

Ontario School District 8

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Out-of-District Alternative Educational Programs**

The Board is dedicated to keeping all students enrolled in the regular educational program. It is recognized, however, that there will be students in the district who may benefit educationally from alternative services.

A list of Board-approved alternative services will be adopted annually based on superintendent recommendations. The superintendent shall provide for the involvement of staff, parents, and the community in recommending alternative services for Board approval. Annual evaluation of alternative education programs will be made in accordance with ORS 336.655 and OAR 581-022-1350. The superintendent will develop administrative regulations as necessary to implement this requirement.

Alternative services will consist of instruction or instruction combined with counseling. These services may be public or private. Private alternative services shall be registered with the Oregon Department of Education. Alternative services must meet all the requirements set forth in ORS 336.625, 336.631 and 336.637.

Students, upon parent request, may be placed in an alternative education program if the district determines that the placement serves the student's educational needs and interests and assists the student in achieving district and state academic content standards. Such placement must have the approval of the student's resident district and, as appropriate, the attending district. The district will also consider and propose alternative education programs for students prior to expulsion or leaving school as required by law.

The district shall pay the actual alternative service cost or an amount equal to 80 percent of the district's estimated current year's average per-student net operating expenditure, whichever is less. The district will enter into a written contract with the service provider.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 329.485](#)
[ORS 332.072](#)
[ORS 336.135 to-336.183](#)
[ORS 336.615 to-336.665](#)
[ORS 339.030](#)
[ORS 339.250](#)

[OAR 581-021-0045](#)
[OAR 581-021-0065](#)
[OAR 581-021-0070](#)
[OAR 581-021-0071](#)

[OAR 581-022-1350](#)
[OAR 581-022-1620](#)
[OAR 581-023-0006](#)
[OAR 581-023-0008](#)