

NORMAN HENSILWOOD HIGH SCHOOL



Eight Subject Policy

PREAMBLE:

Norman Henshilwood High School believes in offering its students as wide a range of subject choices as possible in order to provide a wide range of opportunities for study and subsequent employment. It is, however, not always possible to accommodate all the subjects in the course of the normal school day; therefore, certain subjects are taught after school as optional subjects for interested students.

The following stipulations apply in the case of an EIGHTH subject or a SEVENTH subject that is not offered at our school:

1. CURRICULUM

The subjects are taught in accordance with the National Curriculum and Assessment Policy Statements (CAPS) for the relevant subjects.

2. PASS REQUIREMENTS

Pass requirements are as set out in the Department of Basic Education's 'Guideline for the Implementation of Promotion and Progression Requirements for Grades 10 – 12: 2015'.

3. SBA REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with the provisions contained in the document mentioned in 2 above, and in conjunction with other relevant provisions, a student, in order to progress to the following grade, must have complied with the prescribed School Based Assessment (SBA) requirements for that academic year.

EIGHTH SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS

4. DEREGISTRATION FROM THE CLASS

- 4.1 Because of the nature of the eighth subject, the lessons do not necessarily take place on a daily basis, being conducted only once or twice a week. For this reason, it is imperative that the student attends classes regularly. If a learner has failed to attend at least 80% of the classes prior to the start of examinations in any term without a valid reason, he or she will be deregistered from that class with immediate effect.
- 4.2 If, in the opinion of the teacher, a learner exhibits disruptive behavior while attending classes at the outside institution on a regular basis, that students will not be allowed to register for the subject in the following year.
- 4.3 A learner will not be allowed to deregister from an eighth subject during their Grade 12 year, according to WCED regulations.

5. REQUIREMENTS FOR TAKING AN EIGHTH SUBJECT

- 5.1 The learner must be able to comfortably balance the 7 subjects required to be taken at school, extra-murals and 8th subject demands.
- 5.2 The learner must have displayed a reasonably strong academic record at school in order for him/her to cope with the demands of an extra subject. The learner must achieve an average of at least 75% average. The grade head will call a meeting with the learner and the parent before and eight subject is allocated.
- 5.3 If the subject is taken at an outside institution, the parents/guardians **must** take responsibility for fees and transport. **Proof of registration** at the outside institution must be provided to NHHS at the beginning of each academic year.
- 5.4 The school will allow the learner to leave school earlier on the days that he/she needs to attend classes or complete assessment tasks. The learner must be signed out by the parent/guardian or their designated representative

SEVENTH SUBJECT AT AN OUTSIDE INSTITUTION

6. DEREGISTRATION FROM THE CLASS

- 6.1 Because of the nature of the seven-subject taken at an outside institution, the lessons do not necessarily take place on a daily basis, being conducted only once or twice a week.
For this reason, it is imperative that the student attends classes regularly. If a learner has failed to attend at least 80% of the classes prior to the start of examinations in any term without a valid reason, he or she will be deregistered from that class with immediate effect. The learner will then have to choose a seventh subject offered by the school. This will be deemed as a subject change and therefore it needs to fall within the time frames for subject changes issued by the WCED.
- 6.2 If, in the opinion of the teacher, a student exhibits disruptive behavior when attending classes at the outside institution on a regular basis, that learners will not be allowed to register for the subject in the following year.
- 6.3 The learner will be required to drop a subject offered by the school in order to register for a seventh subject at an outside institution. When the rest of the grade is allocated to a subject the learner has dropped, he/she will be required to attend a class at school which has been assigned to him/her on their timetable during that period. The learner will not be allowed to choose which class or teacher he wants to be assigned to. The learner will not be allowed to leave school or roam around the school during this period. The learner will be required to do work relating to his seventh subject taken at the outside institution during this time.
- 6.4 If the subject is taken at an outside institution, the parents/guardians **must** take responsibility for fees and transport. **Proof of registration** at the outside institution must be provided to NHHS at the beginning of each academic year.
- 6.5 The school will allow the learner to leave school earlier on the days that he/she needs to attend classes or complete assessment tasks. The learner must be signed out by the parent/guardian or their designated representative.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND UNDERTAKING FORM: EIGHTH SUBJECT

Learner:

Grade:

Year:

8th subject:

IF 8TH SUBJECT IS TAKEN AT AN OUTSIDE INSTITUTION

Outside service provider:

Proof of registration received:

IF 8TH SUBJECT IS TAKEN AT NHHS

Teacher:

Signature of teacher providing tuition at NHHS:

Declaration

I (name of parent),, parent of (name of student),
hereby declare that I understand the contents of the 8th Subject Policy, and that I accept and agree to abide by the
conditions stipulated therein.

SIGNED: DATE:

WITNESS (Print Name)

SIGNED: DATE:

SGB Chairman: Mr M Amos

Signature: _____

Principal: Jawaad Holland

Signature: _____

Date: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND UNDERTAKING FORM: SEVENTH SUBJECT

Learner: _____

Grade: _____

Year: _____

7th subject: _____

OUTSIDE INSTITUTION WHERE LEARNER IS REGISTERED FOR SEVENTH SUBJECT

Outside service provider: _____

Proof of registration received: _____

Declaration


I (name of parent),, parent of (name of student),
hereby declare that I understand the contents of the Seventh Subject Policy, and that I accept and agree to abide by the
conditions stipulated therein.

SIGNED: DATE:

WITNESS (Print Name)

SIGNED: DATE:

SGB Chairman: Mr Z Abbass

Signature:  _____

Principal: Mr J Holland

Signature:  _____

****Checked and / or updated:**

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