



INSTRUCTION: Educational Options

Educational Options Programs

I. Purpose

To implement Board of Education of Baltimore County (Board) Policy 6600 by establishing guidelines for educational options programs in Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS).

II. Guidelines

- A. Educational options programs may include, but are not limited to:
 - 1. School programs for acceleration and recovery of credit and AdvancePath;
 - 2. eLearning;
 - 3. Extended Day Learning programs;
 - 4. Extended Year Learning and Extended Year Services programs;
 - 5. Maryland virtual learning opportunities; and
 - 6. Online courses.
- B. Educational options programs shall provide flexible course options that allow secondary students the opportunity to accelerate or recover credits during the school day, evenings, on weekends and during the summer.
- C. Educational options programs shall follow the Board's curriculum standards and all policies and rules concerning promotion, retention, attendance and behavior.

III. Responsibility

The Division of Curriculum and Instruction shall be responsible for:

- A. Administering the educational options programs by:
 - 1. Determining registration deadlines;
 - 2. Determining eligibility;
 - 3. Establishing tuition rates and registration fees;

4. Establishing withdrawal and refund procedures; and
 5. Communicating final grades or progress.
- B. Distributing program information to schools, students and parents and making the information available on the school system's web site.

Legal reference: COMAR 13A.03.02.04, *Other Provisions for Earning Credit*

Related policies: Board of Education Policy 5120, *Attendance and Excuses*
Board of Education Policy 5200, *Promotion and Retention*
Board of Education Policy 5210, *Grading and Reporting*
Board of Education Policy 5500, *Code of Student Conduct*
Board of Education Policy 5550, *Disruptive Behavior*
Board of Education Policy 6000, *Curriculum and Instruction*

Related rule: Superintendent's Rule 3610, *Tuition and Fees*

Rule
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