

## P10-02-003 Criteria for Major Research Projects (Revised May, 2015)

Criteria for selecting research projects whose findings are expected to have significant implications for the program within Henrico County Public Schools shall be as follows:

1. The study must show promise of making a contribution to improved quality of education and educational practice.
2. The study should be practical, useful and rooted in reality.
3. The study should not require undue amounts of staff and student time and should not involve more than a minimum of disruption to the classroom and school.
4. The design should discuss reliability and validity and be presented in an acceptable, scholarly format.
5. The study should be designed to promote good professional relationships and ethical research practices.
6. The project must be understood by the people directly involved in carrying it out, including principals and classroom teachers.
7. The problem should be researchable, which includes being of manageable size. It should also be concrete, explicit, and measurable.
8. The research design must preserve individual rights to privacy.
9. Access to research sites must be approved by the Director of Assessment, Research, and Evaluation.
10. The researcher must agree to allow the Henrico County Public Schools to make non-commercial use of any results of the study for the benefit of Henrico County Public Schools.

Refer to Regulation 10-02-003 "Procedure for Submitting a Proposal for a Research Project."