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The following rules are promulgated in accordance with the policy of the Board of Education dealing with the promotion and retention of pupils.

A. Standards for Pupil Promotion

Elementary and Intermediate Grades (PreK-8) - A pupil will be promoted to the next succeeding grade level when he/she demonstrates the proficiencies required for movement into the next grade.

B. Procedures for Pupil Promotion

1. A written copy of promotion standards will be given to all parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and pupils at the beginning of each year.
2. Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and pupils will be provided a minimum of three (3) reports each year as to a pupil's progress towards meeting promotion standards.
3. Teachers who determine that a pupil's progress may not be sufficient to meet promotion standards shall notify the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the pupil and offer consultation with the parents or legal guardians.
4. In grades PreK-8, the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and where appropriate the pupil will be notified no later than four (4) weeks prior to the end of the year when the possibility of a pupil not being promoted is determined.
5. A pupil with fewer than 168 days attendance in grades PreK-8 will not be promoted to the next grade level.
6. Extenuating circumstances as determined by the Building Principal can waive the 168-day attendance requirements for grades PreK-8.
7. Classroom teachers shall provide input to the Principal who makes the final decision concerning the promotion or retention of each pupil.

C. Procedure for Retention or Social Promotion

1. Grades PreK-8 - Classroom teachers must initiate the process by providing to the Building Principal complete forms in accordance with the specified timelines.
2. The Principal will review each case and in consultation with the teacher render a final decision.
3. Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and adult pupils may appeal a promotion/retention decision to the Superintendent whose decision is final.

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