

Blacksburg Middle School

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To Parents Of Students Taking High School Credit Classes:

In September of 1997, the State Board of Education Passed new Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia. One of the standards allows middle school students the opportunity to have their high school course grade and credit removed from their high school transcript:

“In any high school credit-bearing course taken in the middle school, parents may request that grades be omitted from the student’s transcript and the student not earn high school credit for the course.” 8 VAC 20-131-90-C

Please note that if the student repeats the high school credit course in a subsequent year, he/she must also retake and pass the accompanying SOL End-of-Course Test (only if the accompanying SOL test was not passed to earn a corresponding verified credit) . The aforementioned applies to all courses taken for high school credit at the middle school level.

In order to comply with this state standard, such a request must be made to the middle school principal on the attached form “by July 1 following the year in which the student completed eighth grade (Montgomery County School Board Policy).”

If you have such a request, please send the attached form to my attention by July 1, 2016. In addition, include any changes in previously chosen math or foreign language course selections for ninth grade on this form. If you have questions, do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Amanda Weidner
Principal

