

# Van Buren County Board of Education

Monitoring:  Review: Annually, in November	Descriptor Term:  <b>Basic Program</b>	Descriptor Code: <b>4.201</b>	Issued Date: <b>06/17/99</b>
		Rescinds:	Issued:

1 The Board shall not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, national origin, creed, age, marital status in  
2 its educational programs or activities.

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4 Curriculum material utilized shall reflect the cultural and racial diversity present in the United States  
5 and the variety of careers, roles and life-styles open to women as well as men in our society. One of the  
6 objectives of the total curriculum and teaching strategies is to reduce stereotyping and to eliminate  
7 bias on the basis of sex, race, ethnicity, religion and disability. The curriculum shall foster respect and  
8 appreciation of the cultural diversity found in our country and an awareness of the rights, duties and  
9 responsibilities of each individual as a member of a pluralistic society.<sup>1</sup>

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11 The course of study in the schools shall include those subjects required by the Legislature and Ten-  
12 nessee State Board of Education as follows: reading, writing, spelling, arithmetic, English, geography,  
13 hygiene, sanitation, music, drawing, black history and culture, physical education, and free enterprise.  
14 Specific topics required in the schools include: nature of alcoholic drinks, narcotics and smoking of  
15 cigarettes and their effect upon the human system; history of Tennessee and its Constitution; his-  
16 tory of the United States and its Constitution; displaying of the American flag; highway safety; and  
17 defensive driving.<sup>2</sup>

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19 The Board reserves the right to add additional courses and to amend the content of prescribed courses  
20 as experience and the process of curriculum development indicate the desirability of such change.

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36 Legal References: \_\_\_\_\_ Cross References:  
37 1. 42 U.S.C. 12101; 34 CFR §106.34 Student Goals 6.100  
38 2. TCA 49-6-1001 through 49-6-1205; TCA 49-6-1301 Complaints and Grievances 6.305  
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