

3 each year of the ensuing biennium for the purposes specified in this
4 chapter.

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CHAPTER 226
EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS

S. F. 553

AN ACT relating to educational standards and the responsibilities of the state board of public instruction and the state superintendent of public instruction.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. Subsection thirteen (13) of section two hundred fifty-
2 seven point eighteen (257.18), Code 1962, is hereby repealed.

1 SEC. 2. Chapter two hundred fifty-seven (257), Code 1962, is
2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following new section:

3 "In addition to the responsibilities of the state board of public
4 instruction and the state superintendent of public instruction under
5 other provisions of the Code, the state board of public instruction
6 shall establish standards, regulations, and rules for the approval of
7 all public, parochial, and private nursery, kindergarten, elementary,
8 junior high, and high schools and all area vocational schools, area
9 community colleges, and public community or junior colleges in Iowa.
10 With respect to area or public community or junior colleges, such
11 standards, regulations, and rules shall be established by the state
12 board of public instruction and the state board of regents, acting
13 jointly. Such approval standards, regulations, and rules shall pre-
14 scribe and implement the minimum curriculum described below.

15 "1. Nursery school activities shall be designed to help children use
16 and manage their bodies, extend their interests and understanding of
17 the world about them, work and play with others and to express
18 themselves.

19 "2. Kindergarten programs shall include experiences designed to
20 develop emotional and social living, protection and development of
21 physical being, growth in expression, and language arts and com-
22 munication readiness.

23 "3. The following areas shall be taught in the elementary school,
24 grades one (1) through six (6): language arts, including reading,
25 handwriting, spelling, oral and written English, and literature;
26 social studies, including geography, history of the United States and
27 Iowa, cultures of other peoples and nations, and American citizen-
28 ship, including the elementary study of national, state, and local
29 government in the United States; mathematics; science, including
30 conservation of natural resources; health and physical education,
31 including the effects of alcohol, narcotics, and poisons on the human
32 body; music; art.

33 "4. The following shall be taught in grades seven (7) and eight

34 (8) as a minimum program: science; mathematics; social studies;
35 language arts which may include spelling, grammar, oral and written
36 composition, and other communication subjects; reading; physical
37 education; music; art.

38 "5. School districts with organized and administered junior high
39 schools not limited to grades seven (7) and eight (8) must include
40 the aforementioned minimum program for grades seven (7) and
41 eight (8) regardless of the organizational structure of the district.

42 "6. A high school, grades nine (9) through twelve (12), shall teach
43 annually the following as a minimum program:

44 a. Four (4) units of science including physics and chemistry.
45 However, the units of physics and chemistry may be taught in alter-
46 nate years.

47 b. Four (4) units of the social sciences including American his-
48 tory, American government, and economics.

49 c. Four (4) units of English including language arts.

50 d. Four (4) units of a sequential program in mathematics.

51 e. One (1) unit of general mathematics.

52 f. Two (2) units of one (1) foreign language.

53 g. One (1) unit of physical education with one-eighth ($\frac{1}{8}$) unit
54 each semester required of each pupil.

55 h. Five (5) units of practical arts. Subjects in this area may in-
56 clude business education (including commercial typewriting), indus-
57 trial arts, homemaking, agriculture, distributive education, and
58 health occupations.

59 A unit shall consist of one academic year instruction in the subject.

60 "7. Courses in the fine arts shall be taught which may include:

61 a. Art.

62 b. Music.

63 c. Dramatics.

64 "8. To facilitate the implementation and economical operation of
65 the aforementioned program, each junior or senior high school shall
66 have:

67 a. A qualified librarian and adequate library facilities as herein-
68 after defined.

69 (1) Adequate personnel. Such schools with an enrollment of five
70 hundred (500) or more pupils shall employ a librarian who shall
71 devote full-time to library services. Such schools with an enrollment
72 of two hundred (200)—four hundred ninety-nine (499) pupils shall
73 employ a librarian who shall devote at least one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) time ex-
74 clusively to library services. Such schools with an enrollment of less
75 than two hundred (200) pupils shall employ a part-time librarian
76 who shall devote at least one-third ($\frac{1}{3}$) of the school day exclusively
77 to library services.

78 (2) Preparation. The librarian shall meet the requirements for
79 classroom teachers with reference to a degree or to general and pro-
80 fessional preparation.

