
INTRODUCTION

The 2008–2009 edition of *District Pilot and Site-Adopted Courses: A Supplement to the Course of Study, K-12* is a guide to all currently active pilot, site-adopted, and summer school courses in the San Diego Unified School District. It is revised annually in conjunction with the District’s *Course of Study, K-12*, and is the central source of information about these courses. Each course entry includes: the course name and number, the department through which the course is offered; course status (whether it is a pilot, site-adopted, or summer school course), grade levels and type of graduation credit earned, a brief description of the course, and which schools have Board of Education approval to teach the course. This information is compiled mainly from Interdivisional Curriculum Committee (ICC) documents.

Changes incorporated into this year’s edition include the addition of a separate “Special Programs” section that provides information and course listings for some of the new and/or specialized programs recently introduced in the District. These include the online Credit Recovery Program for high school students using curriculum from Apex Learning®, and the High School-College/University Partnership program that went into effect last year. Independent World Language Schools (IWLS) and courses continue to be listed in the World Language Courses section, beginning on page WL-9S.

Responsibility for producing the *Pilot and Site-Adopted Courses Supplement* lies with the district’s Research and Evaluation Division. Users of this document are encouraged to email updates, corrections, and other changes to Karen Wilson at kwilson2@sandi.net, or send them to Room 3150, Eugene Brucker Education Center. This document is also available in its entirety on the District Web site at: studata.sandi.net/cos/supp/

Pilot and Site-Adopted Courses at a Glance

Pilot courses: All proposed new curriculum courses must be developed as pilot courses in accordance with District Administrative Procedures 4000, *Instructional Programs, General*; and 4060, *Pilot Programs (K–6) and Pilot Courses (7–12)*. Requests to conduct pilot courses are processed through the Interdivisional Curriculum Committee (ICC), and must be approved by the Board of Education prior to conducting instruction.

Site-adopted courses: Site-adopted courses are courses that may be offered only at certain sites designated by the Board of Education at the time of course approval. Schools that want to offer a course approved for another site must first secure Board approval through the ICC process before they can begin instruction.

Interdivisional Curriculum Committee (ICC): The ICC is the officially designated body that reviews and recommends new courses, deletion of courses, and changes to existing courses to the Board of Education. Its membership consists of central office and site administrative staff, who represent all district stakeholders in the curriculum process. It is chaired by the head of the Curriculum and Instruction Department.

The ICC meets two or three times a year to consider requests 1) to conduct pilot courses, 2) to continue pilot courses for an additional year, 3) to adopt pilot courses either for a specific site(s) or districtwide, 4) to delete pilot courses, and 5) to change entries in the District’s Uniform Course File (course title changes, course attribute changes, course deletions, etc).

ICC request forms are available from the district Web site at www.sandi.net/depts/dep_superintendent/icc.html or by contacting Tenya Rushing in the Curriculum and Instruction Office at (619) 725-7145, or trushing@sandi.net