



Sudbury Secondary School Arts Education Program Policy

In order to remain in good standing in the Arts Education Program, students must maintain the following arts and academic standards:

All Arts Education students must achieve 70% or better in their Arts major course and an overall average of 70% or better each semester.

Probation

Students who do not meet the required arts and academic standards may be placed on probation. A student may be placed on probation at the discretion of his/her arts teacher for reasons related to class performance in any of his/her courses, non-completion of work, poor attendance in class or rehearsals and/or behaviour. All students on probation will be offered additional support and resources.

Withdrawal from the Arts Education Program

Students who do not meet the required arts and academic standards may be withdrawn from the Arts Education Program. A failing mark in any course, poor attendance to classes or unacceptable behaviour may result in withdrawal from the Arts Program. Teachers and administrators carefully review each case of potential withdrawal.

Transportation

Students in the Arts Education Program will be provided with transportation in accordance with Rainbow District School Board Policy 6.07 Section 2.5 d) *Transportation of pupils to specialized programs*. Please note: Students in grades 9-11 residing outside the Sudbury Secondary School boundaries who are withdrawn from the Arts Education Program will not be provided with school bus transportation.

Choosing Arts Courses

The Arts Education Program provides students with the opportunity to explore a variety of art forms throughout their secondary school years. As a result, the following courses are offered:

Arts Education Major Courses

Dance Arts Theatre Arts Instrumental Music (bass, brass, percussion, piano, woodwind)
Media Arts Visual Arts Vocal Music

Arts Education Minor Courses

In grades 10-12, Arts Education students are encouraged to choose an arts minor course in another arts discipline in addition to their arts major course(s):

Acoustic Guitar	Fashion Design	Lighting and Sound	Fashion Jewelry Design
Musical Theatre	Photography	Set Design	Art Therapy

All Arts Major courses listed above are also offered as Minor (regular stream) courses.

Co-Curricular Activities

All students enrolled in the Arts Education Program are expected to participate in arts activities outside of the classroom in order to further develop and apply their skills. Some of these opportunities occur outside the school day (i.e. after school and/or on weekends). Students who do not participate in these course-related curricular activities may be withdrawn from the Arts Education Program.

Arts-related Absences and Exemption from Exams

Arts Education students who participate in other community arts activities (e.g. theatre productions, music festivals, dance competitions) may submit a "High Performance Request". If approved, absences related to these activities will not be counted against the student when determining their eligibility for exemptions from examinations.

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I have thoroughly read the Arts Education Program Policy and if I am offered admission to the Sudbury Secondary School Arts Education Program, I will strive to achieve the criteria outlined above. I understand that failure to meet these criteria may result in my withdrawal from the Arts Education Program.

Student's Name: _____ Major: _____

Student's Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

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Principal's Signature: _____

Date: _____