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# CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION BL08.22

Promotion and Retention

Certificate and Transfers

When a pupil in any public school completes the prescribed program of studies of the eighth grade, s/he is entitled to a certificate of completion signed by the teacher. The certificate shall entitle the pupil to admission into any public high school. Any promotions or credits earned in attendance in any approved public school are valid in any other public school. In case a pupil transfers from the school of one district to the school of another district, s/he may not be assigned to a lower grade or course until the pupil has demonstrated that s/he is not suited for the work in the grade or course to which s/he has been promoted.1

A student who has completed the requirements established by the State Department of Education for a vocational program shall receive a vocational certificate of completion specifying the areas of competence.1

Diplomas

Upon successful completion of all state and Board requirements, the student shall receive a diploma indicating graduation from high school.1

Promotion/Retention

Each school shall determine criteria for student progress through the school’s program. The criteria shall reflect mastery of state-required capacities and be aligned with the Kentucky Performance Rating for Educational Progress (K-PREP).

A student may advance through the primary program without regard to age if the District determines that s/he has acquired the academic and social skills taught in kindergarten and that advancement would be in his/her best educational interest. Successful completion of the primary program, as determined by methods set out in Kentucky Administrative Regulations, shall be a prerequisite for a child's entrance into the fourth grade.

No student may be retained without prior consultation with the parents and approval of the Principal. The final decision to promote or retain shall be made by the Principal.

Students With Disabilities

In cases which involve students with disabilities, the procedures mandated by federal and state law for studentswith disabilitiesshall be followed.2

References:

1KRS 158.140; KRS 158.860

2P. L. 105‑17

KRS 158.031; KRS 158.645; KRS 158.6451; KRS 158.6453

KRS 160.1592; KRS 160.345

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Related Policies:

08.113, 08.222, 08.5, 09.121