

## **BOARD AGENDA ITEM**

**May 14, 2019**

### **SUBJECT:**

Local School Board Elective Courses for 2019-2020

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Middle schools and high schools submit Local School Board Elective Course Forms to offer locally-designed courses. The courses are approved at the Cabinet level and are submitted to the Board for final approval.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:**

The Division of Instruction and has evaluated the new requests for Local School Board Elective Courses for 2019-2020 and finds them to be consistent with district educational goals.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the Local School Board Elective Courses for 2019-2020

### **ATTACHMENT:**

List of Local School Board Elective Courses for 2019-2020

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**AIKEN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIVE COURSE FORM  
HIGH SCHOOLS  
May 14, 2019**

School	Course Title	Purpose of Course	Content Area	Pre-requisite Course	Academic Level	Unit Credit	New or Continuing
Aiken High	Peer Tutoring	Pair upperclassmen with 9 <sup>th</sup> grade students in EOC courses to provide extra academic support	General Elective	N/A	11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> grade	Semester (CP) & Year (CP)	C
North Augusta High	The Language of Media	To introduce and develop media literacy.	English	N/A	9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Semester (CP)	C
North Augusta High	AMP It Up	To partner athletes with elementary schools to foster leadership skills by acting as role models & aiding in the elementary PE classrooms.	Physical Education	N/A	12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Semester (CP)	C
North Augusta High	Real Life 101	Provide practical information to seniors that they will face upon completion of High School.	General Education Exploratory	N/A	12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Semester (CP)	C
North Augusta High	Mythology	To survey myths, folklore, and legends from around the world.	English	N/A	9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Semester (CP)	N
North Augusta High	Freshman Success Math	The purpose of this course will be to provide math enrichment to Algebra 1 students identified as at-risk.	Mathematics	N/A	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Year (CP)	C
North Augusta High	AMP	Buddy PE course for general education students to mentor moderate/profound special education students	Physical Education elective	N/A	10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	Year (CP)	C
North Augusta High	Service Learning	Learn leadership skills by running for a chapter office and by representing the ideals of scholarship, service, and leadership in the school and community.	Business	Professional Leadership Development	11 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Year (CP)	C
Midland Valley High	Preparing Mustangs for the Future (PMF)	Mentoring and tutoring program for area elementary school students.	Social Studies	N/A	11 <sup>th</sup> or 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Year (CP)	C
Midland Valley High	Preparing Mustangs for the Future 2	Mentoring and tutoring program for area elementary school students.	Social Studies	PMF 1	12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Year (CP)	C

Midland Valley High	Yearbook Production 2	Creating, editing, and collaborating to create the annual yearbook.	English	Yearbook 1	11 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Year (CP)	C
Midland Valley High	PE-Project Unified 1	Teaches students how to assist special olympians	Physical Education	N/A	10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Year (CP)	C
Midland Valley High	PE-Project Unified 2	Teaches students how to assist special olympians	Physical Education	N/A	10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Year (CP)	C
Midland Valley High	Freshman Success Math	Building and reinforcing math skills needed for high school success	Math	N/A	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Semester (CP)	N
Midland Valley High	Freshman Success ELA	Enhancing and building reading skills needed for high school success	English	N/A	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Semester (CP)	N
Midland Valley High	African American Studies	Apply historical thinking to understand African American culture in the US	Social Studies	N/A	9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Semester (CP)	N
Midland Valley High	Exploring World Language and Culture	Examine cultural similarities and differences of various regions of the world.	World Language	N/A	9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Year (CP)	N
Midland Valley High	Peer Mediation 1	To introduce students to conflict resolution and development of interpersonal relationships	English	N/A	10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Semester (CP)	N
Ridge Spring Monetta High	Math Assistance	Building and reinforcing math skills needed for high school success in Algebra 1.	Math	N/A	9 <sup>th</sup> grade	Semester (CP)	C
Silver Bluff High	Leadership	To teach leadership and soft skills	General Elective	N/A	9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Year (CP)	N
Silver Bluff High	Algebra Lab	To assist students with reinforcing and practicing Algebra skills	Math	N/A	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Year (CP)	N
South Aiken High	ACT Math Prep	To strengthen math skills in preparation for ACT testing	Math	N/A	11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup>	Year (CP)	C
South Aiken High	ACT ELA Prep	To strengthen ELA skills in preparation for ACT testing	English	N/A	11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup>	Year (CP)	C
South Aiken High	Peer Mediation 1	To introduce students to conflict resolution and development of interpersonal relationships	English	N/A	10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	Year (CP)	C
South Aiken High	Peer Mediation 2	Build upon knowledge of conflict resolution and the development of interpersonal relationships	English	N/A	11 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	Year (CP)	C

