## CHAPTER 4.00 - CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

## 4.17 - Course Loads and Credits

## **POLICY:**

- (1) A pupil enrolled full-time in any grade level of the secondary school shall, at all times, carry a full class schedule as determined by Board Policy; provided, however, that a senior who has completed at least nineteen (19) credits prior to the beginning of the senior year may, upon recommendation of the principal and approval of the Board, be excused daily from school, after three hundred (300) instructional minutes, if the following requirements are met:
  - (a) The student must have an overall grade point average of 2.0 from grades nine through the last semester of the junior year.
  - (b) The student shall present written documentation to show a promise of employment by a local business or agency and proof that the occupational advantages gained from employment exceed the benefits derived from school attendance for the full day.
  - (c) Failure of the student to earn three (3) credits during the first semester of the senior year or failure to maintain at least a 2.0 grade point average during the senior year shall revoke the early dismissal privilege.
- (2) Students who do not meet the nineteen (19) credit requirement in Section (1) above shall become eligible at the beginning of the second semester provided they have earned twenty-two (22) credits, are making satisfactory progress toward graduation, and meet the other requirements of Section (1)
- (3) A high school student will receive credit in accordance with the provisions of the Student Progression Plan. One (1) full credit shall be given upon successful completion of one (1) of the two (2) semesters if the averaging of grades for each semester result in a passing grade. If the averaging of semester grades does not result in a passing grade, the student shall receive credit only for the semester passed. (1003.436 (3) F.S.)

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