

**Hood River County  
School District**

Code: **IGBHD**  
Adopted: 10/11/95  
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Orig. Code(s): 8029

**Program Exemptions**

The district may excuse students from a state required program or learning activity, where necessary, to accommodate students' disabilities or religious beliefs. The district may also approve and grant credit for an alternative to a state or district-required program or learning activity.

In situations involving educational programs or courses required for graduation, the Board may approve and grant credit to a student for an alternative to a state-required program or learning activity. Approval of the alternative shall be based upon and shall include: a) a written statement from the student and the student's parent or guardian of the anticipated educational advantages which will result from the alternative; b) an evaluation of the request by appropriate school personnel (the alternative should be consistent with the student's educational progress and career goals as described in OAR 581-022-0602 and 581-022-0702); and c) other information as required by the Board. Following approval by the Board at one of its scheduled meetings, and upon completion of the alternative, credit shall be granted to the student.

In situations involving educational activities within any program or course offering where the student's non-participation affects his/her grade, the principal or his/her designee may approve and grant credit to a student for an alternative to the learning activity. Approval of the alternative shall be based upon and shall include: a) a written statement from the student and the student's parent or guardian of the anticipated educational advantages which will result from the alternative; b) an evaluation of the request by appropriate school personnel; and c) other information as requested by the principal or designee. Following approval by the principal or designee, and upon completion of the alternative, credit shall be granted to the student.

This policy will be included in the student/parent handbook of each school as public notice of exemption procedures.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 336.035\(2\)](#)  
[ORS 336.465](#)  
[ORS 336.615](#)  
[ORS 336.625](#)

[ORS 336.635](#)  
[OAR 581-021-0071](#)  
[OAR 581-022-0612](#)

[OAR 581-022-1350](#)  
[OAR 581-022-1440](#)  
[OAR 581-022-1910](#)  
[OAR 581-022-1920](#)

**Cross Reference(s):**

IGAI - Human Sexuality, AIDS/HIV, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, Health Education  
JED - Student Absences and Excuses