

## COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS WITH OTHER DISTRICTS AND PUBLIC AGENCIES

Whenever it appears to the economic, administrative and educational advantage of the district to participate in cooperative programs with other units of local government, the superintendent shall prepare and present for the board's consideration an analysis of each cooperative proposal. Cooperative programs between two or more small school districts shall not affect the small school factor of participating schools.

Cooperative agreements shall comply with the requirements of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, with assurances that all parties to the agreement have the legal authority to engage in the activities contemplated by the agreement.

It is the policy of the Orondo School District to cooperate as far as possible with the colleges, universities and other agencies in promoting potentially profitable research. Because of the very large number of requests to make questionnaire and review studies, it has been necessary to set up rather definite criteria for such studies.

Decisions in connection with research involving students, teachers or other employees are based on the following policies:

1. The project should be so designed that it can be expected to produce valid and reliable results.
2. It should be expected to contribute something useful and of value for the improvement of education.
3. Questionnaires and interview questions must be submitted in advance to personnel rights or which raise questions of a personal nature relative to status, race, creed, color, sex or religion.
4. Outlines must be submitted and should be of sufficient scope and depth to justify the time and effort to be consumed.

In general, it is our policy not to interrupt the work of pupils or teachers unless there seems to be real potential in the study.

In case of student projects, prior written approval by a faculty member of the institution attended will be required. This faculty member shall have some responsibility related to the student's project.

Legal References:	RCW 28A.225.250	Voluntary, tuition free attendance programs among school districts,scope--Rules and regulations
	Chapter 39.34 RCW	Interlocal Cooperation Act
	Chapter 48.62 RCW	Local Government Insurance
	Chapter 392-135 WAC	Finances — Interdistrict Cooperation Programs

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