



ECHS LEADERSHIP MEETINGS

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Crosswalk Revision, Staffing, Recruiting Updates					
Date	23 Sept. 2025	Time	9:30 a.m.	Location	NISD Central Office
Attendees	Jill Hackney, Theresa Long, Julie Morgan, Julie Boerm, Carrie Villarreal				

Course Crosswalks

- 2025-26 catalog will allow some amendments to crosswalk
- Crosswalk should reflect bare minimum expectations; students can go above
- Explicitly articulate all options on crosswalk (per J. Boerm)

9th Grade

EDUC 1300/SPCH 1315

SPAN 2311/2312

- Students who earn 3 on AP exam in 8th grade will get the Spanish credit
- Compose resource explaining ONLY the Spanish track (add to website) (J. Hackney)

10th grade

HIST 1301/1302

Fine Arts Appreciation (Art or Theater)

- Is Art Appreciation the only creative arts class they could take?
- Carrie: drama, music
- Jill: district offers theater appreciation
- Must be Art Appreciation or Theater Appreciation
- Could get support from other campuses (we have both)
- Cannot be AP Art History (per Carrie)
- Crosswalk: Keep it general until we know (Fine Arts Appreciation)

11th grade

ENGL 1301/1302

GOVT 2306/KINE 1304

SOCI 1301/PSYC 2301

- KINE Personal and Community Health, fills health requirement
- Psychology vs. Sociology: Some discussion about which would be better–decision to keep sociology

12th grade

ENGL 2328/2323

ECON 2301 /GOVT 2305

BIOL 1308/1309 (not AP)

MATH 1314

- ECON/GOVT are standalone, not AP
- 1406/1407–bio for science majors –because of being stacked with AP
- Bio for non-majors (1308/1309) would be a standalone
- Would require another course agreement
- Decision to add 1308/1309 to crosswalk, but students would have option to do AP Bio (1406/1407)
- Bio requires math readiness
- 1406/1407 - 8 hours; 1308/1309 - 6 hours

Math 1314

- Change from 1414 to 1314 (College Algebra Dual Credit – 3 hours only)
- Any student who wants to go into STEM track should take 1414

Discussion of impacts and alternatives

- Changing Bio and Math would reduce number of hours to below 60, so discussion moved to adding in SOCI and KINE (or another fine arts or speech) as 1-semester courses
- Revisit pairing Psych/Soc and TX Gov
- If KINE doesn't work out, consider HUMANITIES/Fine Arts (HUMA Mex Am)
- Add speech: interpersonal communication (could be taught by current dual credit teacher)
- Approval will be sought by end of week (26 Sept. 2025) (J. Boerm) **(UPDATE: Per Sept. 25 email from J. Boerm, NVC's degree audit team confirmed that the above changes will fully satisfy degree requirements.)**

Crosswalk Language

- Change crosswalk language to STEM vs. Non-STEM (instead of advanced math/on level math)
- STEM: AP Bio, etc. all math would shift up a year and students take Calculus as senior
- STEM crosswalk is basically the old on-level crosswalk with note about math shifting up a year
- Courses noted above represent the proposed Non-STEM track

- The only AP courses in the Non-STEM track are English and APUSH

Other ECHS business/updates

- Program cohort will be mentors for new ECHS cohort
- Program coordinator will be hired this fall
- Dates and locations for Parent Nights at Jay, Marshall, Steven, and Holmes have been set and shared with Theresa Long