

**6A-1.09941 State Uniform Transfer of High School Credits.**

The purpose of this rule is to establish uniform procedures relating to the acceptance of transfer work and credit for students entering Florida's public schools. The procedures shall be as follows:

(1) Credits and grades earned and offered for acceptance shall be based on official transcripts and shall be accepted at face value subject to validation if required by the receiving school's accreditation. If validation of the official transcript is deemed necessary, or if the student does not possess an official transcript or is a home education student, credits shall be validated through performance during the first grading period as outlined in paragraph (2).

(2) Validation of credits shall be based on performance in classes at the receiving school. A student transferring into a school shall be placed at the appropriate sequential course level and should have a minimum grade point average of 2.0 at the end of the first grading period. Students who do not meet this requirement shall have credits validated using the Alternative Validation Procedure, as outlined in paragraph (3).

(3) Alternative Validation Procedure. If validation based on performance as described above is not satisfactory, then any one of the following alternatives shall be used for validation purposes as determined by the teacher, principal, and parent:

- a. Portfolio evaluation by the superintendent or designee;
- b. Written recommendation by a Florida certified teacher selected by the parent and approved by the principal;
- c. Demonstrated performance in courses taken through dual enrollment or at other public or private accredited schools;
- d. Demonstrated proficiencies on nationally-normed standardized subject area assessments;
- e. Demonstrated proficiencies on the FCAT; or
- f. Written review of the criteria utilized for a given subject provided by the former school.

Students must be provided at least ninety (90) days from date of transfer to prepare for assessments outlined in paragraphs (3)(d) and (3)(e) if required.

Specific Authority 1003.25(3) FS. Law Implemented 1003.25(3) FS.  
History - New 8-28-2000, Formerly 6-1.099, Amended \_\_\_\_\_.

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~~(1) All evidence of work or credits earned at another school, community college, or university offered for acceptance shall be based on an official transcript authenticated by the proper school authority.~~

~~(2) Work or credits from state or regionally accredited public or private schools or institutions shall be accepted at face value, subject to validation if deemed necessary.~~

~~(3) Work or credits from nonaccredited public or private schools or institutions shall be validated by examination or scholastic performance as established in school board policies.~~

~~(4) Work or credits earned by Opportunity Scholarship students from private schools which participate in the Opportunity Scholarship Program shall be accepted at face value, subject to validation if deemed necessary.~~

~~(5) Work or credits for home education students who transfer into the public school system shall be granted based on criteria established in district school board policies, which may include one or more of the following, as appropriate:~~

~~(a) Demonstrated academic performance in the classroom;~~

~~(b) Portfolio evaluation by the superintendent or designee;~~

~~(c) Written recommendation by a Florida certified teacher selected by the parent and approved by the principal;~~

~~(d) Demonstrated performance in courses taken through dual enrollment or at other public or private accredited schools;~~

~~(e) Demonstrated proficiencies on standardized subject area assessments; or~~

~~(f) Demonstrated proficiencies on the FCAT.~~

~~Such policies must provide the home education student at least ninety (90) days to prepare for assessments outlined in paragraphs (5)(e) and (5)(f) if required. The policies must require the validation of credits within the first ninety (90) days of the student's enrollment in the public school system. If however, assessments outlined in paragraphs (5)(e) and (5)(f) are required, validation of credits must be completed by the end of the school year.~~

~~(6) A transfer student cannot be required to spend additional time in a Florida high school in order to meet Florida graduation requirements provided the student has met all requirements of the school district, state, or country from which he or she is transferring. However, to receive a Florida high school diploma, a transfer student must pass the appropriate state test required for graduation.~~

~~Specific Authority 229.515 FS. Law Implemented 232.23(3) FS. History—New 8-28-2000.~~

~~**NOTE:** This rule was adopted as a Commissioner of Education rule. It has the same authority as rules adopted as State Board of Education rules.~~