



Review of Instructional Materials

Parents and community members should be able to access readily textbooks, supplemental materials, and course descriptions used in our classrooms. In days past, there was a district curriculum depository for that purpose which was rarely accessed. A digital means to access all materials through an updated link of websites needs to be developed and maintained. Current websites are not being supported adequately. IT Director Scott Buller has been assigned this task.

Grading

Legitimate concerns have been raised in the research relative to the efficacy of traditional grading practices. The goal of our instruction should be for the students to master the material for its own merit, utility and relevance, not just to pass the class or earn a certain grade. This is a laudable goal, but any proposed reforms of, or modifications to, any fundamental department or grade-level grading practices must adhere to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5121 – Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement (attached) and may not be implemented piecemeal or at the discretion of individual teachers.

Classroom Visitations

We continue to meet and discuss appropriately protocols for Board member, parents, and community observation of district classrooms. Such opportunities are clearly envisioned in Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 1250 – Visitors/Outsiders (attached). We tentatively anticipate the following protocols:

Board Members

- 24-hour notice to site administration and the teacher whose class is to be observed. COVID requirements must be enforced.
- There must be no role of evaluating the instructor, only the curriculum. Any evaluation is the role solely of the administrator so assigned.

Parents

- Request an observation with the site Principal.
- Any classroom visitation by a parent will be accompanied by assigned administrative designees, likely a paid retired administrator.
- All visitors must comply with any COVID-related requirements and clearances.
- At least 24-hour notice to site administration is required
- Any parent with a complaint about district personnel will be provided with the appropriate forms.

Community Members

- Persons other than parents who wish to observe a specific class should make an appointment to see the Superintendent.
- As appropriate, the same criteria as for parental requests will be used.