HEWLETT-WOODMERE UFSD **Policy 4750**

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( ) Local
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PROMOTION AND RETENTION

The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility to provide an educational program which encourages and assists each student to continue to excel along a path of academic achievement in harmony with their social, physical, and emotional development. The Superintendent of Schools, in conjunction with the building principals and District administrators, shall establish regulations for placing students in learning situations that afford them the best possible opportunity for success.

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Section 1709

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HEWLETT-WOODMERE UFSD **Policy #4750 Regulation**

In accordance with Board Policy, the District's primary mission is to provide for all of its students a curriculum and an environment which are designed to maximize their intellectual development. At the same time the District recognizes that each child is unique, and therefore should help each achieve intellectual, social, physical, and emotional growth.

In order to progress to the ninth grade, an eighth-grade student must have satisfactorily completed three of the four major eighth-grade subjects: English, mathematics, science, and social studies. A student failing two or more major subjects may attend summer school or an approved equivalent program and give evidence of successful completion.

When a student does not satisfy the general promotion criteria, the building principal may convene a team to conduct a case conference to determine whether promotion with appropriate academic and/or social-emotional support is in the student's best interest. The team shall consider multiple measures including academic achievement, recent performance, rate of progress, attendance, age, social and emotional development, teacher recommendations, intervention history, changes in instructional program or placement, summer school performance, and other relevant individual circumstances. No single factor shall be determinative. The building principal shall make the final determination consistent with applicable law and regulations.

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