

Billings School District 2

INSTRUCTION

Placement of Students from Non-accredited, Nonpublic Schools

Grades 1-8

Requests from parents of students in non-accredited, non public schools for placement in the District will be evaluated by an appropriate school administrator. The school administrator may consult with a teacher of the grade in which the student is being considered for enrollment and a school counselor. The school administrator may also direct that appropriate District staff administer a District assessment/diagnostic assessment for additional student performance data. The school administrator may consider this data and any other data or documentation presented by the non-accredited, nonpublic school in determining placement of the student. The appropriate building principal will determine the student's grade assignment.

Grades 9-12

Requests for transfer of credit or grade placement from any non-accredited, nonpublic school shall be subject to examination and approval before being accepted by the District. The examination and approval process shall be accomplished by a building principal or the principal's designee.

The school administrator may direct that appropriate District staff administer a District assessment/diagnostic assessment for additional student performance data. The school administrator may consider this data and any other data or documentation presented by the non-accredited, nonpublic school in determining placement of the student. A counselor and/or staff member from each subject area in which credit is being requested may be consulted as needed.

The District will approve high school credit only from home schools that 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.

School transcripts will record courses taken in non-accredited, nonpublic schools by indicating the title of the course, school where the course was taken (school name, home school, etc.), and a grade of "P" (passing). Only those courses taken in a school accredited by a state or regional accrediting agency will be used to calculate class rank.

The appropriate building principal will determine acceptance of credits and the student's grade assignment.

Cross References: 2413-P1 Unaccredited Schools and Alternative Education Placement Procedure

Legal References: § 20-5-110, MCA School district assessment for placement of a child
who enrolls from a non-accredited, non-public
school

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