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MEMORANDUM

To: Stanwood-Camano School Board of Directors

Fr: Lloy Schaaf, Ed.D.

Re: Approval of the First Reading of New Policy 3112

Date: January 21, 2020

Attached, please find the first reading of new Student Policy 3112 Withdrawal Prior to Graduation.

District officials who are responsible for components of the policy have reviewed this document.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board approves the First Reading of New Student Policy 3112 Withdrawal Prior To Graduation.

WITHDRAWAL PRIOR TO GRADUATION

Students age 16 or older identified by themselves or staff as potential dropouts shall become a focus of attention in the following manner:

- A. Each student and his/her school representative shall meet for the purpose of discussing the reason for desiring to withdraw from school and the student's plans for the future, including the educational, counseling and related services which are available within the school and/or community.
- B. The school's representative and the student's teachers shall meet to discuss the student's present status and to identify program modifications and/or options that will meet the student's present and future needs.
- C. The student, parent/guardian, school representative, and principal shall review all pertinent information and the options that are available to the student and his/her parents/guardians.

Reasonable efforts shall be made to persuade the student to remain in school and complete requirements for a diploma. If unsuccessful at that, staff shall attempt to find placement in an appropriate alternative educational setting. Failing that, the principal shall determine if there is sufficient ground to excuse the student from continued compulsory attendance. If there is, the principal shall recommend to the superintendent that the student be excused from further school attendance. No student under the age of 18 will be permitted to withdraw unless he or she is lawfully and regularly employed and either a parent agrees that the student should not be required to attend school, or the student has been emancipated in accordance with state law. No student under age 16 will be permitted to withdraw from further school attendance unless another exception to compulsory attendance has been met.

The superintendent shall submit an annual early withdrawal report to the board, which outlines the age and grade level for each student, the reason(s) for leaving and any follow-up data that has been collected after the student has withdrawn.

Cross References: Board Policy 3110 Age of Attendance

Board Policy 3122 Attendance

Legal References: RCW 13.64 Emancipation of minors

RCW 28A.225.010 Attendance mandatory—Age—Exceptions RCW 28A.225.020 School's duties upon child's failure to

attend school

Adoption Date: Stanwood-Camano School District