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The Waunakee Community School District shall consider a student to be a full-time student if he/she meets any one of the following conditions:

- 1. The student is enrolled in the District's four-year-old or five-year-old kindergarten program for the regular school hours of his/her assigned kindergarten program.
- 2. The student is enrolled in an elementary school, Intermediate school, or middle school in the District (grades 1 through 8, and is scheduled in classes or approved school activities for the entire school day as defined by the District.
- 3. The student is enrolled in high school in the District and the student has been scheduled to participate in a class or District-approved activity during each class period of each school day. Such District-approved activities include, but are not limited to, various non-credit earning activities as well as partial-day participation in District-approved programs or placements as described in the next paragraph.
- 4. The student is enrolled in the District and is approved for and participating in an alternative school/educational program or other District-approved educational program or placement. This includes, but is not limited to, any program or placement defined through a program or curriculum modification, programs for children at risk of not graduating from high school, school-age parent programs, work-based learning programs, gifted programming, responsibility release program, programming to remediate truancy, and programs leading to high school graduation or a high school equivalency diploma.
- 5. The student has been evaluated by an individualized education program (IEP) team or Section 504 team, prescribed an IEP or Section 504 plan, and is participating in educational programming and services in accordance with the IEP or Section 504 plan. This includes children who are at least 3 years old and who are eligible for and receiving special education services through the District's early childhood program.

A full-time student's District-approved classes need not necessarily be classes that are offered by or in the District. For example, students who have received District approval to take one or more non-District courses through the part-time open enrollment program, Technical College Course Program, Early College Credit Program, contracted educational services, inter-district cooperative agreements, etc., do not lose their full-time status based upon including such courses in their schedule.

Whether and to what extent the District is permitted to include a student in the District's various membership counts for school finance purposes is <u>not</u> determined exclusively by their status as a full-time student as defined within this policy. However, this policy's definition of full-time student shall apply to the membership count process to the extent that (1) a District-based determination of full-time status is relevant to the membership count process, and (2) the District is financially responsible for the student's educational program. This policy shall not be interpreted in a manner that would prevent the District from including a student in its membership count where state law and related Department of Public Instruction procedures clearly permit inclusion (for example, where the student is a resident student attending public school in another school district under a District-paid tuition agreement, the full-time public school open enrollment law, or a tuition waiver under section 121.84(4) of the state statutes).

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Notwithstanding this policy, a student must additionally meet the full-time student definition and other eligibility requirements of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletics Association (WIAA) in order to participate on WIAA member school interscholastic athletic teams.

Legal References:

Wisconsin Statutes

Section 38.12(14) [attendance at technical college] Section 115.28(7)(e) [alternative education programs] Section 115.787 [individualized education programs for students with disabilities] Section 115.915 [programs and services for school age parents] **Section 118.14** [age of students] Section 118.15(1)(c) [programs leading to high school graduation or high school equivalency diploma] Section 118.15(1)(d) [program or curriculum modifications] Section 118.153 [programs for children at risk of not graduating from high school] Section 118.35 [gifted and talented programs] **Section 118.52** [part-time open enrollment] **Section 118.55** [early college credit program] [work-based learning programs] **Section 118.56** ["membership" definition for purposes of reporting student membership count] Section 121.004(5) Section 121.004(7) ["pupils enrolled" for membership count purposes] Section 121.02(1)(f) [school district standards; minimum hours of direct student instruction] **Section 121.05** [budget and membership report]

Wisconsin Constitution, Article X [free public education for persons between the ages of 4 and 20]

Federal Laws

Section 121.90(1)

20 U.S.C. Chapter 33 [Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA); programs and services for students with disabilities; IDEA regulations at 34 C.F.R. Part 300]

["number of pupils enrolled" for revenue limit purposes]

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 [disability discrimination; reasonable accommodations]

Cross References:

WASB PRG 412.1 Sample Policy 1 322, School Day 341.1, Work Experience Programs 343.4, Youth Options Program 434, Released Time for Students

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