COURSES OF STUDY

Elementary Schools

The Governing Board recognizes that a well-articulated sequence of courses fosters academic progress and makes the best possible use of instructional time. The Board shall adopt a course of study for elementary grades which sufficiently prepares students for the secondary school course of study required by state law and addresses district adopted curriculum goals, desired learnings and benchmarks. The Superintendent or designee shall inform the Board of any changes in secondary school curriculum and shall solicit ways to expand or improve students’ preparation for secondary education.

Secondary Schools

The Governing Board shall adopt district wide courses of study which respond to student needs, conform with district graduation requirements, address district adopted curriculum goals, desired learnings and benchmarks, and prepare students for higher educational opportunities. Courses of study shall also give students the opportunity to attain skills appropriate for entry-level employment in business and industry upon graduation from high school.

Representatives of secondary schools shall work with middle school representatives to ensure smooth transitions for students between the schools.

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 required for admission to California public colleges and universities. (Education Code 51228).

Legal Reference:

- **EDUCATION CODE**
  - 33540 Government and civics instruction 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 pupil’s needs
  - 51204.5 History of California; contributions of men, women and ethnic groups to development of state and nations

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COURSES OF STUDY (Continued)

51210-51512 Areas of study for grades 1 through 6
51220-51229.5 Course of study for grades 7 through 12
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

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