

BARNEVELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS SELECTION

The Barneveld School Board, as the governing body of the school district, is legally responsible for all educational materials relating to the operation of the school district. The Board designates the responsibility for the selection of educational materials to teachers, the librarian and the administration, in accord with the educational needs of our students. Educational materials shall include all print and non-print media circulated from the Library Media-Center, online information sources available through our computer network or via the Internet, basic textbooks or other instructional materials used in the classroom, broadcast visual materials and any other supplemental materials used in instruction.

The Board further endorses the school Library Bill of Rights. These guidelines, adapted from The American Library Association, will be used to help to determine selection objectives: resources are appropriate for the students for whom they are selected; resources represent diverse points of view; resources stimulate growth in analytical and thinking skills; and resources are appropriate to the educational program and school community. These objectives apply to all forms of information. A wide range of materials should be provided on all levels of difficulty, with diversity of appeal, and presenting differing points of view. Materials will also be provided that are representative of the many religious, ethnic, political and cultural groups.

Selection of materials will be made by professional media personnel and teaching staff. Whenever possible, the actual material will be previewed, or be evaluated by use of unbiased professional selection aides. Consideration should be given to authority, scope of material, special features, currency, reliability, subject interest, format, and potential use. For software and online materials, compatibility with network resources and individual computer workstations will be considered. Donated or gift materials shall be judged and then accepted or rejected by these same standards. The primary objective of each school's media collection is to enrich and support the instructional program of the school.

An annual review shall be made of the collection to discard outdated items or items in poor physical condition, or to discontinue purchase of online resources. The collections will be continuously re-evaluated depending on changing curricular content, new instructional methods, and current needs of students and staff.

The Barneveld School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, creed, age, national origin, ancestry, pregnancy, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability.

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