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Credit Transfer and Assessment for Placement

Grades 9-12

Requests for transfer of credit or grade placement from any non-accredited, nonpublic school will be subject to examination and approval before being accepted by the District. This will be done by a credit evaluation committee consisting of a counselor, a staff member from each subject area in which credit is being requested, parents/guardians, and the principal.

The parents/guardians must supply the following information prior to committee review:

1. Dates of instruction throughout the student's school career;

2. Verification that the student has spent approximately the same amount of classroom hours in the non-accredited school;

3. Academic grades for each completed course and verification that the content is essentially similar;

20 4. Current achievement scores and related data;

22 5. County superintendent's verification of school registration if a home school; and

6. Medical records and other pertinent data deemed necessary by the evaluation committee.

The credit evaluation committee will:

1. Document that the student has spent approximately the same number of classroom hours in home school as would have been spent in a regular class in the District;

2. Document that the student followed a curriculum essentially similar to that of a course for which credit is requested;

3. Document that in the event of a credit request in a lab, industrial arts, or music course, equipment and facilities were sufficient to meet required learning activities of the course;

4. Require that the student has satisfactorily passed, in all courses in which a final exam normally is given, a final exam prepared and administered by a District staff member.

The District will give credit only for home schools which have met all requirements specified in Montana law. Credit from home schools will be accepted only when a like course is offered in the District.

The school transcripts will record courses taken in home schools or non-accredited schools by indicating the title of the course, the school where the course was taken, and the grade.

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