POLICY IJL

Library Materials Selection and Adoption

I. PURPOSE

The Board of Education is committed to providing a wide range of multicultural library materials in a variety of formats, both print and electronic that will enrich and support the curriculum and meet the needs of the students and faculty.

II. POSITION

A. The district will coordinate the process for evaluating and selecting library materials and establish guidelines for the review and selection of library materials.

B. Library materials selected for use in the Las Cruces Public Schools reflect the guidelines of the American Association of School Librarians and of the National Council of Teachers of English.

C. The district will provide library materials (print and non-print) that will enrich and support the curriculum, taking into consideration the varied interests, abilities, and maturity levels of students.

D. The district will provide materials with diversity of appeal, allowing for the presentation of many different points of view representative of the many ethnic, cultural and religious groups and their contributions to our society.

E. The district affirms its responsibility to place principle above personal opinion and reason above prejudice in the selection of materials in order to assure a comprehensive collection.

F. The Superintendent will establish guidelines for the selection and adoption of library materials.

III. REVIEW

This policy shall be reviewed on an ongoing basis in accordance with the Board of Education policy review process.

History: Formerly LCPS Policy 427

/s/ Dr. Connie Phillips, Vice President

Board of Education, President

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Date