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OAKLAND UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Community Schools, Thriving Students

Memo

To Board of Education
 From Bernard McCune, Deputy Chief, Post-Secondary Readiness
 Board Meeting Date January 27, 2016
 Subject Amendments to Board Policy BP 6146.11

Action Requested **Approval by the Board of Education of modifications in Board Policy 6146.11**

Background Staff is recommending approval of changes in Board Policy 6146.11 to provide that students participating in interscholastic athletic programs shall receive PE credit.

Discussion

Recommendation **Approval by the Board of Education of modifications in Board Policy 6146.11**

Fiscal Impact N/A

Attachments

- Redline of Board Policy 6146.11

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1. Practical demonstration of skills and competencies
2. Supervised work experience up to 40 credits in accordance with 5 CCR 1635, or other outside school experience
3. Independent study
4. Credit earned at a postsecondary institution. Credit for high school and/or college courses may be awarded to students who successfully complete approved courses through accredited institutions of higher learning. Students shall receive 3.3 high school credits for each semester college unit submitted on an official college transcript. (For example, Math 202 Geometry at Merritt College provides 3 college units. To calculate the number of high school credits, multiply this by 3.3 for a total of 10 credits for the OUSD transcript. All calculations are rounded to the nearest whole number for assigning credit on transcripts.)
5. Correspondence instruction from a California university and/or other California Department of Education entities (such as Cyber High) in subjects included within or related to the course of study offered in the school district.
6. Courses earned in an Adult Education Program
7. Military service and training in accordance with 5 CCR 1634

The district shall accept for credit any coursework satisfactorily completed by students while detained in a juvenile court school or county or state-operated institution. District students who successfully complete district graduation requirements while so detained shall receive a diploma from the school they last attended. (Education Code 48645.5)

Alternative means to complete the Physical Education graduation requirements:

1. Students ~~may~~ shall receive physical education credit for participation in district interscholastic athletic programs carried on wholly or partially after regular school hours when such participation entails a comparable amount of time and physical activity.

Students using interscholastic athletics participation to fulfill physical education requirements ~~may~~shall be graded on this participation, provided that a teacher credentialed to teach physical education supervises this participation and assigns the grade. Otherwise the student will receive a Pass/Fail grade.

2. Students may receive credit for Physical Education by completing a course of study at a post-secondary institution.

3. Students may receive credit for Physical Education by completing an independent study program approved by the principal.

4. A principal shall have wide discretion to define activities that shall meet the physical education graduation requirement.

5. In rare circumstances, a principal may approve physical education credit for a student that possesses exceptional talent or ability far beyond that of his/her peers in the area of physical education activities such as, but not limited to: gold, gymnastics, skating, swimming, and tennis. Such talent or ability shall be perfected or extended in an off-campus activity under the supervision of a recognized authority. Evidence of a student's talent or ability is clearly identified by the greater community.

Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement

The Superintendent or designee shall determine whether a student has satisfactorily met course requirements through any of the above alternative means.

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