

## Alternative Learning Experience Programs

The board has the highest commitment toward ensuring an equal educational opportunity for every student. Therefore, the board authorizes the creation of alternative learning experience (ALE) opportunities. The district will make available to students' educational opportunities designed to meet their individual needs. The district will comply with all state requirements necessary to ensure state funding for ALE students.

ALE courses offered by the district may include:

- Site-based courses,
- Remote courses, and
- Online courses as defined in RCW 28A.150.262

The board will adopt and annually review written policies authorizing alternative learning experiences, including each alternative learning experience program and program provider.

The district establishes the following alternative programs, which are provided on-site, remote, or online, as defined in [WAC 392-550-020](#). The school district officials responsible for assuring that these programs are in compliance with state laws and reporting requirements are the Director of Business Services and the principals of the alternative schools.

Pend Oreille River School	High School: Grades 9-12
Newport Home Link	Grades K-8 High School Diploma: Grades 9-12
Newport High School	High School: Grades 9-12

### District Reporting Requirements:

The school district officials responsible for overseeing each ALE program will report at least annually to the board. This annual report will include at least the following:

- A. Documentation of ALE student headcount and full-time equivalent enrollment claimed for basic education funding;
- B. Identification of the overall ratio of certificated instructional staff to full-time equivalent students enrolled in each ALE program; and

C. A description of how the program supports the district's overall goals and objectives for student academic achievement.

**State Reporting Requirements:**

The district must report monthly to the Superintendent of Public Instruction:

- A. Accurate monthly headcount and full-time equivalent enrollment for students enrolled in alternative learning experiences; and
- B. Information about the resident and serving districts of such students.

**The District must submit annually to the Superintendent of Public Instruction:**

- A. A report detailing the costs and purposes of any expenditures made to purchase or contract for instructional or co-curricular experiences and services that are included in an ALE written student learning plan, along with the substantially similar experiences or services made available to students enrolled in the district's regular instructional program.
- B. The number of certificated instructional staff full-time equivalent assigned to each alternative learning experience program; and
- C. Enrollment of students (separately identified) where ALE instruction is provided entirely under contract pursuant to RCW 28A.150.305 and Chapter 392-121-188 WAC.

**Regular Submissions to CEDARS**

The district must report all required information to the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction's Comprehensive Education Data and Research system under RCW 28A.300.500, including designating alternative learning experience courses as such when reporting course information to the Comprehensive Education Data and Research System.

The district will submit all required annual reports to the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The superintendent/designee is directed to develop procedures consistent with Chapter 392-550 WAC to govern the administration of the district's ALE programs.

**Cross References:**           2020 - Course Design, Selection and Adoption of Instructional Materials  
                                  2024 - Online Learning  
                                  3122 - Excused and Unexcused Absences  
                                  3141 - Nonresident Students

**Legal References:**           RCW 28A.150.305 Alternative educational service providers — Student eligibility.  
                                  RCW 28A.232.010 Alternative learning experience courses — Generally — Rules — Reports.  
                                  RCW 28A.250.050 Student access to online courses and online learning programs — Policies and procedures — Course credit — Dissemination of information — Development of local or regional online learning programs.  
                                  WAC 392-121-107 Definition-Course of study  
                                  WAC 392-121-188 Instruction provided under contract  
                                  WAC 392-137-230 Length of Acceptance  
                                  Chapter 28A.225 RCW Compulsory school attendance and admission

**Management Resources:** 2018 - May Policy Issue

**2017 - April Issue**  
**2014 - February Issue**  
**2012 - October Issue**  
**2011 - October Issue**  
**2020 - August Issue**

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