

PUBLIC CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS ABOUT INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES

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Purpose: To establish the basic structure for receiving and handling public concerns and complaints about instructional resources.

The board of trustees recognizes its responsibility in the matter of selection and provision of instructional materials. Any parent/legal guardian or citizen may lodge a complaint against any books or instructional materials being used in the school system.

The complainant must submit criticism of books or other instructional materials in writing to the superintendent using the "Citizens Request for Review of Educational Materials" form (KEC-E). Committees will review all complaints (building level and district level) in accordance with approved administrative rules (KEC-R).

The board directs that any challenged materials remain in the school pending final action upon the complaint. However, the school may observe the request of a parent/legal guardian that his/her own child not be assigned a specific book.

The superintendent will inform the board of all complaints about instructional materials.

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Legal references:

- A. S. C. Code, 1976, as amended:
 - 1. Section 59-19-90(7) - The board of trustees shall control the educational interests of the district.
- B. Case Law:
 - 1. Board of Education v. Pico, 457 U.S. 853 (1982).