

Baldwin County Public Schools Credit Recovery Plan

In accordance with the guidelines of the Alabama State Department of Education, the Baldwin County Public School System offers a credit recovery program to eligible students. Credit recovery program offerings may be limited by the availability of space, staff, and/or appropriate online or computer-based content for specific courses. **The NCAA does not permit credit recovery courses to count toward athletic eligibility.**

Student Eligibility, Admission, and Removal

Students are eligible to apply for credit recovery if they failed a course required for graduation with a final grade of 40-59 and if the same course is available in the Baldwin County credit recovery program. Alternatively, such a student can choose to repeat a course in its entirety. No honors, AP, or IB courses are available through credit recovery.

Students must complete an application to request placement in a credit recovery course. The student and parent/guardian must sign the application to consent to placement in the course and acknowledge agreement with the terms of admission, program requirements, and awareness of the limitations of credit recovery.

The cost to participate in credit recovery programs offered outside of the normal school hours and/or calendar will be equivalent to approved summer school fees if applicable. There will be no cost to participate in credit recovery offered at Baldwin County Board of Education high schools during the normal school hours and calendar.

Students may be removed from a credit recovery program at the discretion of the administrator supervising the program for circumstances involving serious or repeated misbehavior; failure to adhere to program requirements, or failure to make adequate progress toward meeting remediation or course requirements.

Instructional Content and Curriculum

Baldwin County primarily uses ACCESS for credit recovery. When ACCESS is not available, a locally-approved computer-based program is utilized. ACCESS courses are developed and approved by the Alabama State Department of Education. All credit recovery courses are aligned to the Alabama courses of study. Students participating in credit recovery will take pretests to determine specific standards that have not been met. Students will complete coursework in the areas of non-mastery. Credit recovery facilitators are adults approved by the Baldwin County Board of Education and are trained to facilitate courses. Facilitator training addresses online methodology and technical aspects of web-based instruction.

~~Credit recovery may also be offered using a locally approved computer based program. Credit recovery courses available through computer based instruction are aligned with Alabama courses of study. Students participating in computer based credit recovery will take pre-tests to determine specific standards that have not been met. Students will complete coursework in the areas of non-mastery. Computer based credit recovery facilitators are certified teachers approved by the Baldwin County Board of Education. While computer based credit recovery teachers are certified, they may not necessarily be highly qualified in the content area of the credit recovery course that they are facilitating. Computer based credit recovery teachers are trained in course organization, computer based instruction management, and related technology.~~

Course Grades and Transcripts

The final course grade posted in an ACCESS credit recovery class or computer-based credit recovery course will be used to calculate the grade that will be posted to the transcript.

The following grading formula will be used for credit recovery courses:

When Grade Earned in Credit Recovery is between 71-100, per Alabama State Department of Education guidelines, a maximum grade of 70 may be awarded for a credit recovery course.

When Actual Grade Earned in Credit Recovery Will Be Posted Directly to Transcript when actual grade earned is 0-69, the actual grade will be posted to transcript. The original failing grade will remain on the

transcript as well as the credit recovery grade and both grades will be calculated into the overall grade point average. Credit recovery courses are not weighted.

Awarding of Grades and Credits through Credit Recovery

If the student...	Then the Grade earned is no higher than
Completes <u>all lessons</u> at 70% accuracy and a minimum of 60% accuracy on <u>all tests</u> .	C (70)
Does not complete plan requirements or earn scores required to receive a letter grade, or is removed from the program for contract violations.	N (no grade)

Other student requirements include:

- Students are required to complete all assigned computer-based credit-recovery courses.
- Students are required to complete all assigned activities and assessments.
- Recovered credit will be awarded when students have completed all work and requirements set forth by BCBE credit recovery procedures.

All credit recovery courses will be identified as such on the transcript and may not be accepted by postsecondary institutions or outside organizations. NCAA does not recognize credits earned through credit recovery.