

INSTRUCTION

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PROMOTION AND RETENTION

A guidance document for retention shall be disseminated to all schools and placed on the CCS website.

1. A set of multiple criteria will be used for determining the promotion or retention of students.
2. The decision to retain a student in a grade shall rest with the principal and teacher(s), in consultation with the parent or guardian.
3. Parental consent is not required for a student to be retained in a grade.
4. Through grade eight, promotion and retention shall be based on an evaluation of the student's acquisition of skills and knowledge as well as other evidence of growth as determined by the student's teacher(s) and principal.
5. Promotion or retention shall not be determined solely by achievement on Standards of Learning (SOL) testing.
6. Advancement from grade 9 to grades 10, 11 and 12 will be based on a specified number of credits earned.
7. The decision on the number of credits qualifying students for promotion shall be made by the principal in consultation with the licensed staff. If the principal wants to change the number of credits determining promotion, a written request must be provided to the Superintendent or designee for final approval.

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Legal References: (1994) Section 22.1-253.13:4

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