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BLUESKY CHARTER SCHOOL POLICY No. 5.3.6 REPEATING COURSES

I. PURPOSE

BlueSky Charter School recognizes students will occasionally be required to repeat a course due to a failing grade or request to repeat a course to improve a course grade. The implication of repeating courses affects a student's overall GPA and ability to participate in post-secondary options.

II. POLICY STATEMENT

The intent of this policy is to ensure fair and consistent practices for all students in regards to repeating courses.

III. FAILING COURSE GRADES

There are two options for helping students who have failed a course to earn credit in the course. Students can:

A. Retake the course entirely

This option is appropriate for students who made little to no progress in a course. They start from the beginning and complete the course in its entirety during another term or potentially during summer school. This option may be required for students retaking a course in subsequent school years.

B. Take the course in a targeted manner

Students who completed a significant portion of the course but not enough to earn passing credit would fit this option. Student and teacher work together to address the portion(s) of the course the student must yet demonstrate competency in. This option may not be available for all courses or courses retaken in subsequent school years.

IV. NON-FAILING COURSE GRADES

For students who earn C-, D+, D, D- and would like to improve their letter grade.

A. Repeat a course entirely

Students are allowed to repeat a course one time for a grade improvement. The ~~second~~ attempt with the higher grade will be the final grade on the transcript. The ~~initial~~ attempt with the lower grade will be transcribed as NC (no credit).

V. STUDENT TRANSCRIPT

A. Reporting grades

Only the higher grade is factored into the student's GPA when retaking a course that was previously passed. The attempt with the lower course grade will appear on the transcript but as an NC (No Credit) and is not calculated in the student's GPA. Only one failing grade will be transcribed per class per year. Subsequent attempts at taking a course during the same school year will be transcribed as the earned letter grade or NC if criteria for passing the course is not met.

C. Exceptions

Students are able to retake courses required for graduation as many times as needed until a passing grade is earned. Other exceptions for extenuating circumstances (health issues, etc.) may be approved by BlueSky Administration.