



## Textbook Recommendation to the Board of Education

**Subject/Course:** Media Freedom and Power SCSU  
**First Presentation BOE Meeting Date:** 9/11/2024

**Grade Level:** 11-12  
**Second Presentation BOE Meeting Date:** 10/9/2024

**Describe need for the textbook/materials:**

Using grant funding from the State of Connecticut to expand dual enrollment opportunities for high school students, teachers developed curriculum for Media Freedom and Power, a course offered as a dual enrollment opportunity by Southern Connecticut State University. This course serves as the capstone course in the Journalism Pathway, providing students the opportunity to earn 3 credits from SCSU. The university requires all dual enrollment offerings of their Media Freedom and Power course to use this textbook as a core resource. As a result, teachers build the curriculum, and their SCSU syllabi, around chapters from this text.

**Listed below are textbooks/materials evaluated by the Textbook Selection Committee:**

Subject/ Course	Title of Book	Author(s)	Edit ion	Copyright Date	Publisher	Rubric Score Total	Readability
Media, Freedom, and Power	The Power of Free Expression in America	Frank Harris III and Jerry Dunklee	2nd	2019	Cognella		

**The following textbook(s)/materials are recommended by the Textbook Selection Committee**

Subject/ Course	Title of Book	Author(s)	ISBN #	Edition	Copyright Date	Publisher	City, State Of Publisher	Publisher Website
Media, Freedom, and Power	The Power of Free Expression in America	Frank Harris III and Jerry Dunklee	978-1-5165-4509-4	2nd	2019	Cognella		<a href="https://titles.cognella.com/">https://titles.cognella.com/</a>

**Reasons for recommendation (include information on match to curriculum concepts and skills):**

SCSU requires all dual enrollment offerings of their Media Freedom and Power course to use this textbook as a core resource. As a result, teachers build the curriculum, and their SCSU syllabi, around chapters from this text.

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Student Materials Needed				
Quantity	Item Name	Cost Per Item	Total Cost	Distribution: #Texts per School
50	The Power of Free Expression in America	\$92.95	\$5,057.46	25 - BE 25 - BC

Teacher Materials Needed				
Quantity	Item Name	Cost Per Item	Total Cost	Distribution: # per School

TOTAL COST	
Total Cost for Student Texts/Materials	\$5,057.46
Total Cost for Teacher Materials	
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,057.46</b>

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