

Educational Program

Series 600

Policy Title: Basic Instruction Program

Code No. 603.1

The basic instructional program will include, but not be limited to, the courses required for each grade level by the Iowa Department of Education. The instructional approach will be gender fair and multicultural.

The basic instructional program of students enrolled in kindergarten will be designed to develop healthy emotional and social habits, language arts and communication skills, the capacity to complete individual tasks, character education and the ability to protect and increase physical well-being, with attention given to experiences relating to the development of life skills and human growth and development.

The basic instructional program of students enrolled in grades one through six will include English-language arts, social studies, mathematics, science, health, human growth and development, physical education, traffic safety, music, visual art and computer science. Computer science will be offered during at least one grade level.

The basic educational program of students enrolled in grades seven and eight will include English-language arts, social studies, mathematics, science, health, human growth and development, family and consumer science, career education, technology education, physical education, music, visual art and computer science. Computer science will be offered during at least one grade level.

The basic instructional program available to students enrolled in grades nine through twelve will include at a minimum English-language arts (8 credits), social studies (6 credits), mathematics (6 credits), science (6 credits), health (1 credit), physical education (2 credits), financial literacy (1 credit), public speaking (1 credit), workplace readiness (.5 credits), and elective courses (18.5 credits). The actual course offerings at Greene County High School are listed in the annual registration book.

The board may, at its discretion, offer additional courses in the instructional program at any grade level.

Each instructional program will be carefully planned for optimal benefit taking into consideration the financial condition of the school district and other factors deemed relevant by the board or superintendent. Each instructional program's plan will describe the program, its goals, materials used, activities and the method of student evaluation.

It will be the responsibility of the superintendent to develop administrative regulations stating the required courses and optional courses for kindergarten, grades one through six, grades seven and eight, and grades nine through twelve.

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