



Annual Notice of the Right to Request a Personal Curriculum Modifying Michigan Merit Curriculum Requirements for Graduation with a Regular High School Diploma

What is a personal curriculum?

The personal curriculum (PC) is a process to modify specific Michigan Merit Curriculum (MMC) high school credit requirements and/or content expectations based on the individual learning needs of a student. It is designed to serve students who want to accelerate or go beyond the MMC requirements and students who need to individualize learning requirements to meet the MMC requirements.

Who may request a personal curriculum?

The parent or guardian of a student for whom a personal curriculum is sought, or the student if the student is of the age of majority or an emancipated minor may request a personal curriculum.

Other potential requesters include, a teacher who is currently teaching the student (who currently teaches in, or whose expertise is in, a subject area proposed to be modified by the PC, or who is determined by the principal to have qualifications otherwise relevant to developing a PC), or a school counselor or school employee qualified to act in a counseling role.

If the request for a PC is made by the student's parent or legal guardian or, if the student is at least age 18 or is an emancipated minor, by the student, the school district shall develop a PC for the student pursuant to the parameters outlined in the 380.1278b(5).

When may a personal curriculum be requested?

If the student has an Individualized Education Program (IEP), the personal curriculum request may be submitted prior to 9th grade, although any resulting PC may not be implemented until the onset of 9th grade. The earliest submission timeline for all other PC requests is after the student has completed 9th grade.

If the parent/guardian/student is interested in more information on the PC option, or would like to make a request for a PC, please contact our school counselor, Cheryl Dille at cdille@ctachangers.org or 696-4905 x201.

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Michigan Merit Curriculum (MMC)

Subject Area Credit Requirements	Personal Curriculum (PC) Modifications (Sequence and delivery up to district; support courses can count for credit regardless of year)
<p>4 English Language Arts (ELA) Credits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proficiency in State Content Standards for ELA (4 credits) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ No modification except for students with an Individualized Education Program (IEP) and for transfer students who have completed 2 years of high school
<p>4 Mathematics Credits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proficiency in State Content Standards for Mathematics (3 credits) Proficiency in district-approved 4th mathematics credit options (1 credit) <p>* Students must have a math experience in their final year of high school.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 1 credit of the state content standards for Mathematics may be modified to ½ credit so long as the modification continues to provide the state content standards ✓ Additional modifications allowed for students with an IEP and transfer students who have completed 2 years of high school. * Students must have a math experience in one of their two final years of high school.
<p>3 Science Credits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proficiency in State Content Standards for Science (3 credits); <i>Or</i> Proficiency in some State Content Standards for Science (2 credits) and completion of a department-approved formal career and technical education program (1 credit) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ No modification except for students with an IEP and transfer students who have completed 2 years of high school
<p>3 Social Studies Credits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proficiency in State Content Standards for Social Studies (3 credits) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 1 social studies credit (other than Civics) can be exchanged for an additional English language arts, math, science, or world languages credit, or department-approved formal career and technical education program. ✓ Additional modifications allowed for students with an IEP and transfer students who have completed 2 years of high school.
<p>1 Physical Education and Health Credit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proficiency in State Content Standards for Physical Education and Health (1 credit); <i>Or</i> Proficiency with State Content Standards for Health (1/2 credit) and district-approved extra-curricular activities involving physical activities (1/2 credit) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Credit can be exchanged for an additional English language arts, math, science, or world languages credit, or department-approved formal career and technical education program. ✓ Additional modifications allowed for students with an IEP and transfer students who have completed 2 years of high school.
<p>1 Visual, Performing, and Applied Arts Credit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proficiency in State Content Standards for Visual, Performing and Applied Arts (1 credit) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Credit can be exchanged for an additional English language arts, math, science, or world languages credit, or department-approved formal career and technical education program. ✓ Additional modifications allowed for students with an IEP and transfer students who have completed 2 years of high school.

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<p>2 World Languages Credits (Effective beginning with students graduating in 2016)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formal coursework OR an equivalent learning experience in grades K-12 (2 credits); <i>Or</i> • Formal coursework or an equivalent learning experience in grades K-12 (1 credit) and completion of a department- approved formal career and technical education program or an additional visual, performing and applied arts credit (1 credit) 	<p>✓ No modification except for students with an IEP and transfer students who have completed 2 years of high school</p>
<p>Online Learning Experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course, Learning or Integrated Learning Experience 	<p>✓ No modification except for students with an IEP and transfer students who have completed 2 years of high school</p>

Michigan Academic Standards Page http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-28753_64839_65510---,00.html