

Policy

ADULT/COMMUNITY EDUCATION

The board will establish and maintain a program of adult education and may utilize any of its school facilities for accomplishing the legitimate educational purposes of serving the vocational, avocational, cultural, and aesthetic interests of the community.

The board will also maintain a program of instruction in English language and in government and laws for the benefit of foreign-born residents of the district.

In order to support a program of adult education and education for the foreign born, the board may employ staff, use school facilities as required, and provide necessary custodial services. All professional staff members so employed shall possess valid New Jersey teaching certificates.

The Superintendent of Schools is directed to seek out and utilize such federal, state, and private sources of revenue as may be appropriate for the financial support of the adult education program.

Adult High School

The board will establish an adult evening high school for district residents 18 years of age or over. The board shall adopt graduation requirements equivalent to those of the day school that shall include passing statewide assessment tests. LEP students may satisfy a special review assessment in lieu of passing the HSPA. All courses shall be adopted by the board and shall include standards of proficiency.

Partial Credit for Former Student Who Withdrew

It is the goal of the Board of Education that every student graduate from high school. The Board of Education does, however, recognize that circumstances exist that require a student to withdraw from school prior to graduation. In these cases, the Board of Education encourages the student to return to school as soon as possible in order to earn a diploma.

In order to encourage students to complete their education, the Board of Education will award partial credit for courses taken while a student at Paulsboro High School. The following conditions must exist in order for the former student to earn half credit for the school year during which he/she withdrew from school:

- A. The former student must be at least 21 years of age;
- B. The former student must have withdrawn from high school having completed at least two marking periods;
- C. The former student must have earned at least a "C" average in one or more courses at the time of withdrawal from high school;
- D. The former student must be enrolled in an accredited adult high school program leading to a high school diploma;
- E. The former student must request, in writing, partial credit via the principal of Paulsboro High School.

Only half credit will be awarded (By illustration: 2.5 credits for a 5-credit course or 3 credits for a 6 credit course). Half credit will only be awarded for courses in which the student had a "C" average at the time of withdrawal from high school.

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The principal, or his designee, will review the former student's record. If the above conditions exist the principal, or his designee, will:

- A. Notify the former student, in writing, of the decision.
- B. Notify the adult high school, in writing, of the decision
- C. Make a notation on the former student's transcript showing the partial credit.

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Legal References: N.J.S.A. 18A:7C-8 Adult high school programs; diplomas
N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-28 State aid for adult school and post-high school education programs
N.J.S.A. 18A:48-1 et seq. Public Evening Schools
N.J.S.A. 18A:50-1 et seq. Adult Education
N.J.A.C. 6:30-1.1 et seq. Adult Education Programs
See particularly:
N.J.A.C. 6:30-2.1, -3.3, -3.6, -3.7, -3.8
N.J.A.C. 6A:8-1.1 et seq. Standards and Assessment
See particularly:
N.J.A.C. 6A:8-5.1(a)5 and 6
N.J.A.C. 6A:30-1.1 et seq. Evaluation of the Performance of School Districts
Manual for the Evaluation of Local School Districts

Possible

Cross References: 3240 Tuition income
 *3250 Income from fees, fines, charges
 *4112.2 Certification
 4141 Salary guides
 *5111 Admission
 *5124 Reporting to parents/guardians
 *5127 Commencement activities
 *5131 Conduct/discipline
 *6142 Subject fields
 6174 Summer school

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.