District 77 Policy 607

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## 607 ORGANIZATION OF GRADE LEVELS

## I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to address the grade level organization of schools within the school district.

## II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

A. The policy of the school district is to address the groupings of grade levels as recognized in Minnesota Statutes § 120A.05 (public schools), as follows:

Elementary:	Grades Kindergarten through 5
Secondary:	
Middle School	Grades 6 through 8
Senior High School	Grades 9 through 12

B. The superintendent may seek school board approval to administer certain programs on a nongraded basis or a design different from that indicated. Program proposals that seek school board approval must meet all state requirements and reflect the rationale for the modification.

## **III. DEFINITIONS**

"Kindergarten" means a program designed for students five years of age on September 1 of the calendar year in which the school year commences that prepares students to enter first grade the following school year.

Legal References:	Minn. Stat. §120A.05, Subds. 9, 11, 13, 17 (Public Schools)
	Minn. Stat. § 123B.02, Subd. 2 (General Powers of Independent School
	Districts)

Cross References: