

Curriculum Development

The Board of Education desires to provide a research-based, sequential curriculum which promotes student achievement and emphasizes the development of basic skills, problem solving, and decision making. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent or designee, the Board shall adopt a curriculum which describes, for each program, subject area and grade level, the content objectives which are to be taught in all County Office of Education programs.

Curriculum shall be aligned with the County Office of Education's vision and goals for student learning, Board policies, academic content standards, state curriculum frameworks, state assessments, graduation requirements, school improvement plans, and, when necessary, related legal requirements.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a process for curriculum development which utilizes the professional expertise of teachers, principals, and administrators representing various grade levels, disciplines, special programs, and categories of students as appropriate. The process also may provide opportunities for input from students, parents/guardians, representatives of local businesses and postsecondary institutions, and other community members.

The selection and evaluation of instructional materials shall be coordinated with the curriculum development and evaluation process.

When adopting a new curriculum, the elements will be presented for Board input and public comment.

The Board shall establish a review cycle for regularly evaluating County Office of Education curriculum in order to ensure continued alignment with state and program goals for student achievement. At a minimum, these reviews shall be conducted whenever the State Board of Education adopts new or revised content standards or the curriculum framework for a particular program, subject or when new law requires a change or addition to the curriculum.

*Legal Reference:**EDUCATION CODE**221.5 Equal opportunity**35160 Authority of governing boards**35160.1 Broad authority of school districts**51050-51057 Enforcement of courses of study**51200-51263 Required courses of study**51500-51540 Prohibited instruction**51720-51879.9 Authorized classes and courses of instruction**60000-60424 Instructional materials*

INSTRUCTION

Board Policy 6141(b)

GOVERNMENT CODE

3543.2 Scope of representation

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

4000-4091 School improvement programs

4400-4426 Improvement of elementary and secondary education

Policy

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