81 (3) The library shall be organized as a resource center of instruc-
82 tional material for the entire educational program. The number and
83 kind of library and reference books, periodicals, newspapers, pam-
84 phlets, information files, audio-visual materials, and other learning

85 aids shall be adequate for the number of pupils and the needs of
86 instruction in all courses.

87 (4) Adequacy of collection. A minimum collection of one thousand
88 two hundred (1,200) books exclusive of high school textbooks and
89 appropriate for the instructional needs of pupils, or at least seven
90 (7) books per pupil enrolled, whichever is the larger, shall be pro-
91 vided in the library until a school's enrollment reaches five hundred
92 (500), at least four (4) additional books shall be provided for each
93 pupil from five hundred (500) to two thousand (2,000) enrolled, and
94 at least three (3) additional books per pupil shall be provided for
95 each pupil above two thousand (2,000) enrolled. An adequate col-
96 lection of periodical and file material shall be provided.

97 *b.* Pupil personnel services.

98 Every high school shall employ, or share with one (1) or more
99 other high schools the employment of at least one (1) professionally
100 trained guidance counselor. At least one (1) such counselor shall be
101 employed full time for every three hundred (300) high school stu-
102 dents or major fraction thereof in such high school or high schools.
103 Other members of the noninstructional professional staff, including
104 but not limited to physicians, dentists, nurses, school psychologists,
105 speech therapists, and other specialists, may also be employed or
106 shared by one (1) or more schools, and shall meet the professional
107 practice requirements of this state relating to their special services.

108 *c.* Provision for special education services, which may be shared by
109 public schools.

110 *d.* Adequate instructional materials including audio-visual.

111 "9. After July 1, 1966, no public school shall participate in or allow
112 students representing such public school to participate in any extra-
113 curricular interscholastic contest or competition which is sponsored
114 or administered by an organization as defined in this subsection,
115 unless such organization (1) is registered with the state department
116 of public instruction, (2) files financial statements with the state
117 department in the form and at the intervals prescribed by the state
118 board of public instruction, and (3) is in compliance with rules and
119 regulations which the state board of public instruction shall adopt
120 for the proper administration, supervision, operation, eligibility re-
121 quirements, and scheduling of such extracurricular interscholastic
122 contests and competitions and such organizations. For the purposes
123 of this subsection 'organization' means any corporation, association,
124 or organization which has as one of its primary purposes the spon-
125 soring or administration of extracurricular interscholastic contests
126 or competitions; but shall not include any agency of this state, any
127 public or private school or school board, or any athletic conference or
128 other association whose interscholastic contests or competitions do
129 not include more than twenty (20) schools.

130 "10. The state department of public instruction shall supervise and
131 evaluate the school program in the several school districts of the state
132 for the purpose of school improvement and approval.

133 "The state superintendent shall make recommendations and sug-
134 gestions in writing to each school, college, and school district which
135 is subject to this section wherein the department of public instruc-
136 tion determines, after due investigation, that deficiencies exist.

137 "In addition to all other requirements of the laws of Iowa, every
138 school, college or school district subject to this section shall have and
139 provide adequate administration, school staffing, personnel assign-
140 ment, teacher qualifications, certification, facilities, equipment,
141 grounds, graduation requirements, instruction, instructional mate-
142 rials, maintenance, and policies on extra-curricular activities. Public
143 junior or community colleges shall provide adequate courses of study.

144 "The state board of public instruction shall adopt approval stand-
145 ards, regulations, and rules to implement, interpret, and make effec-
146 tive the provisions of this section. In adopting the same, the board
147 shall take into account recognized educational standards. Standards,
148 regulations and rules shall be adopted without specific regard to school
149 population.

150 "Such standards, regulations, and rules shall be subject to the
151 provisions of chapter sixty-six (66), Acts of the Sixtieth General
152 Assembly, as amended. In addition, such standards, rules, and regu-
153 lations shall be reported by the state board to the general assembly
154 within twenty (20) days after the commencement of a regular legis-
155 lative session, and the general assembly may enact changes therein.
156 No school, college or school district shall be removed from the ap-
157 proved list for failure to comply with such standards, rules, or regu-
158 lations, until at least one hundred twenty (120) days have elapsed
159 following the reporting of such standards, rules, and regulations to
160 the general assembly as provided in this section.

