

SUPPLEMENTARY INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

The Governing Board encourages teachers to use supplementary instructional materials which are relevant to curriculum objectives aligned with State Standards, compatible with district goals and objectives. By using such materials, teachers can introduce content and instructional strategies that enrich the curriculum, enhance learning, help students make critical judgments, and stimulate their intellectual growth.

Teachers shall carefully preview all supplementary instructional materials in order to assure that, in their professional judgment, the materials are:

1. Directly related to the course of study in which they are being used
2. Appropriate for students' ages and maturity levels

Supplementary instructional materials must also be consistent with criteria developed for the selection and evaluation of other instructional materials. If the teacher believes that the materials may be in conflict with district criteria and there are not any other materials available the teacher shall confer with the principal or designee before using them.

When using supplementary materials, teachers shall provide appropriate introductory and follow-up activities. In addition, teachers shall ensure that supplementary materials do not supplant the use of basic texts or teaching activities.

All materials must be used within legal copyright limits.

Films

When a teacher desires to show a film that has not been approved by the district or county for use in the grade level taught, the teacher shall preview the film to determine whether in his/her professional judgment it is consistent with district criteria for the selection of instructional materials. All films must be appropriate for the curriculum and the students' ages.

If the teacher has any questions about how established district criteria apply to the film, he/she shall confer with the principal or designee before showing the film.

SUPPLEMENTARY INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS (Continued)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE:

18111	Exclusion of books by governing board
44806	Duty regarding instruction in morals, manners and citizenship
51510	Prohibited study or supplemental materials
51511	Religious matters properly included
51550	Sex education materials
60010	Definition, especially <i>McCarthy v. Fletcher</i> , 207 Cal. App. 3d 130, 1989