Credit flexibility applies to any coursework, assessment or performance completed outside of traditional PLSD course offerings. If a student is using credit flexibility to receive transcripted credit, he/she must receive approval from the Credit Flexibility Committee prior to starting any credit flex experience. Credit awarded through this process will be posted on the student’s transcript and count toward a student’s grade point average, class rank, and as graduation credit in required subject areas or as an elective. The district will include details of the Credit Flexibility Policy on the district website and in the High School Course Description Guide. The district will maintain a web-based library of approved credit flexibility projects to assist students in developing their proposals.  http://www.pickerington.k12.oh.us

Considerations:
• Academic content areas taught in Pickerington Local Schools are aligned to the district and state curricula and support student performance on the Ohio Graduation Test and college entrance exams. All Credit Flexibility Course Proficiency/Test-out options must align to district and state curricula to receive credit.
• Some courses may require performance components in addition to the course proficiency/test-out option.
• Credit flexibility may impact a student’s athletic eligibility just as any traditional course would.
• Currently the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Eligibility Center will not accept course credit earned through the test-out option of credit flexibility (Division I only).
• All costs associated with Credit Flexibility are at the student and parent/guardian’s expense.
• Credit flexibility is available to students in grades 7-12. Students below grade nine may be accelerated per the district’s student acceleration policy (IKEB), in any given subject in order to participate in credit flexibility for high school credit.

Applications:
• Any student may apply for credit to be awarded through Credit Flexibility by submitting this form to his or her school counselor. All required information must be provided. The student may be required to provide additional information as determined by the Credit Flexibility Committee.
• Applications for Course Proficiency and Educational Options must be received by December 1 or May 1 to correspond to the appropriate grading period.

Application Review Process:
• Applications will be reviewed at each high school by the Credit Flexibility Committee which will include the student and parent. Upon approval of the application and test fee payment, the student may sit for the test.

Awarding Credit:
• There is no limit to the total number of credits that may be awarded.
• The completion of approved tests will result in credit being designated as fulfilling either required or elective credit toward graduation requirements.
• PLSD will accept all credit completed for Credit Flexibility from other districts.
• Student athletes must maintain at least 5 credits per semester for OSHAA eligibility and must provide their school counselors with interim and nine-week progress forms.
• Students who plan on participating in athletics at the Division I college level should be aware that the credit flexibility course proficiency option will not be included as part of the NCAA Initial Eligibility Center’s qualifying core classes for eligibility. Student athletes should consult the NCAA with questions.
Credit Flexibility Application

1. Student Information

Student Name______________________________ Grade________ ID________
Student Phone #___________________________ Student e-mail ____________________
Parent/Guardian Name______________________ Parent Phone # ____________________

Answer the following questions by indicating yes or no regarding your credit flexibility request.

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If you answered yes to any of these questions please explain:
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Course Type

District pre-approved Course Proficiency/Test-out Option - Complete The Course Proficiency Form and submit to school counselor. The cost is $21 per exam, to be incurred by the student. Make all checks to PLSD and include with the application. Exam costs are non-refundable.

Projected test date:____________________

2. Credit Flexibility Method. Check all that apply.

ACT End-of-course exams:

- [ ] English 9
- [ ] English 10
- [ ] English 11
- [ ] English 12
- [ ] Algebra 1
- [ ] Algebra 2
- [ ] Geometry
- [ ] Precalculus
- [ ] Biology
- [ ] Chemistry
- [ ] Physics
- [ ] Other Exam

I have reviewed Credit Flexibility options and understand creating and implementing the plan is my responsibility. I understand that any grade earned under this option will be a permanent grade on my transcript. The course proficiency/test-out option may be taken only two times, with the highest score being transcripted. If a student wishes to replace a grade on the assessment, he or she must participate in the PLSD course if offered.

Student's signature: ___________________________ Date: ______________________

Parent’s signature: ___________________________ Date: ______________________
Counselor’s signature: ____________________________ Date: ________________

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OF CREDIT FLEXIBILITY REQUEST

☐ Approved
☐ Denied
☐ Approved with the following revisions (must be returned within 30 days):

________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________

Team Members:

________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________

Principal’s Signature: ______________________________________ Date: ________________