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CREDIT FLEXIBILITY

The Board recognizes that an effective educational program is one that provides opportunities for students to customize aspects of their learning around their respective needs and interests. Credit flexibility is one method to motivate and increase student learning by allowing access to more resources, customization around individual student needs and the use of multiple measures of learning.

Credit flexibility shifts the focus from "seat time" to performance. The intent of credit flexibility is to meet increased expectations for high school graduation in response to globalization, technology and demographics, and to meet the demand for 21st century skills.

In accordance with State law, the District must develop and implement a credit flexibility plan. Seventh or eighth grade students may meet curriculum requirements or students ready for high school courses may earn high school graduation credit by:

- 1. demonstrating subject area competency through the completion of traditional course work;
- 2. testing out of or showing mastery of course content through the pursuit of an approved educational option and/or
- 3. any combination of the above.

The Superintendent/designee develops the District's credit flexibility plan consistent with the provisions of the following regulation.

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CROSS REFS.: IGAD, Career-Technical Education

IGBH, Alternative School Programs IGCB, Experimental Programs

IGCD, Educational Options (Also LEB)

IGCF, Home Instruction

IGCH, Postsecondary Enrollment Options (Also LEC)

IGE, Adult Education Programs

IKA, Grading Systems

IKE, Promotion and Retention of Students

IKEB, Acceleration

IKF, Graduation Requirements