

Alternative Education Programs

The Board is dedicated to providing educational options for all students. It is recognized there will be students in the district whose needs and interests are best served by participation in an alternative education program.

The approval of alternative education programs will be evaluated on an individual basis. The superintendent will develop administrative regulations as necessary to implement this requirement.

Alternative education programs will consist of instruction or instruction combined with counseling. These programs may be public or private. Private alternative education programs shall be registered with the Oregon Department of Education. Alternative education programs must meet all the requirements set forth in ORS 336.625, 336.631 and 336.637. A qualified school district may contract with a qualified private alternative education program to provide services to a qualified home-school child.

Students, upon parent request, may be placed in an alternative education program if the district determines that the placement serves the student’s educational needs and interests and assists the student in achieving district and state academic content standards. Such placement must have the approval of the student’s resident district and, as appropriate, the attending district. The district will also consider and propose alternative education programs for students prior to expulsion or leaving school as required by law.

The district shall pay the actual alternative education program cost or an amount equal to 80 percent of the district’s estimated current year’s average per-student net operating expenditure, whichever is less. The district will enter into a written contract with district-approved private alternative programs.

END OF POLICY

Legal References:	OAR 581-021-0045
ORS 329.035	OAR 581-021-0065
ORS 329.485	OAR 581-021-0070
ORS 332.072	OAR 581-021-0071
ORS 336.135 - 336.183	OAR 581-022-1350
ORS 336.615 - 336.665	OAR 581-022-1620
ORS 339.030	OAR 581-023-0006
ORS 339.250	OAR 581-023-0008
	HB 2040