

Topic: EE-11: Recommendation to Approve Agreement – 59-101V – Pre-AP Program

Staff Follow Up: Staff to provide a thorough explanation of the Pre-AP program at Pompano Beach HS. **(L. Levinson) SBOM-050719-17**

Response: Pre-AP is a new program that offers instructional resources and classroom-based assessments to schools interested in earning an official Pre-AP designation from the College Board. It provides for consistent, high standards in focused courses designed to help build, strengthen, and reinforce students' content knowledge and skills. Pre-AP courses prepare students for advanced placement and college-level coursework. Additionally, they are designed for ALL students and to be the standard, baseline course in their particular subjects.

The Pre-AP Program's objectives are to:

- Significantly increase the number of students who are able to access and complete college-level work like advanced placement courses before leaving high school
 - Improve the college readiness of all students
- Pre-AP is about achieving results for all students. Here is how the program is designed to accomplish that:
- **Engaging resources** meet students where they are.
 - **Meaningful feedback** shows teachers where each student needs additional support and focus.
 - **Effective practice** helps every student to build, strengthen, and master content knowledge and skills.
 - **Flexibility** in instructional resources honors the skill and authority of teachers.
 - **Challenging coursework** emphasizes key literacy, quantitative, and analysis skills across all five disciplines and reinforces these skills in multiple classroom experiences.
 - **Open access**—a program requirement—means that Pre-AP courses and their high-quality instruction and assessments will serve all students.

Course Design and Framework

The courses are in part designed by the College Board and by the participating school. The Pre-AP course frameworks are comprehensive. However, the College Board supplies

instructional materials for each course that will cover up to 50% of instructional time—thereby, leaving a significant amount of time for usage of local curricula and content.

Assessment

Schools are required to utilize the Pre-AP digital assessments provided. Our digital assessments and performance-based assessments are designed to be quick formative checks that measure student performance against the Pre-AP framework—but districts might need to augment for state specific standards or requirements.

Text Book

Pre-AP is designed so that schools can use and incorporate your existing textbook and curricular resources but may need to confirm the alignment of these materials to the course requirements.

Miami-Dade and Palm Beach Pre-AP Schools

- Boca Raton Community High School (Palm Beach)
- iMater Preparatory High School (Miami-Dade)
- Jose MARTI MAST 6-12 Academy (Miami-Dade)
- Pinecrest Preparatory Academy Charter High School (Miami-Dade)
- South Dade Senior High School (Miami-Dade)
- Sports Leadership & Management Charter Middle/High School (Miami-Dade)