Richmond School District Policy Statement Programs for Children-at-Risk

The Richmond School District is committed to serving the needs of students identified as at risk in accordance with state statute and recognized district policies and procedures.

Pursuant to a District-wide plan, the District shall identify students who are at risk of not graduating from high school and provide appropriate interventions, services, program and curriculum modifications, or other accommodations.

At a minimum, the District-wide plan for students at risk shall:

- 1. Address prevention and early intervention measures for students of all ages and at all grade levels. In early childhood through grade 4, prevention and early intervention efforts may reflect a combination of (a) general curriculum and program offerings, and (b) programs or services that are based on the individual needs of an identified student.
- 2. Specify how students will be identified as eligible for programs, services or other accommodations under the plan. For purposes of identification, the plan may consider indicators and criteria that are in addition to those indicators/criteria that expressly define "children at risk" under state law.
- 3. List the services, programs, and other accommodations that may be used to meet the needs of students who are identified under the plan, including any coordinating services provided by community agencies and other organizations.
- 4. Provide for the appropriate written notification of the student's parent or guardian upon the student being identified as a student at risk.

The District Administrator shall designate another administrator as the District's At Risk Coordinator, and that individual shall have primary responsibility for:

- 1. Developing, and annually reviewing and revising to the extent necessary, the District-wide plan that is required under this policy. The annual plan shall be in place no later than the first day of the school year.
- 2. Overseeing the implementation of the plan, including the coordination of staff training activities and efforts designed to improve parent and community awareness.

The Director of Pupil Services shall have responsibility for:

Ensuring that the special education and related services needs of a student with a disability are first addressed in the student's individualized education program (IEP), whenever that student is also eligible to be served in an at risk program.

Legal References:

Wisconsin Statutes

Section 118.15 Section 118.153

Section 115.28(7)(e) [alternative education programs] [compulsory student attendance and program and curriculum modifications] [children at risk of not graduating from high school; plan requirement]

| Section 118.16 | [school attendance enforcement; habitual truancy] |
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| Section 118.33 | [high school graduation standards] |
| Section 121.02(1)(n) | [school district standards; plan requirement for children at risk] |

Wisconsin Administrative Code

- <u>PI 18</u> <u>PI 25</u>
- [high school graduation standards] [children at risk plan and program]

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