

SUBJECT FIELDS

The board of education directs that the district schools offer a comprehensive curriculum to provide for the intellectual, social and emotional growth of all pupils, pre-kindergarten through grade 12, giving them the basic body of skills, understandings, attitudes and knowledge needed for living in a democracy.

The board believes this program should focus first on those subjects included in the Core Curriculum Content Standards and the skills emphasized by the Cross-Content Workplace Readiness Standards, in addition to those courses mandated by statute.

The Superintendent shall direct development of and present to the board for adoption a written curriculum for each element of the instructional program for the district to include:

- A. All courses mandated by New Jersey statute or administrative code;
- B. Such other courses as shall implement the board's intent as expressed in this policy.

The total curriculum, when adopted, shall be adapted to suit the applicable requirements of the administrative code and shall provide basic, advanced, enriched, or technical instruction or experience to meet the identified needs of the pupils of the district.

A listing of all courses and programs comprising the instructional program shall be available in the district office.

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                   Adopted:    March 19, 2008

Legal References:           Use legal reference sheet.

Cross References:           List your appropriate policies. See legal reference sheet for possibilities.

Key Words

Curriculum, Courses, Subject Fields

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**Monitored:**

Indicators 3.1, 3.2, 5.4

**Mandated:**

N.J.S.A. 18A:7C-5 requires the board to provide each high school pupil and his/her parents/guardians with a copy of the board’s policy on graduation.

**Recommendation:**

A policy directing the chief school administrator to oversee presentation of the elements of the instructional program to the board for adoption. The policy may provide guidelines for determining subject fields to be considered. Family life education should have a separate policy statement, even though a policy on the program is no longer mandated. For convenience, all aspects of drugs/alcohol should be addressed at 5131.6. Other courses singled out for policy development should be listed in the cross references.

- Legal References:** N.J.S.A. 18A:6-2 Instruction in accident and fire prevention  
N.J.S.A. 18A:6-3 Courses in constitution of United States  
N.J.S.A. 18A:7C-5 Board of education to provide policy on graduation to students and parents  
N.J.S.A. 18A:33-1 District to furnish suitable facilities; adoption of courses of study  
N.J.S.A. 18A:35-1 Curriculum and courses  
et seq.  
N.J.S.A. 18A:35-4.6 Parents Right to Conscience Act of through -4.8 1979  
N.J.A.C. 6A:8-3.1 Curriculum and instruction  
N.J.A.C. 6A:8-5.1 Graduation requirements

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<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:9-1.1 et. seq.</u>	Professional Licensure and Standards
<u>See particularly:</u>	
<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:9-5, -6, -8, -9, -11, -13, -15</u>	
<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:14-3.7</u>	Individualized education program
<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:14-4.1</u>	General requirements
<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:30-1.1 et seq.</u>	Evaluation of the Performance of School Districts
<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:32-2.1</u>	Definitions
<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:32-12.2</u>	School-level planning

New Jersey State Board of Education Resolution, September 6, 1989, recommends that each district establish a citizens' advisory group for the implementation of core values of the local community into the district's schools.

Old Bridge Education Association v. Board of Education of the Township of Old Bridge, Middlesex County

Manual for the Evaluation of Local School Districts

**Possible****Cross References:**

_____	*2224	Nondiscrimination/affirmative action
	*6121	Nondiscrimination/affirmative action
	*6122	Articulation
	*6140	Curriculum adoption
	*6142.1	Family life education
	*6142.2	English as a second language; bilingual/bicultural
	*6142.4	Physical education and health
	*6142.6	Basic skills
	*6142.9	Arts
	*6142.12	Career education
	*6146	Graduation requirements
	*6147	Standards of proficiency
	*6164.2	Guidance services
	*6171.1	Remedial instruction
	*6171.2	Gifted and talented
	*6171.4	Special education
	*9130	Committees

\*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.