

Board Agenda Item



Topic: Locally Developed Courses

Presenter: Dan Lower
Meeting Date: June 11, 2025

Background

Administrative Procedure 219 allows for approving locally developed courses taught in Red Deer Public Schools. Locally developed courses are those which do not follow a specific provincial curriculum, although the Board of Trustees wishes to offer these courses as an alternative to students and parents. All locally developed courses taught in grades 10 – 12 must be approved by the Board of Trustees and Alberta Education. Attached are the courses we request the Board authorize for use in the 2025 - 2026 school year.

Course Name	Version	Course Code	First Approved Year	Last Approved Year
Chemistry (Advanced) 35	3 Credits (2025-2029)	LDC3138	2025-2026	2028-2029
Forensic Studies 25	3 Credits (2025-2029)	LDC2256	2025-2026	2028-2029
Forensic Studies 35	3 Credits (2025-2029)	LDC3256	2025-2026	2028-2029
Forensic Studies 35	5 Credits (2025-2029)	LDC3256	2025-2026	2028-2029
Theory of Knowledge (Higher) 25	3 Credits (2025-2029)	LDC2152	2025-2026	2028-2029
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Superintendent Leadership Quality Standard:

Leading Learning

- Ensuring that staff have access to resources, programs and expertise to support them in meeting their professional responsibilities and in addressing the learning needs of all students.

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Recommendation:

The Superintendent of Schools recommends THAT the Board of Trustees approve the proposed locally developed courses for the period of September 1, 2025, until their respective expiry dates.