

Ends Policy 1.2

Teaching and Learning

Global End Statement

The Denver Public Schools will provide students with racial and educational equity to obtain the knowledge and skills necessary to become contributing adults in our complex world. The Board of Education is committed to the singular and ambitious vision that every child is civically engaged, reaches their full potential and thrives.

ENDS 1.2 - Teaching and Learning

As a result of the effects of the global pandemic on teaching and learning, we envision an accelerated learning experience by providing a culturally and linguistically sustaining education that enables us to re-envision rather than repeat the district's historical inequities to provide an equitable education for ALL of our students. Students will become independent and interdependent learners who use their skills and knowledge to affect change in our global society. To this end, we expect:

1. All students will demonstrate a well-rounded educational experience to include the arts, civic engagement, literacy, numeracy and critical thinking skills at or above grade level, both as a whole and by marginalized groups.
2. All students will have exposure to curricula that are culturally and linguistically relevant and accurately reflect the contributions and challenges of others based on marginalized identities.
3. All students with disabilities will receive the necessary and equitable resources and supports to eliminate barriers to success.
4. All students will have opportunities to demonstrate their knowledge, skills, and processes to affect change as a product of their learning.
5. Every student will demonstrate significant and appropriate academic growth using a body of evidence that includes but is not limited to classroom performance, summative assessments, and grade level competence on district assessments. Students performing below grade level competence will be placed on a trajectory to achieve grade level competence sufficient for the student to attain grade level performance prior to graduation each school year.