Retention of a student is considered to be a serious step to be undertaken only when it clearly is in the best interest of the student’s future progress in school. Retention should not be considered unless parents have been informed throughout the school year of their student’s failure to achieve satisfactory progress. The decision to retain an elementary student shall be the decision of the principal and teacher(s) and shall not be made without a request for a conference with the student’s parents.

A seventh or eighth grade student must pass a minimum of four (4) academic units of which three (3) must be math, science, social studies and language in order to be promoted to the next grade. Principals may consider special circumstances when final promotion decisions are made.

In high schools, students will be classified according to the following:

10th Grader – having passing grades for six (6) Carnegie units
11th Grader – having passing grades for thirteen (13) Carnegie units
12th Grader – having passing grades for twenty-one (21) Carnegie units

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