



OUTREACH PROGRAM

Background

The Division shall provide an outreach program as an educational alternative for students who, due to individual circumstances, find that the traditional school setting does not meet their needs. The program will allow students to access resources with a flexible approach to teaching and learning that may improve their ability to succeed academically and socially.

This outreach program will serve students of junior and senior high school age as well as adult learners.

Procedures

1. The Superintendent or designate is responsible for the approval of the outreach program. The administration of the program is under the authority of the Outreach Principal.
2. Outreach programs are run as stand-alone schools at locations separate from regular schools.
3. Students wishing to participate in outreach programs must:
 - 3.1 Be recommended by the school that they normally attend and have the support of a parent/guardian unless they have status as “independent” students.
 - 3.2 Be fully aware of both the possible benefits and potential limitations of the program.
 - 3.3 Be expected to complete a minimum number of courses and maintain satisfactory performance, as determined by the Outreach Principal.
4. Adult students twenty (20) years of age or older on September 1 of a school year may be able to access courses from an outreach program, subject to payment of a course fee established annually by the Board and in assessment by the Principal as to the student’s suitability for the program.
5. Each Outreach School operating in the Division is expected to develop a student handbook describing such matters as Course selections, off-campus learning opportunities, partnerships with community services and agencies, and expectations for student attendance, performance, and course completion.
6. The outreach program will make additional services available to students, such as personal and career counselling, conflict resolution, study skills training, time management and work experience.
7. The Outreach Principal will annually prepare a school Education Results Report and a Three-Year Plan for submission to the Superintendent or designate.



Reference: Section 3, 11, 13, 18, 19, 33, 52, 53, 196, 197, 222 Education Act
Policy 1.2.1 – Locally Developed/ Acquired and Authorized Junior and Senior High Complimentary Courses
Policy 1.2.2 – Locally Developed Religious Studies Courses
Policy 1.4.3 – Off Campus Education
Guide to Education, ECS to Grade 12
Promoting Tolerance, Understanding and Respect for Diversity: A Monograph for Educators