

INSTRUCTION

SUBJECT: Learning Through Community Service

The Board recognizes that community service can help students develop skills, career awareness and self-esteem. Service experience also can motivate students by letting them apply what they are studying to local needs and problems and by showing them that they can make a contribution to their community.

Integrated Community Service

The Board supports the integration of community service activities with the curriculum so as to enhance learning in all subject areas. The Board encourages staff to collaborate with local public and nonprofit agencies in order to develop service learning activities that meet educational objectives and also fit in with current community efforts to meet human, educational, environmental, or public safety needs.

Community service learning experience may be required for certain high school courses.

Parents/guardians shall receive information about the community service learning opportunities offered by the district and their benefits for both the community and the student. The district shall ask parents/guardians to acknowledge this information before students participate in off-campus service activities.

Legal Reference

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