CALGARY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Administrative Regulation 1004.1 - Role of the Principal

Reporting to the Collaborative Learning Community Director, the principal is responsible to the Chief Superintendent through the Deputy Chief Superintendent.

- 1. To fulfil the role of instructional leader, the principal shall:
 - a. Accept the instructional program of the school as the primary responsibility.
 - b. Promote positive attitudes in students and staff toward self, others, school, education, and the school community.
 - c. Develop the school philosophy and goals as provided in Regulation 1,002 School Philosophy and Goals.
 - d. Plan, develop, and evaluate the educational program according to system and Alberta Education expectations, and the school philosophy.
 - e. Identify the individual knowledge and ability of staff members and utilize their skills to maximize the effectiveness of the program.
 - f. Deploy school-based staff to make effective use of their particular knowledge and abilities in providing programs and services for students, subject to duties and responsibilities as defined in Board regulations.
 - g. Support an ongoing program of staff development for school-based personnel.
 - h. Be responsible for inviting supervisory and consultative staff to provide assistance to staff members as required.
 - i. Actively promote two-way communication with the school community regarding the philosophy and programs of the school.
- 2. In attending to the organization of human and material resources in the school, the principal shall:
 - a. Identify the general and special needs of the school population.
 - b. In consultation with the Area Superintendent, determine an organizational structure which utilizes effectively the capabilities of the staff and meets the needs of students.
 - c. Provide an opportunity for input of those affected when planning significant organizational changes.

- d. Advise the Division of Human Resources as to the suitability of the placement of teachers and support staff.
- e. Familiarize the administrative team in all aspects of the school organization and administration, and develop with them job descriptions which provide for appropriate delegation of administrative and supervisory responsibilities.
- 3. In performing the management function in the school, the principal shall:
 - a. Be responsible for safety, welfare, and conduct of students while participating in school programs.
 - b. Be responsible for formal assessment of teaching and support staff and participate in the assessment of the caretaking staff.
 - c. Be responsible for preparation and administration of the school's decentralized budget.
 - d. Delegate appropriate responsibilities and tasks to the staff members in accordance with Board policy and regulation and relative collective agreements.
 - e. Provide input into community use of the school in accordance with Board procedure.
- 4. As the representative of the Chief Superintendent in the school, the principal shall:
 - a. Comply with the policies, regulations, and procedures of the Board; the provisions of the School Act; and other appropriate statutes.
 - b. Be knowledgeable about system regulations, procedures, directives, notices and bulletins, and make them available to the appropriate staff.
 - c. Have a general knowledge of the organizational structure of the Calgary Board of Education and its various programs and services.
 - d. Interpret Board policy to the staff, the students, and the community as required.
 - e. Advise the Associate Superintendent of the existence of conditions which adversely affect the operation of the school or the instructional program.
 - f. Complete and submit required reports.
 - g. Attend meetings as required.

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References

Administrative Regulation References:

- 1002 School Philosphy and Goals
- 1004.2 Duties and Responsibilities of Assistant Principals
- 1004.3 Duties and Responsibilities of Vice-Principals
- 1004.3A Duties and Responsibilities of Curriculum Leaders
- 1004.4 Duties and Responsibilities of Department Heads
- 1004.6 Duties and Responsibilities of Teachers
- 1004.6A- Duties and Responsibilities of Teacher-Librarians
- 1004.7 Duties and Responsibilities of Substitute Teachers
- 1004.8 Duties and Responsibilities of Caretakers
- 1004.9 Duties and Responsibilities of Secondary School Guidance Counselors
- 1029 Operation of Schools