

SOUTH PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Instructional Services



**M E M O R A N D U M**

**TO:** Members of the Board of Education  
**FROM:** Christiane Gervais, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services  
**DATE:** May 10, 2016  
**SUBJECT:** Renewal of APEX Learning Licenses for South Pasadena High School for 2016-2017

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**Background**

The District Strategic Plan emphasizes the commitment to closing the achievement gap as well as providing state-of-the-art curriculum and instruction for students. Integral to the achievement of these goals is the need to provide innovative solutions to providing coursework required by students for graduation as well as fulfillment of prerequisites for the University of California and California State University systems to meet admission requirements commonly known as the “A-G” Requirements.

**Discussion**

Apex Learning, founded in 1997, is the leading provider of blended and virtual learning solutions to the nation’s schools. Apex Learning offers standards-based digital curriculum in mathematics, science, English, social studies, world languages, widely used for credit recovery, remediation, and intervention. Apex Learning partners work with school administrators to provide solutions tailored to specific educational objectives. In addition to providing students with a valuable educational resource, the program will provide a more cost-efficient means in delivering credit recovery and intervention services and reducing out costs by eliminating added section offerings for credit recovery courses and by minimizing the cost of summer school credit recovery courses. These 100 licenses have been in use for the 2015-2016 school year with success.

**Fiscal Impact**

The total cost of 100 school site licenses is \$7,500. *Source: Site Intervention Allocation; LCFF Supplemental.*

**Recommendation**

Christiane Gervais, Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services, recommends that the Board of Education approve the renewal of APEX Learning licenses for South Pasadena High School for the 2016-2017 school year.