SCOTLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION Board Policy

Instruction

Pilot Programs

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A pilot program is defined as the trial use of a new program which is designed to add to or replace an existing program in the district. A pilot program may, therefore, have a significant, long-term impact on the District. A new program shall be designated and approved by the Board of Education as a pilot program

This policy excludes from designation as a pilot program minor changes in instructional methods, media, materials and strategies used by instructional personnel in the classrooms.

Each pilot program proposal shall include: 1) program goals, 2) a review of the educational research, 3) an overview of the new program being proposed, and 4) a description of the evaluation procedures to be followed to determine whether the goals of the pilot program were reached.

In addition to the above criteria, the pilot program proposal shall include information regarding the minimum length of time needed for the pilot program to produce formative and summative results, and projected operating and capital outlay costs.