16 NCAC 06G .0516 is proposed for adoption as follows:

16 NCAC 06G .0516  VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOLS ATTENDANCE AND MEMBERSHIP -

APPLICABILITY

(a) A pilot virtual charter school established pursuant to S.L. 2014-100 and approved by the State Board of Education (SBE) is not required to record and report daily attendance to the Department of Public Instruction.

(b) A pilot virtual charter school established pursuant to S.L. 2014-100 and approved by the State Board of Education (SBE) is required to keep records of student activity by course and shall report that information to the Department of Public Instruction within fifteen days of the end of each school month. The virtual charter school’s measurements of student activity shall be defined by the school in a manner consistent with its SBE-approved charter.

(c) A virtual charter school shall define a full instructional course load for each grade level it offers. A student shall be enrolled for at least half of the instructional course load to be considered in membership at the virtual charter school.

(d) A student shall not be counted in the virtual charter school’s average daily membership until the student has measurements of student activity in each of his or her courses.

(e) When a student who has no measurements of student activity for ten consecutive calendar days, excluding holidays, the virtual charter school shall remove the student from the school’s membership. Upon a determination that the student is not returning to the school, the virtual charter school shall withdraw the student’s enrollment. The effective date of withdrawal reported to the Department of Public Instruction shall be the first day immediately after the student's last day of student activity.

(f) Virtual schools must use the statewide student information management system to record and report school and student data.

History Note: Authority S.L. 2014-100; G.S. 115C-12(18), 115C-218, 115C-218.30;
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