



POLICY 8.01

4-A I recommend that the Board approve adoption of the proposed **revised** Policy 8.01, entitled "Promotion, Placement, and Graduation – Student Progression Plans."

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Adoption

CONSENT ITEM

- This revision updates the previous editions of the Student Progression Plans, as amended, into Policy 8.01 upon adoption. Pursuant to Section 1008.25, Florida Statutes, each district school board shall establish a comprehensive program for student progression that addresses public school student progression, remedial instruction, promotion, retention, acceleration options, and reporting requirements. The attached Student Progression Plans (Elementary School, Middle School, High School, and Adult Education) contain the revisions to the Plans to reflect the requirements of Florida Statutes and State Board of Education Rules. Changes were also made to reflect District practices and the rewording of sections. Most significant changes are noted within the plans.
- This revision also updates statutory references.
- Staff has provided a summary of many of the substantive changes that appear within the plans. This summary appears below for the Board's reference.

**To view the student progression plans
please visit:**

<http://www.palmbeachschools.org/chiefcounsel/PolicyDevelopment.asp>

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**PROMOTION, PLACEMENT, GRADUATION – STUDENT PROGRESSION
PLANS**

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5 1. Purpose: This Policy establishes, as required by Florida law, comprehensive plans
6 for student progression from one grade to another and towards graduation.
7 Separate plans exist for elementary school, middle school, high school, and adult
8 education programs.
- 9 2. The School Board of Palm Beach County values the educational development of
10 each student in the District. District instructional personnel will consider the
11 individual student's academic needs when placing students in subjects, grade
12 levels or specialty programs.
- 13 3. Promotion between grade levels shall be based upon evaluation of each student's
14 performance and achievement. To assist and guide school officials in their
15 decisions on placement, promotion, retention, and special programs, the
16 Superintendent has developed the Student Progression Plans, which are
17 incorporated herein by reference as part of this Policy. Copies of the Plans shall be
18 maintained in the District office and at each school and be available online at
19 [Division of Curriculum](#) [Division of Teaching and Learning](#). The Plans include
20 student performance standards and promotional and graduation requirements for
21 grades K-12, adult general education, exceptional student education, and dual
22 enrollment. Before being presented to the Board for approval, the revised and
23 updated Student Progression Plans will be reviewed for compliance with federal
24 law and Florida law and State Board of Education rules, and the Plans shall be
25 interpreted and implemented consistently with federal and state law.
- 26 4. All PBSD forms referenced to within the Student Progression Plans are
27 incorporated herein by reference as a part of this Policy and may be found on the
28 [School District Forms website](#).
- 29 5. All documents referred to within the Student Progression Plans are incorporated
30 herein by reference as a part of this Policy and may be found on the [School](#)
31 [District's website](#) or at the [Florida Department of Education website](#).
- 32 6. As required by Fla. Stat. § 1008.25(7)(b)5, the District shall annually publish in the
33 local newspaper any revisions to this Policy on student retention and promotion
34 from the prior year, referring to any changes in the Student Progression Plans
35 incorporated into this Policy.

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39 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: Fla. Stat. §§ 1001.32(2); 1001.41(2); 1001.42 (2~~7~~);
40 1008.25; 1008.25(2) & (7) (b) 5; 1012.23(1).

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42 LAWS IMPLEMENTED: Fla. Stat. §§ 1001.32(2); 1002.3105, 1002.45, 1003.21;
43 1003.41, 1003.43; 1003.437; 1003.438; 1003.46; 1003.56; 1008.25(2).

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45 HISTORY: 2/18/72; 4/24/74; 12/19/74; 12/3/75; 10/20/76; 6/14/77; 10/17/79; 10/15/80;
46 5/4/83; 9/7/83; 6/5/85; 12/9/86; 3/16/88; 6/24/92; 7/28/03; 4/5/06; 9/6/06-(ER); 11/8/06;
47 8/22/07 (ER); 10/24/07; 5/7/2008: 9/3/08 (ER); 10/29/08; 9/9/09 (ER); 11/4/2009;
48 9/7/2010(ER); 12/8/2010; 2/13/2013; / /2014

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Legal Signoff:

The Legal Department has reviewed proposed Policy 8.01 and finds it legally sufficient for adoption by the Board.

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Date