ST. JAMES-ASSINIBOIA SCHOOL DIVISION

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Challenge for Credit Option - Grade 9 to Grade 12

The St. James-Assiniboia School Division recognizes that students may, in exceptional circumstances, have already acquired the knowledge, skills and attitudes of a particular course. Challenge for Credit Option provides a process for students to demonstrate that they may have achieved learning outcomes as defined in the Manitoba curriculum for a directly related course. Requirements to earn a credit via challenge should not be more demanding than the requirements to earn the credit through regular instruction; this should involve demonstrating that the student can meet the curriculum learning outcomes in an appropriate way.

These guidelines do not apply to the Special Language Credit Option or the Private Music Option, as guidelines on these opportunities already exist.

This option is intended to serve particular needs such as:

- students who, by virtue of special talents or private study, can be accelerated in particular subject areas
- students transferring into a Manitoba school from another jurisdiction whose placement in a subject/grade would be facilitated by such a provision
- students whose educational attendance has been interrupted through sickness or other reasons and who may be able to successfully challenge the learning outcomes of a particular subject area, in which they were previously unable to enrol
- students who were previously home schooled
- students who are considered exceptional achievers in a certain area
- students who can demonstrate that they have met course requirements through life experiences such as independent study, world of work, volunteer activities, and hobbies.

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