
Human Services Standards

The Background:

Rules, Regulations, and Minimum Standards of the State Board of Education 0520-01-03-.05(1) calls for the State Board of Education to adopt curriculum standards for each subject area, grades K-12. The approved standards are to be the basis for planning instructional programs in each local school system. Adopted textbooks are also to be aligned with the state curriculum standards. Section 3.205 Approved High School Courses of the State Board of Education Policy identifies those courses which have been approved by the Board for instruction across the state.

The Department of Education's Division of Career and Technical Education (CTE) is proposing changes to previously approved course standards. The career cluster Human Services replaces the former program area Family and Consumer Sciences. The courses within this career cluster have been completely revised to better align to postsecondary pathways, incorporate added instructional rigor by embedding Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts & Literacy in Technical Subjects, and better reflect the competitive employment demands of our state. The Division of Career and Technical Education is preparing for the adoption of textbooks in the Human Services career cluster. The proposed courses will be used as a basis for alignment in the upcoming cycle for textbook adoption.

The Division of Career and Technical Education is also proposing the course *Nutrition Science and Diet Therapy* satisfy one laboratory science credit required for graduation.

Courses included in this item:

Early Childhood Education Careers I	Revised course
Early Childhood Education Careers II	Revised course
Early Childhood Education Careers III	Revised course
Early Childhood Education Careers IV	New course
Family Studies	New course
Introduction to Social Health	New course
Human Services Practicum	New course
Foundations of Social and Mental Health	New course
Lifespan Development	Revised course
Nutrition Across the Lifespan	New course
Nutrition Science and Diet Therapy	New course

The Recommendation:

The Department of Education recommends acceptance of this item on first reading. The SBE staff concurs with this recommendation.