



# RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## Promotion and Retention

### Grades PreK-8

In making the decision to promote or retain a student, the principal will form a promotion/retention committee comprised of the principal, the classroom teacher(s), guidance counselor, the child's parents, and other trained professionals as deemed appropriate for each individual circumstance.

### Grade 4 and Grade 8 Promotion

In accordance with State Statute 118.33, no student shall be promoted from 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> grade or 8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> grade unless the student satisfied the specific criteria for promotion. The following are to be considered in determining whether to promote a student:

1. Score a "Basic or Equivalent" or higher on the most recent State assessment results that are available for the student; OR
2. Successfully complete grade level coursework and/or other academic criteria based on Board approved standards and curriculum in the assessed areas; OR
3. Have the recommendation of the site promotion/retention committee; OR
4. Demonstrate reasonable progress in meeting IEP goals as determined by the student's Individual Education Program (IEP) team. Meeting this requirement supercedes all other requirements.

### Grades 9-12

See Policy #345.5 and Exhibit for grade 12 graduation requirements.

A student with special needs that has progressed toward his or her education goals as specified in the student's Individual Education Plan (IEP) or Section 504 plan and receives the recommendation of the student's IEP Team or Section 504 team will be promoted.

**NOTE:** Parents or guardians may appeal to the Board of Education a decision to retain (not promote) their student. Such an appeal must be made by filing a written request to the District Administrator within 15 calendar days of receiving written notice of the decision to retain. The Board of Education will hold a closed session hearing within 30 calendar days of the appeal.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 118.33(6)(a)(1) Wisconsin Statutes  
118.33(6)(a)(2)  
118.24(2)(a)

CROSS REFERENCE: Policy #345.5 - Graduation Requirements

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