BASIC PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

General

A basic, sequential, program of instruction shall be provided to all students through grade twelve (12) or as otherwise mandated by law. It shall be designed and implemented in a manner that affords all students the opportunity to achieve according to their abilities, interests, experiences, and backgrounds.

Character Education

A comprehensive character education program of not less than ten minutes instruction per day will be provided for all grades. Each day's instruction shall include the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Health Education

A comprehensive program of health education shall be provided to all students in accordance with state rules and regulations, including instruction in suicide awareness, mental/emotional health, HIV/AIDS prevention, and all other required topics.

Special Education

A comprehensive program of special education shall be provided for exceptional students who qualify for placement.

Gifted Education

Homewood City Schools recognizes the special needs of gifted learners, and is committed to providing educational experiences designed to meet their unique talents and abilities. Students will be identified and served as gifted in accordance with state guidelines.

English Learner

Instruction appropriate for English language learners will be provided in accordance with state and federal laws and regulations statute.

Title I

Supplemental services to improve student achievement are available in schools, which qualify according to the prerequisite of economic deprivation.

Career Technical Education

A program to enhance the curriculum of the total school program through preparation for students to become more proficient in their chosen career path, providing administrative support, up-to-date equipment, and maintenance and replacement of such equipment. To the extent practical, reasonable safety procedures will be implemented in Career Technical Education in accordance with Alabama State Department of Education regulations and any applicable Business/Industry Certification requirements.

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Summary

The Board will provide or provide for quality instructional programs in every subject prescribed by the approved Course of Study and every area that is mandated by state and federal laws and regulations.

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