

Sacramento City USD

Board Policy

Supplementary Instructional Materials

BP 6161.11

Instruction

The Governing Board allows teachers to use supplementary instructional materials which are relevant to district core curriculum and compatible with district standards. By using such materials, teachers can augment the core curriculum and differentiate instructional strategies to better meet students' needs.

Certificated staff shall carefully preview all supplementary instructional materials in order to ensure that, in their professional judgment, the materials:

1. Do not modify or replace the core curriculum
2. Relate directly to identified needs to augment the core curriculum
3. Are appropriate for students' ages and maturity levels

Supplementary instructional materials must also be consistent with criteria developed for the selection and evaluation of other instructional materials. If a teacher believes that the materials may be in conflict with district criteria, the teacher shall confer with the principal or designee before using them.

(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)

All materials must be used within legal copyright limits.

(cf. 6162.6 - Use of Copyrighted Materials)

Films/Video-taped Programs

When a teacher desires to show a film and/or video-taped program that has not been approved by the district or county for use in the grade level taught, the teacher shall preview the film and/or video-taped program to determine whether in his/her professional judgment it is consistent with district criteria for the selection of instructional materials. All films and/or video-taped programs must be appropriate for the curriculum and the students' ages.

If the teacher has any questions about how established district criteria apply to the film, he/she shall confer with the principal or designee before showing the film and/or video-taped program.

(cf. 6141.2 - Recognition of Religious Beliefs and Customs)

(cf. 6142.1 - Family Life/Sex Education)
(cf. 6144 - Controversial Issues)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

18111 Exclusion of books by governing board
44806 Duty re instruction in morals, manners and citizenship
51510 Prohibited study or supplemental materials
51511 Religious matters properly included
51933 Sex education materials
60010 Definitions
McCarthy v. Fletcher, (1989) 207 Cal. App. 3d 130

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