Notus School District No. 135

INSTRUCTION

Advancement Requirements (9-12)

The District has established a set of advancement requirements for 9-12 grade students which will act as a guide in helping students move methodically and purposefully on a course that will eventually lead to high school graduation. Therefore, the following advancement requirements are required in the District:

- 1. A student who successfully completes any required high school course with a grade of C or higher prior to entering the 9th grade shall have that grade, and the number of credit hours assigned to the course, transferred to the student's high school transcript. The course must be from an accredited school recognized by the State Board of Education, must be taught by a certified teacher who meets the federal definition of highly qualified and must meet the same standards as those required in high school.
- 2. To advance to the 10th grade, students must earn at least 16 credits in 9th grade, 6 credits of which must be in English, math or science.
- 3. Failure to pass a 9th grade English, math or science class shall necessitate the failed course being retaken in the 9th grade even though the student may have earned enough credit to advance to the 10th grade.
- 4. Students who have failed one or more 9th grade courses may get credit for that course by retaking it during the summer.
- 5. A student who is retained in the 9th grade would normally have to repeat all classes. However, the junior and senior high principals may, through a joint agreement, allow the student to take one or more advanced courses. In the event that the principal does not agree on allowing a student to take advanced courses, the decision will be appealed to the School Board.
- 6. Students may be retained at each grade level if the following year requirements are not met by August 30:

A minimum of 16 credits is required for advancement into the 10th grade.

A minimum of 32 credits is required for advancement into the 11th grade.

A minimum of 48 credits is required for advancement into the 12th grade.

Cross Reference: 2700P High School Graduation Requirements

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-512C Encouragement of Gifted Students

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