

## CREDIT FLEXIBILITY

The Board recognizes that an effective educational program is one that provides opportunities for students to customize aspects of their learning around their respective needs and interests. Credit flexibility is one method to motivate and increase student learning by allowing access to more resources, customization around individual student needs, and the use of multiple measures of learning.

Credit flexibility shifts the focus from “seat time” to performance. The intent of credit flexibility is to meet increased expectations for high school graduation in response to globalization, technology, and demographics, and to meet the demand for 21<sup>st</sup> century skills.

In accordance with State law, the District must develop and implement a credit flexibility plan. Seventh or eighth grade students may meet curriculum requirements or students ready for high school courses may earn high school graduation credit by:

1. demonstrating subject area competency through the completion of traditional coursework;
2. testing out of or showing mastery of course content through the pursuit of an approved educational option and/or;
3. any combination of the above.

The Superintendent/designee develops the District's credit flexibility plan consistent with the provisions of the following regulation.

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LEGAL REF.: Carnegie Design Team Report to the State Board of Education, *New Emphasis on Learning: Ohio's plan for credit flexibility shifts the focus from "seat time" to performance* (March 2009)  
ORC 3313.60; 3313.603; 3313.609; 3313.6013;  
3313.611; 3313.613; 3313.614; 3313.90  
3321.04  
Chapter 3324  
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3301-35-01; 3301-35-06  
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CROSS REFS.: IGAD, Career-Technical Education  
IGBH, Alternative School Programs  
IGCB, Experimental Programs  
IGCD, Educational Options (Also LEB)  
IGCF, Home Instruction  
IGCH, College Credit Plus (Also LEC)  
IGE, Adult Education  
IKA, Grading Systems  
IKE, Promotion and Retention of Students  
IKEB, Acceleration  
IKF, Graduation Requirements