

**DIOCESE OF DES MOINES**  
**Catholic Schools Policies/Regulations**

**EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS**

**Extended Learning**

It shall be the policy of the Diocesan Catholic Schools Board that middle or high school students, who are capable of accelerating or extending their learning, will be encouraged to maintain full-time enrollment in their Catholic school. Catholic schools in the Des Moines Diocese are, therefore, committed to serving and challenging such capable students at the middle and high school levels.

If, however, a student is identified as being exceptionally gifted, and might benefit from enrollment in an outside extended learning program, that student may enroll after having met multiple eligibility criteria, which have been established and must be uniformly upheld by all Catholic schools in the diocese.

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