

DATE: November 6, 2024

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Mrs. Kerstin Kramer, Superintendent Chief Learning Officer

SUBJECT: First Read of Proposed High School Course for School Year 2025-2026,

Law I

PRESENTED BY: Mrs. Shaun Roderick, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

ACTION REQUESTED

Information only – First read of the proposed new high school course for school year 2025-2026, Law I.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This semester-long course comprehensively introduces the state and federal justice systems. Explore the intricacies of different legal divisions, master trial practices, and develop a strong ethical foundation through rigorous research, writing, and real-world applications.

Designed for aspiring legal professionals at all levels, Law 1 will equip students with essential skills to succeed. Students will better understand the legal landscape through captivating case studies, thought-provoking novels, current events, and insightful guest lectures.

Each unit delves into specific legal fields, featuring guest speakers, career exploration, and college major guidance. Discover the diverse paths within the legal profession and align your studies with your career aspirations.

Law 1 also integrates CTE standards for the Public Service pathway, ensuring students are prepared to make a meaningful impact on society.

A Comprehensive Exploration of Legal Concepts will include:

- 1. State and Federal Justice System: Understanding the foundations of our legal system.
- 2. Legal Research and Writing: Developing essential skills for legal professionals.
- 3. Tort, Constitutional, Criminal, and Immigration Law: Delving into critical civil and criminal law areas.
- 4. Contract and Consumer Protection Law, Property, and Fair Housing Laws: Examining legal rights and responsibilities in everyday life.



- 5. Law of Business Organizations and Intellectual Property: Exploring the legal framework for businesses and creative endeavors.
- 6. Trial Practice and Procedure: Mastering the skills needed for courtroom success.
- 7. Ethical and Professional Standards: Upholding the highest standards of conduct in the legal profession.

RESOURCES REQUIRED: n/a

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Attached: TTUSD Course Description Law I