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INSTRUCTION

Alternative Learning Experience (ALE) Courses

The Everett School District has established Sequoia High School, OnlineHS, and Port Gardner and Everett Virtual Academy as ALE programs. These programs are provided on-site, remote, online or by other electronic means, as defined in WAC 392-550-020.

Annually, during a public meeting, the board of directors will review this policy authorizing ALE programs and providers and approve the ratio of certificated instructional staff to full-time equivalent students enrolled in each ALE program.

Reporting Requirements

1. Annual Report to the Board of Directors

The superintendent or designee will approve specific ALE programs or courses, monitor compliance with <u>WAC 392-550-020</u> and report at the end of each school year to the board of directors. The annual report shall contain:

- 1. The ALE student headcount and full-time equivalent enrollment claimed for basic education funding;
- 2. A description of how staff are assigned to maximize student learning; including the number of certificated instructional staff in each ALE program;
- 3. A description of how the written student learning plan is developed and student performance supervised and evaluated by certificated staff;
- 4. A description of how the ALE program supports the district's overall goals for academic achievement; and

2. Monthly Report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction

The district must report monthly to the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI):

- 1. Accurate monthly headcount and full-time equivalent enrollment for students enrolled in alternative learning experiences; and
- 2. Information about the resident and serving districts of such students.

3. Regular Submissions to CEDARS

The district must report all required information to the office of superintendent of public instruction's Comprehensive Education Data and Research System under RCW 28A.300.500, including designating alternative learning experience courses as such when reporting course information to the Comprehensive Education Data and Research System.

4. Annual Report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction

The district must report annually to the Superintendent of Public Instruction:

- 1. The number of certificated instructional staff full-time equivalent assigned to each alternative learning experience program;
- 2. Enrollment of students (separately identified) where ALE instruction is provided entirely under contract pursuant to RCW 28A.150.305 and WAC 392-121-188.
- 3. The costs and purposes of any expenditures made to purchase or contract for instructional or co-curricular experiences and services that are included in an ALE written student learning plan, along with the substantially similar experiences or services made available to students enrolled in the district's regular instructional program.

The ALE programs shall satisfy the state board of education requirements for courses of study or equivalencies; and if the program offers credit or a high school diploma, the ALE program must meet the minimum high school graduation requirements.

Valid Justification for Missed Contact

Valid justifications why a student may miss the weekly contact requirements of ALE for the purpose of truancy include those outlined in <u>Board Policy 3122</u>, Attendance.

Students who drop out of ALE courses

A school district offering or contracting to offer an alternative learning experience course to a nonresident student must inform the resident school district if the student unenrolls from the course or is otherwise no longer enrolled.

Procedures

The superintendent is responsible for overseeing district ALE programs. The superintendent will develop procedures to govern the administration of the district's ALE programs consistent with state law.

Cross references:	Board Policy 2114	Online Learning
	Board Policy 2121	Curriculum Development and Review
	Procedure 2214P	Alternative Learning Experience (ALE)
		Courses
	Board Policy 2311	Selection and Adoption of Instructional
		Materials
	Board Policy 3121	Enrollment and Attendance Records
	Board Policy 3122	Attendance

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Legal references:	RCW 28A.150.305	Alternative educational service providers—
		Student eligibility
	Chapter 28A.225 RCW	Compulsory school attendance and
		admission
	RCW 28A.232.010	Alternative learning experience courses—
		Generally—Definitions—Rules—Reports
	RCW 28A.250.050	Student access to online courses and online
		learning programs—Policies and
		procedures—Course credit—Dissemination
		of information—Development of local or
		regional online learning programs
	WAC 392-121-107	Definition—Course of study
	WAC 392-121-188	Instruction provided under contract
	WAC 392-137-230	Length of acceptance
	Chapter 392-550 WAC	Alternative Learning Experience
		requirements

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