

Instruction

COURSES OF STUDY

The Governing Board shall adopt a course of instruction which sufficiently prepares district students for the course of study required for high school graduation. Staff articulation is encouraged between the elementary district and the high school district to insure that the course of study offered by the two districts are sequential and developmental.

The Board shall certify to the Superintendent of Public Instruction that it has adopted a policy to implement a course of instruction which sufficiently prepares district students for the required high school course of study specified in state law. (Education Code 51225.4)

Teachers shall follow the prescribed courses of study as approved by the Board.

The Board shall adopt courses of instruction for grades one through six which shall include the study of:

1. English: speaking, reading, listening, spelling, handwriting, composition; knowledge and appreciation of language and literature.
2. Mathematics: concepts, operational skills, problem solving.
3. Social Sciences: age-appropriate materials drawn from anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, psychology and sociology, with emphasis on California and the United States, the American economic system, man's relation to human and natural environments, eastern and western cultures, contemporary issues, and the wise use of natural resources.
4. Science, including biological and physical sciences, with emphasis on experimental inquiry and man's place in the ecology.
5. Fine Arts, including art and music, with emphasis on creative expression and the development of aesthetic appreciation.
6. Health: individual, family and community health principles and practices.
7. Physical Education, with emphasis on activities conducive to health and vigor of body and mind. (Education Code 51210)

(cf. 6141 - Curriculum Development and Evaluation)

(cf. 6146.5 - Elementary School Graduation Requirement/Standards of Proficiency)

(cf. 6161 - Equipment, Books and Materials)

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Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

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

51210-51212 Areas of study for grades 1 through 6

51220-51229.5 Course of study for grades 7 through 12

51880-51921 Comprehensive health education

GOVERNMENT CODE

3543.2 Scope of representation

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

10060 Physical education program

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WESTMINSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Westminster, California