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POST-SECONDARY ENROLLMENT OPTIONS

Secondary students from RSU 54/MSAD 54 may earn credits towards graduation by taking courses from two year and four year post-secondary institutions during the regular school year. Students may take up to one course per semester. A request for an exception to this requirement will be considered on a case by case basis and evaluated by a committee comprised of the high school principal, high school guidance director, Superintendent of Schools or his designee and other appropriate staff. The committee's decision cannot be appealed.

To be eligible for this option, students must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Meet the admissions standards for the post-secondary school;
- 2. Meet course pre-requisites;
- 3. Maintain at least a B average in his/her courses overall prior to applying;
- 4. For courses that will be used to complete graduation requirements, meet with guidance counselor and appropriate curriculum leader to draw up a plan that demonstrates the appropriateness of the course content and indicates how the course will meet graduation requirements;
- 5. Provide evidence of parent or guardian approval.

Credits for courses taken under this option will be determined as follows:

- 1. The course must meet for one semester or its equivalent;
- 2. The student must earn a passing grade in that course and must submit transcript to the guidance department;
- 3. Credits awarded may not exceed one SAHS credit for each three credit semester college course.

Attendance Policy: Attendance must satisfy the post-secondary instructor's requirements.

Financial Assistance:

- 1. The Maine Department of Education shall pay 50% of the in-state tuition for the first 3 credit hours taken each semester at an eligible institution and up to 6 credit hours per academic year. The eligible institution may not make any additional tuition charges for the course, but may impose fees and charges other than tuition that are ordinarily imposed on students.
- 2. All additional costs, including fees and charges, transportation, etc., will be borne by the student.