

Instruction

Curriculum Development

Adoption

The Board is responsible for curriculum adoption and must approve all significant changes, such as the adoption of new textbooks and new curricula, before such changes are made. The Superintendent is responsible for making curriculum recommendations.

Design and Content

The curriculum shall be designed to accomplish the learning objectives and goals for excellence contained in the District's Strategic Plan and the Illinois Learning Standards. In addition to the District curriculum which is aligned to state standards, magnet schools will have goals and objectives unique to their themes.

Development

The Superintendent shall implement a curriculum development program to monitor the current curriculum and suggest changes to make the curriculum more effective, to take advantage of improved teaching methods and materials, and to be responsive to social change, technological developments, the rapid expansion of knowledge, student needs, and community expectations.

Experimental Educational Programs and Pilot Projects

The Superintendent may recommend experimental educational programs and/or pilot projects for Board consideration. Proposals must include goals, material needs, anticipated expenses, and an evaluation process. The Superintendent shall submit periodic progress reports for programs that exceed one year in duration and a final evaluation with recommendation upon the program's completion.

Curriculum Guides and Course Outlines

The Superintendent is responsible for the development of curriculum guides for the various subject areas and their provision to appropriate staff members.

Curriculum Implementation

It is the responsibility of the teachers and principals to implement the District curriculum using approved instructional and support materials. The District curriculum will be used to plan, implement, and assess each student's instructional program. Instructional materials or programs adopted by the District will be used as the primary instructional tool. Differentiated activities and modifications will be made when necessary in order to achieve the standards.

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Training will be provided on implementation and use of the District curriculum and materials. It is the responsibility of District staff to attend staff development activities related to their positions.

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105 ILCS 5/10-20.8 and 5/10-19.

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