

KANAWHA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY
Series: I05 - Promotion and Classification of Students - Secondary

5.01 Promotion from Grades 6, 7 And 8. Promotion from grade six (6) to seven (7), grade seven (7) to eight (8) and grade eight (8) to nine (9) will occur when the student has passed six (6) semester classes of the following:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies

5.02 Student Review. Any student in grades six (6) to eight (8) who does not pass the required number of semester classes will be reviewed by the Student Assistance Team (SAT). The SAT will examine the student's academic, social, and emotional growth, including mastery of the West Virginia College and Career Readiness Standards, before recommending promotion or retention. If the SAT is considering promoting a student from the eighth to the ninth grade, the receiving high school will be invited to participate in the meeting.

5.03 Promotion From Grade 9 to 10. Promotion from grade nine (9) to ten (10) will occur when a student has earned five (5) credits and passed six (6) of eight (8) semesters in English, Social Studies, Mathematics, and Science.

5.04 Classification of Students in High School. A student will be classified as a freshman (grade 9) upon enrollment. A student will be classified as a sophomore (grade 10) when the student has earned five credits. A student will be classified as a junior (grade 11) when the student has earned eleven (11) credits. A student will be classified as a senior (grade 12) when the student has earned seventeen (17) credits.

5.05 Credits Before Grade 9. High school level courses (World Language Levels I, Algebra 1 and any higher-level math course, Earth and Space Science in approved middle schools, and any other high school Virtual courses) taken by a student before grade nine (9) will be counted toward the total credits required for graduation and the requirements in each subject area; and, they will be calculated in a student's grade point average. These courses will be identified on the student's permanent record.

5.06 Credit For Full-Year Skill Based Courses. Students who take full-year skill-based courses in mathematics, world language, and Business Computer Applications (BCA) may be given full credit upon passage of the second semester of the course, if, in the opinion of the teacher, the student has mastered the subject matter in full. Only the teacher of record can make this decision and it must be documented with the student's counselor.

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