INSTRUCTION 2395

Idaho Digital Learning Academy Classes

The Idaho Digital Learning Academy (IDLA) is a legislatively created virtual school created to provide Idaho students with greater access to an assortment of courses while working in collaboration with public schools. IDLA offers educational opportunities that meet students' changing needs and grant the student flexibility of learning anytime, any place and at a pace that meets their individual learning styles.

The District will use IDLA classes to supplement its curriculum and to provide remedial academic support.

Site Coordinator

The District will provide an individual, employed by the District, as a Site Coordinator. The Site Coordinator is to regularly motivate and monitor the progress of the student. The role of the Site Coordinator is to:

- A. Advise the student on appropriate courses for registration.
- B. Ensure that the student is completing work on a timely basis, including checking grades online every three weeks.
- C. Proctor the final exam.
- D. Facilitate communications with the student's parent/guardian regarding course progress and the IDLA instructor.

Additionally, the Site Coordinator is a contact for the IDLA instructor and IDLA staff. A Site Coordinator shall be assigned to each building, or in the alternative, each District. Anyone selected as a District Site Coordinator shall successfully complete the IDLA online Site Coordinator Course. The cost of the IDLA online Site Coordinator Course shall be paid by the District.

Student and Course Selection

District administrators, counselors and teachers will identify those students who will benefit from IDLA classes.

At the discretion of the Principal or designee, students may be selected to take IDLA courses if they:

- A. Need to make up credits in order to graduate on schedule;
- B. Are eligible for hospital or homebound programs;
- C. Are interested in advanced placement or dual credit courses;
- D. Want to supplement their curriculum by taking course(s) not offered at their school;

- E. Have scheduling conflicts;
- F. Want to accelerate their academic program by taking additional courses to facilitate early graduation; or
- G. Are excused from being physically present on the campus of their school of record for an extended period of time.

Students may be denied the privilege of IDLA enrollment if their academic and behavioral record does not indicate the academic ability and self-discipline needed to succeed in online classes.

The parent/guardian, student and principal or designee must confer and agree that the course(s) selected is (are) academically and developmentally appropriate for the student and that all prerequisites as determined by the student's school of record have been completed before registration in an IDLA course.

Ethical Conduct

Any student attending classes through IDLA shall adhere to the District's Acceptable Use of Electronic Networks policies and any acceptable use policy implemented by IDLA. Additionally, the student and the student's parent/guardian shall agree to abide by the District's and IDLA's policies prior to IDLA classes beginning.

In the event of a violation of the acceptable use policy, plagiarism, or other disciplinary issues, IDLA will notify the District. The District shall take any disciplinary measures necessary as provided in District policy.

Tuition / Fees

The District shall abide by the IDLA Fees Policy Statement provided by IDLA. The District shall pay the IDLA cost associated with students who take IDLA classes as part of their normal school day. The District will pay the tuition and registration fees for eligible students, including the cost of classes taken for credit recovery or as a retake or remedial course unless the District offers the course directly and the student makes a personal choice to take the course through IDLA instead of the District's offering.

If the student is enrolled in six or more credits or sufficient classes to qualify as full time in a District high school, the student is responsible for all tuition and registration fees to be paid to IDLA associated with over-enrollment. In other words, if the student has made a personal choice to take more than a full course-load of classes for credit, such is the personal choice and personal cost of the student/family of the student.

The student shall also be responsible for any tuition or registration fees for a course taken through IDLA which was offered by the District directly but taken via IDLA at the student's preference.

If a student wishes to enroll in an IDLA course in excess of a full course load of seven credits or sufficient classes, students may access their Advance Opportunity funds in accordance with Policy 2435 to pay for IDLA tuition.

The student and/or his/her family will reimburse the District for all fees if the student fails to complete the course with a passing grade of "D" or higher within 15 days after the grade is issued. If payment is not made within 15 days, the cost will be added to the student fee list until such time as they are paid in full.

Grading

IDLA provides a percentage grade to the local school districts. The district transcribes the credit. The grade received from any IDLA class will be averaged into the student's GPA. The student will be granted high school credit when earned through IDLA. Grade percentages in courses shall be based on such criteria as mastery of the subject, demonstrated competency, and meeting the standards set for each course.

Advanced Placement Designation on Transcript

If a student of the district takes an IDLA class, the district will specify on the student's transcript that the advanced placement course was taken through IDLA. The purpose for this is to ensure that the student's transcript reflects an approved provider of the advanced placement course, such as IDLA.

For all other requirements regarding IDLA, please refer to the Idaho Digital Learning Academy current year Fees Policy Statement or contact IDLA.

Cross References: 2435 Advanced Opportunities

3270 District Provided Access to Electronic Information, Services, and

Networks

3270P Acceptable Use of Electronic Networks 3270F Internet Access Conduct Agreement

Legal References: I.C. § 33-5502 Creation—Legislative Findings—Goal

I.C. § 33-5505 Definitions

Paulson v. Minidoka School District No. 331, 463 P.2d 935 (Idaho, 1970)

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