

TEAM High Annual Review

November 9, 2015

1. School Board Policy for Alternative Learning Experience Programs Policy No. 2255 - Instruction

ALTERNATIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCE PROGRAMS

The board authorizes the creation of an alternative learning experience (ALE) program. The district will make available to students enrolled in an alternative learning experience program educational opportunities designed to meet their individual needs. The district will comply with all program requirements necessary to count an ALE as a course of study and ensure state funding for ALE students.

ALE programs may include, but are not limited to:

- On-line programs as defined in RCW 28A.150.262;
- Parent partnership programs that include significant participation and partnership by parents and families in the design and implementation of a student's learning experience; and
- Contract-based learning programs.

The board will adopt and annually review written policies authorizing alternative learning experiences, including each alternative learning experience program and program provider. The policy must designate, by title, one or more school district official(s) responsible for overseeing the district's alternative learning experience courses or programs.

The district establishes TEAM High School and Lewis River Academy as alternative learning experience programs, providing instruction on site or over the internet or by other electronic means, as defined in WAC 392-121-182. The District shall designate one or more official responsible for these programs.

The district shall designate one or more person(s) responsible for approving specific alternative learning experience programs or courses, monitoring compliance with WAC 392-121-182 and reporting at the end of each school year to the board of directors on the program. The annual report shall contain at least the following:

- (a)Documentation of ALE student headcount and full-time equivalent enrollment claimed for basic education funding;
- (b)Identification of the overall ratio of certificated instructional staff to full-time equivalent students enrolled in each ALE program;
- (c)A description of how the program supports the district's overall goals and objectives for student academic achievement; and
- (d)Results of any self-evaluations.

The district will submit an annual report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction detailing the costs and purposes of any expenditures made to purchase or contract for instructional or co-curricular experiences and services that are included in an ALE written student learning plan, along with the substantially similar experiences or services made available to students enrolled in the district's regular instructional program.

In addition to TEAM High School, and Lewis River Academy, the District participates in, and provides students access to, the Center for Career and Academic Advancement (CCAA), a cooperative program offered by the Clark County Skills Center and ESD 112. The CCAA program operates in accordance with all applicable state rules and regulations in offering a diploma that meets the minimum state graduation requirements through the Woodland School District. Students earning a diploma through CCAA will not be eligible to participate in the TEAM or Woodland High School commencement ceremonies. However, if the student meets the credit requirements of TEAM or Woodland High School they will be allowed to participate in the appropriate ceremony.

The superintendent is directed to develop procedures consistent with WAC 392-121-182 to govern the administration of the district's ALE program

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Adoption Date: October 26, 2005

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Legal Reference:	WAC 392-121-182	Alternative learning experience requirements
	RCW 28A.320.230	Instructional Materials- Instructional Materials Committee
Cross References:	Board Policy 2020	Curriculum Development and Adoption of Instructional Materials

2. TEAM High School Courses

APEX Courses, Music and Washington State History are the courses that TEAM High School uses for students to complete the course requirements set forth by Woodland School District Policy No. 2410 (High School Graduation Requirements). APEX courses and Washington State History are used at Woodland Middle School, Woodland High School and Lewis River Academy.

3. Documentation of ALE student headcount and full-time equivalent enrollment claimed for basic education funding.

Month	Headcount	FTE	Teacher/Student Ratio
September 2014	68	68	1/30.9
October 2014	79	79	1/35.9
November 2014	82	82	1/37.3
December 2014	79	79	1/35.9
January 2015	82	82	1/37.3
February 2015	78	78	1/35.5
March 2015	88	87	1/39.5
April 2015	91	89	1/40.5
May 2015	87	87	1/39.5
June 2015	86	86	1/39.1
September 2015	73	60	1/27.3
October 2015	73	72	1/32.7

4. Identification of the overall ratio of certificated instructional staff to full-time equivalent students enrolled in each ALE program.

TEAM High School has 2.2 FTE certificated teachers. Teacher to student ratio is listed in the chart above broken down on a monthly basis.

5. Provide a description of how the program supports the overall goals for student achievement.

Below are the Woodland Board of Director's District Goals. After each goal is an explanation of how TEAM High School supports these goals.

