

INSTRUCTION**Summer Education Program Policy**

The Manchester Board of Education may sponsor a summer education program providing enrichment courses, accelerated reading courses, and review courses at all grade levels. Attendance in the summer education program shall be on a voluntary basis (Policy 5120).

Definitions**Summer Enrichment Courses:**

Courses that allow students to study topics through challenging or unique instructional models and practices not typically available during the school year.

Accelerated Reading Courses:

Courses for students whose reading performance is below the expectation for the grade level in which the student is enrolled. These courses offer students more time to learn reading in small class environments, staffed by teachers who modify their instruction based on individual student need.

Review Courses:

Courses available for middle school or high school students who did not meet the academic expectations of the course during the regular school year.

Admission/Overview**1. Elementary Program**

Admission to elementary summer education classes will be limited to those students who will be enrolled in grades K-5 in September of the year of the summer education session and who are current residents. Students registering for the accelerated reading courses must be approved by the school principal.

2. Secondary Program

Admission to secondary summer education classes, grades 6-12, for enrichment or credit (grades 9-12) must be approved by the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, or designee. Admission to a review course ~~will~~ **may** be permitted to students previously enrolled in the course but who have not received credit for that course. ***The specific rules regarding the requirements for summer school admission for credit can be found in the Manchester High School Course Catalog.***

3. Transportation

Transportation will be the responsibility of the parents or guardian, except that the Board of Education shall provide transportation for the Summer Education Program for:

5127 students enrolled in special education programs mandated by the individual student's PPT; and 5128 students in grades K-8. Transportation for students in grades K-8 is subject to the provision regarding annual budgetary decisions set forth in section 8 below.

1. Course Credit

Enrichment courses shall carry no credit for students in grades K-8. For students in grades 9-12, the Superintendent or his or her designee will approve credit on a course-by-course basis. Students registered in grades 9-12 courses designated "for credit" must meet both the course and Summer Educational Program regulations to receive credit.

2. Fees

The Board of Education will determine, on or before February 15 of each school year, the fee schedule, in any, of its Summer Education Program. The Board of Education may, in its discretion, waive such charge or fee for any good and sufficient reason (C.G.S. Sec. 10-74a).

3. Special Education

Mandated special educational services shall be free to eligible Manchester residents.

7. Non-residents

Space permitting, nonresidents may be allowed, at the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction's discretion, to enroll in the Summer Education Program and will be required to pay fees as established by the Board of Education.

8. Superintendent's Reporting Obligations

The Superintendent of Schools shall report to the Board of Education by the second November meeting on the operation of summer education programs the preceding summer. Each year, the Superintendent of Schools shall include in the proposed budget a recommendation for Summer Education Programs, including course offerings, transportation, credits, and fees. The final summer educational program budget will be based upon the Board of Education's final approved budget following the appropriation by the Board of Directors.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes
10-74a Summer courses
10-74b Grants for remedial summer school programs

Reference: 5120 Promotion/Retention/Acceleration Policy
5127.1 Specific Unit Requirements for Graduation from
Manchester High School
5127.11 External Credit Options Meeting Manchester
High School Graduation Requirements

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