

INSTRUCTION

Academic Freedom

Education may be fostered and promoted in an atmosphere in which academic freedom for staff is encouraged and promoted, with due consideration to the rights of the students and community. Teachers are entitled to academic freedom subject to accepted standards of professional responsibility. The principle of academic freedom for employees will not supersede the basic responsibilities of the employee to the profession of education. These responsibilities include: commitment to democratic tradition and support of the Constitution of the United States; concern for the rights, welfare, growth, and development of children; insistence on objective scholarship; recognition of the maturity level of students; and adherence to district-authorized courses of study, Board-adopted curriculum, and applicable learning standards.

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