A. High-Quality Teaching & Learning

Our faculty and staff will provide effective and high-quality instruction by engaging student interests, exploring alternate pathways and leading by example, thereby promoting a powerful environment for learning. This process will be enhanced through the incorporation of proven tools, training and classroom support.

TEAM High School supports this goal by providing high-quality instruction through the use of APEX curriculum which is taught by Highly Qualified Teachers. We also teach Washington State History and a variety of music classes taught by a Highly Qualified Teacher. Our alternative school enables students to pursue a high school diploma in a non-traditional setting. Our staff is trained regularly through the agreement with APEX as well as through the district using professional development structures instituted for the entire district such as Common Core in English Language Arts and Math.

B. A Safe, Healthy & Nurturing Environment

Our school climate will enhance educational performance by focusing on each child, meeting individual student needs by emphasizing safety, a healthy personal outlook, proper nutrition, and physical fitness.

TEAM High School focuses on each student as an individual. The staff is familiar with each student by name and when our students need direction or help the staff extends services that are relevant such as U-Trend, counseling, free lunches and breakfasts, warm clothes, exercise, healthy lifestyles, etc. We encourage students to take advantage of free or reduced lunches and breakfasts to benefit from a balanced meal.

C. Prudent, Conservative Fiscal Management

We will promote public trust through effective financial oversight and prudent management of District finances and cash reserves.

TEAM High School is issued a yearly budget which has only been overspent one year. Most of our budget is allocated to professional development aimed at instituting new changes that are required by law. We attend every webinar and conference that deals with legislative changes and Alternative Learning Education. Due to this we have employed Mark Knudson on several occasions to train TEAM staff on APEX and SIPS and to coordinate our alternative schools. We were notified this summer that a full audit will be performed for the 2015-2016 school year.

D. Effective Partnerships

We will leverage community skills and resources through compelling and innovative partnerships, working with our local business community, government entities, early learning providers, service clubs, senior centers, and other complementary organizations.

TEAM High School uses businesses and industries to help students understand the importance of a quality education. Some of our students are employed by these businesses and support the student in earning a diploma. McDonald's, Burgerville and Safeway schedule the student's work hours to accommodate education, knowing that the student will be more productive as a citizen with a diploma than without one. Also several of our students over the years have taken advantage child-care services offered in our community. Sometimes the payment for services is rendered in the student working at that childcare facility. The student schedule allows students the opportunity to work or be with their children.

E. Community Outreach & Involvement

We will actively promote our District through effective, consistent and transparent communication, particularly with parents and families, instilling a sense of commitment throughout our community toward student success. Our outreach will be welcoming, inclusive, and relevant.

TEAM High School welcomes new students not only from Woodland but from neighboring districts such as Kalama, Battle Ground, Ridgefield and LaCenter. We accept students with Individualized Educational Plans, minor problems with discipline, learning issues in any of the core areas until we have maximized enrollment then students are put on a waiting list. It is not uncommon for a student who wishes to try a different educational system to experiment with TEAM High School to see if it works for them.

6. Share results of any self-evaluations.

TEAM High School has not performed a self-evaluation recently so do not have results to share.

7. TEAM High School Improvement Plan

TEAM HIGH SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN
GOAL STATEMENTS 2015-2016

By spring 2015, 100% of the sophomore class at TEAM High will meet standard on the new English Language Arts State Exam. This will be accomplished by Mia Nigro and another Highly Qualified Teacher to be hired in place of Mia Nigro, teaching students how to better comprehend text and support answers with evidence during individualized instruction starting in November. The curriculum is from the OSPI Website and Common Core State Standards.

By spring 2015, 100% of the sophomore class at TEAM High will meet standard on the Algebra 1 Math End of Course Exam or Geometry End of Course Exam. This will be accomplished by Elizabeth Vallaire teaching students to decipher and decode mathematical equations and use critical problem-solving skills during individualized instruction starting in November.

By spring 2015, 100% of the sophomore class at TEAM High will meet or exceed standard on the Biology End of Course Exam or the Comprehensive Next Generation Science Standards. This will be accomplished by Elizabeth Vallaire teaching students to use correct scientific method to demonstrate their understanding of biology starting in November using individualized instruction.