

**Greater Albany SD 8J  
Board Policy**

Code: **IKAD**  
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**Grade Reduction/Credit Denial\*\***

Grade reduction or credit denial determinations may include student attendance. The reasons for nonattendance are considered and the grade is not reduced or credit denied based upon absences due to religious reasons, a student's disability, and excused absence, as determined by the district's policy. Student attendance may not be a sole criterion. If attendance is a factor, prior to a grade reduction or credit denial, the following shall occur:

1. The teacher will identify and inform parents and students how the attendance and class participation is related to the instructional goals of the subject or course;
2. Parents and guardians will be alerted and conferred with when a student's performance or attitude becomes unsatisfactory or shows marked or sudden deterioration;
3. The district's procedures will include due process for the student when the grade is reduced or credit denied for attendance rather than academic reasons. (see Board Policy KL - Public Complaints)

In determining grades, teachers will emphasize student achievement in relation to course goals. Students will be permitted the opportunity to achieve learning goals missed during absences through teacher-prescribed independent study or other assigned activities whenever practical and appropriate. Both grades and attendance data will be exhibited on a student's report card and permanent record.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 109.056](#)  
[ORS 125.005\(4\)](#)  
[ORS 125.300 - 125.325](#)

[ORS 339.260](#)  
[ORS 339.280](#)  
[ORS 419B.373](#)

[OAR 581-015-0005\(18\)](#)