



Boulder Valley School District
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ACADEMIC FREEDOM

The Board seeks to educate young people in the democratic tradition, to foster a recognition of individual freedom and social responsibility, to inspire meaningful awareness of and respect for the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

Freedom of individual conscience, association, and expression will be encouraged and fairness in procedures will be observed both to safeguard the legitimate interests of the schools and to exhibit by appropriate examples the basic objectives of a democratic society as set forth in the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Colorado.

The final responsibility in the determination of the above rests solely with the Board.

LEGAL REFS:

Constitution of Colorado, Article IX, Section 15

Constitution of Colorado, Article IX, Section 16

C.R.S. § 22-32-109(1)(t) (board's power and duty to determine educational programs)

C.R.S. §22-32-110(1)(o) (board's power and duty to provide textbooks)

C.R.S. §22-32-110(1)(r) (board's power and duty to determine school materials)

NOTE: The Board's policies on instructional materials selection and adoption_selection (IJ); controversial issues (INB); and public complaints (KEC) all relate to academic freedom and should be considered together with the statement above.

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