

# BERMUDIAN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: PROMOTION AND RETENTION

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215. PROMOTION AND RETENTION	
<p>1. Purpose</p>	<p>The Board recognizes that the emotional, social, physical and educational development of students will vary and that students should be placed in the educational setting most appropriate to their needs. The district will establish and maintain high standards for each grade and monitor student achievement in a continuous and systematic manner.</p>
<p>2. Authority SC 1531, 1532 Title 22 Sec. 4.42</p> <p>SC 1532 Pol. 213</p>	<p>The Board establishes that each student shall be moved forward in a continuous pattern of achievement and development that corresponds with the student's development, the system of grade levels, and attainment of the academic standards established for each grade.</p> <p>A student shall be promoted when s/he has successfully completed the curriculum requirements and has achieved the academic standards established for the present level, based on the professional judgement of the teachers and the results of assessments. A student shall earn the right to advance to the next grade by demonstrating mastery of the required skills and knowledge.</p>
<p>3. Delegation of Responsibility Title 22 Sec. 4.12, 4.13</p> <p>SC 1532</p>	<p>The Superintendent, in conjunction with the principals, shall develop procedures for promotion and retention of students which assure that every effort will be made to remediate the student's difficulties before the student is retained.</p> <p>The recommendation of the classroom teacher shall be required for promotion or retention of a student.</p> <p>The building principal shall be assigned the final responsibility for determining the promotion or retention of each student.</p>
<p>4. Guidelines SC 1532</p>	<p>Students who are not achieving at a level satisfactory to the expectations for their age and grade level shall be retained at the appropriate grade. Recommendations for retention shall be made by the classroom teacher(s) and approved by the building principal.</p>

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<p>Pol. 217</p> <p>Pol. 212, 213</p> <p>Pol. 213</p> <p>School Code 1531, 1532, 1611, 1613</p> <p>PA Code Title 22 Sec. 4.12, 4.13, 4.42</p> <p>Board Policy 212, 213, 217</p>	<p>In all cases of retention, the parents/guardians shall be fully involved and informed throughout the process. Parents/Guardians and students shall be informed of the possibility of retention of a student well in advance.</p> <p>No student shall be retained more than once in grades K-8, unless there are unusual circumstances that predict that a second retention would be of educational advantage to the student. Before a student is retained more than once, approval must be secured from the parent(s), and the principal must agree that there is potential for significant educational growth in such retention.</p> <p>Students in grades 9-12 shall not be retained at any grade level. Progress toward high school graduation shall be based on the student's ability to achieve the established academic standards and pass the required subjects and electives necessary to earn the number of credits mandated by the Board for graduation.</p> <p>Academic achievement, attitude, effort, work habits, behavior, attendance and other factors related to learning shall be evaluated regularly and communicated to students and parents/guardians.</p> <p>The district shall utilize multiple measures of academic performance as determinants in promotion and retention decisions.</p>
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