

AB 1330 - NEW LAW

Allows a CTE class to meet a high school graduation requirement

AB 1330 by Assembly member Warren Furutani (D-Long Beach) has been supported and signed by Governor Brown. This bill, now law, gives high school students a real choice in the selection of classes they wish to take in preparation for post secondary employment or education.

AB 1330 allows a CTE course to be added to the current State required Arts and Language options for meeting high school graduation requirements.

Drafting, Auto Shop, Machine Shop, Wood Shop and Welding Shop are a few of the CTE classes, under AB 1330, that students can now select as an option to meet one of the 13 state-mandated course areas required for graduation from high school.

AB 1330:

1. **Does not require** a student to take a CTE course, nor does it eliminate the Arts or Foreign Languages from the high school curriculum.
2. **Does not require or prevent** school districts creating new CTE courses or expand those that already exist in the current curriculum.
3. **Does not require or prevent** school districts from allocating new funds for CTE courses that can be used to satisfy a high school graduation requirement. In fact, high schools already have Federal funding (Carl Perkins Grant) that can be used and is now being used to support CTE programs.
4. **Will now allow students and parents to make a choice** between a CTE course, Fine Arts course, Performing Arts course or Foreign Language course in planning to meet a requirement for high school graduation, and the future of the student. Up until this time, to meet state graduation requirements, CTE has not been an option or choice.
5. **AB 1330 becomes operable in the 2012-2013 school year.**

For more information on AB 1330 go to the following web site:

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