161 "11. The state board of public instruction shall remove for cause,
162 after due investigation and notice, any such school, college, or school
163 district failing to comply with such approval standards, rules, and
164 regulations from the approved list; which removal shall, during the
165 period of noncompliance, permit parents of children eligible for
166 school attendance to request the county board of education to desig-
167 nate their children to an approved school with the district of resi-
168 dence responsible for the tuition and transportation costs. The
169 county board of education is hereby authorized to make such desig-
170 nation. Procedure, insofar as applicable, shall be that provided in
171 chapter two hundred eighty-five (285) of the Code. In the event a
172 parent of such child so designated is dissatisfied with said designa-
173 tion, appeal may be made to the state superintendent of public in-
174 struction as provided in section two hundred eighty-five point twelve
175 (285.12) of the Code. A school, college, or school district which is
176 removed from the approved list in accordance with this section shall
177 be ineligible to receive state financial aid during the period of non-
178 compliance. In lieu of removal, the state board may allow a reason-
179 able period of time for compliance with such approval standards,
180 rules, and regulations, if such school, college, or school district is
181 making a good faith effort and substantial progress toward full com-
182 pliance and if the failure to comply is due to factors beyond the con-
183 trol of the board of directors or governing body of such school, college,
184 or school district. In allowing such time for compliance, the board
185 shall follow consistent policies, taking into account the circumstances
186 of each case.

187 "12. The department of public instruction shall give any school,
188 college, or school district which is to be removed from the approved

189 list at least one (1) year's notice. Such notice shall be given by
190 registered or certified mail addressed to the superintendent of the
191 school district or the corresponding official of a private school, and
192 shall specify the reasons for removal. Such notice shall also be sent
193 by ordinary mail to each member of the board of directors or govern-
194 ing body of the school, college, or school district, and to the news
195 media which serve the area where the school, college, or school dis-
196 trict is located; but any good faith error or failure to comply with
197 this sentence shall not affect the validity of any action by the state
198 board. If, during said year, the school, college, or school district
199 remedies the reasons for removal and satisfies the state board that it
200 will thereafter comply with the laws, approval standards, rules, and
201 regulations, the state board shall continue such school, college, or
202 school district on the approved list and shall give the school, college,
203 or school district notice of such action by registered or certified mail.
204 At any time during said year, the board of directors or governing
205 body of the school, college, or school district may request a public
206 hearing before the state board of public instruction, by mailing a
207 written request to the state superintendent by registered or certified
208 mail. The president of the state board shall promptly set a time and
209 place for the public hearing, which shall be either in Des Moines or
210 in the affected area. At least thirty (30) days' notice of the time and
211 place of the hearing shall be given by registered or certified mail
212 addressed to the superintendent of the school district or the corre-
213 sponding official of a private school. Notice of the time and place of
214 the hearing and the reasons for removal shall also be published by
215 the state department in a newspaper of general circulation in the
216 area where the school, college, or school district is located, at least
217 ten (10) days before the hearing. At the hearing the school, college,
218 or school district may be represented by counsel and may present
219 evidence. The state board may provide for the hearing to be re-
220 corded or reported. If requested by the school, college, or school dis-
221 trict at least ten (10) days before the hearing, the state board shall
222 provide for the hearing to be recorded or reported at the expense of
223 such school, college, or school district, using any reasonable method
224 specified by such school, college, or school district. Within ten (10)
225 days after the hearing, the state board shall render its written deci-
226 sion, signed by a majority of its members, and shall affirm, modify,
227 or vacate the action or proposed action to remove the school, college,
228 or school district from the approved list.

1 SEC. 3. Section two hundred fifty-seven point eighteen (257.18),
2 Code 1962, is hereby amended as follows:

3 1. By striking all of subsection twenty (20) and inserting in lieu
4 thereof the following:

5 "Formulate rules and regulations for the administration of Chap-
6 ter two hundred seventy-two (272), Code 1962, in accordance with
7 the terms thereof."

8 2. By striking all of subsection twenty-one (21) and inserting in
9 lieu thereof the following:

10 "Develop, print, and disseminate such information and facts as
11 necessary to promote among the people of Iowa an interest and
12 knowledge in education."

