

## CREDIT FLEXIBILITY

The Board recognizes that an effective educational program is one that provides opportunities for students to customize aspects of their learning around their respective needs and interests. Credit flexibility is one method to motivate and increase student learning by allowing access to more resources, customization around individual student needs and the use of multiple measures of learning.

Credit flexibility shifts the focus from “seat time” to performance. Students can earn units of high school credit based on an individually approved credit flexibility plan. The intent of credit flexibility is to meet increased expectations for high school graduation in response to globalization, technology and demographics, and to meet the demand for 21st century skills.

In accordance with State law, the District must develop and implement a credit flexibility plan that enables students to earn high school credit by:

1. completing coursework;
2. testing out or showing mastery of course content;
3. pursuing an educational option and/or an individually approved option and/or
4. any combination of the above.

The Superintendent/designee develops the District’s credit flexibility plan consistent with the provisions of the following regulation.

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LEGAL REFS.: Carnegie Design Team Report to the State Board of Education, *New Emphasis on Learning: Ohio’s plan for credit flexibility shifts the focus from “seat time” to performance* (March 2009)

ORC 3313.60; 3313.603; 3313.609; 3313.6013; 3313.611; 3313.613;  
3313.614; 3313.90  
3321.04  
Chapter 3324  
Chapter 3365  
OAC Chapter 3301-34  
3301-35-06  
Chapter 3301-46  
Chapter 3301-51  
Chapter 3301-61

CROSS REFS.: IGAD, Career-Technical Education  
IGBH, Alternative School Programs  
IGCB, Experimental Programs  
IGCD, Educational Options (Also LEB)  
IGCF, Home Instruction  
IGCH, Postsecondary Enrollment Options (Also LEC)  
IGE, Adult Education Programs  
IKA, Grading Systems  
IKE, Promotion and Retention of Students  
IKEB, Acceleration  
IKF, Graduation Requirements