

## **Fresno Unified Board Policy (BP) 6143**

### **Courses Of Study**

The Governing Board recognizes that a well-articulated sequence of courses fosters academic growth and provides for the best possible use of instructional time. The district's course of study shall provide students with opportunities to attain the skills, knowledge, and abilities they need to be successful in academically, professionally, and personally.

*(cf. 6011-Academic Standards)*

*(cf. 6141 - Curriculum Development and Evaluation)*

*(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)*

The Superintendent or designee shall establish processes for ensuring the articulation of courses across grade levels within the district. As necessary, the Superintendent or designee shall work with representatives of appropriate area districts and postsecondary institutions to ensure articulation of courses with other institutions to which district students may matriculate. The sequence of courses shall be designed to ensure that each course provides adequate preparation for the next course in the sequence, only utilizes prerequisites that are essential to success in a given program or course, avoids significant duplication of content, and allows for reinforcement and progression in the subject matter.

The district shall not provide any course separately on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, gender, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, or mental or physical disability or require or refuse participation by any of its students on any such basis. (5 CCR 4940)

*(cf. 0415 - Equity)*

*(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)*

#### **Elementary Grades**

The Board shall adopt a course of study for elementary grades that sufficiently prepares students for the secondary school course of study.

*(cf. 6146.5 - Elementary/Middle School Graduation Requirements)*

#### **Secondary Grades**

The district shall offer all otherwise qualified students in grades 7-12 a course of study that prepares them, upon graduation from high school, to meet the requirements and prerequisites for admission to California public colleges and universities and to attain entry-level employment skills in business or industry. (Education Code 51228)

*(cf. 5121 Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement)*

*(cf. 6141.5 Advanced Placement)*

*(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)*

*(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)*

In addition, the course of study for students in grades 9-12 shall include instructions in skills and knowledge for adult life and career technical training, and a timely opportunity for all otherwise qualified students to enroll, within four years, in each course necessary to fulfill the requirements and prerequisites for admission to California public colleges and universities prior to graduation. (Education Code 51224, 51228)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a process by which courses that meet college admission

criteria (referred to as "a-g" course requirements) are submitted to the University of California for review and certification. The Superintendent or designee shall maintain an accurate list of all current high school courses that have been so certified, shall ensure that the list is provided annually to all student in grades 9-12, and their parents/guardians, and shall make updated lists readily available. (Education Code 51229, 66204)

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Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

33319.3 Driver education; CDE materials on road rage  
33540 Government and civics instruction in interaction with government agencies  
48980 Parental notifications  
51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety  
51203 Instruction on alcohol, narcotics and restricted dangerous drugs  
51204 Course of study designed for student's needs  
51204.5 Social science instruction: History of California; contributions of various groups  
51210-51212 Courses of study for grades 1-6  
51220-51229 Course of study for grades 7-12  
51241 Exemption from physical education  
51911-51921 Comprehensive health educational  
51930-51939 Comprehensive sexual health and HIV/AIDS prevention instruction  
51940 Curriculum for brain and spinal cord injury prevention  
60040-60052 Requirements for instructional materials  
66204 Certification of high school courses as meeting university admission criteria

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

11032 Definitions of dangerous drugs

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

4940 Nondiscrimination; course access  
10020-10049 Automobile driver education and training 10060  
Physical education program

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6111-6251 School-to-Work Opportunities Act of 1994

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

California Department of Education: [http:// www.cde.ca.gov](http://www.cde.ca.gov) California  
State University, Admission

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