



ALGONQUIN AND LAKESHORE CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

POLICY STATEMENT

SUPERVISED ALTERNATIVE LEARNING AND OTHER EXCUSALS FROM ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Rationale

This policy exists to re-engage students who are highly disengaged and/or habitually absent from school. Supervised Alternative Learning is a part of a pyramid of interventions to encourage young people who are at risk of not graduating to continue their learning.

Guiding Principles

- This policy applies to students between 14 and 17 years of age.
- Decisions made under the procedures will be based on the best interests of the pupil.
- The Supervised Alternative Learning Program (SALP) will describe appropriate student activities.
- A Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL) Committee will review SAL requests from students, parents and principals and determine outcomes.
- A written SAL Application is prepared for the Committee..
- A primary contact (teacher) will be assigned to the student and his/her program.
- The SAL will be reviewed at a minimum once per semester.
- All SALPs expire no later than June 30th.
- Part-time studies may be used for students for compassionate reasons.
- Students who are truant for 60 days will be demitted from the Enrollment Register by the Attendance Counsellor.

References

Ontario Regulation 374/10 Supervised Alternative Learning and Other Excusals from Attendance at School

Administrative Procedures

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