

Instruction
COURSES OF STUDY

BP 6143 (a)

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, age, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, 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 school course of study.

Secondary Grades

The district shall offer all otherwise qualified students in grades 7-12 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 rigorous 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 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

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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. 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)

State

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: Temporary two-year or permanent exemption from physical education

Ed. Code 51501: Nondiscriminatory subject matter

Ed. Code 51911-51921: Comprehensive health education

Ed. Code 51925-51929: Mandatory mental health education and in-service training

Ed. Code 51930-51939: California Healthy Youth Act

Ed. Code 51940: Curriculum for brain and spinal cord injury prevention

Ed. Code 60040-60052: Requirements for instructional materials

Ed. Code 66204: Certification of high school courses as meeting university admission criteria

Gov. Code 11135: Prohibition of discrimination

Gov. Code 7282-7282.5: Standards for responding to U.S. Immigration and Customs enforcement holds

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Gov. Code 7283-7283.2: Standards for participation in U.S. Immigration and Customs enforcement programs

Gov. Code 7284-7284.12: Cooperation with immigration authorities

H&S Code 11032: Definition of dangerous drugs

Pen. Code 422.55: Definition of hate crime

Federal

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

U.S. DOE, Office for Civil Rights Publication: Dear Colleague Letter: Race and School Programming, August 2023

Website: Instructional Quality Commission

Website: American Red Cross, Hands-Only CPR Training

Website: CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services

Website: Federal Student Aid

Website: American Heart Association

Website: California Student Aid Commission

Website: University of California, A-G Course Submissions

Website: University of California, List of Approved A-G Courses

Website: California State University, Admission Requirements

Website: California Career Resource Network

Website: Department of Justice

Website: California Colleges.edu

Website: California Department of Education

Website: CSBA

Website: U.S. Department of Education

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