

**INSTRUCTION**

**CODE: IKE**  
**POLICY**

**PROMOTION AND RETENTION OF STUDENTS**

Students will be promoted from grade to grade according to board policy. Specific course requirements for each grade may be set by the board.

All retention decisions will be decided after considering the achievement, age, social and mental developments of the student. The professional judgment of the teacher will be the basis for the recommendation. However, the final decision will be made by the principal after consultation with the teacher, parent(s), guidance counselor and other specialized personnel.

Students enrolled in kindergarten through the sixth grade who are being considered for retention must be referred to the school screening committee by April 1 for determination as to the possible existence of a handicapping condition. The school screening committee must make such a determination within ten school days after receipt of the referral and no action shall be taken on a proposed retention until such time as the committee has completed its evaluation.

**REVISED POLICY**

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