



Minneota Public School District

Policy 605

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605 ALTERNATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to recognize the need for alternative educational services for some school district students.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

The school board recognizes the importance of alternative educational services for some students. Circumstances may be such that some students are put at risk of being able to continue or to complete their education programs. It is the policy of the school district that options shall be made available for some students to select educational alternatives that will enhance their opportunity to complete their education programs, recognizing that some students may become successful learners if given an opportunity to learn in a different environment and through a different learning style.

III. RESPONSIBILITY

- A. Any student who is 17 years old who seeks to withdraw from school, and the student's parent or guardian must attend a meeting with school personnel to discuss the educational opportunities available to the student, including alternative educational opportunities and sign a written election to withdraw from school.
- B. It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent to identify alternative educational opportunities to be made available to students who may be at risk, to recommend such alternative programs to the school board for approval, and to familiarize students and parents with the availability of such alternative educational services. The superintendent shall, through cooperative efforts with other schools, agencies, and organizations, periodically recommend additional or modified alternative educational services to the school board.
- C. The superintendent shall have discretionary authority to develop guidelines and directives to implement school board policy relating to alternative programs.

Legal References: Minnesota Statutes Section 120A.22, Subd. 8 (Compulsory Instruction)
Minnesota Statutes Section 121A.41, Subd. 11 (Definitions)
Minnesota Statutes Section 121A.45, Subd. 1 (Grounds for Dismissal)
Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.06 (State-Approved Alternative Programs and Services)
Minnesota Statutes Section 124D.66 (Assurance of Mastery Programs)
Minnesota Statutes Section 124D.68 (Graduation Incentives Programs)
Minnesota Statutes Section 124D.74 (American Indian Language and Cultural Educational Programs)
Minnesota Statutes Section 125A.50 (Alternative Delivery of Specialized Instructional Services)

Cross References: MSBA/MASA Model Policy 603 (Curriculum Development)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 604 (Instructional Curriculum)