SECTION I

STATEMENT OF PHILOSOPHY AND OBJECTIVES

The public school exists primarily for the benefit of the boys and girls of the community it serves. It is the chief institution developed by society for the education of all American youth.

The function of the school is to develop in every child a love and appreciation for the heritage of the rights and privileges guaranteed by our form of government and to help him/her acquire the abilities and skills needed in performing the duties of a worthy citizen.

These benefits to the individual can be assured only through a school that is conceived and operated as a laboratory of living and learning.

As an adjunct to the home, the school must strive to improve the society in which we live by encouraging the humanitarian behavior of its developing citizens. As a laboratory of living the school must abolish intolerance and cultivate true American democracy. It must provide opportunities for learning experiences through which the child will acquire, commensurate with his/her abilities, the fundamental attitudes and skills which will promote sound mental and physical development.

The Constitution of the United States establishes the concept of separation of religion and the state. The public school, as a State institution, should not encroach upon this area of individual family prerogative.

OBJECTIVES:

- 1. The school should maintain a desirable moral atmosphere and cooperative attitude toward the community.
- 2. The program of the school should include provisions for general education, vocational education, arts education, and college preparation.
- 3. Special services should be provided to guide the student toward full utilization of his/her individual interests, talents, and future plans.
- 4. The school should develop in the student the attitude of responsibility for his/her own education and welfare.
- 5. In addition to general education, the program of the school should develop in the student an attitude of respect and responsibility for the country through a study and understanding of both the past and the present.,
- 6. The school program should include provisions for students to study and participate in art, music and drama.

7. The school should develop a sense of pride in the student so that pride is evidenced by that student in everything that is done.

LEGAL REF.: State Board of Education Minimum Standards 3301-35-02(A)

CROSS REFS.: AE, School District Goals and Objectives

IA, Instructional Goals