**Office of Educational Supports**

***Curriculum and Instruction***

**Personal Curriculum**

The personal curriculum (PC) is a tool for modifying the MMC in order to individualize the rigor and relevance of the state graduation requirements. All students are eligible for a personal curriculum; however, modifications are limited to what is allowable by legislation according to each PC type.

**Personal Curriculum Types**

State statute allows personal curriculum modifications in order to:

* Go beyond the academic credit requirements by adding more math, science, English language arts, or world languages credits; or completing a department-approved formal career and technical education program.

Students who take additional course workin the areas above may be able to give up 1 MMC credit by eliminating a credit in the following; social studies, visual, performing, and applied arts, or health and physical education.

* Modify the State Content Standards for Mathematics.

Students may be able to eliminate a ½ credit from the MMC math requirement. This modification could be done by eliminating half of algebra II in a traditional course sequence but could be done in other ways as long as no more than 1/2 credit of content standards are removed.

• Modify, when necessary, the credit requirements of a student with an Individualized Education Program (IEP).

Students who have IEP’s could use a PC to modify any MMC requirements. Modifications should take into consideration the IEP and EDP as well as ensuring each student incorporates as much of the subject area content expectations as possible into their course of study.

• Modify credit requirements for a student who transfers from out of state or from a nonpublic school and is unable to meet the MMC requirements.

Students from out of state or from a nonpublic school may request a PC to modify the requirements of the MMC. Modifications should take into consideration the EDP as well as ensuring each student incorporates as much of the subject area content expectations as possible into their course of study.

**Resources**

* MDE Guidelines, FAQs, Parent Guides, and Michigan Merit Curriculum (MMC) available at [www.michigan.gov/highschool](http://www.michigan,gov/highschool)