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LIBRARY MATERIALS
SELECTION AND ADOPTION

The Superintendent shall annually recommend to the Board an expenditure level for the purchase of library books, materials, and electronic media. The Superintendent shall approve the purchase of library books, materials, and electronic media that:

- A. Enrich and support the curriculum, taking into consideration the varied interests, abilities, and maturity levels of the students served.
- B. Stimulate growth in factual knowledge, literary appreciation, aesthetic values, and ethical standards.
- C. Provide a background of information that will enable students to make intelligent judgments in their daily lives.
- D. Provide materials representative of the many religious, ethnic, and cultural groups and their contributions to our American heritage.
- E. Assure a comprehensive collection appropriate for the users of the library.
- F. Provide a current, balanced collection of books, basic reference materials, texts, periodicals, and audiovisual materials that depict in an accurate and unbiased way the cultural diversity and pluralistic nature of American society.

The Superintendent is authorized to establish a professional library for the use of the District staff.

**Public Review Period for adoption of
Books and Materials purchased after
January 1, 2023**

Arizona law requires a public review period for books and materials purchased after January 1, 2023. The Superintendent shall establish procedures to make books and materials purchased after January 1, 2023 available to the public for public review. The procedures are outlined in Regulation IJL-R.

The Superintendent will establish procedures for the removal of the following categories of books and other material from the library:

- A. Damaged materials.
- B. Materials that no longer present current information.
- C. Materials that no longer support the goals of the District.
- D. Materials that have not been used frequently enough to justify the use of library space.

Adopted: October 13, 2022

LEGAL REF.:

A.R.S.

[15-102](#)

[15-189.07](#) (refers to charters)

[15-362](#)

[15-721](#)

[15-722](#)

REGULATION

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The following standards shall be used in the selection of library books, materials, and electronic media:

- A. Materials and media that widen the boundaries of the students' thinking, that enrich their lives and help them fulfill their recreational and emotional needs.
- B. Materials and media that have imaginative appeal and a style that is interesting and free from monotony.
- C. Materials and media that stimulate the imagination, provide for mental growth, develop a taste for good writing, and draw attention to the beautiful and artistic.
- D. Books and media that provide pleasurable reading for the reader's sake.
- E. Books and media that are illustrated in a manner that complements the text, have quality art, and are suitable for the intended readers.
- F. Materials and media that adequately cover a wide range of reading ability.

**Public Review Period for adoption of
Books and Materials purchased after
January 1, 2023**

For public review, the Superintendent shall make available, on the School District's website, and on each school's website, a list of all books and materials purchased after January 1, 2023 for any of the School District's school libraries.

- A. The Superintendent may not remove these purchases from the School District's or school's websites until sixty (60) days after the purchase of books and materials.
- B. The Superintendent is not required to publish the purchase of books or materials intended to replace lost or damaged books or materials.
- C. *Notification:* Seven (7) school days prior to the opening date of the public review period, each common school and high school operated by the School District shall notify the parents of each enrolled pupil of the opening and closing dates of the public review period.

The following are exempt from the requirements of the public review period discussed herein:

- A. Schools without a full-time library media specialist or an equivalent position.
- B. School District libraries that have agreements with county free library districts, municipal libraries or other entities pursuant to section [15-362](#), subsection D.

IJL-EB

EXHIBIT

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF LIBRARY MATERIALS

Author _____ Publisher _____

Title _____

Request initiated by _____

Telephone _____ Address _____

The following questions are to be answered after the complainant has read, viewed, or listened to the library material in its entirety. If sufficient space is not provided, attach additional sheets. *Please sign your name to each attachment.*

To what in the material do you object? Please be specific; cite pages, frames in a filmstrip, film sequence, etc.:

What do you believe is the theme or purpose of this material? _____

What do you feel might be the result of a student using this material? _____

For what age group would you recommend this material? _____

Is there anything good in this material? Please comment. _____

In its place, what item of equal quality would you recommend that would convey as valuable a picture and perspective of our civilization?

What would you like the library to do about this material?

- Do not lend it to my child.
- Refer it to the library advisory committee.
- Other: _____

Signature of Complainant

Date

Please return this completed form to the school principal.