

SCHOOL COUNCIL POLICY

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 Council Operations School Operations**POLICY TOPIC DESCRIPTION****SB 128 Supplemental School Year Policy****POLICY STATEMENT****SB 128 Supplemental School Year Policy**

The following shall apply to all Pikeville High School students grades 9-12 for the 20-21 school year who choose to participate in the supplemental school year provided for in SB 128 and approved by the Pikeville Independent Board of Education. Parents and students must sign the supplemental school year request form by Friday, April 30th. No one is allowed to request the extra year after this date. July 15th will be the day that students can change their mind to not repeat the current grade for the following year.

Curriculum and Schedule

Students who utilize the supplemental school year are doing so to replace lost instruction due to inconsistent learning environments during the 20-21 school year because of the COVID-19 pandemic. In order to supplement and replace the lost instruction, students must take a course of study during the supplemental school year that is consistent with their course schedule for the 20-21 school year. The following restrictions will apply to all supplemental school year students:

1. Students will be in the same grade-level homeroom for the 21-22 school year as they were in the 20-21 school year. After that they will progress through the homerooms in order. They will not be able to skip a homeroom level.
2. Students will attend in-person instruction. Virtual Academy is not an option during the supplemental school year.
3. Take all required state-level assessments for the repeated grade.
4. Seniors in the Class of 2021 who request the supplemental school year will receive a diploma if they have met all graduation requirements. Not receiving a diploma if the requirements are met is not an option. GPA and Class Rank for graduates is set upon graduation with no alterations or adjustments for the supplemental school year. Seniors may improve their ACT and AP scores during the supplemental school year.
5. Graduated students who return for the supplemental school year are not eligible to take dual credit coursework due to their status as high school graduates.
6. All courses taken during the supplemental school year will appear on the transcript. For students repeating grade 12, those courses will have no weight on class rank or GPA. For students repeating grades 9-11, the courses will count as another school year and the classes figured into the cumulative GPA and Class Rank along with the school years already completed. The supplemental school year does not replace coursework already completed and posted to the transcript. Therefore, supplemental school year students from grades 9-11 will graduate with 5 years of coursework with each school year counting as 20% of the total GPA and Class Rank.
7. Students will have a full class schedule of 7 classes with all required courses for the repeated grade level regardless of the grade earned the first year in the class. See chart below.

| 9th Grade | 10th Grade | 11th Grade | 12th Grade |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| English 9 | English 10 or Honors English 10 | English 11 or ENG 111/ENG 112 | English 12 or AP Literature |
| US History or APUSH | World Civ or AP World History: Modern | Political Science or AP US Government & Politics | Current Math Course or Equivalent |
| Current Math Course or Equivalent | Current Math Course or Equivalent | Current Math Course or Equivalent | |
| Current Science Course or Equivalent | Current Science Course or Equivalent | Current Science Course or Equivalent | |

*Equivalent course is a course that covers the same content as the course the student took during the 20-21 school year, for example, Algebra I and Honors Algebra I are equivalent courses.

Activities and Awards

Students who participate in the supplemental school year will not be eligible for awards normally reserved for students in a particular grade level if that student has already had the opportunity to receive/participate in that award. After the supplemental school year is over, normal rules regarding awards and participation in activities will apply. Examples of grade specific awards and activities including, but not limited to, would be:

- Homecoming Court/Queen/King
- Varsity Court/Queen/King
- Valedictorian/Salutatorian
- Class Officers
- Mr/Miss Pike High
- Senior Superlatives
- Prom Court/Queen/King
- Pike County Bowl Representative
- Senior or 8th grade individual Academic Awards (CP Mims Science, Pluma Damron, etc)

Students who are participating in the supplemental school year could be named a junior high or high school graduation Marshall, but not take the place of a first-time top 10 student. Similarly, they could also receive graduation honors at high or middle school level such as Distinguished Student, summa/magna/cum laude that are not given to a single student only.

Graduation in Four Years

Supplemental school year students who later change their mind about five years of high school may still graduate in four years, but must notify the counselor in writing prior to the beginning of the 4th school year in order to be scheduled into the correct courses to receive a diploma. This means that they will be in a junior homeroom, but still eligible to graduate. Students may not by-pass the junior year due to state testing requirements. Students would be labeled as “graduating juniors”. They may participate in senior group activities, but not be eligible for individual senior honors/awards. They may still be eligible for junior honors/awards.

School Athletic Records

School Records for a game or season can be broken regardless of the year the student obtained the record.

School Records for a career will be calculated in the following way. Statistics for a player's career who elects to use SB128 will use the better of the first year or the repeat year for one of their season stats. For example, if a student repeats their junior year, they use their junior year stats or repeated junior year stats, whichever is greater for their junior year stats. For spring sports, they will add all their season stats together for their career stats because the spring of 2020 season was cancelled.

NCAA Division I Eligibility

To take coursework in order to be eligible for NCAA Division I participation upon graduation, athletes who take part in the supplemental school year must inform the counselor's office in writing by September 1, 2021. Students must take 16 courses from the approved list of NCAA High School Core Eligibility Classes in the first 8 semesters of high school and 10 of those courses in the **first 6** semesters of high school with 7 coming from English, Math, and Science. In order to meet the requirements on time, student-athletes may have to take a specially designed schedule with approved core courses in the elective spots. Core courses must come from English, math, social studies, science, and world language. Art, business, technology, physical education, etc are not NCAA core courses. The student will meet with the counselor during the first week of each semester in order to track their progress towards eligibility. The list of Core Courses for Pikeville High School can be found on the NCAA Eligibility website.

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