

Board Policy

Instructional Technology

The Board recognizes its responsibility to further its educational goals using appropriate and high quality technological materials and equipment. For the purpose of this policy, technology refers to computers, interactive videodiscs, Compact Disc-Read Only Memory (CD-ROM) devices, local area networks, satellite transmission and other telecommunications equipment.

Continuing advances in technology are bringing about changes that have an increasing impact on the way we obtain, process, evaluate and use information. Therefore, the Board is committed to:

1. a comprehensive employee development program to ensure appropriate and effective use of technology;
2. the preparation of students to utilize multiple types of technology;
3. the integration of technology within and across all curriculum areas;
4. the equitable distribution and access to technological equipment and materials for all students;
5. the promotion of technology as an alternative to traditional methods of gathering, organizing and synthesizing information; and
6. the provision of sufficient funds, within the budgetary constraints of ESBOCES, for the implementation of technology instruction.

The Board directs the District Superintendent, Chief Operating Officer, or designee to assess the technological needs of the ESBOCES instructional program, research and review current materials, and make recommendations to the Board.