



Regina Roman Catholic Separate School Division # 81

Curriculum & Instruction 8733 <hr/> Transition to the Alternative Education Program – High School	Administrative Application	
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	Status:	Operational

Preamble

Pupils in Grade 8 in Regina Catholic Schools who have significant cognitive challenges may qualify for Alternative Education in high school. The decision to place a pupil in an Alternative Education Program requires assessment, observation, and collaborative team meetings along with careful consideration of the benefits and implications of such a placement.

Definitions

The Alternative Education Program is separate from the Regular Education Program. It is designed for pupils whose needs cannot be met through the Regular Program and are best served by a qualitatively different program.

Completion of an Alternative Education Grade 12 does not currently meet the admission requirements for most post-secondary programs.

Application

1. Program Structure

The Alternative Education program is available to Regina Catholic students at Miller Comprehensive Catholic High School only. Pupils are to transport themselves to school.

2. Pupil Population

Although their abilities vary, pupils requiring an Alternative Education Program are identified as cognitively challenged. All are of high school age.

Criteria:

- these pupils are of high school age
- have severe learning challenges
- generally have IQ testing in the past five years in the range 56 – 70
- require a functional academic/life skills program

3. Admission Process

- a. The elementary Student Support Team reviews pupil progress and ensures that the pupil fits the criteria. The Student Support Team meets with the parents.



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- b. The *High School Alternative Education Referral* form is completed by the Learning Resource teacher.
- c. The original forms are placed in the pupil's cumulative file.
- d. A copy of the forms is sent to two different sites by March 1:
 - i. to the Education Leader responsible for Student Services at Miller Comprehensive Catholic High School
 - ii. to the Coordinator of Student Services, Regina Catholic School Division