

**9100 CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT, ADOPTION AND REVIEW****9110 Curriculum Research**

The Board recognizes the value of educational research by persons in the employ of the District. District employees are encouraged to write and prepare professional materials, processes, inventions or computer software programs **that support the District curriculum and instruction.**

The ownership of materials, processes, inventions or computer software programs created as part of officially assigned staff responsibilities or which are produced at District expense will be vested in the District and will be copyrighted or patented, if at all, in the name of the District. Such items, however, will bear the name(s) of the creator(s).

All royalties from the production of professional materials, processes, inventions or software computer programs will be returned by the publisher or producer to the District.

The ownership of any materials, processes, inventions or computer software programs developed solely through the individual effort, time and expense of the staff member (without the use of time, facilities, or other District resources) will be vested in the employee and be copyrighted or patented, if at all, in his or her name.

To encourage staff members to develop such professional materials, processes, inventions or computer software programs for use within and outside the District, special agreements may be initiated between the creator(s) of such materials and the Board through the Superintendent or his/her designee.

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Legal Reference        ~~Intellectual Property Laws~~

