



Policy: 9.34

SUBJECT: **ORGANIZATION OF INSTRUCTION**

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1.0 Policy

The Board is responsible for public education, kindergarten through grade 12, throughout the district. It also has assumed certain responsibilities for preschool programs, post-secondary vocational training, and adult education.

The grouping and housing of instructional levels in school facilities, and the administration of instructional programs, will be in accordance with plans approved by the Board.

The Board through federal court order authorizes the following grade organization:

- Elementary schools - kindergarten through grade 5
- Middle schools - grades 6, 7, and 8
- High schools - grades 9, 10, 11, and 12.

With court approval, the Board may authorize certain elementary and middle schools to deviate from the above pattern for better use of facilities or better to meet community needs.

The Board authorizes an upgraded primary unit to facilitate continuous learning for children. For internal record-keeping purposes the terms Primary I, Primary II, and Primary III will represent years of school attendance beyond kindergarten and will have no direct relation to achievement levels. For public classification purposes, all students above kindergarten and below grade 3 will be termed “primary unit students.”

All schools and centers shall be administered through the General Superintendents appropriate designee.

Attachments to Policy 9.34: None

See also: None

Legal References: MCLA § 380.1146
MCLA § 380.1282

Labor Contract References: None