Dickson County Board of Education

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Descriptor Term:

Review: Annually, in November **Basic Program**

The Board shall not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, national origin, creed, age, marital status in its educational programs or activities.

Curriculum material utilized shall reflect the cultural and racial diversity present in the United States and the variety of careers, roles and life-styles open to women as well as men in our society. One of the objectives of the total curriculum and teaching strategies is to reduce stereotyping and to eliminate bias on the basis of sex, race, ethnicity, religion and disability. The curriculum shall foster respect and appreciation of the cultural diversity found in our country and an awareness of te rights, duties and responsibilities of each individual as a member of a pluralistic society.¹

The course of study in the local schools shall include those subjects required by the Legislature and Tennessee State Board of Education. The primary responsibility for the system's program of instruction, including the development and effective operation of curricular plans, special courses, program of guidance ² and activities, shall be delegated to the Director of Schools. Specific topics required in the schools include: nature of alcoholic drinks, narcotics, and smoking of cigarettes, and their effect upon the human system; Constitutions of the United States and Tennessee; and displaying of the American flag, highway safety, and defensive driving.³

The board of education reserves the right to add additional courses and to amend the content of prescribed courses as experience and the orderly process of curriculum development indicate the desirability of such change.

The courses which may be offered for credit in grades 9-12 are those listed in Rules, Regulations, and Minimum Standards. Courses not listed must be approved by the Commissioner of Education and/or the State Board of Education. All advance placement of students will be in accordance with TRR/MS.

A current listing of all courses offered for credit in grades 9-12 shall be available at each secondary school. The list shall include the minimum and maximum units in each course for which a student may earn credit toward graduation. All additions, deletions, and modifications to this listing must have the approval of the Director of Schools and be in compliance with the State Board of Education policies.⁴

Legal References:

- 37 1. 34 CFR § 8106.34
- 38 2. TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.08
- 39 3. TCA 49-6-1001 through 49-6-1205, TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.05

40 4. TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.06 (g)

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