BASIC INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM

Because education is a lifelong process, the educational program will provide both formal studies to meet the general academic needs of all students, and opportunities for individual students to develop specific talents and interests in vocational and other specialized fields and to be able to become independent learners.

The various instructional programs will be developed with the view toward maintaining balanced, integrated and sequentially articulated curricula which will serve the educational needs of all school-aged children in the District.

The School Committee subscribes to the philosophy that well-developed reading and other basic skills, including ability to spell, speak, think, compute, write intelligently and decision-making are essential in our society. It will adopt specific requirements to ensure that our high school graduates are sufficiently competent in these essential skills.

Provisions will be made for a wide range of individual differences in student abilities and learning rates through the use of a variety of materials, adjustments in programs, and courses adapted to special needs at all levels.

The curriculum will meet those requirements established by state law and the Department of Education.