

**MONTGOMERY
AREA
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: PROMOTION AND RETENTION

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1. Purpose	The Board recognizes that the personal, social, physical and educational growth of children will vary and that they should be placed in the educational setting most appropriate to their needs at the various stages of their growth.
1. Authority SC 1531, 1611, 1613	It shall be the policy of the Board that each child be moved forward in a continuous pattern of achievement and growth that is in harmony with his/her own development.
SC 1531	A student will be promoted to the succeeding grade level when s/he has:
SC 1532	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Completed the course requirements at the presently assigned grade. 2. In the opinion of his/her teachers, achieved the instructional objectives set for the present grade. 3. Demonstrated proficiency to move ahead to the educational program of the next level. 4. Demonstrated the degree of social, emotional and physical maturation necessary for a successful learning experience at the next learning level.
3. Delegation of Responsibility	The Superintendent shall develop procedures for promotion and retention of students which:
SC 1532	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Require the recommendation of the classroom teacher for promotion or retention. 2. Require that parents are informed in advance of the possibility of retention of a student at grade level.

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3. Assure that every effort will be made to remediate the student's difficulties before s/he is retained.
4. Assign to the building principal the final responsibility for determining the promotion or retention of each student.