

SOMERVILLE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL POLICY ON CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

RATIONALE:

Ongoing curriculum development and self review are key components in providing quality curriculum programmes.

Charter Reference: Curriculum Goal

Legislative Reference: NAG 1
NAG 2
Education Act 1989

PURPOSE:

To ensure that the school is providing students with up to date teaching methods and appropriate learning experiences.

GUIDELINES:

1. An agenda for Curriculum Development will be maintained. Curriculum development goals will be reviewed from time to time in consultation with staff.
2. The curriculum areas to be developed each year will depend on the need for updating teaching and learning strategies, Ministry curriculum initiatives and resources available.
3. Any specific requirements for financial expenditure or staff training associated with the curricula development (new text books) will be assessed during October for inclusion in the following year's budget.
4. A Curriculum Committee will be appointed at the beginning of each year and will be responsible for annually reviewing this policy and accompanying programme.
5. The curriculum areas for Somerville Intermediate School are:
 - a) Language and languages
 - b) Mathematics
 - c) Science
 - d) Social Studies
 - e) Technology
 - f) Health and physical wellbeing
 - g) The Arts

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