

SUBJECT: MIDDLE SCHOOL PROMOTION POLICY**Seventh to Eighth Grade**

In general, students in seventh grade are expected to pass all four (4) basic academic subjects (English, mathematics, science, and social studies) in order to be promoted to the eighth grade. A student must pass three (3) of the four (4) academic subjects in order to be promoted. In the event a student fails one (1) of the four (4) academic courses, he/she will be encouraged to attend summer school to successfully complete the course.

If the student passes summer school, he/she may proceed to the eighth grade course. If the student either fails summer school or does not attend summer school, he/she will be required to take a tutorial course in the failed subject during the eighth grade concurrent with the same eighth grade subject.

During the eighth grade, the student in the tutorial may demonstrate proficiency through examination at mid-year by taking a test on the entire seventh grade course. If the student passes the proficiency exam, he/she may drop the tutorial for the second semester or may voluntarily choose to remain in the tutorial for extra assistance in the eighth grade subject matter. If the student fails the proficiency exam, he/she is required to stay in the tutorial for the remainder of the year and be re-examined on the seventh grade course at the completion of the year.

A seventh grade student who fails two (2) academic courses must attend summer school for both courses and must meet the promotion criteria to pass to the eighth grade. If the student does not meet the promotion criteria, he/she is retained in the seventh grade.

A seventh grade student who fails three (3) academic courses must successfully complete at least two (2) academic courses during summer school in order to be promoted. All other promotional criteria will apply.

Eighth to Ninth Grade

In general, students in the eighth grade are expected to pass all four (4) basic academic subjects (English, mathematics, science, and social studies) in order to be promoted to the ninth grade. A student must pass three (3) of the four (4) academic subjects in order to be promoted. In the event a student fails one (1) of the four (4) academic courses, he/she will be encouraged to attend summer school to successfully complete the course.

If the student passes summer school, he/she may proceed to the ninth grade course. If the student either fails summer school or does not attend summer school, he/she will be required to take a tutorial course in the failed subject during the ninth grade concurrent with the same ninth grade subject.

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An eighth grade student who fails two (2) academic courses must attend summer school for both courses and must meet the promotion criteria to pass on to the ninth grade. If the student does not meet the promotion criteria, he/she is retained in the eighth grade.

An eighth grade student who fails these academic courses must successfully complete at least two (2) academic courses during summer school in order to be promoted. All other promotional criteria will apply.

Any eighth grade student who fails the same subject two (2) years in a row (end of seventh grade and end of eighth grade) must pass summer school in that subject or take a full year of ninth grade tutorial before taking the ninth grade credit-bearing course.

Procedure for Students Failing More Than One (1) Academic Course and Two (2) or More Non-Academic Courses

Student's who fall in this category must appear before a committee which includes the Building Principal, counselor(s) the teachers involved, and any other pertinent school personnel for a total program review and recommendation. The parent or guardian must be present. The Building Principal will review the committee's recommendation and make a final decision.

All promotion is subject to the Building Principal's approval.