6210 POLICY - Electronic Course Credit Electronic online courses are permitted for students in grades 9-12. Credit for electronic online course work will not be granted for the purpose of early graduation.

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6210 RULES AND REGULATIONS - Electronic Course Credit

Students of Utica Community Schools in grades 7-12 will be approved to participate in online electronic courses for the purpose of remediation in the area of credit recovery and new coursework in the area of credit forward provided the following criteria are met:

- I. The online course is from a credentialed agency and student participation is pre-approved by the district prior to the student's enrollment.
- II. The student is responsible for all course fees unless eligible for dual enrollment as described in Section 21b of the State School Aid Act or is part of a district online course program.
- III. The course generates credit toward the student's graduation.
- IV. Credit from electronic online courses will not be used for the purpose of early graduation.
- V. A UCS mentor teacher will be assigned to each participating student to assist as needed and to monitor the student's progress in the electronic coursework.
- VI. Students will be required to take the end of the course exam provided by the electronic course agency in the presence of the UCS mentor or designee. A score of 60% or higher will be required in order for the student to receive credit for the course. The grade earned will be posted on the course history, be factored in calculating GPA and become part of the student's official transcript.
- VII. The district reserves the right to assess the learning through district-approved assessments before granting credit.
- VIII. During the regular school year, students may take up to two electronic courses (one credit) per semester for a total of 2 credits from August to June. During the summer months the students may take up to two electronic courses for a total of one credit from June to August.
- IX. During the regular school year, a student may be approved for credit in an online course if the student is unable to schedule the course with Utica Community Schools due to an irresolvable scheduling conflict; or UCS does not offer the course; or the district determines that the student's needs are better served via the online course. Participation in this online course must be included in the student's instructional school day so as not to exceed six instructional periods per day.
- X. In the area of remediation, the student will utilize UCS credit recovery programs that may include online coursework. Credits awarded for online courses for the purpose of credit recovery will not exceed a total of 4 credits from grades 9 through 12 unless otherwise agreed upon by the building principal and the Curriculum Department of Utica Community Schools.

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