



Credit Information

The Independence School District has adopted a credit system for the middle school program. Students earn credits for each class they pass. Each semester's class is worth a half credit. There are a total of six credits possible for the school year.

Students must earn a minimum of 4.5 out of 6 credits during the school year in order to successfully pass his/her grade level. Three of the 4.5 credits must be in CORE content classes. CORE content classes include ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies.

Students that do not earn the necessary credits by the end of the school year will be required to attend summer school for credit recovery, or risk having to repeat the same grade level the following year.

(See example on page 2)

Example of student schedule and credits earned:

Semester 1			Semester 2		
Class	Grade	Credit	Class	Grade	Credit
ELA	A	0.5	ELA	B	0.5
Math	F	0	Math	C	0.5
Science	B	0.5	Science	B	0.5
Social Studies	C	0.5	Social Studies	A	0.5
Elective	A	0.5	Elective	B	0.5
PE/Health	B	0.5	PE/Health	A	0.5
Total Credits S1		2.5	Total Credits S2		3.0
Core Credits S1		1.5	Core Credits S2		2

Based on this student's schedule, the student earned a total of 5.5 credits for the school year. The student also earned 3.5 CORE credits. This student would meet the credit requirements for the school year to successfully pass.