

RCW 28A.320.190 Extended learning opportunities program. (1)

The extended learning opportunities program is created for eligible ninth through twelfth grade students who are not on track to meet local or state graduation requirements as well as eighth grade students who need additional assistance in order to have the opportunity for a successful entry into high school. The program shall provide early notification of graduation status and information on education opportunities including preapprenticeship programs that are available.

(2) Under the extended learning opportunities program and to the extent funds are available for that purpose, districts shall make available to students in grade twelve who have failed to meet one or more local or state graduation requirements the option of continuing enrollment in the school district in accordance with RCW 28A.225.160. Districts are authorized to use basic education program funding to provide instruction to eligible students under RCW 28A.150.220(5).

(3) Under the extended learning opportunities program, instructional services for eligible students can occur during the regular school day, evenings, on weekends, or at a time and location deemed appropriate by the school district, including the educational service district, in order to meet the needs of these students. Instructional services provided under this section do not include services offered at private schools. Instructional services can include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) Individual or small group instruction;
- (b) Attendance in a public high school or public alternative school classes or at a skill center;
- (c) Inclusion in remediation programs, including summer school;
- (d) Language development instruction for English language learners;
- (e) Online curriculum and instructional support, including programs for credit retrieval and statewide student assessment preparatory classes; and
- (f) Reading improvement specialists available at the educational service districts to serve eighth through twelfth grade educators through professional development in accordance with RCW 28A.415.350. The reading improvement specialist may also provide direct services to eligible students and those students electing to continue a fifth year in a high school program who are still struggling with basic reading skills. [2021 c 111 § 11; 2019 c 252 § 113; 2009 c 578 § 2; 2008 c 321 § 3.]

Finding—Intent—Effective date—2021 c 111: See notes following RCW 28A.300.139.

Intent—2019 c 252: See note following RCW 28A.655.250.

Findings—2008 c 321: See note following RCW 28A.655.061.