

CURRICULUM POLICY



CURRICULUM GUIDELINES

Our current curriculum, as well as any future changes, will:

1. Be aligned vertically and horizontally with Kentucky Core Academic standards for all subjects adopted by Kentucky— English/Language Arts; Math; Science; Social Studies; Practical Living and Career Studies; and Arts and Humanities, and designed to help all students master that content.
2. Provide equitable access to a common academic core for all students.
3. Provide links to higher-levels of education, life, and career options.
4. Reflect the strategies adopted in our School Improvement Plan.
5. Reflect higher-order thinking skills
6. Address the learning needs of all students while maintaining high expectations
7. Be presented to teachers for review and discussion

TEACHER ROLE

The teacher will:

1. Disseminate the curriculum expectations for their classes to students in an age-appropriate way and to all parents.
2. Teach the *state standards* assigned for their particular area or areas.
3. Be prepared to contribute to discussions of needed changes in the curriculum.

PRINCIPAL ROLE

The principal will:

1. Ensure that copies of the curriculum standards and expectations for the school are available for parent review.
2. Meet with each new teacher to review this policy and the sections of the curriculum that apply to that teacher's assignment.

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3. At staff meetings and team meetings, hold discussions with the staff on possible curriculum revisions and report the results to the appropriate committee.
4. Facilitate vertical planning meetings with teachers and other stakeholders to ensure continuity throughout the school curriculum.

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR ROLE

The Guidance Counselor will:

1. Provide classroom guidance instruction in the areas of health, consumerism, and career education in alignment with Practical Living and Career Studies content.

CURRICULUM REVISION

The Curriculum and Instruction Committee will be responsible for making any needed recommendations to the council on curriculum revisions when one or more of the following events occur:

1. State officials modify the KPREP Goals and the *Kentucky Common Core Academic Standards*.
2. District leaders or working groups modify district curriculum documents.
3. Our School Improvement Planning process identifies a need for adjustments.
4. Other schools in our district identify a need for changes in their curriculum or in ours that could alter our vertical articulation, create curriculum gaps, or allow unintended overlaps and redundancy.
5. During staff discussions, one or more teachers at our school identify a weakness or opportunity for improvement that needs to be addressed to ensure success for all students.
6. Other stakeholder input or data demonstrate a need to do so.

POLICY EVALUATION

We will evaluate the effectiveness of this policy through our School Improvement Planning Process.

Date Adopted: 2014

Date Reviewed or Revised: _____

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