1 SEC. 4. Chapter two hundred fifty-seven (257), Code 1962, is
2 further amended by adding thereto the following new section:

3 "The state board, when necessary to realize the purposes of this
4 chapter, shall approve:

5 1. The sharing of the services of a single instructor by two (2) or
6 more schools in two (2) or more school districts;

7 2. The enrollment in public schools for specified courses of students
8 who also are enrolled in private schools, when the courses in which
9 they seek enrollment are not available to them in their private
10 schools, provided such students have satisfactorily completed pre-
11 requisite courses, if any, in schools maintaining standards equivalent
12 to the approval standards for public schools, or have otherwise shown
13 equivalent competence through testing.

14 The provisions of this section shall not deprive the respective
15 boards of public school districts of any of their legal powers, statu-
16 tory or otherwise, and in accepting such specially enrolled students,
17 each of said boards shall prescribe the terms of such special enroll-
18 ment, including but not limited to scheduling of such courses and the
19 length of class periods. In addition, the board of the affected public
20 school district shall be given notice by the state board of its decision
21 to permit such special enrollment not later than six (6) months prior
22 to the opening of the affected public school district's school year,
23 except that the board of the public school district may, in its discre-
24 tion, waive such notice requirement."

1 SEC. 5. The state board shall establish rules and regulations for
2 recording the number of high school students who drop out or quit
3 each high school before graduation for reasons other than health or
4 transfer to another high school and shall, as provided in this chapter,
5 remove from the approved list any school district in which more than
6 ten percent (10%) of the students so drop out or quit over a five year
7 period.

1 SEC. 6. The boards of directors of two or more school districts
2 may by agreement provide for attendance of pupils residing in one
3 district in the schools of another district for the purpose of taking
4 courses not offered in the district of their residence. Courses made
5 available to students in this manner shall be considered as complying
6 with any standards or laws requiring the offering of such courses.
7 The boards of directors of districts entering into such agreements
8 may provide for sharing the costs and expenses of such courses.

1 SEC. 7. Section two hundred fifty-seven point three (257.3), Code
2 1962, as amended, is amended as follows:

3 1. By striking in line four (4) the words "election or".

4 2. By striking in line thirteen (13) the word "elected" and insert-
5 ing in lieu thereof the word "appointed".

1 SEC. 8. Section two hundred fifty-seven point four (257.4), Code
2 1962, is hereby amended by striking in line five (5) and in line ten
3 (10) the word "elected" and inserting in lieu thereof in each case the
4 word "district".

1 SEC. 9. Section two hundred fifty-seven point five (257.5), Code
2 1962, is hereby amended as follows:

3 1. By striking in line one (1) the words "election of" and inserting
4 in lieu thereof the words "nomination and appointment of district".

5 2. By striking in subsection one (1), lines two (2) and three (3),
6 the words "an election is to be held" and inserting in lieu thereof the
7 words "nominations are to be made".

8 3. By striking in subsection two (2), line six (6), the words "hold-
9 ing an election" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "making
10 nominations".

11 4. By striking in subsection two (2), lines twenty-four (24) and
12 twenty-five (25), the words "election of a person" and inserting in
13 lieu thereof the words "nomination of two (2) persons".

14 5. By striking in subsection two (2), line twenty-six (26), the
15 words "as a" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "for".

16 6. By striking lines thirty-one (31) through thirty-six (36) of sub-
17 section two (2), and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

18 "The county superintendent in charge shall certify to the governor
19 and to the secretary of state the names of the two (2) persons nomi-
20 nated for membership to the state board from the district. Within
21 thirty (30) days after receiving such certification, the governor shall
22 appoint one (1) of such two (2) persons as the member of the state
23 board for the district, and such member shall take office and qualify
24 as provided in this chapter."

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CHAPTER 227

BOARD FOR VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

S. F. 311

AN ACT relating to the powers and duties of the state board for vocational education,
division of vocational rehabilitation.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. Section two hundred fifty-nine point four (259.4),
2 Code 1962, is hereby amended as follows:

3 1. By adding a new sub-section nineteen (19).

4 "Provide financial and other necessary assistance to public, or pri-
5 vate agencies in the development, expansion, operation or maintenance
6 of sheltered workshops or other rehabilitation facilities needed for the
7 rehabilitation of the disabled when consistent with the policies of the
8 board."

9 2. By adding a new sub-section twenty (20).

10 "Provide vocational rehabilitation services to socially disadvantaged
11 persons who are substantially impaired in their ability to earn a liv-
12 ing. This may include but is not limited to recipients of public as-
13 sistance, inmates of correctional institutions or rejectees of the selec-
14 tive service system, who because of lack of training, experience, skills