

Coos Bay School District 9

Code: **IKE**
Adopted: 11/9/92
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Orig. Code(s): IKE

Promotion and Retention of Students

The Board is dedicated to total and continuous development of each student enrolled. The professional staff is expected to place students at the grade level best suited to them academically, socially and emotionally.

The collective body of research indicates that retention and social promotion are not successful strategies for improving student learning. In Coos Bay Schools, we believe that excellent initial instruction and targeted standards-based instruction as an intervention will reduce the number of students who struggle academically. We also believe in our responsibility to educate every child and know that it is our actions in response to student struggles that will often determine success.

Students will normally progress annually from grade to grade. Exceptions may be made when, in the judgment of the professional staff, such exceptions are in the best educational interest of the students involved. Exceptions will always be made after prior notification and explanation to the student's parents. Parents have the right to appeal the decision regarding retention or promotion pursuant to Policy KL, "Complaint Procedure for School Patrons."

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[OAR 581-022-1130](#)
[OAR 581-022-1670](#)