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2521 - SELECTION OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

The Board of Education 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 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, 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 Board does not discriminate on the basis of any characteristic protected under State or Federal law including, but not limited to, 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.

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.

Parents may request a copy of the library catalog view the Library Online Catalog found on the School District website and notify the District librarian of any books they do not want their child to check out. A note will then be placed in the materials checkout system. Interlibrary loan requests from students will require parent approval.

Library Materials Selection

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The School Board of the School District of Turtle Lake endorses the concept that the library media center should provide a wide range of instructional and recreational print and non-print materials on all levels of difficulty, with diversity of appeal, and the presentation of different points of view. The Board will allow the review of allegedly inappropriate library media center materials through its established procedures.

Furthermore, the School District of Turtle Lake endorses the American Library Association Library Bill of Rights, the School Library Bill of Rights, and the American Association of School Librarians Access to Resources and Services in the School Library Media program, and all library media center materials, both print and non-print, will be selected in accordance with the philosophies of these three (3) documents.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

- A. American Library Association Library Bill of Rights
- B. American Association of School Librarians Access to Resources and Services in the School Library Media Program (An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights)
- C. The School Library Bill of Rights

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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