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Students enrolled in grades 9-12 who have taken the equivalent of a high school level course in the elementary grades may earn high school credit toward graduation,¹ except in American History,² under the following guidelines:

1. Students will be given the appropriate comprehensive written examination as required for students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) who earn credit for graduation;
2. The examination shall provide evidence that the students have mastered all of the terminal objectives in the applicable curriculum framework adopted by the State Board of Education and shall be scored and graded on the same scale as for students who enroll in the course for which credit is being given;
3. Students must have earned a grade of “B” or better in the elementary course in order to qualify to take the examination; and
4. Students must score a “B” or better on the examination in order to receive credit toward high school graduation. Class does not count toward seal of excellence and the grade is not factored into the high school GPA.

The director of schools shall develop procedures for:

1. Making application for credit;
2. Administering and scoring the examination; and
3. Record keeping to ensure that proper credit is given.

ADVANCED CREDIT FOR EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS

Spanish I and Algebra I shall be offered to qualified eighth grade students for high school credit. The curriculum will be consistent between the eighth and ninth grades.

These students must maintain a grade average of at least 85 for the first five (5) weeks. The student must pass a final exam, with a grade of at least 85. This exam shall be the same as given to 9th through 12th graders.

Legal References:

1. TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.06(2)
2. TCA 49-6-1202