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CCSD approves Academic Decathlon curriculum ***Cheyenne High School will offer the course beginning in September***

Las Vegas – Students at Cheyenne High School will be the first in Nevada to have the opportunity to take the newly approved Academic Decathlon course.

The Academic Decathlon concept pairs teams of students, usually three “A” students with 3 “B” students and 3 “C” students, who work together to study a nationally designated topic.

Now that the Clark County School District has adopted the curriculum, there are currently 42 states that participate in this program. At the end of the school year, each team has the opportunity to compete at the state, regional and national level with the common goal of elevating student achievement.

“We are always looking for innovative ways to help motivate students in their learning experience, so we took this program to the CCSD Curriculum Commission for review and approval,” said Cheyenne High School Principal Dr. Jeff Geihs. “Now that it has been adopted, we are looking forward to having it implemented not only at our school but perhaps others throughout the district,” he said.

Cheyenne High School will implement the new curriculum in September, at the start of the 2008-2009 school year. The most recent study topic was the Civil War. Next year’s topic will be Latin America.

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