

## **Policy 08.04b**

### **A BALANCED LANGUAGE ARTS PROGRAM**

K-3

An adaptation of Michael Halliday's model, "*Learning to mean-Explorations in the development of language.*" --1985

#### **Learn Language**

Independent Reading

Read aloud

Choral Reading

Buddy Reading

Poetry Reading

Oral Reading

Independent Reading

Literature logs,

Reading records, responsive journals,

Reflective writing

#### **Learn Through Literature**

Literature discussion

Literature circles

Response to literature

Inquiry studies

Theme units

Shared reading and prewriting

Author and genre

#### **Inquiry**

Reading for meaning and writing for a variety of audiences and purposes

#### **Learn About Language**

(Highlights more explicit teaching)

20-30 minute guided reading /writing strategy lessons

5-10 minute mini lessons

Teacher/student conferences

Writing engagements

Phonics/spelling/grammar/vocabulary