

CREDIT FLEXIBILITY

In accordance with State law, the District's plan for credit flexibility must:

1. Identify the multiple methods of communication and frequency of each method the District will use to communicate the aspects of the credit flexibility policy and plan to students and parents on an on-going basis.
2. Allow for demonstrated proficiency options on an on-going basis;
3. Allow for graded options for demonstrated proficiency;
4. Allow demonstration of proficiency to count towards course requirements for graduation;
5. Determine credit equivalency for a Carnegie unit;
6. Prohibit capping or limiting the number of courses or credits earned through credit flexibility;
7. Allow for both simultaneous credit and/or partial credit to be earned;
8. Not prohibit access to online education, post secondary options or services from another district, as approved by the Board;
9. Allow, if so desired, for the acceptance of credit from other districts and educational providers;
10. Establish provisions for instances when students do not or cannot complete requirements, and
11. Establish a review process and submit data to the Ohio Department of Education about the methods and frequency of communication with students and parents.

In addition, the Superintendent/designee collects performance data including, but not limited to, the number of participating students, total credits earned and extent to which student participation reflects diversity of the student body.

The Ohio Department of Education recommends that the Superintendent maintain a "library" of courses that were previously accepted to assist students, parents and teachers with understanding available options (or those unique to local contexts and regional economic development interests).

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