

1 The [Transylvania County Board of Education \(the “board”\)](#) welcomes new and innovative ideas
2 in curriculum as additional avenues to achieve the goals and objectives of the educational
3 program. Administrators are encouraged to pursue innovative programs and to take advantage of
4 community resources in order to enhance and enrich the learning process. In addition, the board
5 believes that parental involvement is vital to the development and implementation of new
6 programs and encourages administrators to involve parents in plans for innovative projects.

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8 The board encourages school administrators to use community resources, including businesses
9 that can effectively contribute to the advancement of educational goals. Resource persons in the
10 community may be used in the classroom to help with teaching the prescribed curriculum. High
11 school administrators are encouraged to partner with local businesses to facilitate high school-to-
12 work partnerships for students ~~who have indicated that they are unlikely to seek higher~~
13 [education](#). The board encourages local businesses to work with high school administrators to
14 create opportunities for students to complete job shadows, internships, or apprenticeships. The
15 career and technical education administrator shall designate a career development coordinator at
16 each high school to be the contact person for local businesses.

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18 The superintendent shall periodically consult with local industries, employers, and the local
19 workforce development board to identify industry certification and credentials the board may
20 offer to best meet workforce needs. The superintendent shall consider this information in
21 planning the educational program.

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23 Other innovative pilot programs may be initiated by the administrators of any school with the
24 approval of the board. Such programs should be included in the proposed school improvement
25 plan. If the program will modify the curriculum, the proposal should first be submitted to the
26 curriculum committee in accordance with policy 3100, Curriculum Development. If a school
27 improvement plan is already in effect, school administrators may submit a modified plan for
28 board approval. Board approval is required before implementation may take place.

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30 All pilot projects and educational programs must comply with state and federal laws and
31 regulations. Parents and guardians of children in applicable federally funded programs have the
32 right to inspect all instructional materials used in connection with such programs.

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34 The superintendent shall develop administrative regulations, as necessary, to implement this
35 policy.

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37 Legal References: 20 U.S.C. 1232h; G.S. 115Cart. 16; 115C-36, -47, -156.2(a)

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39 Cross References: Goals and Objectives of the Educational Program (policy 3000), Curriculum
40 Development (policy 3100), School Improvement Plan (policy 3430)

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