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 X **Mandated**
 X **Other Reasons**

RELATIONS BETWEEN OTHER ENTITIES AND THE DISTRICT

The board believes that cooperation between the schools and other organizations concerned with youth, career development and mental health will enhance the opportunities of the district's pupils. Such cooperation will also enable the district to serve its pupils better through appropriate referrals as in substance abuse programs, special needs, etc. The chief school administrator is encouraged to explore areas of mutual concern with the administrative officers of such organizations and to recommend desirable courses of action.

The board directs the chief school administrator to seek and maintain working relationships with local colleges and universities in such areas as student teaching, inservice staff development and advanced placement.

It is of particular importance to establish and maintain close working relations with trades, businesses and industries which provide members for advisory committees and are possible sources of career placements for our pupils.

Core Curriculum Content Standards

The board shall encourage the active involvement of representatives from the community, business, industry, labor, and higher education in the development of educational programs aligned with the Core Curriculum Content Standards.

The board shall make reasonable efforts to develop articulation agreements with New Jersey colleges and universities to facilitate the delivery of college credit courses to qualified high school students, with the understanding that these credits shall be accepted at all public New Jersey higher education institutions.

Charter Schools

The board shall follow all procedures in code and statute when a charter school is proposed for the district or when district students would be eligible to attend a charter school in another district.

Donations to Private Organizations

The authority for a board of education to expend public funds is derived from the constitutional mandate to "provide for the maintenance and support of a thorough and efficient system of free public schools." The donation of moneys to any private organization, regardless of the merits of that organization's purposes, is not within the authority of the board and is, therefore, prohibited.

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