

Course Substitution Policy

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Policy

Wallace Stegner Academy (the "School") offers classes satisfying the Grade 7-8 General Core Requirements specified in R277-700-5(3). In accordance with R277-700-5(7), the School may, upon request and with parental consent, substitute a course requirement with a course, extracurricular activity, or experience that is either (a) similar to the course requirement or (b) consistent with the student's plan for college and career readiness.

Course substitution requests and parental consent must be provided to the Chief Executive Officer(s) in writing and must (a) identify the course requirement seeking to be substituted; (b) identify and describe the desired course, extracurricular activity, or experience to be substituted for the course requirement; (c) explain how the desired course, activity or experience is similar to the course requirement and/or consistent with the student's plan for college and career readiness; and (d) explain why it is in the student's best interest to substitute the desired course, activity, or experience for the course requirement.

The Chief Executive Officer(s) will decide whether to grant course substitution requests based on the determination of the Chief Executive Officer(s) of what is in the student's best interest and other relevant factors related to the specific request.

Appeal Process

A parent who is dissatisfied with the decision of the Chief Executive Officer(s) regarding a course substitution request may appeal that decision to the Board President in writing within ten (10) days of the decision. The written appeal should provide all relevant information regarding the request and the decision of the Chief Executive Officer(s).

The Board President or another Board member designated by the Board President will review the appeal and the response of the Chief Executive Officer(s) and determine whether the course substitution request should be granted. The Board President or their designee will notify the parent of the decision on the appeal in writing within ten (10) days of receiving the appeal. This decision will be final.