

PUBLIC COMPLAINTS ABOUT INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

The Board recognizes that a resident or employee of the district may raise an objection to the instructional materials used in the district. A school official or staff member who initially receives a complaint shall explain and provide the complainant with a copy of the procedures and criteria used in selecting instructional materials and qualifications of those persons selecting the materials.

Specific procedures for handling public complaints about instructional materials shall be developed.

For purposes of this policy: (a) the term text materials includes textbooks and other print and nonprint material provided in multiple copies for use by an entire class or major segment of a class; and, (b) the term instructional materials includes print and audiovisual materials (not equipment) which are considered text materials or media center materials.

The School District of West Salem shall not discriminate in the selection and evaluation of instructional materials on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, ancestry, creed, religion, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, handicap or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability. Discrimination complaints shall be processed in accordance with established procedures.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 118.03(2) Wisconsin Statutes
 118.13
 121.02(1)(h)
 PI 8.01(2)(h), Wisconsin Administrative Code

CROSS REF.: 411-Rule, Discrimination Complaint Procedures
 361, Selection of Instructional Materials
 Instructional Media Selection Handbook

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