## RESOLUTION 25-027 First Reading of Amended Board Policy IIA Instructional Resources/Instructional Materials

**Background:** Policy IIA was reviewed by the MESD Board Policy Committee, Student

Services and Curriculum Office. Highly Recommended amended language

provided by OSBA

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**WHEREAS**, the Multnomah Education Service District Board of Directors reviewed and discussed Board Policy II-IIA – Instructional Resources/Instructional Materials.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that Board Policy II-IIA – Instructional Resources/Instructional Materials is approved for first reading as written or as further modified.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that if no further discussion is required, Board Policy II-IIA – Instructional Resources/Instructional Materials is approved as proposed and does not require a second reading.

## Multnomah Education Service District

Code: **IIA**Adopted: 9/20/94

Revised/Readopted: 11/16/10; 8/20/14; 2/15/22;

5/20/25

## Instructional Resources/Instructional Materials

The Board recognizes the importance of instructional and resource materials in achieving quality teaching and learning. The Board recognizes the responsibility of the MESD to provide high quality materials for MESD-operated classrooms located in component school districts and in schools operated by the MESD. The Board believes proper care and judgment should be exercised in selecting such materials. The process to select materials will reflect respect for all people, regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability.

The MESD will provide and maintain instructional and resource materials which may contribute to the instructional programs of the MESD and its component school districts; are appropriate to the learning levels of users; are relevant to the diverse problems, aspirations, attitudes and ideas of the contemporary world; provide stimulus to creative thinking; and are of acceptable technical quality.

The MESD will establish a process and timeline for regularly determining and considering whether the textbooks and other instructional materials are available through online resources that enable students with print disabilities to receive textbooks and instructional materials free of charge.

Recommended instructional resources and materials will be free of racial, color, national origin, religious, disability, age, marital status, gender identity, sexual orientation or sexual bias.

The superintendent shall develop administrative regulations to assure that materials selected for and maintained by the MESD meet these criteria.

The superintendent shall develop administrative regulations to assure that ehallenges requests for reconsideration of instructional materials selected by the MESD are handled in the best interests of the students, teachers and community members of the district. Such regulations shall contain provisions for handling concerns about materials used in MESD classrooms operated in component school districts.

A material involved with a reconsideration will remain available throughout the reconsideration process. Materials will not be removed for discriminatory reasons.

**END OF POLICY** 

## Legal Reference(s):

ORS 334.125	<u>ORS 337</u> .150	OAR 581-011-0050 - 0117
ORS 336.035	ORS 337.260	OAR 581-021-0045
ORS 336.082	ORS 337.511	OAR 581-021-0046
<u>ORS 336</u> .840	<u>ORS 339</u> .155	OAR 581-022-2310
ORS 337.120	ORS 659.850	OAR 581-022-2340
ORS 337.141		OAR 581-022-2350
		OAR 581-022-2355

Every Student Succeeds Act, 20 U.S.C. §§ 6311-6322 (2018).

House Bill 3041 (2021).

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d (2018); 28 C.F.R. §§ 42.101-42.106 (2019).

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1681-1683, 1701, 1703-1705, 1720 (2018); Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance, 34 C.F.R. Part 106 (2024).

Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12133 (2018); 29 C.F.R. Part 1630 (2019); 28

C.F.R. Part 35 (2019).

Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6101-6107 (2018).