

REGULATION

Mendham Township

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Section: Students

5410. PROMOTION AND RETENTION (M)

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The following rules are promulgated in accordance with the policy of the Mendham Township Board of Education dealing with the promotion and retention of pupils.

A. Standard for Pupil Promotion

1. Elementary and Intermediate Grades (PreK-8) — a pupil will be promoted to the next succeeding grade level when he/she demonstrates the proficiencies required for movement into the next grade.
2. A pupil in grades 5 through 8 who fails two academic subjects for the school year shall be retained, unless a waiver is granted by the Superintendent.
3. Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and pupils will be provided a minimum of four reports each year as to a pupil's progress towards meeting promotion standards.
4. Teacher who determine that a pupil's progress may not be sufficient to meet promotion standards shall notify the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the pupil and offer consultation with the parent(s) or legal guardian(s).
5. In grades PreK-8, the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and where appropriate the pupil will be notified no later than three weeks prior to the end of the year when the possibility of a pupil not being promoted is determined.
6. A pupil with fewer than 165 days attendance in grades PreK-8 will not be promoted to the next grade level.
7. Extenuating circumstances as determined by the Building Principal can waive promotion requirements for grades PreK-8. The Principal will review each case and in consultation with the teacher render a final decision.
8. Classroom teachers shall provide input to the Principal who makes the final decision concerning the promotion or retention of each pupil.

B. Procedure for Retention or Social Promotion

1. Grades PreK-8 — classroom teachers must initiate the process by providing to the Building Principal complete forms in accordance with the specified timelines.
2. The Principal will review each case and in consultation with the teacher render a final decision.
3. Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and adult pupils may appeal a promotion/retention decision to the Superintendent whose decision is final.

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