

SUBJECT: TRANSFER STUDENTS/CREDIT

A student who enters a District school from another state, another country, or another New York State school is considered to be a transfer student. Students who have been receiving home instruction and enroll in the School District are also considered to be transfer students.

It is the responsibility of the High School Principal to evaluate the transcript or other records of a transfer student enrolling in a District high school, and award the appropriate units of transfer credit towards a high school diploma. However, when a student transfers from a registered New York State high school to a (registered) District high school, the Principal **must** transfer credit for all credit awarded by such registered New York State high school.

Additionally, the Principal, after consulting with relevant faculty, may award transfer credit for work done at other educational and cultural institutions and for work done through independent study. The decision should be based on whether the student's record indicates that the work is consistent with New York State commencement level learning standards and is of comparable scope and quality to that which would have been done in the school awarding the credit.

Transfer students **must** meet all the units of credit requirements for a diploma. While Principals have considerable discretion in reviewing a student's record, they cannot waive the units of credit requirements for a diploma. The assessment requirements a student must meet to earn a diploma are based on the year in which the student entered grade 9 for the first time in New York State or in an out-of-state or out-of-country school. Transfer students who are *exempted* from taking -specific State assessments must have their transcripts and permanent records so annotated.

Interscholastic athletic eligibility requirements for transfer students shall be in accordance with the rules enumerated in the most recent New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) Handbook.

8 New York Code of Rules and Regulations (NYCRR) Part 100

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