

Living and learning School Learning Resources Policy

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Definition of learning resources: For the purpose of this policy, the term “learning resources” will refer to any person(s) or material with instructional content or function that is used for formal or informal teaching/learning purposes.

- IE: print materials
- Electronic media
- Library resources
- Guest speakers and presenters
- Field trip sites
- Other teaching resources used for student learning

Responsibility for selection or removal

- Education personnel employed by the board have responsibility for selecting and removing learning resources.
- The Principal and the Board have general responsibility for ensuring that the approved criteria are known and appropriately applied.

Procedures for selection or removal of learning resources

- Those charged with responsibility for selecting learning resources shall place principle above personal opinion and reason above prejudice.
- To every extent possible the learning resource will be reviewed fully before selection and use.
- It is understood it is impossible to review all materials in their entirety.

Criteria for selection or removal of learning resources

- The learning resources shall support and be consistent with the educational goals of the school as well as the needs of individual students
- Learning resources shall be chosen to support and enrich the curriculum
- Learning resources will be chosen in order to help students gain an awareness of our diverse society.

Parent Requests

- Individual parents/guardians can request in writing that specific learning resources not be used with their children.
- No parents/guardians have the right to restrict access for students other than their own children.

Reconsideration or Removal of Learning Resources

- Any requests for reconsideration or removal of a learning resource should be submitted in writing to the principal.
- The principal shall bring to the board any concerns with learning resources to be reviewed and discussed by the parent body.
- Access to the challenged material shall not be restricted during the reconsideration process unless otherwise determined by the board.