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Purpose

The Pequea Valley School Board shall provide a comprehensive program of planned instruction to enable district students to strive for educational goals and attain academic standards. Planned instruction shall consist of at least the following:[1][2]

1. Objectives to be achieved by all students.
2. Content, including materials, activities and instructional time.
3. Relationship between objectives of a planned course and established academic standards.
4. Procedure for measurement of the objectives.

Authority

No planned instruction shall be taught in district schools unless it has been adopted by a majority vote of the full Board. The Board reserves the right to determine which units of the instructional program constitute planned instruction and are subject to adoption by the Board.[3][4][5][6]

Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent is responsible for the continuous evaluation of the effectiveness of the planned instruction and shall recommend to the Board new courses of study deemed to be in the best interests of district students.

The Superintendent shall invite the participation of administrative and professional staff members at appropriate levels in the formulation of recommendations.

The Superintendent shall maintain a current list of all planned instruction offered by this district and shall furnish each Board member with a copy.

Definitions

"Excessive or Gratuitous Profanity" – the pervasive use of profane, vulgar or other language that offends good taste or propriety contained within materials, such that the materials taken as a whole does not offer serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value for the intended student audience.

"Excessive or Gratuitous Sexuality" – the description or depiction of human genitals in a sexual manner or the fondling or touching of the human genitals, buttocks or breasts in a sexual manner contained within materials, such that the material when taken as whole appeals to prurient interests in sex and does not offer serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value for the intended student audience.

"Excessive or Gratuitous Graphic Violence" – the pervasive description or depiction of violence in a vivid, brutal or realistic manner contained with material, such that the material, when taken as whole, does not offer serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value for the intended student audience.

Guidelines

The Superintendent's recommendation may include the following information about the proposed planned instruction:

1. Applicability to students and an enumeration of the group of students affected.

2. Description and content, age appropriateness, level of unbiased neutrality including the instructional method where such method departs significantly from the traditional and is an integral part of the instruction.

3. Rationale in terms of district goals and academic standards and justification when it is proposed to take the place of an existing course.

4. Resources that its implementation will require, such as textbooks, materials, equipment, and personnel. These resources will not contain, excessive or gratuitous profanity, excessive or gratuitous sexuality, and excessive or gratuitous graphic violence, such that the material taken as a whole does not offer serious literary, artistic, political, historical or scientific value for the

intended student audience.

5. Assessment methods and criteria by which its effectiveness will be monitored and measured.

6. Developmental history with data on its use elsewhere, if available.

7. For approved replacement of educational activities, refer to policy 105.2.

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