

West Bonner County School District

STUDENTS

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Programs for At-Risk/Disadvantaged Students

The District will designate one (1) at-risk coordinator to collect and disseminate data regarding drop-outs in the District and to coordinate the District's program for students who are at high risk of dropping out of school.

Each school year, the at-risk coordinator will prepare a dropout reduction plan that identifies:

1. the number of District students who dropped out in the preceding regular school term;
2. the number of students in grades 1-12 who are at risk of dropping out;
3. the District's dropout rate goal for the next school year;
4. the dropout reduction programs, resources and strategies to be used during the school year.

The Board will review and approve the plan annually.

At-Risk Students

In determining whether a student is at high risk of dropping out of school, the District will consider the student's academic and attendance performance as well as whether the student is adjudged delinquent; abuses drugs or alcohol; is a student of limited English proficiency; receives compensatory or remedial education; is sexually, physically or psychologically abused; is pregnant or a parent; is an emancipated youth, is a previous drop-out, is a court or agency referral; stops attending school before the end of the school year; is an underachiever; is unmotivated; or exhibits other characteristics that indicate the student is at high risk of dropping out of school.

Programs and District Plan

The District will provide a remedial and support program for any student who is at risk of dropping out of school.

The District will have a plan designed to retain students in a school setting. The District plan will be the responsibility of the Superintendent or the designated at-risk coordinator and will:

1. emphasize a comprehensive team approach that includes the Superintendent, principal, parent/guardian, teacher, student, community service provider, business representative, or others;

2. include objectives designed to meet the identified needs of at-risk students and to retain those students in school;
3. be designed to use community resources that are available to serve at-risk youth;
4. provide for parental involvement, such as participation in developing student academic plans and training programs for parents; and
5. provide for review of individual profiles for at-risk students.

The District plan may also:

1. include alternatives; and
2. provide for the referral of students who drop out to other programs;

Alternative high school programs conducted during the school year will be conducted off-site or scheduled at a time when school is not in session and shall comply with the State Board of Education Rules Governing Thoroughness (IDAPA 08.02.03.110).

Legal Reference: IDAPA 08.02.03.110 Alternative Secondary Programs

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