STUDENTS

Nonpublic School Students, Including Private, Parochial and Home-Schooled Students

Part Time Attendance

The District will accept nonpublic school students, including private, parochial, or home school students, who reside within the District for part-time attendance in the District's regular education program, provided they comply with the District's registration procedures, and there is sufficient space in the school/class. Written requests for part-time attendance must be submitted by the non-public school principal or the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) to the Building Principal of the school in the school attendance area where the student resides.

A student accepted for partial enrollment must comply with all discipline and attendance requirements established by the District. He or she may participate in any co-curricular activity associated with a District class in which he or she is enrolled. The parent(s)/guardian(s) of a student accepted for partial enrollment must pay all fees, pro-rated on the basis of a percentage of full-time fees. Transportation to and/or from school is provided on regular bus routes to or from a point on the route nearest or most easily accessible to the nonpublic school or student's home. This transportation shall be on the same basis as the District provides transportation for its full-time students. Transportation on other than established bus routes is the responsibility of the parent(s)/guardian(s).

Part-time students will receive letter grades, where applicable, for every class successfully completed. However, part-time students shall not be included in the District's class ranking or honor roll.

Students with a Disability

The District will accept for part-time attendance those students with disabilities who live within the District and are enrolled in nonpublic schools. Written requests must be submitted by the student's parent(s)/guardian(s). Special educational services shall be provided to such students as soon as possible after identification, evaluation and placement procedures provided by State law, but no later than the beginning of the next school semester following the completion of such procedures. Transportation for such students shall be provided only if required in the child's individualized educational program on the basis of the child's disabling condition or as the special education program location may require.

Assignment When Enrolling Full-Time in a District School

Grade placement by, and academic credits earned at, a nonpublic school will be accepted if the school has a Certificate of Nonpublic School Recognition from the Illinois State Board of Education, or, if outside Illinois, if the school is accredited by the state agency governing education.

A student who, after receiving instruction in a non-recognized or non-accredited school, enrolls in the District will: 1) be assigned to a grade level according to academic proficiency, and/or 2) have academic credits recognized by the District if the student demonstrates appropriate academic proficiency to the school administration. Any portion of a student's transcript relating to such instruction will not be considered for placement on the honor roll or computation in class rank.

Notwithstanding the above, recognition of grade placement and academic credits awarded by a nonpublic school is at the sole discretion of the District. All school and class assignments will be made according to Board policy 7:30, *Student Assignment and Intra-District Transfer* as well as administrative procedures implementing this policy.

Extracurricular Activities, Including Interscholastic Competition

A non-public school student who resides within the District and is enrolled in the District on less than a full-time basis may participate in all extracurricular activities if the following requirements are met:

- 1. A written request to participate is submitted to the Principal of the school the student attends or would attend if he/she enrolled on a full-time basis.
- 2. Students who participate in an extracurricular activity governed by the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) must be officially enrolled in the school in which the participation occurs.
- 3. Except for incoming ninth graders, the student must take a minimum of <u>25 credit hours (5 classes)</u> a week both the semester prior and the semester during extracurricular participation, and meet the academic eligibility requirements of the IHSA, if applicable. These classes may be taken in District 308, in the private school, or in a combination of both.
- 4. Courses that a student takes in the private school to meet the above eligibility requirements must be approved by the Director of Secondary Education. Approval will be based on a review of the course description and learning expectations of each course for which the credit will be given. All courses accepted for eligibility must be deemed equal to the published course descriptions and learning expectations of comparable District 308courses.
- 5. Courses accepted for eligibility purposes will be recorded on official District 308 transcripts with the grades provided by the private school.
- 6. The private school teacher / administrator, or the parent in the case of a home schooled student, shall report the status for all courses taken in the private school and for which credit will be given by District 308 to the appropriate Athletic Director within District 308 on the same terms as reported by teachers in District 308 schools. Failure of the applicable private school teacher / administrator or parent to comply with this requirement shall disqualify the student from participation for the applicable time period.

A private school student who participates in an extracurricular activity is subject to all policies, rules and regulations applicable to other student participants in the activity.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/10-20.24 and 5/14-6.01.

CROSS REF: 4:110 (Transportation), 6:170 (Title 1 Programs), 6:190 (Extracurricular Co-Curricular Activities), 6:320 (Credit for Proficiency), 7:30 (Student Assignment), 7:300 (Extracurricular Athletics)

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