

YOUTH OPTIONS

The School District of Colby allows students to participate in the youth options program providing that they meet the following requirements:

1. The student must be presently enrolled at Colby High School.
2. The student must have completed all of the comparable courses offered at Colby High School, this determination shall be made by the high school principal.
3. The student must meet the entrance requirements of a recognized institution of higher education or a technical college as outlined in state law.
4. The student and parent/guardian must request in writing permission to attend a Post Secondary Option Course. This request must be presented to the high school principal before the student registers for the course.
5. High School credit for approved post secondary options classes will be determined before the class begins. In order to receive credit for a youth options course the student must provide the principal with proof that he/she has successfully completed the course and received a passing grade.
6. Students participating in the youth options program are responsible for their own transportation costs. Transportation reimbursement claims may be applied for through the Department of Public Instruction.
7. The student and his/her parent/guardian must complete and submit the Alternative Credit Request form.
8. During grades 11-12 a student is limited to enrolling in no more than a total of 18 postsecondary credits (equivalent to 4 ½ high school credits) through the Youth Options program. A postsecondary course taken under the Youth Options Program and approved for high school credit shall be granted ¼ high school credit per one semester credit offered by a postsecondary course [PI 40.07 (20)].
9. If a pupil earns a failing grade or fails to complete (drops) a course for which the School District of Colby has made payment, the administration shall request reimbursement for all costs related to this course. Reimbursement may be requested from the adult student or from the student's parent/guardian.
10. Pupils who fail to provide reimbursement for a dropped or failed course as described in No. 9 (supra) are not eligible for the Youth Options program.
11. A grade that constitutes a failing grade for a course at Colby High School constitutes a failing grade for a course taken at an institution of higher education or technical college under the Youth Options law.

If the student is not satisfied with the principal's decision regarding comparability of courses or the number of high school credits that will be awarded he/she may utilize the district standard appeal process.

LEGAL REFERENCE: Wisconsin Stats. 118.55
 Wisconsin Administrative Code - PI 40

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