

TOLLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Tolland, Connecticut

BOARD POLICY REGARDING: Media Materials Selection for Library

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All materials for the school library media centers shall be recommended for purchase by the library media specialist through evaluation of the existing collection and consultation with professionally prepared selection aids and professional staff recommendations.

All materials selected shall support school and instructional program objectives and be consistent with the following selection guidelines:

- 1) Resources shall be chosen to enrich and support the curriculum and the personal needs of the users.
- 2) Resources shall meet high standards of quality in:
 - A) Presentation/physical format
 - B) Educational significance
 - C) Readability
 - D) Authenticity
 - E) Artistic quality and/or literary style
 - F) Factual content
 - G) Technical quality
- 3) Resources shall be appropriate for the subject area and for the age, emotional development, ability level, learning styles and social development of the students for whom the materials are selected.
- 4) The selection of learning resources will be directed towards maintaining a balanced collection representing various views.

Gifts to the library may be accepted only with the understanding that the disposition of such gifts becomes the prerogative of the Tolland Board of Education.

In order to always provide a current, highly usable collection of materials in every library media center, library media specialists shall provide for constant and continuing renewal of the collections, not only by the addition of up-to-date

materials, but by the judicious elimination of materials which no longer meet needs.

A procedure for processing and responding to concerns of approved materials shall be established and followed. This procedure shall include a formal, signed "request for reconsideration of library media material" as a standard format to re-evaluate the material in question.