

INSTRUCTION

6:280 Grading and Promotion

The Superintendent shall establish a system of grading and reporting academic achievement to students and the students' parents/guardians. The system shall also determine when promotion requirements are met. The decision to promote a student to the next grade level shall be based on successful completion of the curriculum, attendance, and performance on the standardized tests required by the Ill. State Board of Education (ISBE) and/or other assessments. A student shall not be promoted based upon age or any other social reason not related to academic performance. Students who are not promoted will be offered additional assistance.

Decisions relative to retention, promotion, or double promotion shall be made in the best interests of the total child. While teachers and Principals should confer fully with parents or other custodial adults regarding these matters, the Building Principal in consultation with the Principal's staff shall make the final decisions.

Students with IEP's will be promoted based upon their performance identified in their IEP. Students shall not be retained based upon their ML classification.

Every teacher shall maintain an evaluation record for each student in the teacher's classroom. A District administrator cannot change the final grade assigned by the teacher without notifying the teacher. Reasons for changing a student's final grade include:

- A miscalculation of test scores,
- A technical error in assigning a particular grade or score,
- The teacher agrees to allow the student to do extra work that may impact the grade,
- An inappropriate grading system used to determine the grade, or
- An inappropriate grade based on an appropriate grading system.

Should a grade change be made, the administrator making the change must sign the changed record.

LEGAL REF.:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.64a-5, 5/10-20.9a, 5/10-21.8, and 5/27-27.

CROSS REF.: 6:110 (Programs for Students At Risk of Academic Failure and/or Dropping Out of School and Graduation Incentives Program), 6:340 (Student Testing and Assessment Program), 7:50 (School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools)

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