Board Policy 2125: K-6 Reading Intervention

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The Dietrich School District strives to ensure that all students read at or above grade level by the end of third grade. In order to achieve this goal the District shall establish a reading intervention program, in addition to core reading instruction, that is aligned with Idaho State Board of Education's Comprehensive Literacy Plan. The District's reading intervention program will include research-based literacy instructional practices, student engagement, and effective interventions.

<u>Definition</u>

Idaho has adopted the International Literacy Association definition of literacy. Literacy is defined as the ability to identify, understand, interpret, create, compute, and communicate using visual, audible, and digital materials across disciplines in any context.

Intervention Program

The District will provide a research based reading intervention program to all kindergarten through sixth grade students identified with a reading deficiency as determined by the statewide reading assessments.

The program will provide intensive development in phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, text comprehension, and decoding intervention as applicable to the grade level.

The District will monitor the reading progress of each student's reading skills throughout the school year and adjust instruction according to student needs.

The program will provide a minimum of 40 minutes two times a week of supplemental instruction for students in kindergarten through grade 6.

Reading Improvement Plan

The reading improvement plan shall be created by the teacher, principal,, and other pertinent school personnel, including staff assigned library duties, if applicable, no later than 30 days after the identification of the reading deficiency. Parental Notification

At the conclusion of each school year, or earlier if it has been determined that the student is proficient and is no longer in need of intervention, the parent(s)/guardian(s) will be updated on the student's progress, including any recommendation for placement.

Student Records

The assessment scores and interventions recommended and implemented shall be maintained in the

permanent record of each student.

Literacy Training for School Board Members

All Trustees elected or appointed after July 1, 2021 shall participate in at least one board member orientation focused on:

- 1. State and District-level resources available for literacy intervention and improvements; and
- 2. School, District, and State level data available to track progress on student literacy proficiency and growth toward proficiency; and
- 3. How to set measurable goals for improving student proficiency.

By June 30, 2023, or following this date if directed by the State Board of Education, every Trustee shall participate in at least one board member orientation or the literacy intervention orientation and training provided by the State Board of Education.

<u>Reporting</u>

Annually by October 1, the District shall report to the Idaho State Department of Education in their annual continuous improvement plan the following information on the prior school year: :

- 1. By grade, the number and percentage of all students in grades kindergarten through third performing at the basic or below basic level on local and statewide assessments in reading; and
- 2. By grade, the number and percentage of all students in grades kindergarten through third performing at the proficient or higher level on local and statewide assessments in reading.

Legal References IC § 33-1805	Description Reading Instruction and Intervention
IC § 33-1806	Reading and Literacy Assessment
IC § 33-1807	Literacy Intervention Program
IC § 33-1809	Accountability and Continuous Improvement
Other References Idaho State Board of Education	Description Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Plan, December 2015 (last visited 10/16/2019)
Cross References	
Code 1315	Description District Planning
1650	New Board Member Workshop