

POLICY 4.50 TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board of Education believes that the professional development of teachers is an integral part of the educational program and should provide opportunities which will enable and motivate teachers to maintain a high level of professional competence.

The objectives of Professional Development in the district are:

1. To establish an ongoing needs assessment process.
2. To ensure that Professional Development activities are supported within the limits of the budget in terms of personnel, materials, release time and money.
3. To provide Professional Development activities to meet the needs of individual teachers, specific disciplines, special interest groups, individual schools and the district as a whole.
4. To encourage the establishment of long-term priorities for the Professional Development Program.
5. To ensure that Professional Development resources are used in the most efficient way.
6. To encourage communication on Professional Development matters that is effective within the district.