DELAWARE VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION:PROGRAMSTITLE:RESOURCE MATERIALSADOPTED:MARCH 17, 2011REVIEWED:FEBRUARY 17, 2011

	109. RESOURCE MATERIALS
1. Purpose Title 22 Sec. 4.13 SC 801, 803	The Board shall provide instructional and evaluative materials to implement and support the district's and the schools' educational goals and academic standards.
2. Definition	Resource materials shall include reference books, supplementary titles, multimedia materials, maps, library books, software and instructional material.
 Delegation of Responsibility SC 803 	The Superintendent, after consultation with the administration and teaching staff, shall be responsible for the selection, recommendation, and maintenance of all resource materials. No adoption or change of materials shall be made without the Superintendent's recommendation, except by a two-thirds vote of the Board.
	The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement selection procedures for resource materials.
4. Guidelines	Appropriate administrative and instructional staff shall be appointed to select resource materials, subject to the approval of the Superintendent.
	The Board's budgetary allotment for resource materials is spent efficiently and distributed equitably throughout the instructional program.
	The inventory of resource materials shall be well-balanced and well-rounded in coverage of subject, types of materials, and variety of content.
	Staff shall consult a variety of media sources before selections are made.
	Collection Updating
	Resource materials shall be updated annually.

The following sections of resource materials will be reviewed and updated:
1. Fiction.
2. Nonfiction.
3. Career books.
4. Reference books.
5. Periodicals - up to five (5) years of back issues are kept in their paper format.
Reasons for removing accessioned library books include: zero circulation of that book in a ten (10) year time span, more information in a field of study requiring more recent acquisitions to replace inaccurate information provided in older books, books which wear out from use, and books which are stolen or lost.
The Superintendent or designee will direct establishment of criteria to be followed by district librarians under the direction of the building administrators.
Criteria For Selection
The following criteria will be used for selecting acquisitions to the Delaware Valley School District libraries:
1. Educational significance and relevance to the curriculum.
2. Need and value to collection.
3. Reputation and significance of author.
4. Clarity, adequacy and scope of the text presentation.
5. Validity, accuracy, objectivity, up-to-dateness, and appropriateness of text.
6. Organization and presentation of contents.
7. High degree of readability and/or comprehensibility.
8. High degree of potential user appeal.
9. High artistic and/or literary style.

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10. Quality format.
11. Value commensurate with cost and/or need.