



## **WSS ACCEPTANCE & RECIPROCITY OF CREDITS POLICY**

### **Legal Authority/Requirement**

- 53A-11-102 Minors exempt from school attendance
- 53A-13-108.5 Acceptance of credits and grades awarded by accredited schools
- R277-705-3 Required Policy Explaining Student Credit

### **Purpose**

The Winter Sports School acceptance and reciprocity of credit policy is aimed at:

1. recognizing credit and grades achieved at other accredited institutions, and
2. recognizing student learning, growth and development that occur outside of the education provided at an accredited school.

### **Policy Review**

Changes to this policy will be reviewed and approved in an open meeting of the Winter Sports School Board of Trustees.

### **Reciprocity of Accredited Credits**

The Winter Sports School in Park City shall accept credits and grades awarded to students from schools or service providers accredited by the AdvancED, by another US state's Board of Education, or those approved by the Utah State Board of Education (USBE) (including AdvancED regional accrediting agencies) without alteration.

### **Acceptance of Non-accredited Credits**

1. The Winter Sports School shall provide various methods for students to earn credit from non-accredited sources, course work, or education providers by demonstrated competency (meeting the standards, objectives, and performances of the Utah Core Curriculum) – as approved or determined by The Winter Sports School. Methods for demonstrating competency include, but are not limited to:
  - a. Passing more advanced coursework for which the non-accredited credits would be prerequisite
  - b. Assessment (based on multiple indicators)
  - c. Quality of Project Portfolio Review
  - d. Satisfactory completion of electronic or correspondence coursework
2. Consistent with state law, rule, and due-process, The Winter Sports School has the final decision-making authority for the awarding of credits and grades from non-accredited sources.
3. The Winter Sports School will typically award "P" (passing) grades for all credits accepted

from non-accredited institution

### **Acceptance of Home School Credits**

1. Student wishing to have home-school credits accepted by The Winter Sports School shall first provide to The Winter Sports School the signed home-school affidavits between the student's parents and the student's resident district for each year that the parents have been excused from the compulsory attendance law.
2. Home-schooled students will be subject to the requirements and provisions for acceptance of non-accredited credits.

### **Timely Documentation of Authenticity of Credits/Grades**

1. For participation/recognition in commencement exercises:

For seniors, Winter Sports School shall only guarantee recognition of credits/grades that Winter Sports School has accepted prior to November 1. Documentation received after this date will not afford participation in commencement. Seniors must also pass any Winter Sports School classes in which they are currently enrolled which are required for graduation.

2. For graduation, without participation in commencement exercises:

For seniors, Winter Sports School shall accept credits/grades from accredited sources until the following June 30<sup>th</sup> of the year in which students were enrolled as 12<sup>th</sup> graders. Documentation received after this date will not be accepted.

3. For review of demonstrated competency:

For seniors, Winter Sports School shall accept work for review of demonstrated competency prior to the first day of the October during the senior year. Work turned in after this date will not be reviewed. The review will be completed within one month of submission. Determinations as to whether competency has been met via the submitted work are final.

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