

## **SELECTION OF LIBRARY MATERIALS**

The Governor Wentworth Regional School Board recognizes that it is the primary objective of the Library Media Centers (LMCs) to implement, enrich, and support the educational programs of the schools within the District. It is the duty of these LMCs to provide materials that appeal to a wide range of points of view, interests, and reading levels in order to serve a diverse population.

Each school will determine the educational and media center materials that will allow students the opportunity to access information and ideas, and that will help all students to become effective users of ideas, information, and technology.

School library professionals assume a leadership role in promoting the principles of intellectual freedom within the school by providing resources and services that create and sustain an atmosphere of free inquiry. Library Media Specialists will assume responsibility for the selection of materials at all school levels and will subscribe to the School Library Bill of Rights endorsed by the American Association of School Librarians. All materials selected will support the GWRSD Strategic Plan and Commencement Goals and will adhere to the Selection of Instructional Materials guidelines (Policy **IJ**).

The Board recognizes that, despite careful selection, concerns may arise regarding particular materials. The District will establish a fair and transparent process for the reconsideration of library materials, as outlined in **IJL-R**.

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