

Extended Instructional Programs

The Board recognizes that learning can and does exist beyond the confines of the school walls, and that students may participate in diverse learning programs throughout the school year. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board may award credit for promotion and/or graduation through the results of proficiency testing, correspondence courses, life experiences, work experiences, and other informal educational endeavors. Tech Prep opportunities are available for students who will be entering the workforce and/or post-secondary education through an articulation agreement with the Regional Technical Education Center with the following partners: Mitchell Technical Institution, Black Hills State University. Dual Credit opportunities for students as offered by the State will be encouraged.

In awarding credit for such programs and experiences, the Board will use the following guidelines:

1. That the course be accepted as responsive to the learner's needs.
2. That it be administered by pre-approved and responsible persons or organizations, which meet the standards for accreditation described in State Law.

It shall be the policy of the School Board that students in Bon Homme Schools may earn credit toward high school graduation either through correspondence courses approved by the principal or through courses taken at an accredited college, technical education center, or university. A student desiring to earn credits in this way shall make a written request to the high school principal prior to registering for such courses. The request shall contain a statement by the student explaining the reason for the request. If the request is denied, the principal shall state in writing to the student, the reason(s) for denial.

All correspondence courses must be taken through a college or university extension or correspondence division that is accredited by State of South Dakota, Department of Education. Permission to take a course for high school credit shall be obtained in writing from the BHHS principal prior to enrollment in the course.

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