

Policy Title: Implementation of Classical Education Models

Policy Statement:

The Natrona County School Board acknowledges the value and benefits of classical education models as exemplified by Classical Educational Models. Therefore, this policy aims to support the transition and implementation of classical education principles throughout the district.

Goals and Objectives:

Implementation of Classical Educational Models: Adopt and integrate the principles and practices outlined in sample Classical Educational Models across all schools within the district.

Curriculum Development: Review and revise current curricula to align with classical education philosophies, emphasizing a rigorous and content-rich curriculum that includes subject focus on reading, writing, mathematics, and mastery of foundational skills while keeping with state standards that align with developmentally sound principles.

Teacher Training and Professional Development: Provide ongoing professional development opportunities for educators to ensure they are equipped with the knowledge and skills necessary to effectively implement classical education methods.

Parent and Community Engagement: Foster partnerships with parents and the community to support and reinforce classical education principles outside of the school environment.

Assessment and Accountability: Develop assessment methods that align with classical education goals, focusing on mastery of content knowledge, critical thinking, and effective communication skills.

Resource Allocation: Allocate resources, including funding, materials, and time, to support the successful implementation of classical education models across the district.

Implementation Steps:

Formation of Implementation Committee: Establish a committee composed of administrators, educators, parents, and community members to oversee the implementation process.

Review and Adaptation of Curriculum: Task curriculum committees at each school level to review current curriculum standards and adapt them to incorporate classical education principles.

Professional Development Programs: Develop and implement professional development programs and workshops to train educators in classical education methodologies and pedagogies.

Parent and Community Workshops: Organize workshops and informational sessions for parents and community members to educate them about classical education and its benefits.

Monitoring and Evaluation: Regularly monitor the progress of the implementation plan and evaluate its effectiveness based on predetermined benchmarks and feedback from stakeholders.

Evaluation and Review:

Annual Assessment: Conduct annual assessments to measure student achievement and growth in alignment with classical education objectives.

Feedback Mechanism: Solicit feedback from teachers, parents, and students regarding their experiences with the new educational model to identify areas for improvement and adjustment.

Continuous Improvement: Use assessment data and feedback to make necessary adjustments to the implementation plan and curriculum to ensure continuous improvement.

Policy Adoption and Amendments:

This policy shall be adopted by the Natrona County School Board upon approval. Amendments to this policy may be proposed and adopted through the standard policy revision process, taking into account new developments, research, or feedback from stakeholders.

Effective Date:

This policy shall become effective immediately upon approval by the Natrona County School Board.