
Approved High School Courses Policy 3.205

Background:

The Approved High School Courses Policy 3.205 identifies high school courses approved by the State Board for credit in Tennessee public schools.

On first reading, this item proposed:

- Updates to program area and course names and offerings based on school, local education agency (LEA), and Tennessee Department of Education (TDOE) questions and feedback.
- Removing certain Statewide Dual Credit courses that will be retired beginning in the 2026-27 school year.
- Clarifying and technical edits to support public transparency, effective implementation, and efficiency across related policies, including alphabetizing program areas.

On final reading, this item proposes:

- Additional technical edits to increase consistency within and across program and subject areas.

Policy Justification:

T.C.A. § 4-5-230 requires that justification for adopting an item as a policy instead of a rule be submitted to the chair of the Government Operations Committee. This item is proposed for adoption as a policy because it defines or explains the meaning of a statute or rule, and/or concerns only the internal management of state government and does not affect private rights or privileges.

Connection to the [Master Plan](#):

This item supports the State Board's strategic focus on Engagement and Accountability, outlined in the Master Plan, by increasing policy transparency and usability.

Recommendation:

The State Board of Education staff recommends approval of this item on final reading.