

CONCEPTS AND ROLES IN INSTRUCTION

Free public education for all children is a cornerstone of a democratic society that values the worth and dignity of each individual. The primary goal of this Board of Education (Board) shall be to offer each child in this district the educational opportunity that will enable him or her to function politically, economically, and socially in that democratic society.

Since it is the intent of the Kittatinny Regional Board of Education to build a comprehensive high school which will meet the diversified needs of its pupils, a curriculum must be constructed to provide for a wide variety of experiences. It is our concern that the school program emphasize the intellectual, physical, emotional and social aspects of living so that each pupil can become a contributing member of the general society.

It will be the responsibility of the school to help prepare the pupils for a vocation, and to have them acquire concepts, skills, and attitudes which will enable them to make a successful beginning in one or more areas of business, industry, or further education.

The secondary school should create an awareness and appreciation of aesthetic values, according to the pupil's individual aptitudes, abilities, and interests. It shall be the task of the instructors and administrators to inculcate in the minds of the pupils the highest form of moral and ethical values that will hold meaning for them throughout their lives.

It shall be the responsibility of the teacher to adopt the methods of instruction to specific needs of the individuals. These methods must be employed in a democratic setting, and they must be sufficiently flexible to be utilized in varying learning situations.

The Board will seek out and work cooperatively with the available resources of home and community including business and industry, in the improvement of the educational program.

The Board will endeavor to employ a high caliber, well-prepared staff of adequate size and wide-ranging abilities. Moreover, the Board will provide pupils and staff, as needs dictate and means permit, with adequate educational supplies, equipment, and facilities.

The purpose of education in the schools of this district is to facilitate the development of each child to his or her greatest potential. The school staff shall recognize individual differences among pupils and encourage their achievement and progress, not only in basic skills but in the ability to think independently and critically. The school staff shall help pupils to understand our democratic society; to believe in it and to act fairly in their relationships with others; to develop in themselves attitudes of respect and helpfulness toward others; to want, and to be able to perform all, some portion of the work of the world; to acquire knowledge and skills necessary to do this with satisfaction to themselves and society; to understand and use effective methods in framing the questions and tackling the problems that they encounter in their lives to the end that they may function politically, economically, and socially in a democratic society.

The ideals of the district can be attained only through a mutual and empathetic cooperative effort among administrator, counselor, teacher, pupil and parent.

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