PROMOTION AND RETENTION

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Decisions to promote or retain a pupil in grades K through 8 shall be made based upon consideration of the following criteria:

- 1. The student's academic performance, social, and emotional development;
- 2. The recommendations of teachers, which shall be based solely on the student's academic performance;
- 3. The student's score on state or district mandated standardized tests, unless the student has been excused from taking the examination;
- 4. Other academic criteria, such as grade level expectations, accommodations plans, or individual educational plans.

In considering retention, the following procedure shall be followed:

- Student's academic, social, and emotional development shall be reviewed by the classroom teacher and compared to grade level criteria;
- 2. The classroom teacher and/or parent shall then notify the principal of his/her request for consideration of retention;
- 3. Notification of consideration of retention shall be made to the parent/guardian by the principal;
- 4. Conference shall be held with the teacher, parent/guardian, principal, and others, as necessary;
- 5. Decision to retain or promote by the principal.

If a parent or guardian does not agree with the decision, s/he may appeal to the District Administrator.

Legal References:

Cross References:

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