LIBRARY / MEDIA MATERIALS

The Board of Education and the processional staff endorse the principles of the School Library Bill of Rights, which is endorsed by the American Association of School Librarians.

The responsibility of the school library media center is to provide:

A. a comprehensive collection of instructional materials selected in compliance with basic, written selection principles, and to provide maximum accessibility to these materials;

B. materials that will support the curriculum, taking into consideration the individual's needs, and the varied interests, abilities, socioeconomic backgrounds, and maturity levels of the students served;

C. materials for teachers and students that will encourage growth in knowledge, and that will develop literary, cultural, and aesthetic appreciation, and ethical standards;

D. materials, which reflect the ideas and beliefs of religious, social, political, historical, and ethnic groups and their contribution to the American and world heritage and culture, thereby enabling students to develop an intellectual integrity in forming judgments.

E. a written statement, approved by the local boards of education, of the procedures for meeting the challenge of censorship of materials in school library media centers;

F. qualified professional personnel to serve teachers and students.

Instructional personnel and students play a role in the selection of materials. Selection guidelines and procedures shall be established by the K-12 library/media department. Audio-visual materials are catalogued and housed in a central location in each building. All audio-visual materials remain the sole property of the District and do not belong to individual or to single departments.
A citizen may register a signed written complaint against any library/media material. A "Request for Reconsideration of Library/Media Material" form is available from the library/media specialist or principal to file the complaint.

The Superintendent will appoint a committee of school personnel composed of the principal, librarians, and a teacher from the grade level or subject area involved to reevaluate the material and make a recommendation concerning it. A decision on each request shall be made by this committee subject to an appeal to the Board.

P.I. 8.01(2)(h), Wis. Adm. Code

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The Port Washington-Saukville School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to designated youth groups. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Director of Special Services, Port Washington-Saukville School District, 100 W. Monroe Street, Port Washington, WI 53074 - Duane.Woelfel@pwssd.k12.wi.us