

## PILOT – EXPERIMENTAL – INNOVATIVE PROJECTS

The Board welcomes new ideas in curriculum. Proposals for pilot or experimental projects will first be reviewed and analyzed by the Teaching & Learning Department. Projects recommended by the Superintendent, in conjunction with the Teaching & Learning Department, will be considered by the Board. Pilot and experimental projects approved by the Board, the Iowa Department of Education, or the U. S. Department of Education may be utilized in the education program.

Students, who may be or are asked to participate in a research or experimental project or program, must have their parents' written consent on file prior to participating in the project or program. A research or experimental program or project requiring parents' prior written consent is a program or project designed to explore or develop new or unproven teaching methods or techniques. These programs or projects are designated as research or experimental projects or programs. The educational materials of a program or project designated as a research or experimental program or project may be inspected and reviewed by the parents of the students participating or being considered for participation in the program or project. The inspection and review by the parents is in accordance with Board policy 605.02, "*Instructional Materials Inspection*."

It is the responsibility of the Superintendent, in conjunction with the Teaching & Learning Department, to develop administrative regulations regarding this policy.

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 34 C.F.R. Pt. 98  
 Iowa Code §§ 279.8, .10; 280.3.  
 281 I.A.C. 12.5, .8.

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