

## **ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT OPTIONS**

Credits may be earned through alternative methods outside of regular classroom-based instruction offered by the Laconia School District schools. Credits shall be awarded upon:

- Satisfactory completion of course requirements at another public school district, an approved private school or a home-schooling experience as defined in Policy IHBG.
- Transfer of credits earned by students before enrolling in the district, such as students moving into the Laconia School District from another state or country.
- Middle school acceleration to the extent that the course work exceeds the requirements for eighth grade, meets high school course competencies as defined in Policy ILBAA., and the student achieves satisfactory standards of performance.
- Extended learning opportunities under the provisions of Policy IHBH
- Correspondence course opportunities under provisions of Policy IMB
- College/high school dual credit

If a student demonstrates mastery of a course competency on a placement pre-test developed by the school district for a particular course, the student shall not receive credit for the course, but shall be allowed to take a more advanced level of the subject or an elective as defined by New Hampshire code of Administrative rules ED 306.27(c).

The Laconia School District encourages educational options for hospitalized or homebound students, students who have dropped out, been suspended or expelled, or other students for whom regular classrooms are not practical.

Students or their parents/guardians shall be responsible for all alternative credit expenses, including tuition, textbooks and transportation, unless otherwise recommended by the Superintendent and approved by the school board.

Students earning credit via alternative methods will participate in all assessments required by the statewide education improvement and assessment program.

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