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POLICY FOR THE PROMOTION, PROGRESSION AND RETENTION OF A **LEARNER**

This policy document is written in line with the Rights and Responsibilities of Independent Schools that states:

- Decisions about promoting or retaining learners fall within the curriculum and assessment areas and are critical to a school's freedom to use its professional judgment to maintain a high quality of education.
- Independent schools are required by the Constitution and SASA to maintain standards that are not inferior to standards at comparable public institutions/schools. They may exceed these standards by setting a reasonably higher threshold than those prescribed in policy.

Promotion:

A learner at Harvest High School will be promoted to the next grade on the condition they have met all the requirements for promotion as stipulated by the Department of Education.

Retention:

A learner will be retained in the grade if he/she has not met the requirements for progression to the next grade.

Progression

No learners at Harvest High School will be progressed to the next grade due to (a) age or (b) having spent two years in the grade. A student who is retained in the same grade for a second time, will be too old to repeat the grade for a third time. In addition, it is the belief of the school, that it will not be in the best interest of the learner to stay at Harvest High School and such a learner will need to find another school.