DRAFT Policy 2395 ~ RISE Charter School Idaho Digital Learning Academy Classes

Idaho Digital Learning Academy Classes

The Idaho Digital Learning Academy (IDLA) is a legislatively created virtual school created to provide Idaho students with greater access to an assortment of courses while working in collaboration with public schools. IDLA offers educational opportunities that meet students' changing needs and grant the student flexibility of learning anytime, anyplace, and at a pace that meets their individual learning styles.

RISE Charter School will use IDLA classes to supplement its curriculum and to provide remedial academic support.

Site Coordinator

RISE Charter School will provide an individual, employed by the School, as a site coordinator. The site coordinator is to regularly motivate and monitor the progress of students. The role of the site coordinator is to:

- 1. Advise students on appropriate courses for registration;
- 2. Ensure that students are completing work on a timely basis, including checking grades online every three weeks;
- 3. Proctor the final exams; and
- 4. Facilitate communications with the students' parents/guardians regarding course progress and the IDLA instructors.

Additionally, the site coordinator is a contact for the IDLA instructor and IDLA staff. A site coordinator shall be assigned to RISE Charter School. Anyone selected as a School site coordinator shall successfully complete the IDLA online Site Coordinator Course. The cost of the IDLA online Site Coordinator Course shall be paid by RISE Charter School.

Student and Course Selection

Charter School administrators, counselors, and teachers will identify those students who will benefit from IDLA classes.

At the discretion of the Executive Director or designee, students may be selected to take IDLA courses if they:

- 1. Need to make up credits in order to graduate on schedule;
- 2. Are eligible for hospital or homebound programs;
- 3. Are interested in advanced placement or dual credit courses;
- 4. Want to supplement their curriculum by taking course(s) not offered at their school;

- 5. Have scheduling conflicts;
- 6. Want to accelerate their academic program by taking additional courses to facilitate early graduation;
- 7. Are excused from being physically present on the campus of their school of record for an extended period of time.

Students may be denied the privilege of IDLA enrollment if their academic and behavioral record does not indicate the academic ability and self-discipline needed to succeed in online classes.

The parent, student, and Executive Director or designee must confer and agree that course(s) selected is/are academically and developmentally appropriate for the student and that all prerequisites as determined by the student's school of record have been completed before registration in an IDLA course.

Ethical Conduct

Any student attending classes through IDLA shall adhere to RISE Charter School's Acceptable Use policies and procedures (3270 and 3270P) and any acceptable use policy implemented by IDLA. Additionally, the student and the student's parent/guardian shall agree to abide by the Acceptable Use form 3270F prior to IDLA classes beginning.

In the event of a violation of the acceptable use policy, plagiarism, or other disciplinary issues, IDLA will notify RISE Charter School. RISE Charter School shall take any disciplinary measures necessary as provided in Charter School policy.

Tuition/Fees

RISE Charter School shall abide by the IDLA Fees Policy Statement provided by IDLA. RISE Charter School shall pay the IDLA cost associated with students who take IDLA classes as part of their normal school day. RISE Charter School will pay the tuition and registration fees for eligible students.

If the student is enrolled in six or more credits or sufficient classes to qualify as fulltime in the home high school, the student is responsible for all tuition and registration fees to be paid to IDLA.

RISE Charter School believes in second chances and learning from mistakes. Therefore, RISE encourages students to retake an IDLA class if they do not pass the first time. However, RISE will not pay the IDLA class cost a second time. If students do not pass an IDLA course and want to retake the course, they must first pay the tuition and/or registration fee themselves to RISE before enrolling a second time.

Grading

IDLA provides a percentage grade to the school. The school transcribes the credit. The grade received from any IDLA class will be averaged into the student's GPA. The student will be granted high school credit when earned through the IDLA. Grade percentages in courses shall be based on such criteria as mastery of the subject, demonstrated competency, and meeting the standards set for each course.

For all other requirements regarding IDLA, please refer to the Idaho Digital Learning Academy current year Fees Policy Statement.

Policy Note: Some information to develop this policy was provided by the Idaho Digital Learning Academy.

Legal References:

I.C. § 33-1612 Courses of Instruction - Thorough System of Public Schools

I.C. § 33-5502 Idaho Digital Learning Academy - Creation—Legislative Findings—Goal

I.C. § 33-5505 Idaho Digital Learning Academy - Definitions

I.C. § 33-5210(4) Application of School Law – Accountability – Exemption from State Rules - Public Charter Schools *Paulson v. Minidoka School District No. 331*, 463 P.2d 935 (Idaho, 1970).

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