

AP 217 – LOCALLY DEVELOPED PROGRAMS

Background

The Division supports the local development of courses that complement provincially approved courses, to further develop and cultivate the unique interests and abilities of students, to foster educational improvement and excellence through innovation at the local level, and to meet the unique needs of a local community.

The Division also supports the acquisition and implementation of customized courses from other jurisdictions deemed to be of benefit to its students.

Procedures

1. School requests to offer additional locally developed courses shall be made in writing to the Deputy Director of Learning. The request is to include reasoning as to why the course should be offered, how it will be offered and an indication that there is enough student interest to offer the course.
2. Upon the Deputy Director of Learning approval, by April 30 of the year previous of the course offering, all required documents to commence the approval process shall be forwarded to the Ministry of Education.
3. Upon department approval, the Deputy Director of Learning will notify the school offering the course and assist school personnel in finalizing the course offering.
4. Course evaluation will be completed by in-school personnel in consultation with the Deputy Director of Learning at the completion of the course.

Reference: Sections 85, 87, 108, 109, 156 Education Act