§ 36.21 Standard VI—Kindergarten instructional program.

(a) The curriculum for kindergarten shall provide children with experiences which emphasize language development, native language where necessary as determined by 25 CFR 39.11(g), and performance of the requirements in paragraph (b) of this section. Such programs shall assist children in developing positive feelings toward themselves and others.

(b) A kindergarten instructional program shall include but not be limited to:

(1) Language (observing, listening, speaking).
(2) Exploration of the environment (number, space and time relationships, natural science).
(3) Psychomotor and socialization development.
(4) Development of imaginative and creative tendencies.
(5) Health education inclusive of the requirements contained in the Act of May 20, 1886, 24 Stat. 69.

§ 36.22 Standard VII—Elementary instructional program.

(a) The elementary instruction programs, grades one through six, shall include but need not be limited to:

(1) Language arts.
(2) Mathematics.
(3) Social studies.
(4) Sciences.
(5) Fine arts.
(6) Physical education.

(b) Each school shall integrate the following content areas into its curriculum:

(1) Career awareness,
(2) Environmental and safety education,
(3) Health education (includes requirements contained in 24 Stat. 69),
(4) Metric education, and
(5) Computer literacy.

§ 36.23 Standard VIII—Junior high/middle school instructional program.

(a) The instructional program shall reflect the school’s philosophy and the needs of the students and the community. It shall be part of a progressive development that begins in the elementary program which precedes it and continues to the secondary program which follows.

(b) The curriculum shall include the following required instructional content areas at each grade level but need not be limited to:

(1) Language arts. One unit shall be required of each student every year.
(2) Social studies. One unit shall be required of each student every year.
(3) Mathematics. One unit shall be required of each student every year.
(4) Science. One unit shall be required of each student every year.
(5) Fine arts and practical arts. One unit each shall be required of each student in the junior high/middle school instructional program.
(6) Computer literacy. One unit shall be required of each student in the junior high/middle school instructional program.
(7) Physical education. One unit shall be required of each student in the junior high/middle school instructional program.

(c) The following content areas shall be integrated into the curriculum.

(1) Career exploration and orientation.
(2) Environmental and safety education.
(3) Metric education.
(4) Consumer economics (including personal finances).
(5) Health education (includes meeting the requirements contained in 24 Stat. 69),
(6) Languages other than English are encouraged to be offered as a content area beginning at junior high/middle school level.

(e) Student enrollment in any laboratory or vocational exploration class shall be consistent with applicable health and safety standards.