

## EDUCATION RESEARCH

The Superintendent is authorized to cooperate with colleges, universities, and other recognized research agencies in promoting potentially useful research. Due to the large number of requests for studies, it is necessary to be selective and to establish guidelines for the approval of studies.

Decision relating to research involving students or personnel will be influenced by the following factors:

1. The objectives of the research should be clearly stated and the design should produce valid and reliable results which will then be made available to the Tyler County School System. Such shall be accompanied by analysis, if available.
2. The reason should be expected to contribute to the improvement of education and the general welfare of children.
3. Data derived from school records, interviews, or questionnaires must not invade the privacy of students or their families without advanced written authorization of parents or guardians.
4. Research proposals should be of sufficient scope and depth to justify the time and effort of students and staff members.
5. In general, instructional activities will not be interrupted unless there is a clear significance for Tyler County Schools' educational program.
6. Projects involving student researchers must have prior written approval by a faculty member of the institution in which the student is enrolled. This faculty member must have direct responsibility related to the student's research.