

POSITIONS AND POLICIES ON EDUCATION

Curriculum Adoption

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Mandated Curriculum and Programs

- A. **The NJSBA believes** that neither the state nor federal government should mandate any new or expanded school curricula, activity, or program unless a compelling need, including its educational value, has been demonstrated.
- B. **The NJSBA believes** that categorical funding at the 100% level should be provided annually for each mandated program and activity required to be provided by school districts, and that districts shall not be required to maintain and continue these programs and activities in the absence of categorical funding. Once qualified for categorical aid, districts should remain eligible for a minimum period of time to allow the establishment and operation of required programs with minimal disruption and prevent abrupt shifts in state aid from one year to the next. *[Authority: DA 1/80-A; DA 1/80-1; DA 6/83-2; DA 12/83-4; BD 11/84 CR (Extended School Year); BD 4/94; DA 6/88-19 & 19A; BD 10/91; DA 11/98-CR (School Finance); DA 12/91-CR QEA; DA 11/97-SR, DA 11/02-SR, DA 11/07-SR, DA 11/12-SR, DA 11/17-SR]*

Cross References:	3000	Concepts and roles in business and noninstructional operations
	6000	Concepts and roles in instruction
	6141	Curriculum design/development
	6141.1	Experimental/innovative programs
	6142	Subject fields
	6142.1	Family life education
	6142.2	English as second language; bilingual/bicultural
	6142.4	Physical education and health
	6142.9	Arts
	6142.10	Technology
	6142.12	Career education
	6147	Standards of proficiency

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