

Honors Weighting for High School Courses 2019 – 2020

Policy Reference: [South Carolina Honors Framework Implementation Guide – Appendix A](#)

Background Information: Beginning in 2017-2018, the local school board may approve new courses to receive honors weighting in all content areas except physical education. All new courses must be developed using the *SC Honors Framework* guidelines.

Honors courses must be developed and implemented to

- provide depth in rigor, complexity, challenges, and creativity beyond college preparatory level (CP) courses as outlined in the *Profile of the South Carolina Graduate*;
- be more challenging than CP level courses in order to foster growth for advanced learners; and
- offer a differentiated program of study that provides an array of opportunities for all students based on their aptitudes, achievement, and interests.

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Purpose: The following courses are currently offered in the district for CP credit. Courses have been developed for honors weighting according to the requirements as outlined by the *SC Honors Framework*.

- Essentials of Computer Science
- Human Body Systems
- Principles of Biomedical Science
- Introduction to Engineering Design
- Principles of Engineering
- Engineering and Architecture
- Engineering Design and Development

The following courses are not currently offered in the district. Courses have been developed for honors weighting according to the requirements as outlined by the SC Honors Framework.

- Medical Interventions
- Principles of Computer Science
- Fundamentals of Aerospace
- Technology Clean Energy Systems

- Innovations in Science and Technology

South Carolina Honors District Office Verification

COURSE CONTENT	MET	NOT MET
ADAPTED AND DIFFERENTIATED	X	
ALIGNMENT TO SOUTH CAROLINA STATE STANDARDS	X	
EVIDENCE OF EXTENSIONS AND ENRICHMENT	X	

INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS AND MATERIALS	MET	NOT MET
ACCEPTABLE METHODS AND MATERIALS	X	
HONORS LEVEL COURSE EVIDENCE	X	

ASSESSMENT	MET	NOT MET
HONORS ASSESSMENTS (ALIGNED TO HONORS CURRICULUM)	X	
HONORS LEVEL COURSE EVIDENCE	X	

For additional information: NA

Recommended Action: Approve the request for assigning honors weighting for the courses listed below according to requirements as outlined in the *SC Honors Framework*.

- Essentials of Computer Science
- Human Body Systems
- Principles of Biomedical Science
- Introduction to Engineering Design
- Principles of Engineering
- Engineering and Architecture
- Engineering Design and Development
- Medical Interventions
- Principles of Computer Science
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Estimated Project Cost: NA

Recurring _____ Non-recurring _____
Funding Sources: