

## 254 ADMINISTRATIVE RESEARCH, EVALUATION, PLANNING

The Board of Education expects the Superintendent to concern him/herself with long-term planning to guide the Board in policy development and effective decision making. The Board recognizes that planning must be supported by research and the evaluation of its findings.

Accordingly, the Board of Education directs and authorizes the Superintendent to make budgetary requests annually for the maintenance of the planning function, with attendant provisions for needed research and evaluation. He/she may elect, according to his/her best judgment, to initiate and conduct the research in one or a combination of several ways:

- a. with existing staff,
- b. with additional permanent staff to be recommended,
- c. with part-time staff,
- d. with aid from an outside agency under contract, or
- e. with aid from graduate students or other volunteers possessing the required technical knowledge and skill.

The Superintendent shall establish safeguards to prevent the research function from hampering the educational process and from trespassing upon each student's and employee's time and right to privacy.

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