COURSE DESCRIPTION (catalog summary):
The SAT/ACT Prep course is designed to prepare students for the rigor of college entrance exams. The course will blend classroom-based instruction with student use of online test preparation platforms. The course will also help students understand their own strengths and weaknesses through diagnostic tests, learn test-taking strategies, and improve their vocabulary knowledge to increase their SAT and/or ACT scores.

GOALS (expected performance outcomes for students):
Students will learn test-taking strategies to improve their performance on the SAT and/or ACT exam.
Students will improve their vocabulary knowledge in preparation for the SAT and/or ACT exam.
Students will take full-length timed practice SAT and/or ACT tests to identify areas for remediation.
Student will improve their SAT and/or ACT score.

CALIFORNIA CONTENT STANDARDS (how the course aligns with California and/or national curriculum standards):
The SAT/ACT Prep course aligns with the following Common Core State Standards:
- CCSS English Language Arts Standards for Reading: Literature (Grades 9-10 & 11-12)
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- CCSS Standards for Mathematical Practice – High School: Number and Quantity
- CCSS Standards for Mathematical Practice – High School: Algebra
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EVALUATION (how the effectiveness of the course will be monitored and assessed):

The effectiveness of the SAT/ACT Prep course will be monitored through student diagnostic scores on pre- and post-practice exams administered compared to student performance on the SAT and ACT exams.
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| SAT Critical Reading & ACT English & Reading | The College Board common SAT vocabulary words will be introduced throughout unit | • CCSS English Language Arts Standards for Reading: Literature (Grades 9-10 & 11-12)  
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• CCSS English Language Arts Standards for Language (Grades 9-10 & 11-12) | • Test-taking strategies  
• Active reading strategies  
• Examining question stems  
• Use of prediction  
• SAT vocabulary  
• Sentence completion  
• Passage-based reading  
• Inferring relationships and vocabulary in context  
• Citing textual evidence  
• Determining central ideas and themes  
• Analyzing the author’s purpose and point of view in a given passage  
• Synthesizing, comparing and contrasting information from different passages | SAT Study Guide  
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• Citing textual evidence to support claims  
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