

MLK Jr. Early College 9-12 Promotion Requirements

Grade Promotion Requirements

Students who meet the State and District Course of Study Requirements and expectations of Martin Luther King Jr Early College School shall be eligible for promotion to the next grade level. Students that do not meet these requirements will be put on probation following a meeting with a parent and possibly retained until proficiency is achieved.

Eligibility for Promotion Requirements

1. Grades must meet 2.5 GPA or Proficient

Students will be required to meet the following requirements. Maintain a GPA of at least a 2.5, participate, take grade level required college courses, 20 hours of community service per year and develop, and maintain college plan.

All students must achieve a GPA of 2.5 or higher each quarter. Any student with a GPA lower than 2.5 for more than two quarters will be placed on probation followed be a parent meeting and will be given appropriate projects to demonstrate proficiency and to build skills. If, the student does not raise skills or show proficiency a student will be recommended for retention until those skills meet expectations. No student will be promoted to the next level until all grade level standards are met, including passing college and AP courses with a "C" or better. In such cases that a student is on an IEP, the expectation is that the student will grow at least two grade levels per year and will be put in interventions instead of electives to build skills. Once a student has shown improvement, they will be put back into electives.

2. Attendance must be at least 95% and no more than 5 tardies per quarter

Students must be in attendance at least 95% of the time school is in session during each quarter, this includes excused absences. Students may not exceed 5 total tardies in periods 1-10 each quarter. Parents may appeal individual quarter absences and tardies to the administrative team if extenuating circumstances exist (i.e. serious illness, death in the family, etc). Any student that falls below the 95% attendance goal will be assigned a mandatory 9th hour class, as well as, all empty periods will be replaced with study skills and core elective classes.

3. Must have applied and/or been accepted to a post secondary institution. Also, completed financial aid

Apart of the acceptance into the Early College portion of MLK each student is required to apply to 3 four year colleges and universities. And apply to three scholarships. In order to fulfill the true vision of MLK students should demonstrate adequate and realistic progress towards this goal starting with a comprehensive college plan.

4. Demonstration of good behavior in accordance with school rules

Misbehavior of a serious nature, such as acts which could result in suspension or criminal complaints but has met requirements for a High School, to be kept from participating in school and athletic activities at the discretion of the school administration. Seniors that receive a level 2-5 offense referral will not be allowed to participate in the Graduation ceremony or any of the related events. Level 2-5 offenses are listed below. In addition, seniors receiving four or more referrals during the school year for any other behavior will not be allowed to participate in Graduation or related events until they satisfactorily have completed a restitution program at the discretion of administration and advisory teacher.

For a complete list visit: http://webdata.dpsk12.org/policy/pdf/Policy_JK-R-Attachment_B.pdf

Type Five

- o Robbery
- First or second degree assault, and sexual assault
- Sale of, or intent to sell, unauthorized drugs or controlled substance
- O Carrying, bringing, using, or possessing a knife or dangerous weapon
- Habitual disruption

Type Four

- Arson Level F Optional Mandatory
- Fighting: Level II (including incidents with significant injuries, but which do not rise to the level of the Type Five offense "1st or 2nd degree assault")
- O Destruction or theft of school property (over \$5000) Theft from an individual (over \$5000)
- Possession of an explosive (nonfireworks/firecrackers) that seriously endangers the welfare or safety of others
- Willfully causing damage to the property of a school employee
- o Assault, harassment, or false allegation of abuse against a school employee
- Hazing activities
- o Child Abuse
- O Unlawful sexual behavior, unlawful sexual contact, and indecent exposure Witness Intimidation or Retaliation
- Other student behavior presenting an active or ongoing danger to the welfare or safety of school occupants
- o Recurring Type Three offenses

Type Three

- o Bullying: Level II see Policy JICDE
- Harassment based on race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or religion: Level II - see Policy JBBA
- Sexual harassment: Level II see Policy JBB
- Fighting: Level I (may include incidents that result in minor injuries like cuts, scrapes, and bloody noses

- Being under the influence of drugs or alcohol

 see Policies JICH, JICH-R Possession of alcohol or unauthorized (but legal) drugs
- Possession of illegal drugs
- Destruction or theft of school property, including graffiti (\$500 \$5000)
- o Theft from an individual (\$500 \$5000)
- Other school-based misconduct that substantially disrupts the school environment
- Recurring Type Two offenses

Type Two

- o False activation of a fire alarm
- o Possession of fireworks/firecrackers
- o Bullying: Level I see Policy JICDE
- Harassment based on race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or religion: Level I – see Policy JBBA
- o Sexual harassment: Level I see Policy JBB
- o Consensual but inappropriate physical contact
- Destruction or theft of school property, including graffiti (under \$500)
- o Severe defiance of authority/disobedience
- o Trespassing
- o Theft from an individual (under \$500)
- Other school-based misconduct that disrupts the school environment
- Recurring Type One offenses (after going

5. No Outstanding Debts on Student Account

Completion of requirements will also include the meeting of all outstanding debts for books, locks, lunch charges, and other miscellaneous charges. Each student will receive a checklist to be completed and signed to be considered.

If you have any other questions, please contact Allen Smith, principal. He can be reached at (720) 424-0420.