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Suggested Motion: Approve that AP tests are optional for AP Courses

Recommended Action: Approve as presented.

In March, the Curriculum Committee discussed giving students in AP courses the option to take the AP exam. Currently the district requires all students to take the AP test and often encourages student to take AP courses to expose them to the rigor of a college course. The committee recommended allowing the AP tests to be optional for students.

A 2018-2019 Board goal is to raise the percentage of students passing AP tests. The administration met with the AP teachers at the high school on May 2, 2018 to discuss the challenges and possible solutions towards achieving that goal.

Following are recommendations that emerged from our discussions:

- 1. Plan and budget for professional development in district as well as provide outside opportunities for AP Teachers.
- 2. Review criteria and course options for student placement in AP courses.
- 3. Make AP Exams optional for students.
- 4. Consider smaller class sizes for running AP Courses.