

MIDDLETOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: PROMOTION AND RETENTION

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215. PROMOTION AND RETENTION	
<p>1. Purpose</p>	<p>The Board recognizes that the emotional, social, physical, and educational growth of students will vary and that students should be placed in the educational setting most appropriate to their needs at the various stages of their growth.</p>
<p>2. Authority SC 1531, 1611, 1613 Title 22 Sec. 4.12, 4.42</p>	<p>It is the policy of the Board that each student shall be moved forward in a continuous pattern of achievement and growth that corresponds with his/her own development and the system of grade levels and academic standards established for each grade.</p> <p>A student shall be promoted when s/he has successfully:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Achieved the academic standards established for the present level, based on the professional judgement of his/her teachers and the results of assessments. 2. Completed the course requirements at the present assigned level. 3. Demonstrated the degree of social, emotional, and physical maturation necessary for a successful learning experience at the next learning level.
<p>SC 1531, 1532 Pol. 213</p>	<p>The recommendation of a child study team composed of the parent, classroom teacher, building principal and other appropriate staff shall be required for retention of a student.</p> <p>At the middle school, a student who fails more than three (3) subjects will be considered for retention.</p> <p>Students in the high school shall be promoted based on the achievement of required credits.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To be classified as a sophomore, a student must complete six (6) credits of ninth grade work. 2. To be classified as a junior, a student must complete twelve (12) credits.
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<p>3. Delegation of Responsibility Title 22 Sec. 4.12, 4.13</p>	<p>3. To be classified as a senior, a student must have completed sixteen (16) credits and be a candidate for graduation.</p> <p>The Superintendent shall develop procedures for promotion and retention of students which assure that every effort will be made to remediate the student's difficulties before s/he is retained.</p> <p>A formal letter shall be sent to the parents by the end of the third marking period if there is danger of the student failing the grade.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1531, 1532, 1533, 1611, 1613</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 4.12, 4.13, 4.42</p> <p>Board Policy – 213</p>
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