

## DISTANCE LEARNING

Distance learning includes virtual or online courses. A student enrolled in a distance-learning course, including a virtual or online course, may receive high school credit for work completed, provided:

1. The course is offered by an institution approved by the Superintendent;
2. The provider and the course are approved by the South Dakota Department of Education; and
3. The building principal approves the course in advance.

Other considerations for students to be eligible to take distance learning courses include, but are not limited to the following:

1. The student must have at least 10 credits.
2. The cost for the course will be paid by the district unless the course is already offered at the district.
3. Students will be required to sign a behavior contract.
4. If students fail a course, then the parents will be billed for the course.
5. Any student that fails a distance learning course will not be allowed to take another.
6. Students may be limited as to the number of distance learning courses that may apply toward high school credit.
7. Grades earned will count towards a student's grade point average, class rank, and eligibility.
8. Other regulations will be made by the Superintendent to help the efficiency of these programs.

Advanced placement courses may be offered and completed through distance learning. AP courses will follow the same guidelines as all other distance learning courses.

Legal Reference:

Cross References:

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