

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
MAHOMET-SEYMOUR COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 3
Mahomet, Illinois**

Agenda Item No.: 10.B.5.
Date: October 21, 2019
Presented by: Dr. Lindsey Hall

ACTION

TOPIC:

Revised Board Policy 6:210

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Board Policy 6:210 has been further revised per the recommendation of the Board of Education on September 16, 2019. This policy was further reviewed and revised by the Policy Committee on September 30, 2019.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent *does not recommend approval* of revised Board Policy 6:210. It is recommended that specific procedures be included in our Administrative Procedures Manual.

INSTRUCTION

6:210 Instructional Materials

All District classrooms and learning centers should be equipped with an evenly-proportioned, wide assortment of instructional materials, including textbooks, workbooks, audio-visual materials, and electronic materials. These materials should provide quality learning experiences for students and:

1. Enrich and support the curriculum;
2. Stimulate growth in knowledge, literary appreciation, aesthetic values, and ethical standards;
3. Provide background information to enable students to make informed judgments and promote critical reading and thinking;
4. Depict in an accurate and unbiased way the cultural diversity and pluralistic nature of American society; and
5. Contribute to a sense of the worth of all people regardless of sex, race, religion, nationality, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, disability, or any other differences that may exist.

Teachers are encouraged to use age-appropriate supplemental material only when it will enhance, or otherwise illustrate, the subjects being taught. **Elementary teachers shall show only G-rated and PG-rated movies. PG-rated movies require prior Principal approval and parent notification. Junior high teachers shall only show G-rated, PG-rated and PG-13-rated movies. All PG-13-rated movies require prior Principal approval and parent permission. High school teachers shall require Principal and Superintendent (or designee) approval for R-rated movies. Parent permission is required for all R-rated movies. No R-rated movie shall be shown to students unless prior approval is received from the Superintendent or designee, and No movie rated NC-17 (no one 17 and under admitted) shall be shown under any circumstances. These restrictions apply to television programs and other media with equivalent ratings. Teachers shall give parents/guardians a minimum of 48-hours notification with a follow-up reminder before showing any movie to** ~~The Superintendent or designee shall give parents/guardians an opportunity to request that their child not participate in a class showing a movie, television program, or other media. with an R or equivalent rating.~~

	G-Rated	PG-rated	PG-13-rated	R-rated	NC-17
Elementary	Notification	Notification	Not allowed	Not allowed	Not allowed
Junior High	Notification	Notification	Permission	Not allowed	Not allowed
High School	Notification	Notification	Permission	Permission	Not allowed

Instructional Materials Selection and Adoption

The Superintendent shall recommend to the Board for consideration and adoption all textbooks and instructional materials and shall include the following information: (1) title, publisher, copyright dates, number of copies desired, and cost; (2) any texts being replaced; and (3) rationale for recommendation. The School Code governs the adoption and purchase of textbooks and instructional materials.

LEGAL REF.:105 ILCS 5/10-20.8 and 5/28-19.1.

CROSS REF.:6:30 (Organization of Instruction), 6:40 (Curriculum Development), 6:80 (Teaching About Controversial Issues), 6:170 (Title I Programs), 6:260 (Complaints About Curriculum, Instructional Materials, and Programs), 7:10 (Equal Educational Opportunities), 7:15 (Student and Family Privacy Rights), 8:110 (Public Suggestions and Concerns)

ADOPTED: ~~November 20, 2017~~

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