
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Education (Northern Ireland) Order 2006

PART II

THE CURRICULUM

Access to courses for older pupils

Access to courses: pupils in key stage 4

18.—(1) The Board of Governors of a grant-aided school shall, in relation to all registered pupils at the school who are in key stage 4, provide access to at least the specified number of qualifying courses of which—

- (a) not fewer than one third shall be applied courses;
- (b) not fewer than one third shall be general courses;
- (c) at least one shall be a course falling within each area of learning in relation to that key stage;
- (d) at least one shall be a course in an official language of the European Union (other than English and, in Irish speaking schools, Irish).

(2) For the purposes of this Article “the specified number” is such number as the Department may for the time being specify by directions.

(3) For the purposes of this Article a “qualifying course” is a course of study which—

- (a) leads to an external qualification for the time being approved by the Department under Article 81(1) of the 1998 Order; and
- (b) is specified by the Department as a qualifying course for those purposes.

(4) For the purposes of this Article a Board of Governors of a grant-aided school provides access to a qualifying course if—

- (a) the course is provided by the school; or
- (b) the course is provided on behalf of the school in accordance with arrangements made under Article 21.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Education (Northern Ireland) Order 2006, Section 18.