**AIKEN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIVE COURSE FORM  
MIDDLE SCHOOLS  
May 1, 2019**

School	Course Title	Purpose of Course	Content Area	Pre-requisite Course	Academic Level	Unit Credit	New or Continuing
All Middle Schools	Pre-Algebra	Provide an accelerated 7th grade course that would prepare students for higher levels for 8th grade/high school math.	Math	N/A	6th and 7th Grade	Year	C
All Middle Schools	Read 180	Blended learning intervention to build reading comprehension, academic vocabulary and writing skills	Reading	N/A	6th – 8th Grade	Year	C
All Middle Schools	Math 180	Math remediation and support	Math	N/A	6th – 8th Grade	Year	N
All Middle Schools	STEM -Cyber	Increase student interest in STEM/Cyber related careers and mastery of science & engineering practices and digital literacy.	Exploratory	N/A	7th and 8th Grade	Semester	N
All Middle Schools	Future City	Students use math, science and engineering concepts to design and build cities of the future. Students also develop problem-solving and teamwork skills while exploring career options in engineering.	General Education Exploratory	N/A	6th – 8th Grade	Non-Credit-Semester	C
All Middle Schools	Pro-Team (CERRA's Middle Level Teacher Cadet Program)	The Pro-Team Program seeks to attract academically talented middle school students with a focus on minority students to the teaching profession by learning the skills needed to complete college.	Any core subject or CATE	N/A	7th and 8th Grade	Non-Credit Semester	C

All Middle Schools	Introduction to Coding	Introduce students to core computer science and programming concepts to help prepare them for STEAM careers.	Exploratory	N/A	6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Non-Credit Semester	C
Aiken Intermediate School	GT Art	Strong focus on perfecting observation skills, controlling/handling media, and becoming comfortable with using new media	Exploratory	N/A	6 <sup>th</sup>	Non-Credit Semester	N
Aiken Intermediate School	General Ed Exploratory-Dance	Introduce the basics of dance and choreography.	Exploratory	N/A	6 <sup>th</sup>	Non-Credit Semester	N
AL Corbett Middle Leavelle McCampbell	Public Speaking	This course is an introduction to public speaking which will include research skills persuasive writing, study of the judicial system (Mock Trial) and technical/visual presentation skills	Exploratory	N/A	6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Non-Credit Year	N
Jackson STEM Middle School	STEM	Students will explore science, technology, engineering and math.	Exploratory	N/A	6 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Non-Credit Semester	N
New Ellenton Middle	Steel Drums	The purpose of this course is to teach students how to play steel drums through reading music, drumming techniques, music listening activities, musical activities and performing on steel drums.	Exploratory	N/A	6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Non-Credit Year	C

New Ellenton Middle	Jazz Band	The purpose of this course is for students to learn to play basic styles of jazz. Emphasis is placed on swing style and improvisation using the blues scale	Exploratory	N/A	6th – 8th Grade	Non-Credit Year	C
New Ellenton Middle	Music & Engineering	Students will cover topics such as how sound is made, how instruments are built to make sound, acoustics of different rooms/venues, and career choices in the field of music. Students will also get an opportunity to design, construct, and play percussion instruments	Exploratory	N/A	6th – 8th Grade.	Non-Credit Semester	C
New Ellenton Middle Jackson Middle	Girls In Engineering	Girls and women are underrepresented in engineering & STEM/STEAM fields. This course will directly expose and afford female students the opportunity to learn and explore different facets of STEM & STEAM related fields and professions	Exploratory	N/A	6th – 8th Grade	Non-Credit Semester	C
North Augusta Middle	Personal Finance	Assist students in understanding stewardship of personal finances and budgeting	Exploratory	N/A	6th – 8th Grade	Non-Credit Semester	N
North Augusta Middle	Study Skills	Enable and assist students in developing effective study habits and opportunities to collaborate	Exploratory	N/A	6th – 8th Grade	Non-Credit Semester	C

Paul Knox Middle	Linguistics	Improve language skills of students	Exploratory	N/A	7th and 8th Grade	Non-Credit Semester	N
Schofield Middle	Musical Theatre 1	The purpose of this course is to integrate theatre and music for students to be able to produce a Jr. version of a musical in the spring of the school year. They will also have a smaller performance in the fall/winter.	Exploratory	N/A	7th and 8th Grade	1.0 credit Year	N