



**NORTH ALLEGHENY
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

SECTION:	PROGRAMS
TITLE:	VIRTUAL/ONLINE COURSES
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124.1 – VIRTUAL/ONLINE COURSES

Section 1. Purpose

The Board recognizes the importance of establishing a comprehensive plan to provide educational programming for all District students. In order to provide a thorough and efficient system of education for each child, the District may deliver courses in a format different from regular classroom-based instruction in special circumstances.

Section 2. Guidelines

High school students may utilize an online course(s) for the purpose of credit recovery to be applied toward graduation requirements by completing a pre-approved online course offered by Pennsylvania public schools, administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, or other providers approved by the Administration. The Superintendent, upon the recommendation of the high school principal, may make an exception to the course limit provision.

a. Credit from an online or virtual course may be earned in the following circumstances:

1. The course can be considered an option for credit recovery.
2. The course can serve as a supplement to extended Homebound Instruction.
3. The student has been expelled from the regular school setting, but educational services are to be continued.
4. The student requires a differentiated learning environment as outlined in the student’s Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Gifted Individualized Education Plan (GIEP).

b. The written approval of the principal shall be obtained before a student enrolls in a virtual/online course, if credit toward graduation will be requested.

Pol. 124

Pol. 217

Pol. 113, 114

- c. The student may be required to participate in a proctored examination in his/her home school or at a regional site.
- d. The student must submit to the School Counseling Office an official transcript of the final grade received from the approved online provider before credit toward graduation will be granted.

Section 3. Miscellaneous Provisions

- a. Student responsibilities may include participation in weekly online and off-line activities and proctored final exams.
- b. Grades will be assigned using the North Allegheny School District’s traditional grading policy.
- c. Credit recovery is only for the purpose of replacing the failing grade with the letter grade “D” on the transcript.

References:

School Code - 24 P.S. Sec. 510
Board Policy – 113, 114, 124, 213, 217

Pol. 213
24 P.S. 510