
MEDIA CENTER/LIBRARY

The district's media centers shall contain a wide range of materials on all levels of difficulty, appealing to diverse tastes, and presenting different points of view. Every pupil shall have access to a medial collection containing materials appropriate to age level, interests and courses of study.

The superintendent has final responsibility for the selection of media center materials by professionally trained personnel – media specialists, teachers, principals and supervisors. Requests from faculty and pupils shall be given consideration.

In selecting materials to recommend for purchase, the media specialist shall evaluate the existing collection and consult reputable, unbiased professionally prepared selection aids, and staff from all departments and/or all grade levels.

In addition to standard book materials, the board shall provide for the use of a wide variety of audiovisual materials and equipment to enhance the curriculum.

The media centers shall offer a continuous program of instruction in library and study skills, preparing pupils for independent use of learning resources and for development of reading, listening and viewing abilities and tastes.

The superintendent shall develop and present for board approval a media center/library program to provide necessary space, personnel and material to implement this policy. Additionally, the needs of the libraries will be reviewed with the board in conjunction with the annual budget cycle.

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Legal References:

<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:8-4.3(a)3iv	Evaluation of elements and standards (curriculum and instruction)
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:8-8.3(b)3v	Procedures for evaluation and certification (curriculum and instruction)
<u>N.J.A.C.</u>	6:70	Library network services