



## **Title: Academic Standards**

100 Programs

Code #102

[22 PA Code 4.11](#)

[22 PA Code 4.12](#)

[22 PA Code 4.3](#)

[22 PA Code 4.4](#)

## **Purpose**

The Board recognizes the importance of developing, assessing, and expanding academic standards to challenge students to achieve at their highest level possible. To this end, the district shall establish rigorous academic standards in accordance with, and may even expand, the State Board of Education.[\[1\]\[2\]](#)

## **Definition**

**Academic standards** - shall be defined as what a student should know and be able to do at a specified grade level. For purposes of Board policy, the term **academic standards** shall be deemed to encompass Pennsylvania Core Standards, state academic standards, and local academic standards.[\[3\]](#)

## **Authority**

The Board shall approve academic standards for district students to attain in the following content areas:[\[2\]](#)

1. English Language Arts
2. Mathematics
3. Science and Technology - include both reading and writing in science and technology.
4. Environment and Ecology
5. Social Studies (History, Geography, Civics and Government, Economics) - include reading and writing in history and social studies.



6. Arts and Humanities
7. Career Education and Work
8. Health, Safety and Physical Education
9. Family and Consumer Science

## **Guidelines**

The district curriculum shall be designed to provide students with the planned instruction needed to attain established academic standards.[\[2\]](#)[\[4\]](#)[\[5\]](#)

The district shall assess individual students' attainment of established academic standards and provide assistance for students having difficulty attaining academic standards.[\[2\]](#)[\[6\]](#)[\[7\]](#)

Students with disabilities may attain academic standards through the completion of their Individualized Education Programs in accordance with law, regulations, and Board policy.[\[2\]](#)[\[8\]](#)