

## PROMOTION

### Promotion Standards Grades K-5

In order to be promoted to the next grade students in Grades K-5 are expected to demonstrate mastery of the West Virginia College and Career Readiness Standards in English Language Arts and Mathematics.

In grades K-2, students working below grade level in English Language Arts and Mathematics may be considered for retention.

### Promotion Standards Grades 6-8

In grades 6-8, students may be considered for retention if they fail to demonstrate mastery of the West Virginia College and Career Readiness Standards in English Language Arts, Mathematics or a combination of Science and Social Studies. A student must receive a grade of "**D**" or above for the year to be considered as passing.

### Exceptions

In grades K-8, if a student does not meet passing criteria, that student may still be considered for promotion based upon review and recommendations by the Student Assistance Team (SAT) and approval by the Director of Curriculum and Instruction. The SAT and the Director of Curriculum and Instruction shall take into consideration the results of a Light's Retention Scale study of the student.

In grades K-8, if a student has been deemed eligible for an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) the student's IEP team shall make the determination for retention in collaboration with the Director of Special Programs.

A student may not be retained more than once at any programmatic level.

A student who is retained in grades K-4 will be placed in the homeroom determined by the SAT. The SAT will develop a support plan responsive to the root causes for the retention for the ensuing school year.

Any school recommending a second retention for a student must have prior approval from the Director of Curriculum and Instruction.

### Grades 9-12

In grades 9-12, students earn credits towards high school graduation rather than receive promotion from one grade to another.

Students will be classified as follows:

Grade 9	First Year High School Entry
Grade 10	4 Credits Completed
Grade 11	12 Credits Completed
Grade 12	20 Credits Completed*

\* A student may be considered a senior with fewer than 20 credits if the following provisions are adhered to:

- Provided a plan is developed by the Student Assistance Team;
- Provided the plan if implemented accordingly will afford the student an opportunity to graduate at the conclusion of the school year; and
- Provide the plan is approved by the principal.

Students must successfully complete 24 credits in order to graduate from Pleasants County Schools. To graduate, students are required to meet the Graduation Requirements imposed by the West Virginia State Board of Education Policy 2510.

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