

5410 PROMOTION AND RETENTION (M)

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The Board recognizes that personal, social, physical and educational growth of children will vary and that they should be placed in the educational setting most appropriate to their needs at the various stages of their growth. However, the Board does not wish any single test to be the sole determinant of a pupil's placement.

The Superintendent shall direct development of and the Board shall adopt detailed regulations to govern progress of pupils through levels Kindergarten through twelve. The regulations shall include:

- A. Standards of proficiency related to district goals and objectives;
- B. Standards of attendance and provision for review of mastery;
- C. Timely efforts to help all pupils achieve acceptable levels of proficiency;
- D. Timely notification of parent(s) or legal guardian(s) when there is a possibility of failure; and
- E. Procedures for involving parent(s) or legal guardian(s) in the design of the remedial program.

Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) will be notified whenever exceptions are contemplated in a pupil's normal progression from level to level. The final decision in all cases will rest with school authorities.

Transfer Pupils

The Board recognizes that different school districts have different standards and varying degrees of difficulty. The Board feels that it must recognize the decisions of other accredited school districts.

Therefore any pupil who is promoted by another school district and enters a North Bergen elementary school at the beginning of the next school year shall be placed in the grade of promotion irrespective of the numerical grades given in the prior district. If within forty-five days it is determined that the pupil's abilities are not commensurate with the higher grade the pupil may be placed in a lower grade.



Any pupil who is given credit for a course by another accredited school district and enters North Bergen High School at the beginning of a school year shall be given credit for such course or equivalent irrespective of the numerical grades given in the prior district. If within forty-five days it is determined that the pupil's abilities are not commensurate with the scheduled course the pupil may be placed in another course.

Post Class Graduation Pupils

As certain colleges are accepting pupils who have not completed their high school requirements on the condition that they complete same while attending college, the Board is desirous of assisting those pupils.

Therefore any pupils who complete their high school requirements while at an accredited college shall be entitled to a North Bergen High School diploma.

N.J.S.A. 18A:35-4.9

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