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## Learning Materials and Resources

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### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish the process for the selection and retention of instructional materials and resources used in the Minneapolis Public Schools.

### II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. Minneapolis Public Schools is committed to providing a quality integrated education and equal educational opportunities for all students. The district recognizes that learning materials and resources are integral components of the instruction and learning process.
- B. Minneapolis Public Schools is further committed to the selection and use of learning materials and resources that are:
1. Aligned to State and District academic standards;
  2. Aligned to District curricula and the assessed curricula;
  3. Respectful and inclusive of multiple cultures;
  4. Gender fair;
  5. Disability aware;
  6. Science based; and
  7. Cognizant of the power of learning materials and resources to promote a student's positive self-concept within our pluralistic society.
- C. A student's right to learn is recognized and protected by the district.

### III. RESPONSIBILITY

- A. The Superintendent shall present recommended learning materials and resources to the board of directors for approval.
- B. The Superintendent is authorized to promulgate regulations for the implementation of this policy.
- C. The Superintendent shall provide a procedure for a student, parent or staff person to request a reconsideration of any learning material or resource for instructional purposes.
- D. The Superintendent shall provide, at least annually, a report to the Board of Education indicating the learning materials used to support learning and



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instruction, and plans, if any, to consider adoption of materials in the coming year.

***Legal References:***

Minn. Stat. §123B.02 (General Powers of Independent School Districts)

Minn. Stat. §123B.09 Subd. 8 (Boards of Independent School Districts: Duties)

Minn. Rules §3500.0550 (Inclusive Educational Program)

***Cross References:***

MPS Policy 5000 (Equal Educational Opportunity)

MPS Policy 6200 (Curriculum)

MPS Policy 6276 (Curriculum Evaluation)

MPS Policy 6250 (Controversial Issues)

MPS Policy 6260 (Academic Freedom)

MPS Regulation 6260A (Procedures in Making School Contacts to be Used by Parents or Interested Citizens in Questioning the Suitability of Learning Materials)

MPS Regulation 6411 A (Criteria for Selection)

MPS Regulation 6411 B (Review Committee and Procedures)

MPS Regulation 6411 C (Use of Video in the Classroom)