INSTRUCTION

Library Media Centers

Library Media Centers support and extend the classroom program of instruction through programs of digital and information literacy. Each center shall be provided with a collection of print and non-print materials, instructional equipment and other learning resources to meet the needs of students and teachers. Print and non-print materials shall be catalogued in a manner that will enable such materials to be accessible to students and teachers throughout the school year. Each center shall be appropriately staffed to assist teachers and students in the use of the collection and digital resources as well as the production of teacher and/or student developed materials. In order to support the needs of students and teachers, and to strengthen community ties, the District Library Media Centers work in collaboration with Port Townsend Public Library and consortium members within the automated network system. Each member of the consortium sets policy related to their collection.

Materials Selection

RCW 28A.320.240

The board of directors shall provide for the operation and stocking of such libraries as the board deems necessary for the proper education of the district's students or as otherwise required by law or rule of the Washington State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The board is legally responsible for the selection of all instructional and library materials used in the district. The Superintendent shall provide oversight of the materials selection process. As the Superintendent's designee, the Library Media Specialist leads the library collection development as set forth in the Collection Development Plan.

Reconsideration of Library Materials

The process for reconsideration of District library materials is further defined in 2021P.

Appendix B

Appendix C

Appendix D

Right to Read and Intellectual Freedom Statement

The school board subscribes in principle to the statements of policy on library philosophy as expressed in the <u>First Amendment</u> to the United States Constitution—"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceable to assemble, and to

petition the Government for a redress of grievances," and as contained in the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights, Freedom to Read and Freedom to View.

Legal References: WAC 392-204 Library Media Centers

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committee

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