

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials

The Governing Board takes great care in the adoption of instructional materials and is aware that all adopted materials may not be acceptable to all pupils, their parents/guardians, or other district resident.

(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)
(cf. 6161.11 - Supplementary Instructional Materials)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures which will permit proper consideration of any complaints against the use of any instructional materials, including textbooks, supplementary textbooks, library books, and other instructional materials and equipment.

The Board believes the Superintendent and staff are well qualified to consider complaints concerning instructional materials. Complainants are advised to consider this and accept the Superintendent's decision as final. However, if the complainant finds the decision of the Superintendent or designee unsatisfactory, he/she may request that the matter be placed on the agenda of a regular Board meeting.

(cf. 1312.4 - Complaints Concerning Consolidated Categorical Aid Programs)

The Board's decision in any such case will be based on educational suitability and will not be influenced by a desire to suppress information or deny pupils access to ideas with which the Board disagrees.

(cf. 6144 - Controversial Issues)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 18111 Exclusion of books by governing board
- 35010 Control of district; prescription and enforcement
- 60003 Power of governing board to select instructional materials
- 60040-60047 Content requirements for instructional materials of rules
- 60200-60206 et seq. Elementary school material - selection and adoption
- 60260 Legislative intent for ordering instructional materials
- 60262 Involvement of teachers, parents and community in instructional material selection

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60400-60404 Secondary school textbooks - selection and adoption
Management Resources:

PROGRAM ADVISORY

1002.90 Selection of instructional materials, CIL: 90/91-02

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