

Policy 9700

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

It is the policy of the District that attention be given to in-service and pre-service staff development programs. The Superintendent is directed to arrange in-service education programs that will help teachers master new methods acceptable to the schools, or to help teachers to improve techniques already being used in the schools, with the object of improving their professional competencies as instructors.

All certified personnel may be called upon to teach an in-service course as an integral part of their position.

Professional Days

Professional days must serve a definite purpose which is of benefit to both the individual teacher and the District. Generally, they should be used to visit an exemplary program in another system, to observe an outstanding teacher, to visit with a consultant, etc.

Administrative Regulations for processing such requests will be established by the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee. The procedures established will provide that only an appropriate number of staff members will be absent from one building or one department at the same time.

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