

Transfer Between Schools

The following guidelines shall be used when students are transferring to Marion School District from accredited, non-accredited, and home schools:

1. Any student transferring from a school accredited by the Department of Education to Marion School District shall be placed into the same grade the student would have been in had the student remained in the former school.
2. Any student transferring from a home school or from a school that is not accredited by the Department of Education shall be evaluated for grade and subject placement by the school's staff and/or building principal.
3. Students transferring from home schools or from non-accredited schools who receive credit will not have letter grades recorded on permanent records. The name of the subject followed by the words "Home School Instruction" or "Non-accredited instruction" followed by CR (credit) will be recorded on the student's permanent record.
4. Grade point averages will be computed by using only grades earned at an accredited school. 5. Students in grades 9 - 12 from home schooling or non-accredited schools must provide the school with their most recent standardized achievement test scores. A student's scoring below the 50th percentile in a given achievement area shall be subject to testing by the school's designee. Such a student must score 60% or more on a school designed test for each subject in which the student wishes to receive academic credit. For performance type courses, the school may designate auditions in lieu of written examinations whenever appropriate. Subject area examinations will be developed from the state approved frameworks.
6. In situations where a student is transferring from a non-accredited school or a home school and where local testing is required, every effort will be made to expedite a student's placement. However, the school reserves the right to withhold final placement until such time as testing and placement recommendations are complete.