

**Public Education Course Grade Requirements**

2025 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Ariel Defay**

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**LONG TITLE****General Description:**

This bill prohibits a local education agency (LEA) from requiring student attendance at an off-campus event.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- defines terms;
- prohibits an LEA from requiring a student to attend an off-campus event as a condition for grades or academic credit;
- prohibits adverse effects on a student's grades or academic standing due to non-attendance at an off-campus event; and
- requires an LEA to provide optional transportation, a fee waiver, and alternative options for students to meet academic requirements.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:

**53G-10-307**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **53G-10-307** is enacted to read:

**53G-10-307 . Prohibition on mandatory attendance at off-campus event.**

- (1) As used in this section, "off-campus event" means an activity or meeting held outside the premises of the school where the student is enrolled.
- (2) An LEA may not require a student to attend, or pay admission to, an off-campus event as a condition for:
- (a) earning academic credit or receiving a certain grade; or

- 32        **(b)** satisfying an academic requirement.
- 33        **(3)** An LEA may not impose a negative consequence on a student for the student's failure to
- 34        attend or pay for an off-campus event.
- 35        **(4)** If an LEA grants credit for attendance at, or payment for admission to, an off-campus
- 36        event, the LEA shall provide:
- 37        **(a)** optional transportation to and from the off-campus event;
- 38        **(b)** a fee waiver for the off-campus event; and
- 39        **(c)** a reasonable alternative for a student to obtain the credit on campus during regular
- 40        school hours.
- 41        Section 2. **Effective date.**
- 42        This bill takes effect on May 7, 2025.