

ESTABLISHMENT OF CHOICE PROGRAMS AND SCHOOLS

The Board recognizes ongoing interest among staff, families, and students in District, school, or program choices centered on a specific educational philosophy or area of emphasis.

The Board may explore such options when they are viable, sustainable, and offer a distinct educational opportunity. All choice programs and schools must be approved by the Board.

In considering approval of a choice program or choice school, the Board will consider the educational rationale, demonstrated student demand, equity and accessibility, financial and operational sustainability, and potential impacts on existing schools and programs.

Definitions

“Choice programs” include programs approved in accordance with this policy, when operated within a school that also offers a regular program.

“Choice school” include schools approved in accordance with this policy, and delivers its entire program as a single offering.