

ADOPTION OF TEXTBOOKS

It is the legal responsibility of the Board of Education to approve all textbooks used as part of the educational program of this district. For purposes of this policy "textbooks" shall be defined as those books which are to be used as the basic source of any information in any class.

The Superintendent shall develop a plan for the selection of textbooks according to the following guidelines:

- a. Professional staff members at all appropriate levels shall participate in the selection process in conjunction with the Steering Committee.
- b. Textbooks with copyright dates more than five years old shall be reviewed for their continuing suitability.
- c. Textbooks currently in use shall be periodically evaluated for their continuing usefulness and relevance.

In considering the approval of any proposed textbook, the Board will weigh its suitability for the maturity level and educational accomplishment of the students who will be using the books, freedom from bias, relationship to the curriculum, relationship to a continuous multigrade program and cost, appearance, durability and availability.

A list of all approved textbooks shall be revised annually by the Superintendent and made available for the use of the professional staff and for the information of members of the Board.

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