

All students will be issued the necessary textbooks for their course work free of charge. In an effort to reduce educational costs and to promote individual responsibility for public property, the Watauga County Board of Education (the “board”) establishes the following requirements for this service.

1. Records will be kept on the condition of all textbooks, including the condition of the books at the time they are issued to students.
2. Instructional personnel shall emphasize to students their responsibility to maintain materials in good condition.
3. Students who lose or fail to return issued textbooks will be billed for the cost of the book before a replacement will be issued. However, the student may be issued a replacement textbook before payment for the lost or damaged book is received.
4. Students who return a book in such condition as to make it unusable for another student will be charged for replacing it.
5. Parents or guardians will be notified of the student’s responsibility in caring for textbooks properly and of the parents’ or guardians’ responsibility for paying for any textbooks that are lost or appreciably damaged.

Legal References: G.S. 115C-99, -100

Cross References:

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