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- A. Programs of Job Skills Improvement
1. The purpose of job skills improvement programs is to increase the knowledge, proficiency, ability, and skills of support staff employees.
 2. Training programs will be structured to meet the immediate needs of the district as well as the personal goals of the employees.
 3. Training programs for support staff members shall be developed by the Staff Development Supervisor for implementation.
- B. Determination of Training Needs
1. Principals and supervisors shall annually inventory the training needs of the employees under their supervision by determining whether:
 - a. Assignments are being carried out in a systematic and effective manner,
 - b. Policies of the Board and regulations of the district are being properly implemented,
 - c. Employee evaluations indicate a need for improvement,
 - d. Excessive waste or damage is occurring or safety methods are not being followed,
 - e. Employees have an opportunity to express their views on the manner in which assignments are performed, and
 - f. Career advancement training opportunities are available to employees.
 2. The Staff Development Supervisor shall prepare a report of the training needs for the review of the Superintendent that shows:
 - a. Identified needs determined from the inventory;



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- b. Current programs that meet identified needs and areas in which current programs do not meet identified needs;
- c. Recommendations for on-the-job training procedures in areas in which a need is identified and no current program is available; and
- d. Recommendations for the use of off-the-job training programs known to meet district needs.

C. On-the-Job Training

1. On-the-job training is that given to employees while they are at their assigned workstations.
2. On-the-job training shall be directed primarily to new employees and those whose job responsibilities have been changed.
3. On-the-job training programs shall be developed by supervisors; the assistance of experts is encouraged with approval of the Superintendent.
4. Scheduling of training on the job will be the responsibility of the Staff Development Department.
5. The outcome of training on the job should be a higher level of performance by each affected employee.

D. Off-the-Job Training

1. Off-the-job training is that attended by employees during or after their regular job assignments but away from their assigned workstations.
2. Training off the job should generally be directed to those employees who have specialized workplace needs.
3. Suitable training programs shall be identified for support staff employees by the School Business Administrator with approval of costs by the Superintendent.
4. Scheduling of off-the-job training will be the responsibility of the Staff Development Department.



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5. Allowable fees for attendance at off-the-job training programs shall be reimbursed upon the submission of an expense voucher to the School Business Administrator in accordance with Policy No. 4440.

E. Training Effectiveness

1. Employees assigned to training off the job shall complete a district form designed to evaluate the effectiveness of the program.
2. The Supervisor of the trainee shall review the performance of each employee assigned training either on or off the job thirty to forty-five days following the completion of the program.
3. The School Business Administrator shall report to the Superintendent on the effectiveness and cost of the training programs. He/She shall recommend continuation or discontinuance of programs as appropriate.

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