

Grading: Packet Credit - EFE

Definitions

The following definitions apply within this policy:

1. “Grade replacement” means credit a student earns by retaking a teacher-led course for a letter grade to improve a previous grade, which (a) may raise the student’s grade point average if the new grade is higher; and (b) replaces the lower grade on the student’s transcript.
2. “Original credit” means credit a student earns through the successful completion of a course for the first time.
3. “Packet” means a collection of instructional materials and assessments used to receive credit through the packet method.
4. “Packet method” means an educational approach where:
 - a. a high school student receives a collection of instructional materials from the District or an institution or organization;
 - a. the high school student works through the materials independently with minimal or no direct instruction from a teacher; and
 - a. assessment is primarily based on completion of assignments within the instructional materials.
2. “Replacement credit” means a pass-fail credit a student earns for a course the student did not pass or complete, which (a) does not affect the student’s grade point average and (b) allows the student to fulfill high school graduation requirements.
3. “Student” means an individual enrolled in the District in grade 9, 10, 11, or 12.

Utah Code § 53E-3-501(7)(a) (2025)

Packet Credit

A student may receive graded original credit or replacement credit through the packet method. To qualify for original credit or replacement credit, the packet must (a) meet the standards established by the Utah State Board of Education and (b) must either be recommended by the State Board of Education or be approved by the District as provided in Policy EEE.

Utah Code § 53E-3-501(7)(b) (2025)

Utah Code § 53G-4-402(27)

Students may not use the packet method for grade replacement. (The process and requirements for grade replacement are set forth in Policy EFD.)

Utah Code § 53E-3-501(7)(c) (2025)

The District shall assign a distinct course name and number for credit earned through the packet method to easily identify such credit on a student transcript. The District shall also track and record the number of packets used each school year to award original or replacement credit.

Utah Code § 53E-3-501(7)(f) (2025)