

EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAMS

The Board believes that education is a human enterprise and is not static but developmental in nature. There are times when approaches other than the traditional and conventional should be attempted. Such programs are viewed as experimental and tentative.

To be initiated in the District, an experimental program must meet these requirements:

1. The program or course will be developed by a committee consisting of administrators, grade level and subject area specialists, and consultants, as needed.
2. The Board will make formal application to the Ohio Department of Education for permission to implement the program on an experimental basis.
3. The program or course must be approved by the Board and the Ohio Department of Education prior to implementation.
4. All instructional material used in connection with this program will be available for inspection by the parents or guardians of participating students.
5. Participating students must be recommended for participation. The parent(s) or guardian(s) must provide approval for students under 18 years of age to participate. A copy of the written approval must be retained in the school files. Students who are 18 years of age or older must submit a written request to participate. This request will be kept on file.
6. The program shall be evaluated in terms of learning outcomes, student achievement, and accomplishment of stated objectives.
7. At the end of an established period of time, the Superintendent will either recommend cessation of the experiment or inclusion of the program in the District's educational program.
8. Fees will be estimated for experimental programs as needed. Participating students will be expected to pay fees at the beginning of the program.

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LEGAL REF.: State Board of Education Minimum Standards 3301-35-02 (D)

CROSS REF.: IGCD, Education Options (Also LEB)