

DIOCESE OF DES MOINES

Catholic Schools Policies/Regulations

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Extended Learning

It shall be the policy for the Diocesan Catholic Schools Office, under the aegis of the Bishop, that middle school students who are capable of accelerating or extending their learning are encouraged to maintain full time enrollment in their Catholic school. The Catholic schools in the Diocese of Des Moines are committed to serving and challenging each child and will endeavor to do so through differentiation of instruction.

Middle school students who qualify for enrichment courses, should work with their own local school as well as the local Catholic high school to determine how the high school may be able to serve the student's advanced academic needs. Qualifications will be set at each high school in collaboration with elementary school administrators and will be communicated and managed by the Catholic high school.

High school students who wish to participate in vocational courses or in other courses not offered in the Catholic high schools, must have written course of study that shows they will meet the graduation requirements for their Catholic high school if the extended learning course is completed successfully.

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