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2521 - **SELECTION OF SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS /CURRICULAR RESOURCES AND EQUIPMENT**

The Board shall provide instructional materials and equipment, within budgetary constraints, to implement the District's educational goals and objectives and to meet students' needs. The primary objective of such instructional materials and equipment shall be to enrich, support, and implement the educational program of the school.

For purposes of this policy, the term "instructional /curricular materials" is defined as supplemental books, readings, activities, online resources, and media distributed by a classroom teacher to students for the purpose of teaching the course content in accordance with the Board-approved course of study (see Policy 2220 - Adoption of Courses of Study). Textbooks, as defined in Policy 2510 - Adoption of Textbooks /Primary Curricular Resources, are not included in this definition or policy. Learning assessment materials designed or selected by the teacher, such as quizzes, tests, exams, worksheets, lesson plans, homework assignments, and the like, are not selected by the Board and therefore not considered instructional materials for purposes of this policy.

The term "instructional equipment" is defined as tools and apparatus used by a classroom teacher for the purpose of conveying the course content or by a student for the purpose of learning the course content. Examples of instructional equipment include, but are not limited to, computing devices, projectors, screens, smartboards, chalkboards/whiteboards, televisions, DVD/video players, overhead projectors, calculators, maps, microscopes, scientific laboratory items, balls, physical activity equipment, musical equipment, career and technical education tools and appliances, art apparatus such as kilns and easels, and the like. Expendable supplies with an expected lifespan of a school year or less, and purchased with a corresponding WUFAR accounting code in accordance with DPI regulations, are not considered instructional equipment.

Any concerns by the public regarding instructional materials and equipment shall be reviewed in accordance with Policy 9130 - Public Requests, Suggestions, or Complaints.

The District does not discriminate on the basis of any Protected Class consistent with Board Policy 2260 - Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity ~~any characteristic protected under State or Federal law including, but not limited to, age, sex, race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, sex, (including gender status, change of sex or gender identity) or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability ("Protected Classes")~~ in its selection of instructional materials and equipment.

The Superintendent shall establish procedures for providing parents with advance notice of instructional materials or activities that may reasonably be anticipated to substantially interfere with sincerely held religious beliefs and for accommodating requests to excuse students from such instruction. See also Policy 2240 - Controversial Issues in the Classroom.

The Superintendent shall periodically, provide for a systematic review by the Board of the District's instructional materials and equipment in order to ensure that they are appropriate for the current educational program. Any revisions that occur should be a result of the school-improvement process.

Students shall be held responsible for the cost of replacing any materials or properties which are lost or damaged through their negligence.

The cost of materials may be charged for materials used in those activities beyond the basic curriculum in which a student elects to participate, particularly in shop and art activities where the product becomes the property of the student.

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Legal
118.13, 120.13(5), 121.02(1)(h), Wis. Stats.
P.I. 9, 41, Wis. Adm. Code
Fourteenth Amendment, U.S. Constitution
20 U.S.C. Section 1681, Title IX of Education Amendments Act
20 U.S.C. Section 1701 et seq., Equal Educational Opportunities Act of 1974
29 U.S.C. Section 794, Rehabilitation Act of 1973
42 U.S.C. Section 2000 et seq., Civil Rights Act of 1964
42 U.S.C. Section 12101 et seq., The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990
Vocational Education Program Guidelines for Eliminating Discrimination and Denial of Services, Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights, 1979