

4050 Grade Placement of Students

Policy 4050 STATUS: APPROVED

GRADE PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS

Board Approved: February 14, 2002

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Description:

The Board of Education believes that a change in the grade placement of a student should be considered only in exceptional circumstances.

Where a change in grade placement of a student is under consideration the Board expects that there will be a comprehensive review of all available information and options prior to permitting a change in grade placement to occur. The parents, student (where possible), and professional staff must work together to ensure a complete review.

The grade placement decision is made by the principal, in consultation with board office staff, and is subject to the Board's Parent/Student Appeal By-Laws. Regardless of the student's grade placement, the Board expects that the student's program will be appropriate to their educational needs.

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1. If a change in the grade placement of a student is under consideration, the Board expects the Principal, with the School Based Team, to:
 - 1.1. Review current assessment information and other documentation concerning the student's progress and development;
 - 1.2. Review intervention strategies previously attempted;
 - 1.3. Consider all available options for supporting the student in an age-appropriate environment;
 - 1.4. Consult with district staff.
2. If the decision for a change in grade placement is not in favour of the parent or student's request, the written decision, accompanied by ByLaw 3-08 Student Appeal Procedure, will be provided to the parent.