Dell Rapids School District #49-3

Policies and Regulations Code: JECBC-R - Students



JECBC-R PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS WHO HAVE ATTENDED AN NON-ACCREDITED SCHOOL OR ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM

The Dell Rapids School District will accept credits of students transferring from non-accredited schools or alternative programs subject to the following conditions or guidelines:

- I. Procedures for appropriate grade placement for school age students in grades Kindergarten through 8th who have attended a non-accredited or alternative program:
 - 1. A standardized achievement test shall be administered and evaluated by the building principal and the appropriate staff of the school to which the student is seeking admission.
 - 2. The proficiency standard for grades (K-8) placement shall be based on the student's composite achievement score. The student's composite achievement score shall not be more than one standard deviation below the class mean composite achievement score.
 - 3. The student shall be placed in English and mathematics courses at the level of achievement demonstrated by the tests, as evaluated by the building principal and appropriate staff. The student's placement shall not be in a grade level higher than warranted by the student's chronological age, assuming entry into the first grade at age six and annual grade advancement thereafter. After initial placement the child may be advanced according to the student's demonstrated performance.
 - 4. In all other subjects the student shall be interviewed, take appropriate standardized achievement examinations, and provide appropriate documentation in each course for which the granting of credit is being considered. The building principal will review results and determine whether or not course credit is granted.
 - 5. No credit will be granted for any science course which is normally a laboratory course, unless clear documentation is provided demonstrating that the student has satisfactorily participated in laboratory experiences which parallel or are consistent with those required in the District's science courses.
- II. Procedures for appropriate grade placement and determining units of credit for high school age students who have attended a non-accredited or alternative program:1.

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