# COURSE AND TEXTBOOK/SUPPLEMENTAL APPROVAL PROCESS

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### Each proposal to change, delete, or create a course is reviewed

The course approval process at TUSD aims to support creation of courses which improve student course offerings, strengthen Advanced Learning Experiences for students, and provides varied enrichment opportunities for students. All course proposals will be carefully reviewed for alignment to Arizona's College and Career Ready (AZCCR) Standards and TUSD's Curriculum Framework.

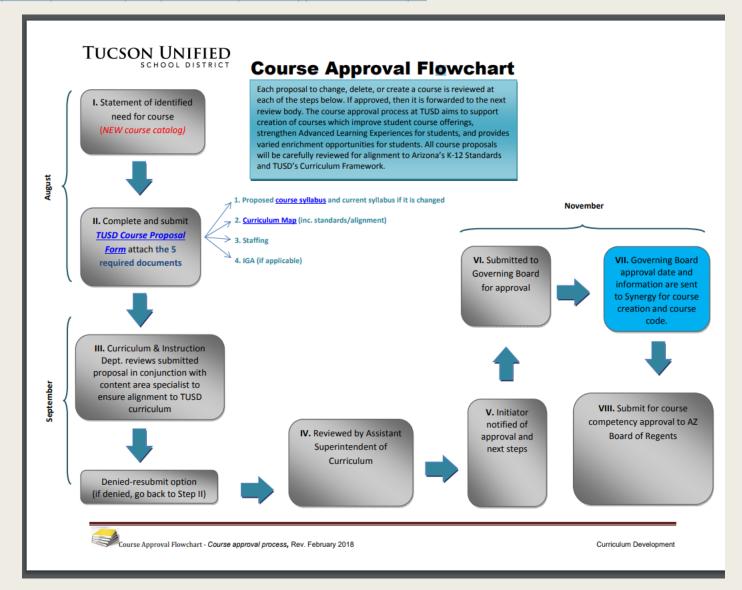
### Steps

- Statement of identified need for course
- Complete and submit the Course Proposal Form (<u>Print Version in PDF</u>) attaching the following four required Documents:
  - Course Syllabus (Template)
  - Scope/Sequence (if applicable)
  - Curriculum Map (if applicable)
  - Staffing
- Sr. Director of Curriculum reviews submitted proposal in conjunction with content area specialist If denied, resubmit option. If approved, continue. (2-4 weeks)
- Initiator notified of approval and next steps (2 weeks)
- Reviewed by Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum (1-2 weeks)
- Submitted to Governing Board for approval (4-8 weeks)
- Submit for course competency approval to AZ Board of Regents (4 weeks)

#### Course Approval Flowchart

Located here:

http://curriculum.tusd1.org/Portals/TUSD1/Curriculum/docs/Documents/CourseApprovalFlowchart.pdf



### **Approval of Supplemental Materials**

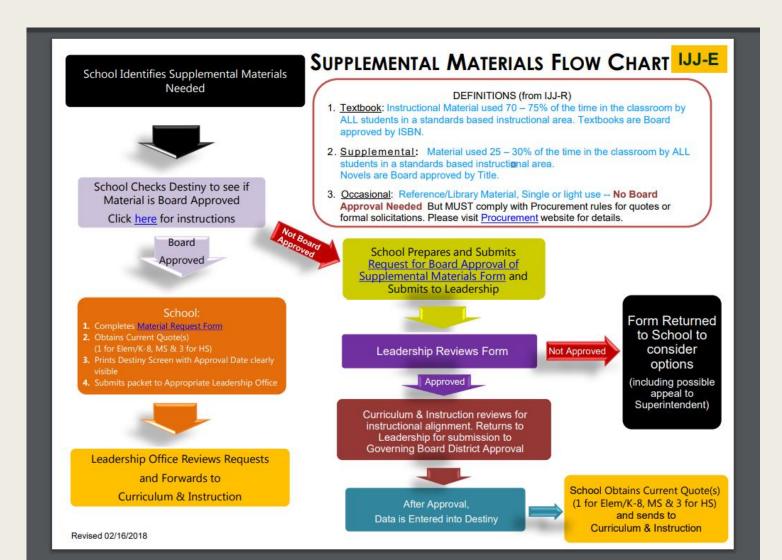
#### **DEFINITIONS** (from IJJ-R)

