

SCHOOL LIBRARIES

PREAMBLE

Because the Board recognizes that effective library services based upon a careful selection of resources are essential to the educational process, it chooses to sustain a planned, purposeful, educationally significant library program in each of its schools.

POLICY

THE BOARD SHALL SUPPORT AND PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF EFFECTIVE SCHOOL-BASED LIBRARY SERVICES AND PROGRAMS.

OBJECTIVE

To provide a broad spectrum of library service throughout the district to meet the needs of all students of varied abilities, skills, and interests.

REGULATIONS

1. A teacher-librarian trained in both librarianship and education will be provided for each school.
2. Whenever possible, trained clerical and technical staff shall be provided for each school.
3. Principals shall encourage in their schools the development of a rationale for the integration of library services and the instructional program. The rationale must be compatible with the school's philosophy.
4. The library in each school shall take on the character of a multimedia resource centre with relevant, current materials and equipment.
5. District staff shall ensure appropriate uniformity of practices and procedures among school libraries in the District.
6. Conditions permitting, principals shall provide student access to the library each day school is in session, providing services during the lunch period and at least one-half hour before classes begin in the morning and after they end in the afternoon.

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