



“Raising the Standards of Education”
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What is the Personal Curriculum?

The Personal Curriculum (PC) is a process to modify specific 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 Michigan Merit Curriculum (MMC) requirements and students who need to individualize learning requirements to meet the MMC requirements. If the PC is requested, the Academy will grant the request based on the process below.

Types of Modifications

- Enrichment beyond the academic credit requirements
- To modify the Algebra II requirement
- To modify the requirements in ways “not otherwise allowed” for transfer students
- To modify the requirements in ways “not otherwise allowed” for students with Individual Education Plans (IEP’s)

Personal Curriculum Process

- The parent, school personnel, student age 18 or older, or emancipated student requests a PC.
- The PC team meets (student, parent, counselor or designee, and teacher(s) who currently teaches the student or has expertise in the content being modified). The PC team reviews student information, performance data, and supports – including the EDP – and decides whether to recommend a PC. The PC team develops measurable performance goals for modifications and methods to evaluate the achievement of those goals.
- The PC team writes an agreement and gets sign-off from the superintendent or lead administrator and the parent or legal guardian (or emancipated student).
- The PC is implemented.
- The parent, legal guardian or emancipated student monitors progress through quarterly communication with each teacher of modified content area. If revisions to the PC are needed, the PC team reconvenes and makes revisions using the same process.
- The student is awarded a diploma upon completing all PC requirements.

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