

LEBANON SCHOOL DISTRICT

POLICY: 100
SECTION: PROGRAMS
TITLE: PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION
ADOPTED: MARCH 19, 2018

100. PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

Section 1. Purpose

The Board recognizes the importance of comprehensive planning in developing and guiding the district's goals, and the educational programs and operation of the schools. Participation by educational stakeholders is a critical element of such planning.

Section 2. Authority

The Board shall provide guidance in the district's comprehensive planning process, and shall ensure active participation by Board members, administrators, teachers, other district personnel, students, parents/guardians and representatives from local businesses and the community¹.

As part of the comprehensive planning process, the Board directs that the district develop and implement individual plans and components as required by law, regulations, and funding and program requirements.

The Board directs that the goals and action plans developed through comprehensive planning shall be continuously monitored and reviewed to ensure students are achieving at high levels^{2,3,4}.

Professional Education

The district shall develop and submit a professional education plan to the Secretary of Education for approval every three (3) years, as required by law and regulations. Prior to approval by the Board and submission to the Secretary of Education, the professional education plan shall be made

¹ 22 Pa. Code 4.13

² 24 P.S. 1205.1

³ 22 Pa. Code 4.13

⁴ 22 Pa. Code 49.17

available for public inspection and comment in the district's administrative offices and the nearest public library for a minimum of twenty-eight (28) days. ^{5, 6}

Induction

The district shall develop and submit an induction plan to the Department of Education for approval every six (6) years, as required by law and regulations. Prior to approval by the Board and submission to the Department of Education, the induction plan shall be made available for public inspection and comment in the district's administrative offices and the nearest public library for a minimum of twenty-eight (28) days. ^{7,8}

Student Services

The district shall develop and implement a written plan every six (6) years for providing a comprehensive and integrated K-12 program of student services, as required by law and regulations. Prior to approval by the Board, the student services plan shall be made available for public inspection and comment in the district's administrative offices and the nearest public library for a minimum of twenty-eight (28) days. ^{9,10}

Special Education

The district shall develop and submit a special education plan to the Department of Education for approval every three (3) years, and shall implement such plan as required by law and regulations. Prior to approval by the Board and submission to the Department of Education, the special education plan shall be made available for public inspection and comment in the district's administrative offices and the nearest public library for a minimum of twenty-eight (28) days. ^{11,12}

Gifted Education

The district shall develop and implement a gifted education plan every six (6) years, as required by law and regulations. Prior to approval by the

⁵ 22 Pa. Code 4.13

⁶ 22 Pa. Code 49.16

⁷ 22 Pa. Code 4.13

⁸ 22 Pa. Code 12.41

⁹ 22 Pa. Code 4.13

¹⁰ 22 Pa. Code 14.104

¹¹ 22 Pa. Code 4.13

¹² 22 Pa. Code 16.4

Board, the gifted education plan shall be made available for public inspection and comment in the district's administrative offices and the nearest public library for a minimum of twenty-eight (28) days.

Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent shall be responsible for organizing the comprehensive planning process, ensuring participation in accordance with Board policy and submitting the required plans to the Department of Education.

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for implementing the goals and action plans developed through comprehensive planning and providing written quarterly progress reports to the Board.