic groups to development of state and nations~~

~~51210-51212— Areas of study for grades 1 through 6~~

~~51220-51230— Course of study for grades 7 through 12~~

~~51241— Exemption from physical education~~

~~51911-51921— Comprehensive health educational plans~~

~~GOVERNMENT CODE~~

~~3543.2— Scope of representation~~

~~HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE~~

~~11032— Definition of dangerous drugs~~

~~CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5~~

~~10020— Driver education~~

~~UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20~~

~~6101-6251— School to Work Opportunities Act of 1994~~

~~Management Resources:~~

~~WEB SITES~~

~~CDE: www.cde.ca.gov~~

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