EDC Summary

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From: M. Hladun **Date:** 7/1/2019

Re: EDC Proposals

The Educational Development Committee has completed a review and recommends approval of six proposals for the final round of curriculum work for the 2019-20 school year.

- Creation of a Criminal Justice Elective to develop curriculum for a new course for students interested in exploring the criminal justice system in America. The goal is to teach skills that students can use in every aspect of life while focusing on the functions of the criminal justice field.
- Entrepreneurship & Marketing Curriculum to create curriculum to support a new elective being offered at the high school for the 2019-20 school year, Entrepreneurship and Marketing. This curriculum will focus on what owning and operating a business involves.
- Project-Based Learning Course Development to develop the curriculum for project-based course curriculum that stresses the connections between mathematics and society. Students will study topics such as the math behind bar codes, fair division, game theories, and patterns.
- ELL Mentor Program to further develop mentoring program between APHS students and elementary school ELL students. Work will be focused on the creation of activities that can be done with the students as well as ways to recruit student volunteers from the high school.
- Visual Communication/Art and Design Curriculum to create curriculum for a new 6th grade multidisciplinary class that combines traditional and contemporary art practices through an examination of visual culture and what it means to be visually literate in the 21st century.
- Statistical Reasoning in Sports Curriculum to create curriculum to support a new elective being offered at the high school for the 2019-20 school year, Statistical Reasoning in Sports. This course is specifically designed to translate real world situations into mathematical models used to describe them.

- NGSS Natural Disaster Project to create project to help them learn about natural
 disasters, including the technology used to forecast future events. This will be a
 differentiated project where students are given a choice about what topic they will
 research and how they choose to present their information.
- Writing for Social Media Curriculum to create curriculum for a new course being offered in APHS for the 2019-20 school year. In the proposed course, students will write examples of online communication and design a plan for a social media site.
- Logic Curriculum to create curriculum for a new course being offered in APHS for the 2019-20 school year. In recent years, logic has been completely removed from the mathematics curriculum. The science and art of correct reasoning is a fundamental skill that students should be learning in high school.