

PROMOTION GUIDELINES GRADES 7 & 8

A student will not be promoted to the next grade level if he/she fails two or more full year courses or their equivalent. One of these courses must be English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, or World Language. Under this policy, a combination of quarter or half year courses will be equivalent to a full year course.

Arrangements will be made through the guidance department for students who fail two or more courses to attend an approved summer school in the local area. A form indicating the subjects of English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, or World Language required for promotion will be issued to the student and his/her parent or guardian. In order to be promoted, the student must pass the course or courses listed on this form.

In addition to the promotion policy stated above, if he/she fails one of the following courses: English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, or World Language, he/she will be encouraged to attend an approved summer school to enhance their knowledge and acquire the necessary remediation in the failed course or courses.

Students will receive summer school credit only when they have completed a full year's study in the failed subject prior to taking the summer school course. The summer school grade will be noted on the student's permanent record card in parenthesis. Specific details may be obtained by contacting the guidance department.

Also:

- A student who passes summer school with a grade of 65 or better will have a "P" for Pass or "F" for Failure placed on his/her transcript.
- Both the grades of the failed course and the summer school course will appear on the transcript.
- A maximum of two summer school courses may be taken during the summer months.

If a student is not promoted at the junior high school, he/she repeats the entire grade. The principal reserves the right to make the final decision relative to a student's promotion, transfer, or retention.

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(Vote: 5-0-2 absent)**