



<b>Extended Instructional Programs</b>	<b>IHC</b>	<b>4/15/09</b>
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**RATIONALE/OBJECTIVE:**

The Cobb County School District (District) realizes that learning is a cumulative process of educational experiences ([Policy IA](#) [Student Performance Standards and Expectations]). In support of continued learning, the District provides opportunities for youth and adults to continue their educational growth through instructional programs that extend beyond the District’s general educational program.

**RULE:**

**A. PROGRAMS:**

The District provides the following extended instructional programs which are operated on a State funded/in-kind contribution basis involving participant tuition support when necessary for the instructional services provided through the continuing education operations:

**1. Adult Education:**

A program for adults who are sixteen (16) years of age and older who are not enrolled in a conventional school program.

**2. Continuing Education Centers:**

A program which offers secondary education in an alternative style to that of the regular high school. Students may meet District graduation requirements which are based on Georgia Board of Education Rule 160-4-2-.47 (Administrative [Rule IKF](#) [Graduation Requirements]) through continuing education centers and be eligible for graduation from the high school in their attendance area.

**3. Summer Schools:**

The following directives shall be observed in the District’s summer school program:

**a. Program Plan:**

The plans for each summer school program, including the cost to students, shall be:  
 (1) Developed annually by Curriculum and Instruction; and  
 (2) Submitted to Executive Cabinet and the Superintendent for approval.

**b. Graduation Unit Credit:**

Unit credit for graduation shall be given only for those summer studies which are conducted through the District or other public or private schools accredited by at least one of the approved agencies outlined in Georgia Board of Education Rule 160-5-1-.14 and meet unit credit criteria outlined in District Administrative [Rule IKF](#) (Graduation Requirements).

**c. Procedures:**

- (1) Each student participating in the summer school program must submit a complete District summer school registration form.
- (2) A minimum number of students must be registered for any course before it may be offered. This minimum will be determined each year after reviewing teacher salaries and student costs.
- (3) Students enrolled in a summer school program must do satisfactory work before credit is allowed. Unexcused absences or unsatisfactory behavior will result in immediate dismissal. Students must be present or have excused absences for all days in the school term, and work missed by excused absences must be made up by the end of summer school.

**d. Non-District Summer Educational Activities:**

Student participation in summer educational activities such as the Governor's Honors Program, music camps, etc. may be noted on the student's permanent record as non-credit participation.

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