

## Instructional Research

The district has the responsibility to engage in long-range educational planning in order to advise the Board regarding policy and effective decision making. The district is committed to the position that planning must be supported by appropriate research and evaluation.

The assistant superintendent/chief academic officer will establish formal procedures through which district personnel can submit educational research proposals. A major purpose of such research is to contribute to the quality of educational programming and advance the general welfare of students.

Objectives include:

1. Inducing change in the curriculum and techniques under conditions which are conducive to the growth of the educational program;
2. Encouraging and coordinating creative efforts so that duplication, conflict and waste of time may be avoided;
3. Facilitating the staff-learning process and developing greater effectiveness in teaching;
4. Creating a climate for professional growth through creativity and innovation;
5. Establishing criteria for change in educational practices through innovative development and creativity.

Proposals to involve the district in research originating from sources other than district personnel require prior approval from the assistant superintendent/chief academic officer. The basic premise for involving the district in research is the ability of the district to use results.

END OF POLICY

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### Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 329.704](#)  
[ORS 329.788](#)

[ORS 330.080](#)  
[ORS 330.083](#)

[ORS 330.115](#)

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g; Family Educational Rights and Privacy, 34 C.F.R. Part 99.

Protection of Pupil Rights, 20 U.S.C. § 1232h; Student Rights in Research, Experimental Programs and Testing, 34 C.F.R. Part 98.