

INSTRUCTION

Distance, Online, and Technology-Delivered Learning

For purposes of this policy, “distance learning” is defined as: instruction in which students and teachers are separated by time and/or location with synchronous or asynchronous content, instruction, and communication between student and teacher (e.g., correspondence courses, online learning, videoconferencing, streaming video).

The District may receive and/or provide distance, online, and technology-delivered learning programs, provided the following requirements are met:

1. The distance, online, and technology-delivered learning programs and/or courses shall meet the learner expectations adopted by the District and be aligned with state content and performance standards;
2. The District shall provide a report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, documenting how it is meeting the needs of students under the accreditation standards, who are taking a majority of courses during each grading period via distance, online, and/or technology-delivered programs;
3. The District will provide qualified instructors and/or facilitators as described in ARM 10.55.907(3)(a)(b)(c);
4. The District will ensure that the distance, online, and technology-delivered learning facilitators receive in-service training on technology-delivered instruction as described in ARM 10.55.907(3)(d); and
5. The District will comply with all other standards as described in ARM 10.55.907(4)(5)(a-e).

The District will permit a student to enroll in an approved distance learning course, in order that such student may include a greater variety of learning experiences within the student’s educational program.

Credit for distance learning courses may be granted, provided the following requirements are met:

1. Prior permission has been granted by the principal; only after reviewing an individual learning plan that describes the distance learning as it relates to the student’s academic progress;
2. The program fits the education plan submitted by the regularly enrolled student;

3. The course does not replace a required course offered by the District, except as indicated under “Waiver of Requirements” section of Policy 2410P;
4. Credit is granted for schools and institutions approved by the District after evaluation for a particular course offering; and
5. Letter grades only transfer from a distance learning facility, and letter grades only will be accepted for distance learning credit.

The District will not be obligated to pay for a student’s distance learning courses.

Cross Reference:	2410 and 2410P	High School Graduation Requirements
Legal Reference:	ARM 10.55.602 ARM 10.55.705 ARM 10.55.906 ARM 10.55.907	Definitions Administrative Personnel; Assignment of School Administrators/Principals High School Credit Distance, Online, and Technology Delivered Learning

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