

# Van Buren County Board of Education

Monitoring:  Review: Annually, in November	Descriptor Term:  <b>Curriculum Development</b>	Descriptor Code: 4.200	Issued Date: 06/17/99
		Rescinds:	Issued:

1 Under the leadership and direction of the supervisor of instruction, a unified curriculum shall be  
2 developed within the statewide curriculum framework for the school system in each subject area,  
3 grades K-12, and presented to the Board for adoption.<sup>1,2</sup>

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5 Teachers in each school shall participate in the systemwide development of the curriculum in their  
6 appropriate subject areas. Assignments for curriculum development in the elementary grades will  
7 be made by the principal.

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9 The curriculum will be revised and updated regularly through in-service programs and curriculum  
10 planning sessions, with changes subject to approval by the Board.

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12 At least one copy of the complete curriculum shall be placed in each school. Teachers shall be given  
13 a personal copy of the portion which pertains to their area of teaching. New teachers shall be given  
14 an appropriate copy and briefed on its content in relation to the total curriculum.

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16 Experimentation with newer concepts of curriculum design, scheduling, and instructional techniques  
17 is encouraged but must have prior approval of the principal. An experimental program requires the  
18 approval of the director of schools the Board, the Commissioner of Education and the State Board  
19 of Education.<sup>2</sup>

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21 A course may become a permanent part of the school program after three (3) years of operation upon  
22 approval of the State Board of Education.<sup>2</sup>

## 23 IMPLEMENTATION

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26 The primary responsibility for the effective operation of the curriculum program and activities shall  
27 be delegated to the director of schools.

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29 The school principals shall be responsible for administering the established instructional programs  
30 and for the development and supervision of a coordinated plan for the improvement of instruction  
31 in their schools.

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36 Legal References:

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