

Instruction

Complaints About Curriculum, Instructional Materials, and Programs

The Board of Education, which is responsible for purchases of all educational material, recognizes the students' right of access to different types of materials. The Board of Education recognizes the right of teachers and administrators to recommend the purchase of additional materials in accordance with Board Policy 6:210.

The Board of Education will challenge community censorship of educational materials in order to provide curriculum aligned to Policy 6:210. In accordance with above:

1. No resident or group of residents of District 96 has the right to determine reading or other educational material for students.
2. Individuals have the right to review core resources or other instructional materials upon request. Requests will be granted within a reasonable amount of time, but this does not guarantee review prior to use unless required by State or federal law. The right of review does not dictate use.
3. Individuals who believe instruction materials, programs, or instruction violate rights guaranteed by any law or Board policy should file a complaint using Board Policy 2:260, *Uniform Grievance Procedure*. All other suggestions or concerns regarding instructional materials, programs, or instruction should first be addressed with the teacher and/or building principal. If the concern cannot be addressed at the building level, a written statement should be submitted to the Teaching and Learning Department using the District's *Curricular Materials Objection* form.

CROSS REF.: 2:260 (Uniform Grievance Procedure), 7:15 (Student and Family Privacy Rights), 8:110 (Public Suggestions and Concerns)

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