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2530 RESOURCE MATERIALS

The Board of Education shall provide resource materials to implement **the school district's and school educational goals and objectives to meet as student needs dictate and as district resources permit.** **Resource** Such materials include, **but are not limited to,** reference materials books;; **fiction and nonfiction books; maps; audio and audio-visual materials; pamphlets; periodicals; pictures; online references;** other supplementary titles;; ~~maps, library print and non-print materials,~~ and other sources of information for use by students that are not designated as textbooks. **Resource materials are not library material as defined in N.J.S.A. 18A:34A-3 and Policy and Regulation 2535.**

~~The Superintendent shall be responsible for the selection and maintenance of all resource materials., in accordance with the following standards:~~

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



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The Superintendent will develop regulations for the selection of resource materials **pursuant to Regulation 2530** that provide for the effective consultation of teaching staff members at all appropriate levels,; ensure that the Board's budgetary allotment for resource materials is efficiently spent and **appropriately** ~~wisely~~ distributed throughout the instructional program and the district,; and ensure an inventory of resource materials that is well balanced ~~and well rounded in coverage of subject, types of materials, and variety of content.~~

The Superintendent will evaluate ~~the continuing effectiveness and utility of~~ resource materials and recommend to the Board the removal of **resource** ~~those~~ materials that no longer meet the standards set forth in **Regulation 2530 and this Policy**. Any request **by an individual** for the removal of resource materials will be governed by Policy **and Regulation 9130** ~~on public complaints.~~

Adopted:

