Descriptor Term: EVALUATION OF INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS

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Professional accountability for pupil performance and progress in the Gulfport School District is shared responsibility of teachers, administrators, and the Board of Trustees. Accordingly, individual pupil progress and instructional efforts of the schools will be evaluated systematically.

The purposes of evaluation of instruction will be

- 1. to indicate instructional strengths and weaknesses;
- 2. to provide information needed for advance planning;
- 3. to provide data for public information;
- 4. to demonstrate the relationship between achievement and the stated goals of the school system;
- 5. to check the suitability of the instructional program in terms of community requirements.

The professional staff will provide continuous evaluation of the educational program and instructional processes. The Board may participate with the professional staff in such evaluation if the nature and the scope of the evaluative process so warrants.

The Board will adopt a plan for a local accountability program designed to measure the adequacy and efficiency of educational programs offered by the District in accordance with recommendations and criteria set forth by the State Department of Education.

The Board may appoint a broadly constituted citizen advisory accountability committee to make recommendations to the Board relative to the program of educational accountability. The Board will report periodically to the residents of the District and the State Department of Education, in such form as prescribed by the State Department of Education, on the extent to which the district has achieved the goals and objectives of its adopted plans. Ch. 310, HB 35, Sec. 3 (1975)

Legal Reference: Mississippi Code 1972, as cited above