

## **YOUTH OPTIONS**

**343.42**

Students enrolled in the Phillips School District in Grades 11 and 12 shall be eligible to participate in the Youth Options Program in accordance with state law and established procedures. The Youth Options Program provides eligible students an opportunity to take courses at technical colleges and institutions of higher education while in high school.

The building principal or designee shall determine whether a course taken through the Youth Options Program is comparable to a course offered by the District, whether it satisfies graduation requirements and what, if any, high school credits are to be awarded to the student.

The District shall pay for no more than the equivalent of 18 post-secondary semester credits (4 ½ high school credits) per student through the Youth Options Program. The District will pay only for the courses that are successfully completed. If a student receives a failing grade in a course or fails to complete the course, lacking medical documentation, the student's parent/guardian or the student, if an adult, is responsible for reimbursing the District for the amount paid on the student's behalf. If this reimbursement is not made, the student on whose behalf the payment was made is ineligible for any further participation in the Youth Options Program.

Students, parents and/or guardians need to be aware that any course that is taken from a technical college, university, or college is a start of the student's post-secondary career. Their grades will be recorded on a transcript at the technical college, university or college. This transcript will be requested when a student applies to a two-year or four-year institution following high school graduation."

All ninth, tenth, and eleventh grade students enrolled in the District shall be informed of the Youth Options Program annually.

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