**TEST SELECTION** 

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for development or selection of tests to be used to grant credit to students without prior instruction in a subject area or grade level. Whether tests are developed by the District or purchased from a source approved by the State Board of Education, each examination shall thoroughly test the essential knowledge and skills in the applicable grade level or subject area.

TEST DATES

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a schedule of dates when examinations for acceleration shall be administered and shall ensure that such dates are published in the student handbook and in other District publications, as appropriate.

REGISTRATION

A student planning to take an examination for acceleration shall be required to register with the principal or designee at least 30 days prior to the scheduled testing date on which the student wishes to take the test.

**FEES** 

The District shall not charge for an examination for acceleration on the published dates or alternate dates. The District may deny a parent's or student's request for an alternate examination or alternate date. If the District grants a request for an alternate exam, it may use a test purchased by the parent or student from a source approved by the State Board of Education.

CREDIT APPROVAL

Approval of credit or advancement on the basis of an examination for acceleration shall be by the Superintendent or designee, in accordance with State Board rules.

KINDERGARTEN ACCELERATION The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures to allow a student not six years old at the beginning of the school year to be placed initially in first grade. Criteria for acceleration may include:

- 1. Scores on readiness test(s) and/or achievement test(s) that may be administered by appropriate District personnel.
- 2. Recommendation of the kindergarten or preschool the student has attended.
- 3. Chronological age and observed social and emotional development of the student.
- 4. Other criteria deemed appropriate by the principal and Superintendent.