

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section
5 27-22.10 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/27-22.10)

7 Sec. 27-22.10. Course credit for high school diploma.

8 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, the
9 school board of a school district that maintains any of grades
10 9 through 12 is authorized to adopt a policy under which a
11 student enrolled in grade 7 or 8 who is enrolled in the unit
12 school district or would be enrolled in the high school
13 district upon completion of elementary school, whichever is
14 applicable, may enroll in a course required under Section 27-22
15 of this Code, provided that ~~(i)~~ the course is offered by the
16 high school that the student would attend, and (i) ~~(ii)~~ the
17 student participates in the course at the location of the high
18 school, and ~~(iii)~~ the elementary student's enrollment in the
19 course would not prevent a high school student from being able
20 to enroll, or (ii) the student participates in the course where
21 the student attends school as long as the course is taught by a
22 high school teacher certified in accordance with Article 21 of
23 this Code who teaches in a high school of the school district

1 where the student will attend when in high school and no high
2 school students are enrolled in the course.

3 (b) A school board that adopts a policy pursuant to
4 subsection (a) of this Section must grant academic credit to an
5 elementary school student who successfully completes the high
6 school course, and that credit shall satisfy the requirements
7 of Section 27-22 of this Code for that course.

8 (c) A school board must award high school course credit to
9 a student transferring to its school district for any course
10 that the student successfully completed pursuant to subsection
11 (a) of this Section, unless evidence about the course's rigor
12 and content shows that it does not address the relevant
13 Illinois Learning Standard at the level appropriate for the
14 high school grade during which the course is usually taken, and
15 that credit shall satisfy the requirements of Section 27-22 of
16 this Code for that course.

17 (d) A student's grade in any course successfully completed
18 under this Section must be included in his or her grade point
19 average in accordance with the school board's policy for making
20 that calculation.

21 (Source: P.A. 95-299, eff. 8-20-07.)

22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
23 2009.