

Request for Review & Reconsideration of Learning Materials

The Trustees of Notus District have established a formal process for eligible parties who wish to submit a learning material for reconsideration. For the purposes of this process, learning materials includes:

1. Approved curriculum;
2. Material used in classroom instruction;
3. Library materials, including materials in the classroom libraries; and
4. Any materials to which a teacher might refer a student as part of the course of instruction.

This form is required when making a formal complaint. It will then be turned over to the Learning Materials Review Committee.

Before submitting this form, please discuss the resource with the school librarian, in the case of a library resource, or teacher, in the case of a classroom resource.

Please review Policy 2530 before submitting a complaint.

If you object to your child using a particular learning material in the classroom, Policy 2425 provides a way to request an alternative resource for your child.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check each of the following that describe you:

\_\_\_\_\_ Parent or Guardian of District Student

\_\_\_\_\_ Current Student

\_\_\_\_\_ District Employee

\_\_\_\_\_ District Resident

\_\_\_\_\_ None of the Above

Please check each of the following that apply:

\_\_\_\_\_ The material was used as a part of classroom instruction; or

\_\_\_\_\_ The item was available for check-out in the school library:

\_\_\_\_\_ The item was available in a classroom library.

Please check the applicable box below to help us identify the resource:

\_\_\_\_\_ Book or E-book

\_\_\_\_\_ Movie

\_\_\_\_\_ Magazine

\_\_\_\_\_ Audio Recording

\_\_\_\_\_ Digital Resource

\_\_\_\_\_ Game

\_\_\_\_\_ Newspaper

\_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author/Producer: \_\_\_\_\_

What brought this resource to your attention?

\_\_\_\_\_

Have you examined the entire resource? If not, what sections did you review?

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If this is material used in the classroom, were you provided an alternative instructional resource?

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Why do you believe this resource should be removed from use in the classroom/removed from the school library?

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Do you believe this resource or material meets the definition of “harmful to minor” provided below? (See definition at the end of the form): Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Are there resource(s) you suggest to provide additional information and/or other viewpoints on this topic?

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What action are you requesting the committee consider?

\_\_\_\_\_ Retain the material in its original location; or

\_\_\_\_\_ Relocate the material to another suitable section, including an area with restricted access requiring parent/guardian permission to access; or

\_\_\_\_\_ Remove the material entirely.

\_\_\_\_\_ Other requested remedy: \_\_\_\_\_

Statutory Definition of “Harmful to Minors” Provided in IC 18-1514 and IC 18-1517B:

“Harmful to minors” includes in its meaning:

1) The quality of any material or any performance or of any description or representation, in whatever form, of nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, or sado-masochistic abuse, when it:

a) Appeals to the prurient interest of minors as judged by the average person, applying contemporary community standards; and

b) Depicts or describes representations or descriptions of nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, or sado-masochistic abuse which are patently offensive to prevailing standards in the adult community with respect to what is suitable material for minors and includes, but is not limited to, patently offensive representations or descriptions of:

- a. Intimate sexual acts, normal or perverted, actual or simulated; or
- b. Masturbation, excretory functions or lewd exhibition of the genitals or genital area. Nothing herein contained is intended to include or proscribe any matter which, when considered as a whole, and in context in which it is used, possesses serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value for minors.

**Legal References**

IC § 18-1514(6)  
IC18-1517B

**Description**

Obscene Materials — Definitions  
Children's School and Library Protection Act

**Other References**

Idaho Commission for Libraries

**Description**

[website](#)

The American Library Association

[Library Bill of Rights](#)

**Cross References**

**Code**

2425  
2500  
2510  
2520  
  
4110

**Description**

Parental Rights  
Library Materials  
Selection of Library Materials  
Selection, Adoption, Use, and Removal of Curricular  
Materials  
Public Complaints

Policy History:

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