

### 5410 PROMOTION AND RETENTION (M)

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The North Haledon Board of Education recognizes that the personal, social, physical, and educational growth of children will vary and that they should be placed in the educational setting most appropriate to their needs at the various stages of their growth.

It shall be the policy of this Board that each pupil be moved forward in a continuous pattern of achievement and growth that is in harmony with his/her own development.

A pupil will be promoted to the succeeding grade level when he/she has completed the course requirements at the presently assigned grade or, in the opinion of his/her teachers, has achieved the instructional objectives set for the present grade.

Pupils who have not met course requirements shall make up the work in summer school and/or repeat the grade. Specifically, pupils who have failed one or two subjects for the school year shall be required to make up the work in summer school. Written documentation of successful completion of the course will be required and submitted to the Principal upon the conclusion of the course. Failure to meet the requirements of summer school will result in retention.

Pupils who have failed more than two subjects for the school year will automatically be required to repeat the grade. Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) will be informed of the possibility of summer school attendance or retention no later than the end of the third marking period of each year. Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) will be notified whenever exceptions are contemplated in a pupil's normal appeal, first with the teacher, then if still dissatisfied, the Superintendent and finally the Board of Education.

N.J.S.A. 18A:35-4.9

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