

## DISD Selection Criteria Alignment

Library materials considered for selection must be positively reviewed by at least 2 professional publications (*with the exception of some nonfiction, manga, and others - see "When Professional Reviews are Not Available"*).


Both reviews must indicate appropriateness for at least one grade level served. If three or more professional reviews can be found the most used age range should be used as the target audience. All reviews provided must be **read in their entirety** prior to making a decision.

Materials containing indecent or profane content are prohibited.

Materials with URL links or QR codes that refer a person to a website containing prohibited content are prohibited.

### When No Professional Reviews Are Available

Some but not all types of materials may be purchased when professional reviews are not available. If eligible for purchase, these items must still meet DISD selection criteria. Librarians may use the "When No Professional Reviews are Available" document to determine whether they can order an item and, if so, should err on the side of caution when making decisions.

 [When No Professional Reviews are Available](#)

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Elementary	Intermediate School	Middle School	High School
Reviews include range for grades PreK-4th Ages 3-9	Reviews include range for grades PK-6 Ages 10-12	Reviews include range from grades 6-8 or below Ages 12-13	Reviews include range from grades 9-12 or below. Ages 14-18

<p>Be cautious of books reviewed for grades 5-8 or for students older than 10.</p>	<p>Be cautious of books that are reviewed for grades 7-12 or for students older than 12.</p>	<p>Be cautious of books that are reviewed for grades 7-12 or for students older than 13. Books should be primarily in the grades 5-8 range. Books coded YA may not meet selection criteria. YA should be carefully considered before purchase.</p>	<p>Books coded as mature content should be carefully considered before purchase. Books coded as AD should be carefully considered prior to adding to high school collections including the following criteria:  * Consider the age range of the main character.  * Adult material may only be selected for campuses serving 11th and 12th grade students.  *Notwithstanding any other criteria, a title will be deselected or not collected if it contains obscene content.  *What do the reviews say?  What makes this book 'adult'.</p>
<p>Books coded YA or ADULT do not meet selection criteria</p>	<p>Books coded YA or ADULT do not meet selection criteria</p>	<p>Non-fiction books coded as ADULT, such as craft books and other non-fiction books should be carefully considered prior to purchase.</p>	<p>Non-fiction books coded as ADULT, such as craft books and other non-fiction books should be carefully considered prior to purchase.</p>
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