

P4050 Retention

Manchester Community Schools is dedicated to the best total and continuous development of each student enrolled. The professional staff is expected to place students in the grade level or program best suited to their academic, social and emotional needs.

Students will normally progress annually from grade to grade. However, some students need additional time and/or experience before proceeding to the next level of their education. When this concern exists, the building principal shall make the final decision regarding the student's placement.

Red-Shirting

Manchester Community Schools shall not allow the retention of any student who has successfully completed any grade, except upon the recommendation of the building principal. Regarding athletics, fair competition and safety of participants is best served when students of approximately the same age participate at any one grade level. No student who has completed a grade successfully shall be retained or allowed to repeat a grade in order to improve his/her ability or lengthen his/her eligibility to participate in extracurricular programs. If it can be documented that a student has repeated any grade for reasons other than academic failure in circumvention of this policy, the student shall lose his/her final year of eligibility in high school athletics.

Remediation and Intervention

Manchester Community Schools is committed to providing comprehensive services to all students. Students who are under-prepared for school or those who are low or underachieving will be recommended for available intervention, remediation or alternative programs. Students whose scores fall below district standards must participate in one of the options offered or in a program designed and funded by the parent or guardian.

Students will be recommended for the program in accordance with written criteria developed by the administration. The final report of the student's progress, including the classroom teacher's recommendation, will be used to determine placement in the next grade or class. The School Corporation may require a student to repeat the grade or class if the student does not participate in and successfully complete a recommended MCS intervention or remediation program or one planned and completed by the parents.

Participation in the programs requires the permission of the parent or guardian and the cooperation of the student. Declination of these services will be noted on a standard form to be included in the student's records.

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