



Timber Ridge School offers Individualized Student Alternative Education Plan (ISAEP) Program

To Be Considered For The ISAEP Program:

- ◇ Student must be at least 16 years of age
- ◇ The student is currently enrolled in a public high school
- ◇ Is at risk of dropping out of school
- ◇ Is not earning the required number of credits at school
- ◇ Meets academic entrance requirements and
- ◇ Chooses to prepare for the GED tests

Student enrollment requirements for the ISAEP program are:

- ◇ An initial principal-parent-student (PPS) meeting
- ◇ A student evaluation/assessment
- ◇ A 7.5 grade equivalent or higher on a standardized measure of reading achievement; and
- ◇ Achievement of a score of 125 or higher on each of the subtests of the four GED Ready practice tests
- ◇ Enrollment in a VDOE approved certification course and enrollment completion of the Economics and Personal Finance class prior to completion of the ISAEP program

Once the student meets the above enrollment requirements, the development of the ISAEP is undertaken in a second principal-parent-student (PPS) meeting.

Each ISAEP must include the following components:

- ◇ Career guidance and counseling
- ◇ Attendance in a GED preparation program or alternative education program
- ◇ Counseling on the economic impact of failing to complete high school
- ◇ Procedures for re-enrolling in regular high school programs
- ◇ A career/technical training component
- ◇ Parent(s), the principal/designee, the student and other appropriate individuals will sign the initial ISAEP and any subsequent addendums.

ISAEP ongoing activities:

Local educational agencies have the flexibility to design activities that meet the educational needs of individual students. However, certain elements must be provided on an ongoing basis. These include:

- ◇ Academic preparation for the GED test
- ◇ Career counseling to include emerging career opportunities, and
- ◇ Updates to student and parents about career opportunities available as a result of the student's improved academic and career/technical preparation

Exiting the ISAEP:

Students can exit the ISAEP in one of two ways.

- ◇ Students must successfully complete all of the requirements of the ISAEP, which includes passing the GED tests.
- ◇ Students can discontinue their involvement in the ISAEP process and re-enroll in any accredited secondary educational program.

GED Testing:

- ◇ ISAEP students are required to attain a minimum score of 150 on each of the four GED Ready practice test sections before being allowed to take the GED Tests. There is a fee associated with the GED Ready tests and with the GED Tests. Timber Ridge School provides vouchers to eligible students for the GED Ready pre-testing. If additional attempts are needed, cost will be covered by parents and agencies. The cost of the GED tests is \$30 per test, for a total of \$120 and is paid by the student, family or agency. There is an additional fee if the student needs to retake a test. All testing is done at a licensed site. Transportation is provided by Timber Ridge School to and from the testing site.
- ◇ Passing the GED tests does not constitute completion of the ISAEP program or of the state's compulsory education requirements. All components of the ISAEP must be completed in order to meet these requirements.

What questions do you have? Contact Timber Ridge School today . . .

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