# **Davis School District Policy and Procedures**

# Subject:4I-007 Junior High School Education RequirementsIndex:Instructional Programs – GraduationAdopted:April 17, 2018

### 1. PURPOSE AND PHILOSOPHY

The Board of Education of Davis School District (Board) has adopted this policy to specify course requirements for students in grades 7-8.

#### 2. JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Utah State Board Rule R277-700 requires a student in grades 7-8 to complete the courses described below to be properly prepared for instruction in grades 9-12.

- 2.1. Grade 7 and Grade 8 Language Arts;
- 2.2. Grade 7 and Grade 8 Mathematics;
- 2.3. Grade 7 and Grade 8 Integrated Science;
- 2.4. United States History;
- 2.5. Utah History; and
- 2.6. At least one course in each of the following in grades 7 or 8:
  - 2.6.1. Health Education;
  - 2.6.2. College and Career Awareness;
  - 2.6.3. Digital Literacy;
  - 2.6.4. The Arts; and
  - 2.6.5. Physical Education.

#### 3. SUBSTITUTION OF A COURSE REQUIREMENT

Upon parental or student request, a school may, with parental consent, substitute a course requirement described in Section 2 of this policy with a current course, extracurricular activity, or experience that is:

- 3.1. similar to the course requirement; or
- 3.2. consistent with the student's plan for college and career readiness.

#### 4. APPEALS PROCEDURE

- 4.1. **School-Level Appeal:** A parent who believes that a District junior high school has not accommodated a request for a reasonable course substitution to his/her student's course requirements, may file an appeal to the site administrator. Parents are encouraged to work with site administrators in an effort to reach a mutually acceptable resolution to the requested course substitution.
- 4.2. **District-Level Appeal:** A parent who is not satisfied with efforts to resolve the issue at the school-level, may file an appeal to the School Director within ten (10) school days of receiving the decision of the site administrator.
  - 4.2.1. The School Director shall review the appeal and response to the parent in writing within a reasonable timeframe.
  - 4.2.2. This response shall serve as the final administrative action in the matter.

## REFERENCES

R277-700 The Elementary and Secondary School General Core. DISTRICT POLICY 4I-001 Individual Learning Plan and Plan for College and Career 4I-004 Citizenship Credits