

**Curriculum Development****Adoption**

The Superintendent shall recommend a comprehensive curriculum that is aligned with:

1. The District's educational philosophy and goals.
2. Student needs as identified by research, demographics, and student achievement and other data.
3. The knowledge, skills, and abilities required for students to become life-long learners.
4. The minimum requirements of State and federal law and regulations for curriculum and graduation requirements.
5. The curriculum of non-District schools that feed into or from a District school, provided that necessary cooperation and information is available.
6. The Illinois State Learning Standards and any District learning standards.
7. Any required State or federal student testing.

The School Board will adopt, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a curriculum that meets the above criteria.

**Single Gender Classes and Activities**

The Superintendent may recommend a program of non-vocational single-gender classes and/or activities to provide diverse educational opportunities and/or meet students' identified educational needs. Participation in the classes or activities must be voluntary, both genders must be treated with substantial equality, and the program must otherwise comply with State and federal law and with Board policy 7.10-Equal Educational Opportunities. The Superintendent must periodically evaluate any single-gender class or activity to ensure that: (1) it does not rely on overly broad generalizations about different talents, capabilities, or preferences of either gender, and (2) it continues to comply with State and federal law and with Board policy 7.10-Equal Educational Opportunities.

**Development**

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a curriculum review program to monitor the current curriculum and promptly 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 development, student needs, and community expectations.

The Superintendent shall report to the Board as appropriate, the curriculum review program's efforts to:

1. Regularly evaluate the curriculum and instructional program.
2. Ensure the curriculum continues to meet the stated adopted criteria.
3. Include input from a cross-section of teachers, administrators, parents/guardians, and students representing all schools, grade levels, disciplines, and specialized and alternative programs.
4. Coordinate with the process for evaluating the instructional program and materials.

**Curriculum Guides and Course Outlines**

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and provide subject area curriculum guides to appropriate staff members.