

**Approval of Revisions to Policy EHBB (Local)
Special Programs: Gifted and Talented Students**

September 9, 2008

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval of changes to Board Policy so the EXPO Program Handbook and Board policy are the same. The Gifted and Talented Program Handbook had a few discrepancies from Board policy. Some procedures have been revised in the handbook and some revisions have been made to the Board policy EHBB Local.

BOARD GOAL:

- I.a. Remain committed to providing equitable and outstanding opportunities for every student on every campus through out the district;
- I.b. Develop a culture where learning is our first priority;
- II.a. Cultivate a consistent, strong, district-wide balanced curriculum that supports all students;
- II.c. Expect full implementation on each campus by instructional leaders;
- II.e. Advocate and practice true accountability based on measurement of individual student progress overtime, regardless of external mandates;
- III.a. Promote and nourish a learning and working environment in a culture which is supportive, cooperative, friendly, and ensures open communication;
- III.b. Establish a high expectation level for success for all students, staff, parents, and community;
- III.c. Create in students a love of life-long learning;
- III.d. Motivate and prepare students to embrace their full responsibilities as active citizens of their community, nation, and world; and
- VI.a. Review and adjust policies and procedures effectively to address the challenges of rapid growth and changing demographic characteristics while maintaining and enhancing our strong sense of community.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

The Board approved Policy EHBB (Local) and our handbook on July 22, 2006 and revisions to our handbook on August 14, 2007. The Board reviewed the requested revisions to policy EHBB (Local) at the August 26, 2008 board meeting

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

None

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

Practice and procedure did not agree with Board policy.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

None

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

Practice, procedure, and Board policy EHBB Local will agree.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

None

ALTERNATIVES:

No alternative actions are proposed.

OTHER COMMENTS:

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends approval of the revisions to Board Policy EHBB (Local) on first reading.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Mary Chancellor

ATTACHMENT:

None

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____