

## **INSTRUCTION**

### **Curriculum**

The board of education is responsible for the adoption of the school district's curriculum. The school curriculum shall be based on the sound principles of education and learning theory, seek to address individual student needs, and be in harmony with the district mission statement. The curriculum will offer meaningful instructional options and alternatives at all grade levels insofar as sound practice and limitations of budget and staffing permit.

As part of its responsibility to the people of the Okemos community, the Okemos Public Schools ensures that the content standards identified in the Michigan Curriculum Framework, adopted by the Michigan State Board of Education and the Michigan Department of Education, serve as the basis for local district curriculum.

Further, strategic planning is essential to curriculum development. Therefore, curriculum goals shall be contained in the district's strategic plan to provide guidance in addressing the district's stated mission, vision, educational beliefs, and K-12 learner exit outcomes.

The superintendent is responsible for the development, revision, implementation, and monitoring of the school curriculum. Monitoring will be based on objective data and information from standardized assessments including but not limited to the state, district, building, and classroom assessments of student performance.

The superintendent shall provide periodic progress reports and recommend new or revised curriculum to the board of education. If any new instructional programs are proposed, the superintendent shall ensure that they have been properly planned, are to be adequately supported, and will be responsibly evaluated at the end of a prescribed period.

See Also: Board Policy 2470: Strategic Planning/School District Goals

### **POLICY**

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