Instruction BP 6155

CLASS EXAMINATIONS/CHALLENGING COURSES BY EXAMINATION

Challenging Courses by Examination

Note: 4 AAC 06.065 requires that districts develop a written policy regarding the grading or evaluation of successfully challenged courses. It also requires that districts provide an opportunity for secondary students to challenge certain courses not later than July 1, 2015. A district is to develop standards regarding the degree of mastery necessary to successfully challenge a course.

The School Board recognizes that students have unique and varied backgrounds and may already possess the skills and knowledge covered by a particular course. Students in grades 9 through 12 will be provided the opportunity to challenge approved courses by examination. Course challenges are available for courses offered by the district, in math, language arts, science, social studies and world language. The district will give full credit for a course to a student who successfully challenges the course by demonstrating mastery of the subject.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish an assessment tool and standards for demonstrating course mastery; as well as procedures for course challenges.

Legal Reference:

ALASKA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 4 AAC 06.065 Challenging courses