



NORTH EAST INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Date: April 13, 2026

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Subject: 2025-2026 Campus and Classroom Libraries: Submission Two

Related Page(s): NEISD Website

CONSENT ITEM

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Senate Bill 13, effective in 2025, introduced school board approval of all library materials, community feedback cycles, and expanded responsibilities for the District Library Advisory Committee. NEISD integrated these expectations into its established review processes and trained instructional leaders to ensure that both campus and classroom libraries followed the same procedures.

Advisory Committees and Training

NEISD continued campus-level advisory committees to support communication and transparency. Campus librarians recruited members through newsletters and in-person events, and applicants could also indicate interest in serving on our District Library Advisory Committee (DLAC). DLAC membership includes representation from Single Member Districts, with curriculum and library services staff serving as non-voting members. Live and asynchronous training was provided to DLAC members on SB 13 requirements, review procedures, and available vetting resources.

Campus and Classroom Library Title Lists

Proposed campus and classroom library titles for student self-selected reading were reviewed and posted publicly on January 21, 2026, with a promotion on the district main page and weekly Blackboard notifications for community feedback. A public comment form was shared for both lists. All information provided was in both English and Spanish.

- During the feedback window, the district received 45 submissions for campus library titles
- During the feedback window, the district received nine submissions for classroom library titles
- Any concerns have prompted the creation of book resume(s) and a district-level review by our DLAC and shared with our board as soon as they were completed by district Library Services and C&I departments.
- The link with all community feedback was shared with district executive staff on Tuesday, February 9, 2026.

DLAC Recommendation

On Wednesday, February 25, 2026, the District Library Advisory Committee (DLAC) met to review all submitted feedback and finalize its recommendation for board consideration. The committee voted unanimously, 11 to 0 in both ballots. The results are outlined below.

- Approve **all campus library titles** including all associated ISBNs with the exception of the 5 titles removed by Library Services
- Approve **all classroom library titles** including all associated ISBNs with the exception of the 1 title removed by C&I

Encouraging Public Feedback

Public review opportunities were shared through district homepage spotlights, campus newsletters, principal communication, and two direct emails via our NEISD Blackboard platform to all district parents on Friday, February 6, 2026, and Friday, February 13, 2026.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

Administrative staff recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the amended Campus Library Title Lists and Classroom Library Title Lists posted on January 21, 2026, in accordance with Senate Bill 13 requirements. Approval of the amended classroom and campus library title lists affirms that the district has met all posting, review, and public comment expectations outlined in statute.

BUDGETARY CONSIDERATION

None

BOARD ACTION REQUIRED

Approval/Disapproval