

District: Jackson County School District

Descriptor: IF

Section: I – Instructional Program

MSBA Policy Code: IFA – Instructional Materials and Resources

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS AND RESOURCES

The Jackson County School District Board of Education will provide resources and personnel necessary for teachers to implement the approved curriculum in their classrooms and work effectively with students. The board believes that materials and personnel appropriate to the needs of the instructional program must be available to each student and teacher on a timely basis. Available resources shall be allocated to schools on an equitable basis

The Jackson County Board of Education also ensures that equivalence among schools in teachers, administrators, and auxiliary personnel and in the provision of curriculum materials, instructional supplies, and equipment will be maintained. This equivalence will be determined by factors, such as Average Daily Attendance (ADA), enrollments, funding ability, and needs assessment.

In addition, to be in compliance with the requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 and all subsequent amendments, the Jackson County Board of Education directs the Superintendent to assign teachers, administrators, and other personnel to the schools in such a manner that the equivalence is ensured among all schools, which includes Title I Schools. Title I funds shall be used to provide educational services that are in addition to the regular services provided for district students.

The school district shall allocate supply funds equally among all classroom teachers in the district. Education Enhancement Funds shall not be expended for administrative purposes. The school district shall allocate supply funds equally among all classroom teachers in the district. Two or more teachers may agree to pool their classroom supply funds for the benefit of a school within the district pursuant to a spending plan that supports the overall goals of the school which includes the type, quantity of supplies, instructional materials, equipment, computer or computer software. This plan shall be submitted, in writing to the school principal for approval. Classroom supply funds allocated under this section shall supplement, not replace, other local and state funds available for the same purpose. MS Code §37-61-33 (3)(a)(1997)MS Code 37-61-33(3)(a)(1997) Funds available for classroom supplies, materials, and equipment from the Education Enhancement Fund are allotted and expended in compliance with MS Code §37-61-33 (1972), as amended, and State Board of Education policy.

The board budgets funds for student instructional/library supplies, materials, and equipment. The superintendent or designee, which is subject to review by the Board of Education, is responsible for developing procedures for the selection of textbooks, other instructional media, along with the establishment of procedures concerning the teaching of controversial issues in the classroom. Instructional media include all books (hardcover and paperback), newspapers, periodicals, and other printed or electronic material and audio-visual resources used by the schools.

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