- 1. Textbook: Instructional Material used 70 75% of the time in the classroom by ALL students in a standards based instructional area. Textbooks are Board approved by ISBN.
- 2. Supplemental: Material used 25 30% of the time in the classroom by ALL students in a standards based instructional area. Novels are Board approved by Title.
- 3. Occasional: Reference/Library Material, Single or light use No Board Approval Needed But MUST comply with Procurement rules for quotes or formal solicitations. Please visit Procurement website for details.

### Approval of Supplemental Materials Flow Chart

Located here: <a href="http://govboard.tusd1.org/Portals/TUSD1/GovBoard/docs/sectl/IJJ-">http://govboard.tusd1.org/Portals/TUSD1/GovBoard/docs/sectl/IJJ-</a>

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# REQUEST FOR BOARD APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

http://www.tusd1.org/Portals/TUSD1/District/docs/TUSDforms/TXT1002RequestBoardApprovalSupplementalMaterials.pdf

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#### Instructional Resources and Materials

- Policy Code: IJ
- All students in the elementary (K-8) schools will have required textbooks and supplies furnished by the District.
- The District shall furnish required text materials and related printed subject matter materials for high school students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12).
- A student or parent may purchase, at the price TUSD paid for the books, such books as are necessary for high school students. Students and their parents shall be held responsible for proper care of books and school property. Books must be kept clean and unmarked. Parents may be required to pay for any damage to school property.
- The Superintendent is authorized to establish a replacement-fee schedule and make it available to students, staff members, and parents. Students and parents will be advised of this replacement-cost policy upon enrollment or at the beginning of each school year.
- The District shall obtain signed, written consent from a student's parent or guardian before using video, audio or electronic materials that may be inappropriate for the age of the student.

# Text/Supplementary Materials Selection and Adoption

- Policy Code: IJJ
- As required by State law, the Board will have final approval and adopt all new textbooks, supplementary course books, E-textbooks and course software. The Superintendent shall establish textbook selection procedures that shall provide for the appropriate involvement of staff members, students, and community members. These procedures may provide for the establishment of textbook selection committees. Recommendations from textbook selection committees will be forwarded to the Superintendent.
- Textbooks, supplementary course books, E-textbooks and course software for common schools recommended by textbook selection committees will be placed on display in the District office for a period of at least sixty (60) days prior to the meeting at which the Board will consider their adoption. Supplemental materials may also be approved by Assistant Superintendents and brought to the Governing Board for final approval.
- Final recommendations for the adoption of core and supplemental instructional materials will be submitted to the Board in a time frame to which instructional materials can be approved and ordered prior to the start of the course(s).
- In recommending books, the committees will strive for continuity of textbooks throughout the different grades and use the same book series in all classes of the same grade. Exceptions to this must be approved by the Superintendent.

### Text/Supplementary Materials Selection, Adoption and Purchase

■ Regulation Code: IJJ-R

#### **General Rules**

- The Governing Board shall approve for all schools the course of study and the basic textbook(s) for each course.
- New textbooks may be reviewed and approved by a selection committee prior to submission to the Governing Board for approval.
- A copy of each textbook that is being considered for selection shall be made available at the school district office for review by the public, for a period of sixty days prior to formal selection of textbooks.
- Site Administrators, teachers or staff are required to submit requests for supplemental materials to the appropriate academic leadership office prior to use in the classroom in accordance with the flow chart in <a href="Exhibit">Exhibit</a>
  IJJ-E (in PDF).
- When a request to use supplemental materials is denied the site administrator, teacher or staff may appeal the denial to the Superintendent present the reasons behind the selection and explain how it will be used for instruction. The Superintendent will make the final decision on the use of the supplemental materials and inform the academic leadership office and Governing Board accordingly.

### Thank you!