

Policy 616 - School District System Accountability

I. General Statement

In accordance with M.S. 120B.11, the District will implement a system to review and improve curriculum, instruction, and assessment. The system will include opportunity for involvement, input and feedback from students, parents/guardians, and community. The District will be accountable to the public and the State through annual reporting. The system will be congruent with Policy 603 - Curriculum Development, Implementation, and Delivery, Policy 649 - Dissemination of Information about Required Instructional Programs, Policy 650 - Community Involvement in Education Program Development: Site Councils, Policy 651 - Community-School Cooperation in Setting Goals, Evaluating Progress and Planning Improvements in the Instructional Program: District Educational Program Advisory Council, and Policy 652 - Instructional Materials, Selection and Production.

II. District Goals

The District system for review and improvement of curriculum, instruction, and assessment will establish program and student achievement goals that incorporate the state graduation standards.

III. System for Reviewing Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

- A. The Program Improvement Process of assessment, development, implementation, and measurement will cyclically review and plan for improvement of curriculum, instruction, and assessment, including state graduation standards (Policy 603 - Curriculum Development, Implementation, and Delivery).
- B. The District Educational Program Advisory Council, with a majority membership of students, parents, and community members, will annually submit recommendations for improvement of curriculum, instruction and assessment, including state graduation standards. These recommendations will be reported annually to the community. (Policy 651 - Community School Cooperation in Setting Goals, Evaluating Progress and Planning Improvements in the Instructional Program: District Educational Program Advisory Council; Policy 649 - Dissemination of Information About the Required Instructional Program).
- C. Each school site will establish a School Site Council to advise on building level improvement plans and site goals. (Policy 650 - Community Involvement in Education Program Development: Site Councils.)
- D. Reporting. Consistent with Minn. Stat. 120B.36, Subd. 1, the school board shall publish a report in the local newspaper with the largest circulation in the district, by mail, or by electronic means on the school district website. The school board shall hold an annual public meeting to review and revise, where appropriate, student achievement goals, local assessment outcomes, plans, strategies, and practices for improving curriculum and instruction, and to review school district success in realizing the previously adopted student achievement goals and related benchmarks and the improvement plans leading to the world's best workforce. The school board must transmit an electronic summary of its report to the Commissioner in the form and manner the Commissioner determines. The school district shall periodically survey affected constituencies about their connection to and level of satisfaction with school. The school district shall include the results of this evaluation in its summary report to the Commissioner.

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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 659

Northfield, Minnesota

Cross References:

Policy 104 – School District Mission Statement

Policy 613 – Graduation Requirements

Policy 614 – School District Testing Plan and Procedure

Policy 615 – Testing Accommodations, Modifications, and Exemptions for IEPs, Section 504 Plans, and LEP Students

Policy 619 – Staff Development for Standards

Policy 620 – Credit for Learning

Legal References:

M.S. 120B.02

M.S. 120B.018

M.S. 120B.11

M.S. 120B.128

M.S. 120B.35

M.S. 120B.36

M.S. 122A.40, Subd. 8

M.S. 122A.41, Subd. 5

M.S. 123B.04

M.S. 123B.147, Subd. 3

Minn. Rules Parts 3501.0640-3501.0655

Minn. Rules Parts 3501.0700-3501.0745

Minn. Rules Parts 3501.0800-3501.0815

Minn. Rules Parts 3501.0900-3501.0955

Minn. Rules Parts 3501.1300-3501.1345

20 U.S.C. 6301, et seq. (No Child Left Behind Act)