

November 19, 2019

The North Middlesex Regional School District School Committee places the following policy on the table for public review. Should you wish to comment about the policy, please email your comments to info@nmrsd.org

Thank you.

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INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

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The North Middlesex Regional School Committee believes that materials appropriate to the needs of the school program must be available to each student and teacher. These will be furnished by the North Middlesex Regional School Committee subject to budgetary constraints.

The task of selecting instructional materials for programs will be delegated to the professional staff of the North Middlesex Regional School District. Because instructional programs and materials are of great importance, only those that meet the following criteria will be approved by the North Middlesex Regional School District School Committee:

1. They must present balanced views of international, national, and local issues and problems of the past, present, and future.
2. They must provide materials that stimulate growth in factual knowledge, literary appreciation, aesthetic, and ethical values.
3. They must help students develop abilities in critical reading and thinking.
4. They must help develop and foster an appreciation of cultural diversity and development in the United States and throughout the world.
5. They must provide for all students an effective basic education that does not discriminate on the basis of race, age, color, religion, national origin, sex, gender identity, physical disabilities, or sexual orientation.
6. They must allow sufficient flexibility for meeting the special needs of individual students and groups of students.

SOURCE: MASC October 2016

LEGAL REFS.: M.G.L. [30B:7](#); [71:48](#); [71:49](#); [71:50](#)

BESE regulations 603 CMR [26.00](#)

CROSS REF.: KEC, Public Complaints about the Curriculum or Instructional Materials

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