

ALTERNATIVE METHODS FOR EARNING CREDIT  
CREDIT BY EXAMINATION WITHOUT PRIOR INSTRUCTION

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(LOCAL)

TEST SELECTION	The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for the development or selection of tests a student may use to earn course credit or accelerate to the next grade level without prior instruction in a course or grade level. Each examination shall thoroughly test the essential knowledge and skills in the applicable course or grade level.
TEST DATES	The Superintendent or designee shall establish a schedule of dates, in accordance with law, when examinations for acceleration shall be administered and shall ensure that the dates are published in appropriate District publications or on the District's Web site.
SPECIAL REQUESTS	The District may deny a parent's or student's request for an alternative examination or alternative date.
FEES	<p>The District shall not charge for an examination for acceleration administered on the published dates or alternative dates.</p> <p>However, the student's parent shall pay for an alternative examination approved by the District.</p>
CREDIT APPROVAL	The Superintendent or designee shall award course credit or approve acceleration on the basis of an examination for acceleration only for a score of at least 90 percent on the examination.
KINDERGARTEN ACCELERATION	<p>The District shall assign a child who is five years old on or before September 1 to grade 1 rather than kindergarten if the student meets all of the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The student scores in the eighth stanine on six of six reading readiness examinations selected by the District;</li><li>2. The student scores 90 percent or higher on a mathematics readiness examination selected by the District; and</li><li>3. The student scores 6.4 years of age or above on a developmental screening examination selected by the District.</li></ol>