

# INSTRUCTION

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## NOTIFICATION OF LEARNING OBJECTIVES

### I. Annual Notice

At the beginning of each school year, each school within the Charlottesville City School Division will provide to its students' parents or guardians:

1. The learning objectives developed in accordance with the Standards of Accreditation to be achieved at their child's grade level, or, in high school, a copy of the syllabus for each of their child's courses;
2. A copy of the Standards of Learning (SOLs) applicable to the child's grade or course requirements and the approximate date and potential impact of the child's SOL testing;  
An annual notice to students in all grade levels of all requirements for Standard, Advanced Studies, and Modified Standard Diplomas; and  
The board's policies on promotion, retention, and remediation.

No later than the end of the first semester of each school year, the Superintendent must certify to the Department of Education that it has given the notice required by this policy.

### II. Notice of Credits Needed for Graduation and of the Right to a Free Public Education

- A. The school board will notify the parent of rising eleventh and twelfth grade students of
  - (i) the number of standard and verified units of credit required for graduation pursuant to the Standards of Accreditation and
  - (ii) the remaining number of such units of credit the individual student requires for graduation.
- B. The school board will notify the parent of students with disabilities who have an Individualized Education Program (IEP) and who fail to meet the requirements for graduation of the student's right to a free and appropriate education to age 21, inclusive, pursuant to Va. Code § 22.1-213 et seq.
- C. The school board will notify the parent of students who fail to graduate or who fail to achieve the number of verified units of credit required for graduation as provided in the standards of accreditation and who have not reached 20 years of age on or before August 1<sup>st</sup> of the school year of the right to a free public education. If the student who does not graduate or achieve such verified units of credit is a student for whom English is a second language, the school board will notify the parent of the student's opportunity for a free public education in accordance with Va. Code § 22.1-5.

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Legal Reference: Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, § 22.1-253.13:4.  
8 VAC 20-131-270.

Cross References: IGBC Parental Involvement  
IKF Standards of Learning Tests and Graduation  
Requirements

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## ACADEMIC EXPRESSION

The Charlottesville School Board seeks to educate young people in the democratic tradition, to foster recognition of individual freedom and social responsibility, to inspire meaningful awareness of and respect for the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and the Student Code of Conduct.

Freedom of individual conscience, association, and expression shall be encouraged and fairness in procedures shall be observed both to safeguard the legitimate interests of the schools and to exhibit by appropriate examples the basic objectives of a democratic society as set forth in the Constitutions of the United States and the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Students may express their beliefs about religion in homework, artwork, and other written and oral assignments free from discrimination based on the religious content of their submissions. Such home and classroom work shall be evaluated by ordinary academic standards of substance and relevance and against other legitimate pedagogical concerns identified by the school.

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Legal Reference: Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, section 22.1-78.  
Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, section 22.1-203.3

Cross References: IKB Homework  
INDC Religion in the Schools