

Alternative Credits Toward Graduation

The Solano County Office of Education (SCOE) desires to offer a rigorous mathematics program In order to meet individual student needs and encourage all students to complete their high school education, the Governing Board desires to provide flexibility in the completion of prescribed courses in accordance with law.

Definitions

A *semester period* is one period of 40 to 60 minutes of instructional time per week throughout one semester of at least 17 weeks, or a minimum of 12 clock hours of instructional time provided during the academic year or in summer school. While the content to be covered is planned within these time frames, a student may be granted one semester period of credit even though the student spends less than the aforementioned amount of time in completing the necessary work. (5 CCR 1600)

Private Instruction

A student who is regularly enrolled and in attendance at a high school shall receive credit toward high school graduation for private instruction under the following conditions: (5 CCR 1631)

1. The instruction entails fields and subjects included in the high school's courses of study and curricula.
2. The student demonstrates his/her capabilities at the beginning and at the end of the period of private instruction by examination(s) given under the school's supervision, thereby showing that s/he has made progress in learning satisfactory to the school.

Correspondence Instruction

Prior to registering for a correspondence course, the student or his/her parent/guardian shall obtain verification from the County Superintendent or designee that the course is essentially equivalent to the high school curriculum and meets district graduation requirements. The number of semester credits assigned to the course shall be determined before the student begins coursework.

Credit toward graduation for correspondence instruction shall be granted if all of the following conditions are met: (5 CCR 1633)

1. The correspondence instruction is provided by the University of California, or other university or college in California accredited for teacher training, in subjects included within or related to the student's course of study.
2. The student is, for good reason, unable to take the course of study offered in the school.
3. The Superintendent or designee determines the number of semester periods to be credited for successful completion of a particular correspondence course.
4. No more than 40 total semester periods of correspondence instruction are credited to a student towards graduation.

Policy 6146.11 (Continued)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 35160 Authority of governing boards
- 35160.1 Broad authority of school districts
- 48412 Certificate of proficiency
- 48645.5 Course credit, juvenile court schools
- 48800-48802 Attendance at community college; advanced education
- 51220 Areas of study; grades 7-12
- 51225.3 Requirements for graduation
- 51240-51246 Exemptions from requirements
- 51420-51427 General Educational Development test
- 51440 Veterans' education, evaluation and credit toward high school graduation
- 51740-51741 Authority to provide instruction by correspondence
- 51745-51749.3 Independent study
- 51760-51769.5 Work experience education
- 52300-52499.66 Career technical education

VEHICLE CODE

- 12814.6 Teen driver's act

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

- 1600-1635 Alternative credit
- 10070-10075 Work experience education
- 11500-11508 Regional occupational centers and programs
- 11520-11523 Proficiency examination and certificate
- 11700-11703 Independent study

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

- 2301-2414 Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006

Policy Cross-Reference:

- 6143 Courses of Study
- 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements
- 6146.3 Reciprocity of Academic Credit
- 6162.52 High School Exit Examination
- 6200 Adult Education