

**EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**  
*Series 600*

Policy Title: CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT PHILOSOPHY Code: 602.5

Effective curriculum rests upon developing an adequate description of the educational results desired. The curriculum is a means to the desired outcome of teaching and learning.

Curriculum development will be a goal-oriented process encompassing the identification of the district goals, identification of program goals and student outcomes, curriculum evaluation and curriculum improvement.

The purposes of the process are to:

- Respond to district needs.
- Establish definitive student learning outcomes in each curriculum area.
- Evaluate the curriculum and its implementation.
- Close the gap between what is taught and what should be taught.
- Provide for continuous curriculum improvement.
- Provide for curriculum coordination within, between and across grade levels.
- Determine how well individual students accomplish program goals and achieve expected learning outcomes.
- Provide a process for staff and community input in developing and implementing curriculum.
- Provide an orderly and systematic process, which will reduce fragmentation in scope and sequence, unnecessary duplication and irresponsible use of resources and materials.

The administration and faculty will evaluate the educational program under the approved system for a goal-based curriculum and regularly report findings to the board along with recommendations.

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Legal References:

Related References: