

5.16 -- TRANSFER FROM OTHER SCHOOLS

The Van Buren School District will accept credits ONLY from schools accredited by the state in which the school is located, or from one of the following regional accrediting agencies:

1. North Central Association
2. Middle Atlantic Association
3. New England Association
4. Northwestern Association
5. Southern Association
6. Western Association

Credit from schools located outside the United States that are operated by a foreign country will be considered on an individual basis.

Credits from non-accredited schools will be awarded subject to the following conditions:

1. Only courses listed on a transfer student's transcript from the previous school will be considered.
 2. Students will be required to take the Stanford 8 Achievement Test, or a similar test selected by a Van Buren School District Counselor.
 - a. Elementary school students will be placed at the grade level indicated by the test score, or at the grade level coinciding with the student's age, whichever is lower.
 - b. Secondary school students will receive credit for each language arts, social studies, mathematics, and science course for which they score at or above the 25th percentile.
 - c. Secondary school students who qualify for credit in 2B above may receive credit in physical education, music and other activity-type courses for which there are no tests available, provided those courses are on the transcript from the previous school.
 3. No letter grades will be awarded to students transferring from non-accredited schools, but credit will be awarded by marking "Cr" on the permanent record in the space provided for a grade.

Credits from home schools will be awarded subject to the following conditions:

1. Only courses listed in the curriculum section of the "Notice of Intent" to home school will be considered.