

REGULATION

GLEN RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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R 2414 AT RISK STUDENTS

A. Assessment

1. School district personnel will use a variety of tests and/or assessments to determine if a pupil should be categorized as at risk of not meeting the proficiencies of the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards.

2. Information regarding the district's assessment program, along with interpretive materials, will be released to the public as required by rules of the State Board of Education.

B. Basic Skills Improvement Program

The Basic Skills Improvement Program to be prepared and recommended to the Board will provide for:

1. The enrollment in preventive and remedial programs shall be required for pupils at risk who do not meet New Jersey Curriculum Content Standards Assessments;

2. The screening of pupils, within one month of enrollment, to determine whether they should be enrolled in preventive and remedial programs;

3. Supplemental instructional and related activities and services responsive to identified deficiencies and designed to meet the academic, social, economic, and environmental needs of pupils;

4. Evaluation of the progress of pupils toward proficiency in meeting the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards;

5. Evaluation of the effectiveness of the district at risk program, in terms of pupil gains and other relevant factors;

6. Both the pupil and the pupil's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) will be notified of the pupil's need for at risk education. Notification will be made in writing in the language or mode of

communication that is understood by the pupil and the parent(s) or legal guardian(s);

7. Continuing communication between teaching staff members and the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of pupils receiving at risk education;

8. Evaluation and remediation of pupils who demonstrate deficiencies at the end of the eleventh grade and during the twelfth grade will be conducted in accordance with Policy No. 5460 on High School Graduation;

9. Programs and services may be offered during the regular school day, beyond the school day or in the summer; and

10. The Board shall provide training for the staff necessary to implement the programs and services for pupils at risk.

c. Basic Skills Instruction

The Basic Skills Program provides support for students in all grade levels in the areas of reading, writing, and mathematics. Children learn in different ways and at varying rates, therefore, the goal of the Basic Skills teacher is to help identify students' needs and facilitate learning by providing experiences that will build skills, abilities and self confidence.

The Glen Ridge school district will provide Basic Skills instruction for students requiring remediation. Participants in the program will be selected according to the following multiple criteria:

1. Teacher recommendation, and

2. National percentile score lower than 40% on one or any combination of the following: Reading, Math, and/or Language.

Both criteria must be met or the child will not receive Basic Skills Instruction.

Notes:

In Glen Ridge, the above criteria are used to determine eligibility for Basic Skills Instruction in grades 3-11. (Terra Nova tests are only given in grades 3,5,6,7,9,10)

Teacher recommendation are I&RS referral information determines BSI for grades 1 and 2.

Students scoring partially proficient on any area on the Statewide assessments are required to participate in the Academic Enrichment Program. (ESPA grade 4; GEPA grade 8; and HSPA grade 11)

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