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Proposed Policy

7.3.5 Promotion and Retention Promotion and retention of students shall be in accordance with minimum state standards, which in addition to the student's achievement shall also take into account the student's emotional and social development.

Students meeting or exceeding minimum academic state standards shall be promoted unless compelling evidence is provided to, and approved by, the child's classroom teacher and the Child's Study Team that retention is in the best interests of the student.

Students who have not met the minimum academic state standards, may be promoted or retained based upon a determination of what is in the specific child's best interest. A determination for retention shall be made jointly by the child's teacher(s) and the Child's Study Team after discussion with the parents/guardians. Students who lack minimum competency in a course but who are promoted to the next grade, will be provided remediation opportunities. These opportunities can include, but are not limited to, interventions during the summer months, tiered instruction, and other interventions and supports to promote academic success. Students in grades 9-12 must pass each course taken in order to receive credit.