

Retention for Students Grades 1-8**

Elementary School - The principal will be informed when there are indications that a student will need to be retained. Students are not to be retained unless complete agreement can be reached between the teacher, parents and principal. When possible, conferences with parents will be scheduled at least 12 weeks before school closes in the spring. However, the earliest possible conference time is desirable.

It is the district's belief that retention should be done primarily in grades K-2 and only on rare occasions in grades three through five.

Middle School - Every effort will be made to assist students in successfully completing all course expectations. The primary goal is to have all students make the necessary progress so they may be promoted to the next grade with the necessary skills for success. Students who fail to meet minimum expectations as outlined in the student-parent handbook will be considered for retention. Alternatives to retention are available to students at parent expense; these alternatives are listed in the student-parent handbook.