

<u>Section I:</u> Instructional Goals and Objectives	Knox County Board of Education Policy			
	Reconsideration of Instructional Materials and Textbooks	Descriptor Term:	Descriptor Code:	Issued:
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The Board supports principles of intellectual freedom inherent in the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States and expressed in the Library Bill of Rights of the American Library Association.

Because opinions differ, there may be questions concerning some instructional and library materials despite the quality of the selection process.¹

Parent(s) or guardian(s) may request in writing to the teacher that a student not be required to read a book, use certain materials, or participate in an activity. The request should include grounds or basis for exemption. The teacher should respond in writing with alternative plans. If the request to the teacher is denied, then a written request may be submitted to the principal.

No student who is granted such a request shall be penalized academically for his failure to participate in an activity, read a book, or use certain materials.

The final decision concerning the use of controversial materials shall rest with the Board.

Cross Reference:

1. Knox County Schools Administrative Procedure I-212.