

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Action Items

March 20, 2007

SUBJECT: Approval of Additional Courses for Inclusion on the Dual Enrollment Course Equivalency List

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

N/A Section 1007.271(6), Florida Statutes.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Section 1007.271(6), Florida Statutes, requires the Commissioner of Education to appoint faculty committees to identify postsecondary courses that meet the high school graduation requirements of Section 1003.43, Florida Statutes, and to establish the number of postsecondary semester credit hours of instruction and equivalent high school credits earned through dual enrollment that are necessary to meet high school graduation requirements. The Commissioner shall then recommend to the State Board of Education those identified postsecondary courses by their Statewide Course Numbering System numbers, and all high schools shall accept those courses toward meeting the high school graduation requirements of Section 1003.43, Florida Statutes.

Each year, school district and postsecondary institution representatives request that courses be added to the list. These requests are submitted to faculty discipline committees for review and are either accepted or rejected. Proposed additions are forwarded to the Articulation Coordinating Committee (ACC) for approval (2007-2008 list approved by the ACC 2/28/07), and then submitted to the State Board of Education for final approval.

For 2007-2008 the Dual Enrollment Equivalency List will be modified in two phases. The first phase adds four Language Arts courses recommended by districts and community colleges. The second phase, to be considered by the ACC in May, 2007, will modify the Dual Enrollment Equivalency List to include all eligible mathematics and science courses, and will list performing fine arts courses by their prefix only. This will greatly expand the number of dual enrollment courses under the guarantee of credit, and should discontinue the need for school districts and community colleges to annually request additions to the list.

Supporting Documentation Included: 2007-08 Dual Enrollment Course Equivalency List

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