

DELANCO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

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RESOURCE MATERIALS

The Board of Education shall provide resource materials to implement district and school educational goals and objectives as pupil needs dictate and district resources permit. Such materials include reference books, other supplementary titles, maps, library print and nonprint materials, and other sources of information for use by pupils that are not designated as textbooks.

The Superintendent shall be responsible for the selection and maintenance of all resource materials. The following standards shall govern their selection.

1. Material shall be suited to the varied interests, abilities, reading levels and maturation levels of the pupils to be served.
2. Wherever possible, materials shall provide major opposing views on controversial issues so that pupils may develop under guidance the practice of critical reading and thinking.
3. Wherever possible, materials shall represent the many religious, ethnic, and cultural groups and their contribution to American heritage.
4. Materials shall be factually accurate and of genuine literary or artistic value.
5. Materials shall be of a quality and durability to their intended uses and longevity.
6. Materials shall relate to, support, and enrich the courses of study adopted by the Board.

The Superintendent shall develop regulations for the selection of resource materials that provide for the effective consultation of teaching staff members at all appropriate levels; insure that the Board's budgetary allotment for resource materials is efficiently spent and wisely distributed throughout the instructional program; and insure an inventory of resource materials that is well balanced and well rounded in coverage of subject, types of materials, and variety of content.

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The Superintendent shall evaluate the continuing effectiveness and utility of resource materials and recommend to the Board the removal of those materials that no longer meet the standards set forth in this policy. Any request for the removal of resource materials will be governed by Board policy on public complaints.

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