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Policy 7140- Dual Enrollment: Nonpublic School Gifted
Education and Career Education Students

Students

SUBJECT: DUAL ENROLLMENT: NONPUBLIC SCHOOL GIFTED EDUCATION AND CAREER EDUCATION STUDENTS

In accordance with Education Law, New York State resident students who attend nonpublic schools (including homeschooled children) located in the District may also enroll in public school programs provided by the District in three categories: gifted education, career education (vocational and occupational education), and special education and related services for students with disabilities. This is referred to as "dual enrollment." Dual enrollment is not permitted in programs other than gifted, career, and special education, and is not permitted for participation in extracurricular programs (e.g., band, chorus, drama club) or on sports teams.

Additionally, dual enrollment only applies to gifted, career, and special education programs operated during the course of the school year. In other words, dual enrollment does not apply to summer programs. (Note: nonpublic school students are eligible to participate in summer school operated by the District on the same basis as public school students who attend the District's schools).

Scope of Policy

This policy only addresses the process and corresponding details for the dual enrollment of gifted education and career education students, as defined below. Special education programs are discussed separately.

Gifted Education

"Gifted students" are pupils who show evidence of "high performance" capability and exceptional potential in general intellectual ability, special academic aptitude, and outstanding ability in visual and performing arts. These students may require educational programs or services beyond those normally provided by the regular school program in order to realize their full potential.

Career Education

"Career education" is training or retraining designed to prepare individuals for gainful employment as semi-skilled or skilled workers, technicians, or sub-professionals in recognized occupations and in new or emerging occupations; and/or to prepare pupils for enrollment in advanced technical education programs. Recognized technical education programs include programs focused on agriculture; marketing; home economics; health occupations; technical education; industrial arts; and trade education. Programs designed to prepare pupils for employment in professional occupations or occupations that require a baccalaureate or higher degree **are not** considered "career education" for purposes of this policy.

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SUBJECT: DUAL ENROLLMENT: NONPUBLIC SCHOOL GIFTED EDUCATION AND CAREER EDUCATION STUDENTS (Cont'd.)**Process for Requesting Dual Enrollment**

To make a request for dual enrollment, a parent(s), guardian(s) or person(s) legally having custody of a nonpublic school student must file a written request with the Board of Education of the school district in which such parent(s), guardian(s) or person(s) legally having custody of the student reside. The request must be made on or before the first day of June preceding the school year for which the request is made, and must outline the program in which the student is seeking to participate and why. The Board will not consider requests filed after June 1.

Upon receipt, the Board will review the request, and approve it if appropriate, based on the available courses and eligibility requirements outlined below. If approved, the student will be considered dual enrolled for the academic school year for which the request is submitted. Students interested in continuing dual enrollment must submit a request each year. If a request is approved, the student does not have to submit a formal registration in the public school.

Program DetailsContracting with Other Districts

If deemed appropriate by the District and/or mandated by law or regulation, the District may contract for the provision of dual enrollment services with a Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES), the school district in which the nonpublic school is located (if different from district of residence), or another school/school district as may be necessary. In that event, the Board of Education of the district providing dual enrollment services may be entitled to recover tuition from the District in accordance with the formula promulgated by the Commissioner of Education. Additionally, BOCES/state aid may also be sought for the provision of dual enrollment services.

Courses

The District has authority to determine, the dual enrollment courses offered during the course of the school year, the eligibility of students to participate in those courses, and the admission of students in accordance with law.

Eligibility

The District is authorized to determine the standards of eligibility of students to participate in specific courses. If one course is a prerequisite for another, access to the prerequisite shall be made available to those nonpublic school students entitled to dual enrollment in the schools of the District. All students in like circumstances shall be treated equally.

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No Segregation of Nonpublic School Students and District Students

Nonpublic school students receiving such dual enrollment services shall not be segregated from District students in any dual enrollment program.

Transportation

If the Board approves a nonpublic student to participate in a gifted or career education program, transportation will be provided between the nonpublic school the student attends and the public school where such services are provided, if the distance between the nonpublic school and the public school exceeds one-fourth of a mile. The District may claim state aid for this transportation.

The Board of Education, teachers, and other employees of the District shall not be liable for harm to nonpublic school students caused by others while such students are walking between the public and nonpublic schools.

Education Law Section 3602-c

Adoption Date