

School Board Meeting:
Subject:
Presenter:

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Teaching & Learning
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SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:

Board action is required for the final reading of policies.

DESCRIPTION:

A goal of the Human Resource Department is to work with other departments and the Superintendent's Office to ensure all district policies and procedures are reviewed in the next two years. This includes revising current policies and procedures to auditing required policies for compliance.

Final Reading of a New Policy (Board Action Required)

The following new polices are being presented to the School Board for final reading:

- Policy 630 – Early Entrance
 Local Policy
Brief Description: Provides procedures to consider a student for early entrance as an exception to Minn. Stat. § 120A.20, Subd. 1(b) (Admission to Public School).

Final Reading of a Revised Policy (Board Action Required)

The following revised policies are being presented to the School Board for final reading:

- Policy 606 – Textbooks and Instructional Materials
 MSBA Recommended Policy
Brief Description: Provides direction for selection of textbooks and instructional materials. This revision establishes the guidelines and procedures to be followed to seek reconsideration of textbooks or other instructional materials.
- Policy 613 – Graduation Requirements
 MSBA Recommended Policy
Brief Description: Sets forth requirements for graduation from the school district. This is replacing Policy 6323 and Policy 6450.
- Policy 620 – Credit by Assessment
 MSBA Recommended Policy
Brief Description: Recognizes student achievement which occurs in activities outside of the school, previous learning, and community and work experiences. This replaces Policy 6319 – Credit for Learning.

Final Reading to Delete a Policy (Board Action Required)

The following policies are being presented to the School Board for final reading to delete:

- Policy 6100 – Responsibilities for K-12 Curriculum and Instruction
 Local Policy
Brief Description: This policy is now incorporated in the newly adopted Policy 603 – Curriculum Development.

- Policy 6430 – Standardized Testing
 Local Policy
Brief Description: This policy is not required. Provisions of this policy substantially reflect the statutory requirements of Minn. Stat. § 120B.11 (School District Process), Minn. Stat. § 120B.30 (Statewide Testing and Reporting System), and Minn. Stat. § 120B.36 (Adequate Yearly Progress).

- Policy 6432 – Home Bound
 Local Policy
Brief Description: This policy is not required. Provisions of this policy substantially reflect the statutory requirements of Minn. Stat. § 121A.41 (Alternative Educational Services).

- Policy 6500 – Services for Children Under the Age of Five Years of Age
 Local Policy
Brief Description: This policy is not required. Provisions of this policy substantially reflect the statutory requirements of Minn. Stat. § 120A.05 (Public Schools) and Minn. Stat. § 123B.02 (General Powers of Independent School Districts).