Sparta Area School District

Article 415 – Curriculum and Instruction Policy

The Sparta Area School District believes that all students can learn and achieve at high levels.

The State of Wisconsin has standards for each academic area. As required by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55 [section 118.30(1g)(a)1 of the State statues] the Board of Education will adopt academic standards for the upcoming school year on an annual basis at the first Board of Education meeting after July 1st. The District will notify parent(s)/guardian(s) of the adopted standards to be utilized for the upcoming school year prior to the start of school. The standards will be posted on the Sparta Area School District website under the Department of Teaching and Learning.

The District’s curriculum and instructional programs shall align with the state’s educational standards, goals, and expectations; other applicable legal requirements; and the local goals and standards established by the Board of Education and/or administration.

Professional staff, under the direction and supervision of the Director of Teaching and Learning and Principals, shall be responsible for proposing, developing, implementing, and evaluating the PK - 12 approved curriculum and standards that reflect the best current educational research and practice, and administer, at minimum, mandatory assessments. The curriculum shall align with legal requirements and support the District’s mission, vision, goals, and adopted academic standards. Curriculum shall be developed in collaboration and coordination with staff across grade levels and content areas whenever possible to create a cohesive educational experience.

Legal Reference: WI Statutes 118.01, 118.015, 118.30 (1g)(a)1, 121.02(1)(k) and (l)
Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015

Cross Reference: Wisconsin Academic Standards

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