

ADVANCED COURSES POLICY



CURRICULUM AND AVAILABILITY

Each year, *our school will offer a core curriculum of *advanced classes*, including college-level courses at our school, online, or through arrangements with nearby colleges/universities. The classes will *be accessible to all students* who have a reasonable chance of being successful.

The principal (or principal designee) will make appropriate arrangements for these courses to be offered, including communicating to students and parents any costs associated with the courses.

*Courses may include *Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, dual enrollment, dual credit courses*, or similar.

RECRUITMENT

We will encourage all students to prepare for and take one or more college-level courses. We will do that in the following ways:

1. Counselors will advise students and parents of these options when they prepare and revise their Individual Learning Plans and encourage each student to take appropriate preparatory courses.
2. Teachers will encourage all students to take challenging courses each term.
3. In the fall of each year, the principal (or principal designee) will report to the council on enrollment data in these courses.
4. Based on that data, the council may amend its School Improvement Plan to add additional steps to ensure equitable participation in future years.

STUDENT ASSIGNMENT

All students may take our college-level courses. They may establish that they have that level of skill to be assigned to a college-level or advanced course by any one of the following means:

1. Completing prerequisite courses listed in the Student Handbook.
2. Taking and passing the examinations for those prerequisite courses.
3. Receiving permission from one or more teachers.

POLICY EVALUATION

We will evaluate the effectiveness of this policy through our School Improvement Planning Process.
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