ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Goal Statement

MSAD No. 9 will strive to provide alternative programs which will meet the needs of students at all levels.

Commitments

A. Alternative programs will be provided for students who cannot or do not, for reasons of ability, emotional problems, illness, physical handicaps, learning disability, etc., continue in or adjust and respond to the regular program. Imaginative programs should be provided to allow students to develop communication and cultural/social skills to their greatest potential. Career development must be emphasized in all areas to assist students in self-esteem and interaction with society.

MSAD No. 9 will make every effort to cooperate with other districts and agencies to provide specialized services to students with special needs.

B. Students with special interests and gifted students at all levels require flexible programs offering opportunities for work beyond age or grade level.

C. MSAD No. 9 students should have an opportunity to take courses that cross academic and vocational lines.

D. Educational opportunities may be available outside the school system. Release from school should be an option when the student has an opportunity in a supervised and responsible situation or is accepted for further education.

Evaluation

Teachers and administrators should personally contact parents, students, and others to determine how well student needs are being met.

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