

Descriptor Term: CREDIT RECOVERY	Descriptor: IHCG-E	Issued: 9-8-15
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Credit recovery is defined by the Mississippi Department of Education as a course-specific, skill-based learning opportunity for students who have previously been unsuccessful in mastering content/skills required to receive high school course credit.
Rankin County School District has established the following guidelines for credit recovery:

1. Counselors, teachers and administrators shall identify students appropriate for participation in the credit recovery program offered at the local school, with the recommendation based on aptitude, motivation and need. All student requests should be considered.
2. In order to be eligible for credit recovery, a student must have failed a course or a SATP assessment.
3. A high school student, with principal approval and parent consent, can earn credit in courses previously failed. More than one course may be taken during the school year but only one course should be taken at a time.
4. Courses taken for credit recovery during the school year must be completed by a defined date. This defined date cannot exceed the last day of the current school year.
5. Course content shall be based on the College and Career Ready State Standards or Mississippi Curriculum Frameworks competencies and objectives.
6. Upon enrollment in a credit recovery course, a determination of the student's strengths and weaknesses in regard to the course content can be made. The student will complete assignments only in the course objectives that have not been mastered. Upon successful demonstration of mastery of these objectives, the student will receive credit for the course.
7. The method of instruction will be determined by the local school based on available resources and can include use of an on-line, computer based or a teacher delivery system. The district curriculum department must approve the use of any online-program other than district approved program.
8. All testing associated with on-line instruction will be conducted in the presence of school personnel designated by the school principal.
9. There is no fee for this service when offered during the regular school day.
10. Credit recovery courses completed during the summer, will be offered in conjunction with the summer school program. These courses are at a cost to the student. Courses that begin in the summer must be completed during the summer session.
11. Upon completion of the credit recovery course, a grade of 60 will be recorded on the credit history, thereby becoming part of the grade point average.
12. The district credit recovery program cannot be used for initial, first-time credit unless it is tied to a certified teacher and approved by the Director of Curriculum and Instruction.
13. In order to qualify for credit recovery courses, the student's failing average must be within 5 points of the districts lowest passing score. Any exceptions to this must be approved by the Director of Curriculum and Instruction.

Legal Reference: MS State Board of Education Policy 2905