ORIGINAL HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT AND RECOVERY OPPORTUNITIES

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to enable eligible high school students to earn original credit or to recover credits necessary to fulfill graduation requirements within four years of high school education. Students may be eligible to earn credits through a variety of Indian River School District-approved alternative routes to graduation.

Definitions

For the purpose of this policy, the following shall be defined as:

"Original Credit" is credit earned through successful completion of district-approved high school, Academic Challenge, dual enrollment, and/or competency-based courses.

"Recovery Credit" is credit earned for successful completion of courses that a student previously failed, or was denied credit for due to a district attendance policy (Policy JE) violation.

Policy

IRSD high school students are given ample opportunities to enroll in the courses needed for graduation and are able to successfully complete these courses for original credit in a timely manner. However, there are some high school students (grades 9-12) who may have additional challenges that make them eligible to enroll in a district-approved alternative route to graduation program, to fulfill their graduation requirements

Approval from the student's principal, and the Director of Secondary Education is required for student participation in any alternative route to graduation program. If approval is granted, a contract between the district, the student, and the parent(s)/guardian(s) will be required.

High school students in need of a credit recovery course to stay on track to graduate in 4 years, must have earned a minimum final grade of 55 in the original course, demonstrated satisfactory attendance, and consistently followed established classroom and school rules and procedures.

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