

BOARD AGENDA ITEM

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SUBJECT:

Local School Board Courses for 2023-2024

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The school board must approve locally designed courses annually.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:

The Division of Instruction has evaluated the new requests for local approved courses for 2023-2024 and finds them to be consistent with district educational goals.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Local School Board Courses for 2023-2024.

ATTACHMENT:

Middle School Local Board Approved Course Proposals for 2023-2024
High School Local Board Approved Course Proposals for 2023-2024

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Middle School
Local Board Approved Course Proposals

Schools	Course	Purpose of Course	Content Area	Academic Level	Course Duration
Schofield Middle Jackson Middle North Augusta Middle Highland Springs Middle	AVID	Students will refine short- and long-term goals, and as a result, begin to understand the value in taking charge of their actions. Students will start working on formal and informal speech. Students will complete self-evaluations and peer evaluations, related to reading, writing, organization, and speaking. In broadening their writing practice, students will begin considering audience, purpose and form in their writing. They will expand their knowledge bases of note-taking, in relation to studying and test preparation. Students will be exposed to different field trips, guest speakers, and research, to increase their knowledge of college and career options.	Exploratory	6 th – 8 th	Year-long

High School
Local Board Approved Course
Proposals

Course Name	Course Description	Content/Department	Credit	New or Continuing
Band-Flags (Color Guard) 1, 2, 3, 4	This course is designed to provide students with an outlet for musical expression and performance through flag, rifle, saber, and dance. Often taken with participation in Marching Band.	Fine Arts	1	New
Career Readiness 1	This course will help students prepare for taking the Work Keys or WIN Career Readiness assessment. The course would be specifically for students who have not met one of the Career Readiness benchmarks, or who want to increase their score on the Work Keys exam.	Any	0.5	Name Change
Career Readiness 2	This course will help students prepare for taking the Work Keys or WIN Career Readiness assessment. The course would be specifically for students who have not met one of the Career Readiness benchmarks, or who want to increase their score on the Work Keys exam.	Any	0.5	Name Change
College Readiness ELA	This course will help students prepare for taking the ELA portion of the ACT or SAT. The course would be specifically for students who have not met one of the college readiness benchmarks, or who want to improve their score on a college entrance exam.	Any	0.5	Name Change
College Readiness Math	This course will help students prepare for taking the Math portion of the ACT or SAT. The course would be specifically for students who have not met one of the college readiness benchmarks, or who want to improve their score on a college entrance exam.	Any	0.5	Name Change
Student Publications	Student publication is an introduction to journalism and creating writing for publication. Students will learn about the history of journalism, law, ethics, communication, and media. They will develop skills in storytelling while learning about the role of stories in culture, society, and the media. They will be introduced to concepts of publishing, editing, photography, graphic design, news reporting, social media as a vehicle to disseminate information, collaboration and teamwork.	ELA	1	New
PE Weight Training 1, 2, 3, 4	Weight training class that builds on PE skills and teaches students strenght training techniques.	PE	1	New
Peer Mediation	To empower students at South Aiken High School to resolve conflicts with knowledge and skills that develop healthy communication. This program seeks to instill the values of teamwork, tolerance, and peacemaking, and it gives students the opportunity to practice what they learn in a meaningful service-learning project	Any	1	New/Formerly Approved