GROUPING FOR INSTRUCTION

The Gloucester County School Board recognizes the different educational needs of students and endorses the use of flexible assignment of students for instruction.

The grouping of students within individual schools for instructional purposes will be designed so each student will receive the maximum instructional benefit and will be based on

- 1. the best interests of the student,
- 2. the educational level or achievement level of the student,
- 3. the availability of space,
- 4. the best educational climate for learning, and
- 5. the student's best chance for success.
- 6. Standards of Learning test scores, where available, other standardized test scores, and/or criterion/readiness assessments, and
- 7. the creation of groups that may be taught effectively.

Grouping shall remain flexible in order to take advantage of the best educational research currently available. Groups will be created, modified, or disbanded to be responsive to student needs.

No grouping practices shall exist that discriminate against a student's race, gender, religion, color, national origin, age, disabling, or economic condition.

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CROSS REFERENCE: IA Instructional Goals and Objectives