

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTION

The North Middlesex School Committee expects its professional staff and administration to regularly evaluate the educational program in the district. Constant adaptation and development of the curriculum is necessary to advance the educational goals of the district and to meet the changing needs of its students to promote student achievement. Curriculum development should be a collaborative effort between administrators and staff utilizing their professional expertise and classroom/student experiences.

The professional staff and administration will develop proposals for modifications of practice and changes in curriculum, as well as the addition or deletion of courses to the instructional program to maintain a high quality education for all students.

The superintendent will have the authority to approve changes in programs and course of studies when they do not constitute a substantial alteration in instructional content or approach. A report of changes in programs will be given to the school committee on an annual basis before January 1st of the school year before implementation.

Any substantial alteration to instructional content or approach will come before the school committee for approval/adoption by January 1st of the school year before implementation. The principal of each school shall present to the school committee an annual review for any approved/ newly adopted changes for a period of years that shows, through data analysis, the benefit of keeping, changing or discarding such changes.

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