

Lakeland Joint School District NO. 272

INSTRUCTION

2470A

Application for Self-Directed Learner Status

Student Name: _____

Grade Level: _____

Application submitted by: _____

Relationship to Student: Student
 Parent/Guardian
 Teacher

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for designation as a self-directed learner, a student must meet each of the following criteria.

1. Demonstrate mastery according to two (2) of the following:
 - For secondary students, the most recent report card or progress report indicates at least a B grade in each subject area or a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.3.
 - For elementary students, the most recent report card or progress report must indicate at least a score of proficient or advanced in each subject area.
 - The most recent state or district-approved diagnostic assessment indicating a score supporting proficient or advanced in each tested subject area.
 - A portfolio demonstrating proficiency on the state standards.

The building principal will review the documentation submitted and the student's records to determine whether the student has met the criteria.

2. Demonstrate one year of academic growth as measured by the most recent state or district-approved diagnostic assessment. The building principal will consult the student's records to confirm whether the student has met the criteria.
3. Demonstrate timeliness in returning assignments, self-motivation, and an ability to establish goals. This must be demonstrated by the signature of one or more of the student's teachers below.

4. Demonstrate mastery of addition and multiplication for numbers 0-10, as well as related subtraction and division problems, known collectively as 'Math Facts' for students starting in Grade 5. The applicant must demonstrate this requirement is met by scoring in the 75th percentile or higher using one of the following math computation assessments:
 - a. Aimsweb Math Computation
 - b. Dibels Math Computation
 - c. Easy CBM Math Computation

The building principal will consult the student's records to confirm whether the student has met the criteria.

5. Demonstrates an informed choice of post secondary career and educational goals for students starting in Grade 8 by:
 - Completing and updating his/her student learning plan; and
 - Identifying and writing down his/her own personal life goals that include an explanation of how attending specific classes will lead to the fulfillment of these personal life goals; and
 - Supplementing his/her student learning plan with the following: (1) extended learning opportunities, (2) courses or examinations funded by advanced opportunities, or (3) any other credits or programs permitted by Idaho Code or district policies.

The building principal will consult the student's records to confirm whether the student has met the criteria.

Requirements for Flexibility

To fulfill and maintain their status as a self-directed learner, the student must:

1. Identify who will be responsible for the student when the student will be absent during the usual school day.

2. Continue to master content knowledge and skills appropriate for the student's current grade level and make one (1) year of academic growth. This will be measured by the most recent state or district-approved diagnostic assessment.

3. Make progress toward postsecondary goals if the student is in 8th grade or higher. Please describe how the student will demonstrate progress toward these goals.

4. Provide updates outlining the flexibility sought for upcoming instruction and how it will aid the student in meeting their goals. Updates must be provided every semester.

5. Comply with the District's rules regarding student conduct, except for any from which the student is specifically exempted.

Required Signatures

The following signatures must be provided with the application.

I wish to be designated as a self-directed learner in accordance with the plan and requirements laid out in this application. I will meet the District's requirements to maintain my status as a self-directed learner unless I officially request to end my designation as a self-directed learner.

Student Name (*please print*)

Student Signature

Date

I grant permission for my child to be designated as a self-directed learner in accordance with the plan and requirements laid out in this application.

Parent/Guardian Name (*please print*)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

I recommend that this student be designated as a self-directed learner. I attest that the student has demonstrated timeliness in returning assignments, self-motivation, and an ability to establish goals. As this student's teacher, I believe this designation would be appropriate and beneficial for this student.

Teacher Name (*please print*)

Teacher Signature

Date

Principal Signature

Date