

ALTERNATIVE INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS

It is the policy of Wall School District 51-5 to follow State statutes in cooperating with parents who wish to have their children receive education which is a substitute for education in an accredited public or private school or whose children enter the public schools after attending an alternative instructional program.

Students of compulsory school age who enroll in an alternative instructional program are required to take the district's standardized academic achievement tests in the grades designated by the state.

The parents of a student of compulsory school age who wish their child to attend an alternative instructional program must complete the SDCL 13-27-3 APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE REQUEST and submit it to the school board. The board shall approve the request for the reasons set forth in SDCL 13-27-2 and issue a certificate to the parents. Records of certificates are kept by the business manager.

When students transfer to the Wall School District from a non-accredited school or home school, they will be placed at a level equal to the results of a standardized achievement test. The results of the previous years' Stanford Standardized Achievement Test will be used to determine the placement of the students. If the tests results are unavailable, the Wall School District will administer an achievement test to the students upon their entry to the Wall Schools. The students will be placed according to the grade equivalency achieved on the achievement test in the areas of math and English up to the chronological age of the student.

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