ENROLLMENT AND CREDIT FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS TAKING HIGH SCHOOL COURSES

The Board of Education permits students in the 7th or 8th grade to take courses and earn credits that satisfy high school graduation requirements only in the following circumstances:

- 1. Subject to course scheduling and space availability factors, where the District determines that a student is academically prepared for the course and that the 7th or 8th grade curricular options in the subject area would not be appropriate for the student without making substantial modifications (e.g., where the student has completed the applicable curriculum on an accelerated basis), the District may allow the student to take a course for credit toward high school graduation requirements either directly through the high school or, if the teacher and course qualify under state law, through the student's current school. The following apply to such students and courses:
 - a) The District will consider approving such a course for a student who has not yet started their 9th grade school term only in the subject areas that are part of the 7th or 8th grade curriculum.
 - b) The credit is earned in a course that is taught by a teacher who is licensed to teach the subject in the high school grades.
 - c) The credit is earned in a course that is taught using a curriculum and assessments that are equivalent to the curriculum and assessments used to teach the subject in the high school grades.
 - d) The pupil's performance on the state examination or a similar examination approved by the Board of Education demonstrates that the pupil is academically prepared for coursework that is offered in the high school grades.
 - e) Credit earned by the student in such a course may be applied toward any applicable graduation credit requirement that the course satisfies, provided the student achieves a grade of C or better.
 - f) The extent to which a grade received in a course for which the student receives high school credit is not included in the student's high school grade point average.

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