

# Downey Unified School District

## INSTRUCTION

### CURRICULUM - PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

AR 3122

To implement the policy of the Board of Education to provide a superior program of instruction

1. The Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, shall adopt the course of study for all grade levels:
  - a. Elementary grades, kindergarten through five.
  - b. Middle school grades, six through eight
  - c. High school grades, nine through twelve.
  - d. Adult School.
  - e. Special education.
2. Curriculum guides, instructional frameworks, and course outlines developed by the District shall be used by teachers in the subject areas to which they apply as a means of implementing the adopted course of study. These materials serve as basic outlines for course content and shall be available for Board of Education review. All curriculum guides and course outlines shall include measurable student learning objectives which describe what students will be able to do after completing a prescribed unit of instruction. Programs deemed to be controversial shall be submitted for Board of Education acceptance.
3. A formal curriculum review shall be made of all subject areas within a seven-year cycle, and a report of this review shall be made annually to the Board of Education. The following subjects shall be correlated with the State textbook adoption cycle:
  - a. Business and computers.
  - b. English/language arts (including reading/literature and bilingual).
  - c. Visual and performing arts and practical arts.
  - d. Social sciences.
  - e. Foreign language.
  - f. Science and Driver Education.
  - g. Mathematics.
  - h. Health, and physical education.
4. A minimum amount of time during each school day shall be spent in formal reading instruction for every student in every class in the elementary school. This amount of time shall be determined by AR 3112.1, but in no case shall it be less than 60 minutes per pupil per day.