



LONDONDERRY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2018 NEWLY ADOPTED POLICIES

Policy IMBD High School Credit for 7th-8th Grade Coursework

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HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT FOR 7TH/8TH GRADE COURSEWORK

Students in 7th or 8th grade may take advanced courses and apply the credit of those courses toward high school graduation competencies, provided the course demonstrates content requirements consistent with related high school courses and the student achieves satisfactory standards of performance. School Board policies relative to assessment, mastery and competency shall apply. The School Board promotes this policy to allow for middle school students to take advanced coursework, not increase the number of students applying for early graduation in high school.

The high school and middle school principals shall work together yearly to approve such course work and credit prior to the student enrolling in the class in order for such credit to be applied toward high school graduation.

Legal References:

Ed 306.26(f), Granting High School Credit for 7th/8th Grade Coursework (until July 1, 2017)

Ed 306.261(e), Granting High School Credit for 7th/8th Grade Coursework (after July 1, 2017)

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Any courses eligible for 7th and 8th grade students to earn high school credit should be agreed upon between the leadership of both the middle school, high school, and the Superintendent's office prior to the yearly presentation of the Middle School Program of Studies.

To be eligible to earn high school credit towards graduation, the leadership of the middle school and high school, in coordination with the Superintendent's office, will determine the level of competency needed to achieve that credit based on course assessments that are common to that course in both buildings. The middle school and high school will create clear benchmarks to help with student placement in high school so that all students are properly challenged in their high school coursework.

For a student that earns credit in their 7th and/or 8th grade year for high school graduation, they will be granted a "passing" grade only on their high school transcript.

Students in 7th and/or 8th grade, who wish to earn credit for high school through "extended learning opportunities" and/or "virtual/online" classes, must first ensure those classes follow the requirements outlined in School Board Policy INAA Extended Learning Opportunities Virtual/Online Education.

Any student that transfers from out of district will be subject to a standard review by the Londonderry High School Guidance Department to determine if they are eligible to be awarded credit for their prior coursework, including advanced courses they took while in middle school.

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