

Administrative Procedure 218

OUTREACH PROGRAMS

Background

The Division believes that it has a responsibility to provide alternatives to regular school programs for those students who may not experience success in a traditional school setting.

Definition

An outreach program provides an educational alternative for students who, due to individual circumstances, find that traditional school settings does not meet their needs. Outreach programs must operate in a standalone school location separated from regular school programs.

Procedures

1. Outreach programs shall be run as standalone schools at locations separate from the regular schools.
2. Students may be dually-registered in an outreach program and at another school, depending upon individual circumstances.
3. Student participation in the Outreach Program must meet the following conditions:
 - 3.1 To be eligible for funding in an Outreach Program, students must be 19 years of age or younger on September 30 of the school year in which they are registered.
 - 3.2 Students over the age of 19 may be admitted with principal approval.
 - 3.3 Students attending an Outreach School may be required to meet performance, behavior or attendance criteria as described in a student contract. Adherence to that contract may be conditional to continued enrollment
4. The Outreach programs may provide personal, career counseling, conflict resolution, anger management training, study skills, time management sessions, job site training, and work experience or other services to promote student success.

Reference: Section 8, 21, 60, School Act
Outreach Programs Policy 1.1.4
Outreach Programs Handbook
Guide to Education: ECS to Grade 12, September 2017

Appendix:

The following Outreach Programs have been approved by the Board of Trustees and Alberta Education:

- Drumheller Outreach
- Strathmore Storefront
- Strathmore Anchors Program