SOUTH CAROLINA VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL
CREDIT RECOVERY AND CONTENT RECOVERY POLICY

Purpose

To establish the Board's vision and basic structure for student participation in content and credit recovery programs.

Credit Recovery

Students who have been unsuccessful in mastering content or skills required to receive course credit may be provided the opportunity to participate in credit recovery opportunities. The credit recovery program of South Carolina Virtual Charter School will be consistent with the academic standards and instructional goals established by the State and by the School's Charter.

Students earning a grade of 51–59 in a course for high school credit may be eligible for credit recovery. All credit recovery courses must be approved prior to enrollment by the school counselor. If a student successfully completes a credit recovery course completing all relevant assignments the original failing grade will remain on the transcript. The new credit recovery course will be marked "CR" at the end of the course title in the student's record. The CR grade of "P" (Pass) or "F" (Fail) will appear on the transcript. A student wishing to modify his or her GPA should repeat the full course for credit and not seek a credit recovery solution. This option is available for many courses required for graduation. Additionally, courses are available for credit recovery through VirtualSC.

Credit recovery is a course-specific, skill-based learning opportunity for a student who has previously failed to master content or skills required to receive credit. Credit recovery addresses specific components or subsets of the standards necessary for proficiency in the overall course.

A student shall be eligible to participate in a credit recovery course only if the student has submitted all required assignments for the course in a manner consistent with the school's policies for timely submission of student work *(as required by S.C. Code Ann. § 59-29-250(B)).*

Credit recovery courses shall comply with applicable South Carolina requirements for courses carrying high school credit, including applicable end-of-course examination requirements.

Content Recovery

If South Carolina Virtual Charter School offers a content recovery program, the school shall establish and administer the program consistent with academic standards and instructional goals established by the State and by the School's Charter.

Content recovery is teacher driven and allows eligible students to recover portions of a course that were unsuccessfully completed prior to receiving a final grade. Students will discuss this option with their teacher.

Content recovery is a course-specific, skill-based learning opportunity for a student who remains enrolled in the course with the original teacher of record. Content recovery may include a subset of the

course, including one or more units or supplemental assignments or activities assigned and approved by a certified teacher as needed for student mastery of course content.

A student shall be eligible to participate in an approved content recovery program only if the student has completed all required assignments for the relevant subset of the course in a manner consistent with the school's policies for timely submission of student work *(as required by S.C. Code Ann. § 59-29-250(C)).*

Upon satisfactory completion of assigned content recovery work within the time allowed, the teacher of record shall include the recovered work in the student's final grade.

Student Athletes

Student athletes and their parents/legal guardians should be aware that current National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) rules place strict limitations on credits earned through content recovery and credit recovery programs. Participation in these programs **are likely to affect a student's eligibility for NCAA play** (i.e. VirtualSC credit recovery courses are not approved by the NCAA). Students and parents should consult their school's athletic director for more information.

Availability of Policy and Processes

The process and procedures governing any credit recovery or content recovery program offered by the school shall be made available to faculty, students, and parents or guardians.

Legal References

- S.C. Code Ann. §§ 59-29-250(B), (C), (F), and (G)
- South Carolina Uniform Grading Policy – Credit Recovery Courses
- South Carolina Uniform Grading Policy – Content Recovery
- S.C. Code Ann. § 59-19-90(8), as applicable to fees for recovery programs
- Applicable regulations and requirements of the South Carolina State Board of Education and South Carolina Department of Education