

### ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Some children have great difficulty coping with the conventional school program and, as a result, will drop out of school. Some children require more support and direct supervision than is reasonably available in conventional school settings. And, some children, along with a highly structured academic experience, require a special focus on life skills and an appropriate vocational involvement.

The Board will provide alternative education programs where these needs have been identified, where establishment of such programs is feasible, and where the proposed programs fall within the function normally associated with the public school system.

These alternative educational programs will seek to provide an appropriate academic, social, and vocational experience to aid these young people either to reenter the regular school system, move into another educational setting, or prepare them for successful employment.

Legal References: [SDCL 13-8-1 \(School board defined\)](#)  
[SDCL 13-8-39 \(Management of schools by board\)](#)

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