

ALTERNATIVE METHODS FOR EARNING CREDIT
CREDIT BY EXAMINATION WITH PRIOR INSTRUCTION

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(LOCAL)

The principal or designee or the attendance committee, as applicable, shall have authority to offer a student the opportunity to demonstrate mastery in a subject or to earn course credit by examination when the student has had prior instruction in a subject and when:

1. The student is enrolling in the District from a nonaccredited school [see FD];
2. The student has failed a subject or course; or
3. The student has earned a passing grade in a subject or course but has failed to earn credit or a final grade because of excessive absences [see FEC].

The Board-approved examinations shall assess the student's mastery of the essential knowledge and skills and shall be administered according to established District procedures. Credit by examination shall not be used for course validation. Courses shall be validated at the campus level.

Prior to offering a student an opportunity to demonstrate mastery or earn credit by this method, an appropriate District employee shall review the student's educational records to determine whether the student has had prior instruction in the subject or course.

Test Selection

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for the development or selection of tests a student with prior instruction in a course or grade level may use to earn course credit. Each examination shall thoroughly test the essential knowledge and skills in the applicable course or grade level.

Retakes

The District shall not permit a student who fails an examination in a particular subject to retake the examination in the same subject.