INSTRUCTION 2440

Online Courses and Alternative Credit Options

In addition to regular classroom-based instruction, students may earn credit through the following means.

Virtual/Online Courses

High School students may also earn credits to be applied toward graduation requirements by completing online courses offered through agencies approved by the State Department of Education, such as the Idaho Digital Learning Alliance. Credit from an online or virtual course may be earned online in the following circumstances:

- 1. The course is not offered at the high school;
- 2. Although the course is offered at the high school, the student will not be able to take it due to unavoidable scheduling conflicts;
- 3. The course will serve as a supplement to extend homebound instruction;
- 4. The student has been expelled from the regular school setting, but educational services are to be continued; or
- 5. The principal, with agreement from the student's teachers and parents/guardians, determined the student requires a differentiated or accelerated learning environment;

Express approval of the principal/designee shall be obtained before a student enrolls in a virtual course. The school must receive an official record of the final grade before credit toward graduation will be recognized.

Correspondence Courses

The District will permit a student to enroll in an approved correspondence course from an institution approved by the State Department of Education, in order that such a student may include a greater variety of learning experiences within the student's educational program.

Only courses offered by institutions recognized by the Board will be accepted. The express approval of the principal shall be obtained before the course is taken.

Credit for correspondence courses may be granted provided the following requirements are met:

- 1. Prior permission has been granted by the principal; and
- 2. The program fits the education plan submitted by the regularly enrolled student.

An official record of the final grade must be received by the school before a diploma may be issued to the student.

Cross Reference: 2700 - 2700P High School Graduation Requirements

3030 Dual Enrollment 3050 Attendance

Legal Reference: I.C. §33-5501, et seq. Idaho Digital Learning Alliance

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