

## **5050 PROMOTION AND RETENTION OF STUDENTS**

### Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance to professional staff, parents and students regarding student grade level and promotion and retention.

The school board expects all students to achieve at an acceptable level of proficiency. Parental assistance, tutorial and remedial programs, and other appropriate services shall be made known to parents and be coordinated and utilized to the greatest extent possible to help students succeed in school.

### Promotion

Students who achieve at a level deemed acceptable by local and state standards shall be promoted to the next grade level each year. Promotion typically occurs at the end of each school year, but may occur at other times.

### Retention

Students who do not achieve at a level deemed acceptable by local and state standards shall be retained at the current grade level, when professional staff and parents feel that it is in the best interest of the student. Scholastic ability and achievement, physical development, maturity, cultural norms, emotional factors as well as attendance and age shall be considered.

References: Minn Stat. 123B.143 Subd. 1 Superintendent  
6095 Curriculum Requirements at Elementary, Middle and High School  
6098 Credit for Learning  
6099 Appeal Process Concerning the Profile of Learning

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