

I-4 CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

The Board of School Trustees recognizes that in order to foster the role of education in a democratic society and to ensure equal opportunity to students of different personality characteristics and viewpoints, it may not permit the curriculum to remain unchanged. The Board deems it essential that the school system continually develop and modify its curriculum to meet the changing needs and diversity of our citizenry and to assure the full, rounded, and continuing developing of the individual personality in our community. While the Board retains its full rights and responsibilities under the laws of Indiana with regard to the determination of the curriculum, it authorizes the administration to periodically review the curriculum and advise the Board on curriculum changes.

The following guidelines have been established by the Board for use by the administration:

1. The curriculum shall contain all courses required by the State Board of Education.
2. The curriculum shall provide for the needs of both vocational and college-bound students.
3. The administration shall review the feasibility of and advise the Board of course offerings requested by students.
4. The administration shall explore course offerings and teaching methods that will strengthen student character, firmness of student conviction, and integrity of purpose.
5. The administration is authorized to organize advisory committees which may be comprised of students, parents, teachers, and administrators to advise in curriculum development.
6. The administration shall review curriculum requirements of the State Board of Education and shall express its recommendations for change, if any, to the Board, which may choose to communicate them to state officials.

Basic responsibility for curriculum development shall rest with the individual school(s), principal(s), and superintendent. All course offerings in the instructional program are to be reviewed and approved by the superintendent and the Board of School Trustees and shall conform to standards established by the State Department of Education.

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