

Barre City School Board

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Policy Manual

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**Policy: Grade Advancement: Retention, Promotion & Acceleration of Students**

**Policy**

A goal of the Barre City Elementary and Middle School District is for each student to progress in his or her educational program by reaching a standard of achievement necessary to progress from grade to grade

**Definitions**

1. ***Acceleration*** is the advancement of a student by more than one grade beyond the current grade level.
2. ***Promotion*** is the single grade step most students take from year to year.
3. ***Retention*** allows a student to repeat all or part of a grade in order to more fully prepare for the work of the next grade.

Promotion, retention and acceleration decisions will be based on the extent to which a student is meeting the established state standards as well as other relevant factors, including social, emotional, physical and mental growth, past academic performance, behavior, motivation, and attendance and parental support.

**Implementation**

The Superintendent or his or her designee will develop procedures to implement this policy. The procedures will specify a process for determining the promotion, retention or acceleration of individual students.

Previous Adoption: 6/8/92 & 4/8/02