Instruction AR 6146.11(a)

## ALTERNATIVE CREDITS TOWARD GRADUATION

Alternative credits awarded by other institutions will be posted to the student's transcript as of the date earned upon receipt of an official transcript or transcripts provided directly by the granting institution.

1. Supervised Work Experience Education (Education Code 51760, 46 144, 49110-49118; 5CCR, 10070)

(cf. <u>6178.1</u> - Work Based Learning)

Students shall be granted up to 10 credits in any one semester or a total of 40 credits for supervised work experience education. At the time of enrollment, the student must be at least 16 years of age or meet one or more of the following conditions:

- a. The student is enrolled in grade 11 or a higher grade.
- b. The principal of the school in which the student is enrolled certifies that the student is in need of immediate work experience education in order to pursue employment opportunities.
- c. The principal of the school in which the student is enrolled certifies that there is a probability that the student will no longer be enrolled as a full-time student without being provided the opportunity to enroll in a work experience education program.
- d. The student's individualized education program prescribes the type of training for which participation in a work experience program is deemed appropriate.

During enrollment in the program, the student must receive a minimum of the equivalent of one instructional period per week of classroom instruction or counseling by a certificated employee. The instruction or counseling shall be offered in sessions scheduled intermittently throughout the semester.

2. Career technical education classes offered in high school (Education Code <u>51225.3</u>)

(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)

3. Regional Occupational Programs (Education Code 52310)

Credits earned from courses completed in a regional occupation program may be applied toward fulfillment of requirements for a high school diploma.

4. The district's Independent Study Programs (Education Code 51745)

## **ALTERNATIVE CREDITS TOWARD GRADUATION** (continued)

Students enrolled in independent study programs operated under the district's authority may receive credits in accordance with AR 6158, Independent Study.

5. Postsecondary Institution (Education Code 48800; 5CCR 1630)

Students shall be granted credit for coursework successfully completed at a community or state college provided that:

- a. The student makes written application for the credit.
- b. The course subject is included in the high school course of study.
- c. The student has not graduated from college and requests that the credit be disallowed by the authorities of the college as credit toward graduation from college.
- d. The credit is allowed at the rate of 3 1/3 (three and one-third) semester credits for each credit hour earned in college. (Education Code 51740)
- 6. Correspondance Instruction (Education Code 51740; 5CCR 1633)

Prior to registering for a correspondence course, the student or his/her parent/guardian shall obtain verification from the Superintendent or designee that the course is essentially equivalent to the high school curriculum and meets district graduation requirements. The number of semester credits assigned to the course shall be determined before the student begins coursework.

Students shall be granted credit, not to exceed 40 credits, for correspondence instruction coursework successfully completed under the following conditions:

- a. The University of California, or other university or college in California accredited for teacher training, provides the correspondence-instruction in subjects included within or related to the course of study offered in the school.
- b. The student is, for good reason, unable to take the course of study offered in the school.
- c. The principal or designee determines the number of credits for successful completion of a particular correspondence course.
- 7. Private Instruction through an accredited institution (5CCR 1631)

## **ALTERNATIVE CREDITS TOWARD GRADUATION** (continued)

8. Juvenile Court School (Education Code 48645.5)

The district shall accept for credit any coursework satisfactorily completed by a student while in a juvenile court school.

9. Military Service and Training

Credit toward graduation shall be granted for military service and training received while in the military service of the United States, within the maximum limits established in 5 CCR <u>1634</u>. A person is eligible for this credit if he/she is either: (Education Code <u>51440</u>; 5 CCR <u>1634</u>)

- a. A former member of the Armed Forces who is a California resident and who has received an honorable discharge
- b. A member of the Armed Forces who is a California resident and was a California resident on the date he/she entered the Armed Forces

The Superintendent or designee shall keep a permanent record of the credit allowed for military service or training. (5 CCR <u>1634</u>)

(cf. <u>5125</u> - Student Records)

10. Private School Foreign Language Instruction (Education Code 51243)

Students shall be granted credit, not to exceed 40 credits, for successfully completing private school foreign language courses if the following conditions are met:

- a. The courses are in the languages designated in Education Code 51244.
- b. The student or parent/guardian applies in writing for the credit, specifies the private school attended and the amount and level of credit requested, and submits written evidence from the private school showing that the student successfully completed the course.
- c. The amount of credit sought equals at least one semester's work.
- d. The principal or designee determines that the student's achievement is equivalent to that expected of a student of comparable ability taking the same or similar instruction in district schools. This determination shall be based upon the private school's report of a test developed by the private school in cooperation with the district or, if the private school is located outside the district, the principal or designee may use a test given by a public school or other evidence which he/she deems appropriate.

## **ALTERNATIVE CREDITS TOWARD GRADUATION** (continued)

11. District Summer School Program (Education Code 37252)

Students successfully completing summer school courses will receive credits under Board Policy 6177. Enrollment priority will be given to students repeating a course for remediation.

12. District Adult School (Education Code 52500)

Concurrent students enrolled under BP 6200 may earn adult school credit.

Academic High School Courses

Students may receive credit when courses are repeated to strengthen academic skills. The student's transcript will include both courses and grades, and both the original grade and the grade in the repeated course will be used to calculate the student's grade point average.

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