

OUTREACH PROGRAMS

Background

The District is committed to supporting all students towards successful completion of high school and providing appropriate educational opportunities for all students. The learning needs of some students who are unable to succeed in traditional school settings are best served in alternative educational programs. As a result, the District offers a full continuum of alternative programs including Outreach.

Procedures

1. Outreach programs are transitional in nature, providing students with the choice to continue their education in a regular school setting, to complete high school on site, or to transition to the workplace or a post-secondary setting.
2. Criteria for student participation are:
 - 2.1 The best interests of the individual student who is unable to attend or benefit from a regular school program will be the deciding factor in determining eligibility.
 - 2.2 Students must be under twenty (20) years of age on September 1 of the school year in which they are registering.
 - 2.3 Students must fulfill registration requirements for attending the District.
 - 2.4 Students applying for the program can self-refer or may be referred by parents, by other secondary schools and/or outside organizations
3. Program
 - 3.1 The District Outreach program follows the Alberta Programs of Study established for all high schools. Additional services are available to students, some of which may include:
 - 3.1.1 Personal and career counselling
 - 3.1.2 Conflict resolution and anger management training
 - 3.1.3 Study skills and time management sessions
 - 3.1.4 Job site training, work experience and/or community service opportunities
4. Performance and Evaluation
 - 4.1 Students are expected to:
 - 4.1.1 Attend school regularly – a minimum of sixty-five percent (65%) attendance is required).

- 4.1.2 Commit to the achievement of program goals in a flexible, informal and supportive learning environment
- 4.1.3 Focus on successful achievement
- 4.1.4 Demonstrate measurable progress on a supervised long-term and/or short-term learning plan
- 4.1.5 Demonstrate the willingness to build relationships characterized by mutual respect and a focus on learning
- 4.1.6 Follow all the administrative procedures of the District

5. Administration

- 5.1 The Principal (or designate) will be responsible for administration of Outreach programs
- 5.2 Students in Outreach programs will be evaluated on a regular basis using appropriate evaluation techniques
- 5.3 Students' programs will be reviewed and modified on an as needed basis

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Reference: Section 3, 8, 12, 18, 20, 21, 39, 45, 49, 60, 61, 113 School Act
Guide to Education ECS to Grade 12
Outreach Programs Handbook