**Trout Creek School District R**

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Distance, Online, and Technology-Delivered Learning

For purposes of this policy, “distance learning” is defined as: instruction in which students and teachers are separated by time and/or location with synchronous or asynchronous content, instruction, and communication between student and teacher (e.g., correspondence courses, online learning, videoconferencing, streaming video).

The District may receive and/or provide distance, online, and technology-delivered learning programs, provided the following requirements are met:

1. The distance, online, and technology-delivered learning programs and/or courses shall meet the learner expectations adopted by the District and be aligned with state content and performance standards;

2. The District shall provide a report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, documenting how it is meeting the needs of students under the accreditation standards, who are taking a majority of courses during each grading period via distance, online, and/ or technology-delivered programs;

3. The District will provide qualified instructors and/or facilitators as described in ARM 10.55.907(3)(a)(b)(c);

4. The District will ensure that the distance, online, and technology-delivered learning facilitators receive in-service training on technology-delivered instruction as described in ARM 10.55.907(3)(d); and

5. The District will comply with all other standards as described in ARM 10.55.907(4)(5)(a-e).

The District will permit a student to enroll in an approved distance learning course, in order that such student may include a greater variety of learning experiences within the student’s educational program.

Credit for distance learning courses may be granted, provided the following requirements are met:

1. Prior permission has been granted by the principal;
2. The program fits the education plan submitted by the regularly enrolled student;

3. The course does not replace a required course offered by the District;

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4. The course is needed as credit retrieval and cannot fit into the student’s schedule; and

5. Credit is granted for schools and institutions approved by the District after evaluation for

 a particular course offering.

The District will not be obligated to pay for a student’s distance learning courses.

The minimum aggregate hours are not required for any pupil demonstrating proficiency pursuant to 20-9-311(4)(d), MCA.

Cross Reference: 2410 and 2410P High School Graduation Requirements

 2100 School Calendar and Year

Legal Reference: § 20-9-311(4)(d), MCA Calculation of Average Number Belonging

 ARM 10.55.602 Definitions

 ARM 10.55.705 Administrative Personnel; Assignment of School

 Administrators/Principals

 ARM 10.55.906 High School Credit

 ARM 10.55.907 Distance, Online, and Technology Delivered Learning

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