

Alternative Learning Experience Courses

The board authorizes the creation of alternative learning experience (ALE) courses, as defined in the procedure which accompanies this policy.

The district will make available to students enrolled in an ALE courses educational opportunities designed to meet their individual needs. The district will comply with all program requirements necessary to count an ALE as a course of study and ensure state funding for ALE students.

ALE programs may include the following types of courses as defined in RCW 28A.232.010:

1. Online courses (*See Policy 2024, Online Learning*);
2. Remote courses; and
3. Site-based courses.

The board will adopt and annually review written policies authorizing ALE courses, including each ALE course and course provider. The policy must designate, by title, one or more school district official(s) responsible for overseeing the district's ALE courses.

The district establishes the following alternative courses(s) provided on site, remote, or online, as defined in [WAC 392-550-020](#):

Washington Connections Academy

The school district official(s) responsible for this (these) course(s) is/are:

Superintendent

Reporting Requirements

1. Annual Report to the Board of Directors

The school district official responsible for overseeing each ALE course will report at least annually to the board. This annual report will include at least the following:

1. Documentation of ALE student headcount and full-time equivalent enrollment claimed for basic education funding;
2. Identification of the overall ratio of certificated instructional staff to full-time equivalent students enrolled in each ALE course; the number of certificated staff in each ALE course;
3. A description of how the course supports the district's overall goals and objectives for student academic achievement; and

2. Monthly Report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction

The district must report monthly to the Superintendent of Public Instruction:

1. Accurate monthly headcount and full-time equivalent enrollment for students enrolled in alternative learning experiences; and
2. Information about the resident and serving districts of such students.

3. Regular Submissions to CEDARS

The district must report all required information to the office of superintendent of public instruction's Comprehensive Education Data and Research System under RCW 28A.300.500, including designating alternative learning experience courses as such when reporting course information to the Comprehensive Education Data and Research System.

4. Annual Report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction

The district must report annually to the Superintendent of Public Instruction:

1. the number of certificated instructional staff full-time equivalent assigned to each alternative learning program; and
2. enrollment of students (separately identified) where ALE instruction is provided entirely under contract pursuant to RCW 28A.150.305 and WAC 392-121-188.
3. the costs and purposes of any expenditures made to purchase or contract for instructional or co-curricular experiences and services that are included in an ALE written student

RCW 28A.232.010 Alternative learning experience courses —
Generally — Rules — Reports.

RCW 28A.250.050 Student access to online courses and
online learning programs — Policies and procedures —
Course credit — Dissemination of information —
Development of local or regional online learning programs.

WAC 392-121-107 Definition-Course of study

WAC 392-121-188 Instruction provided under contract

WAC 392-137-230 Length of Acceptance

Chapter 28A.225 RCW Compulsory school attendance and
admission

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