

ADMISSION OF TRANSFER STUDENTS**(Academic Credit Transfer)**

Academic credit for students who transfer from private or public schools shall be determined on a uniform and consistent basis.

Elementary

Academic credit for placement in the common school subjects and grades shall be based upon teacher recommendations and previous grade level assignments subject to the determination that the student can meet the standards adopted by the State Board of Education for the grade level assignment.

Credit for Graduation Requirements

Core credit for purposes of this policy shall be the eleven and one half (11 1/2) units of credit specifically named as required for graduation by the State Board of Education in R7-2-302.04.

~~Each student who enrolls and requests the transfer of academic credits to fulfill graduation requirements shall be provided with a list specifying the courses for which credit has been accepted as core credit and those for which credit has been accepted as elective by the District. Transferred credit that satisfies any of the following criteria will be acceptable for fulfilling District core credit requirements and other specified courses required for graduation:~~

- ~~• The credit meets descriptors of core credit or other requirements and was from a course taught by a teacher certificated by the Arizona Department of Education in the subject or area of the credit.~~
- ~~• Awarding of the credit was based upon an assessment that included the standards adopted by the State Board of Education and evidence of the student having achieved the standards is provided.~~
- ~~• The credit meets descriptors of core credit or other requirements and was awarded by a school accredited by one (1) of the following accrediting agencies of colleges and schools; North Central Association, Southern Association, Middle States Association, New England Association, Northwestern Association, Western Association.~~

The District shall provide to a student who transfers credit from a charter school, school district or Arizona online instruction a list that indicates which credits have been accepted as either elective or core credits by the District.

Within ten (10) school days after receiving the list, a student may request to take an examination in each particular course in which core credit has been denied. The District shall accept the credit as a core credit for each particular course in which the student takes an examination and receives a passing score on a test, aligned to the competency requirements adopted pursuant to this section, designed and evaluated by a teacher in the District who teaches the subject matter on which the examination is based. ~~When transfer credit is not accepted as a core credit, within ten (10) school days the student may request to take an examination on the course subject matter designed and evaluated by a teacher in the receiving school who is certificated in and teaches the subject matter of the course for which the credit was requested. Upon receiving a satisfactory score as determined by the teacher, course credit will be awarded as core credit. All core credit courses must meet the standards adopted by the State Board of Education where such standards exist. Where standards have not been adopted by the State Board of Education, core credit courses must meet the standards established for the school to which the student has requested a transfer of credit.~~

The District may not charge a fee to a student who takes an examination in a particular course to obtain academic credit, pursuant to section 15-701.01, subsection i, from the District if the academic credit for a course was previously earned in an Arizona online instruction course or at any public school in this state. Any test administered pursuant to this subsection shall be an assessment that is aligned to the course relevant state academic standards.

If a student is enrolled in the District and that student also participates in Arizona online instruction between May 1 and July 31, the District shall not require proof of payment as a condition of the District accepting credits earned from the online course provider.

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