Memorandum

To: Indiana State Board of Education
From: Office of Academics
Date: March 3, 2021
Re: Course Description Change for College-Entrance Preparation (0532)

Recommendation: The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) seeks to change the course description for College-Entrance Preparation (0532) in order to reflect the changes required for high school state assessments in Indiana. This change would be effective immediately upon approval. The proposed new course description is as follows:

0532 College-Entrance Preparation (COL-ENT PREP)
College-Entrance Preparation utilizes individual student score reports from the PSAT, PLAN, ACCUPLACER, or other formative assessments to prepare students for college readiness assessments. Based on individual student score reports, students should receive targeted instruction to strengthen their foundations in critical reading, writing, and mathematics. This course may also include college selection and application units, to better prepare students for overall college-readiness. Being “college ready” means being prepared for any post-secondary education or training experience, including readiness for study at two-year and four-year institutions leading to a post-secondary credential (i.e., a certificate, license, Associate’s or Bachelor’s degree). A college-ready student has the necessary English and mathematics skills to qualify for and succeed in entry-level, credit bearing college courses without the need for remedial coursework.

- Recommended Grade: Semester 1 – grade 11; Semester 2 – grade 10
- Required Prerequisites: none
- Recommended Prerequisites: Algebra II or Analytical Algebra II (or concurrent enrollment in either course)
- Credits: 1 semester course, 1 credit per semester, 4 credits maximum
- Counts as an elective credit for all diplomas.
- The nature of this course allows for successive semesters of instruction provided progressively advanced proficiencies and content standards are utilized.

At this time IDOE is not requesting any other changes to the state-approved 2021-2022 Course Titles and Descriptions.

Questions regarding this change may be directed to J. Matthew Walsh (jwalsh1@doe.in.gov), Academic Specialist.