

Approved High School Courses Policy 3.205

The Background:

Approved High School Courses Policy 3.205 identifies courses that have been approved by the State Board for instruction in Tennessee schools. At the October 29, 2021 quarterly meeting, the State Board passed on first reading the course standards for a course, Statewide Dual Credit (SDC): World History. The SDC program is an early post-secondary opportunity for students and includes standards developed by Tennessee higher education faculty members. The SDC World History course has been offered since the 2016-17 school year and State Board staff found that it had not yet been added to this policy, so this addition corrects the oversight.

The approval of the SDC World History course is on final reading at this meeting. This item adds the course to the Approved High School Course Policy.

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 to be adopted 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 that does not affect private rights or privileges.

The Recommendation:

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