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6:320 High School Credit for Proficiency

Proficiency Credits

Subject to the limitations in this policy and State law, the Superintendent or designee is authorized to establish and approve a program for granting credit for proficiency with the goal of allowing a student who would not benefit from a course because the student is proficient in the subject area to receive credit without having to take the course. A student who demonstrates competency under this program will receive course credit for the applicable course and be excused from any requirement to take the course as a graduation prerequisite. No letter grade will be given for purposes of the student's cumulative grade point average. The Superintendent or designee shall notify students of the availability of and requirements for receiving proficiency credit.

The program for granting credit for proficiency may allow, as the Superintendent deems appropriate, course credit to be awarded on the basis of a local examination to a student who has achieved the necessary proficiency through independent study or work taken in or through another institution. Proficiency testing may also be used to determine eligible credit for other subjects whenever students enter from non-graded schools, non-recognized or non-accredited schools, or were in a homeschooling program.

LEGAL REF .:

105 ILCS 5/10-22.43, 5/10-22.43a, and 5/27-60522, and 5/27-24.3 PRESSPlus1

23 III.Admin.Code §1.460; Part 680, State Seal of Biliteracy.

CROSS REF.: 6:300 (Graduation Requirements), 6:310 (High School Credit for Non-District Experiences; Course Substitutions; Re-Entering Students), 6:315 (High School Credit for Students in Grade 7 or 8)

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PRESSPlus Comments

PRESSPlus 1. Updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/27-605, amended by P.A. 104-387 and amended and renumbered by P.A. 104-391, allowing students to choose one year of career and technical education to meet a high school graduation requirement. **Issue 120, October 2025**