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Instruction

INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS

The development and maintenance of optimal educational programs is the primary function of the Board of Education. The Board's instructional goals for district students include the following:

- 1. To provide each child with fundamental academic skills and knowledge necessary to help students to master the state learning standards;
- 2. To nurture a spirit of inquiry which capitalizes on students' innate curiosity, and reveals to them the excitement found in the search for knowledge;
- 3. To develop in the students a sense of self-worth that will enable them, with the necessary guidance, to recognize and use their own capabilities;
- 4. To provide each student with the greatest possible opportunity to use his/her abilities and interests in order to find satisfaction and a sense of purpose in life;
- 5. To promote the ability to think critically and logically, to use knowledge constructively, and to attack problems intelligently, giving due respect to honest differences of opinion;
- 6. To nurture and develop basic attitudes, such as good work habits, self-discipline, respect for authority, and sense of responsibility, cooperation, good sportsmanship, and self-confidence;
- 7. To develop literacy and understanding in economic matters, and encourage responsible consumer judgment;
- 8. To provide special services which promote the physical, mental, and emotional well-being of every child;
- 9. To provide a well-balanced extracurricular program designed to promote the intellectual, physical and social growth of students;
- 10. To promote intelligent regard for and use of the nation's resources;
- 11. To develop understanding of social structures and social processes; and
- 12. To prepare youth for acceptance of civil responsibilities.

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