

CARLISLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROGRAMS

TITLE: ADOPTION OF TEXTBOOKS

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108. ADOPTION OF TEXTBOOKS

Authority

It is the responsibility of the Board to adopt all textbooks used for instruction in the educational program of this district. [1][2][3]

Definition

For purposes of this policy, **textbooks** shall be defined as books, in print or digital format, used as the basic source of information in class.

Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for the selection and recommendation of textbooks for Board consideration. No adoption or change of textbooks shall be made without the Superintendent's recommendation, except by a two-thirds vote of the Board. [3]

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement a plan for the selection of textbooks.

Guidelines

Guidelines for selecting textbooks may include the following:

1. Professional staff members selected by the Superintendent or designee shall participate in the selection process.
2. The staff shall continually research new sources of textbooks.
3. Textbooks currently in use shall be periodically evaluated for their continuing usefulness and relevance.

In considering the approval of any proposed textbook, the Board will evaluate its:

1. Freedom from bias.

2. Relationship to the curriculum.
3. Cost.
4. Appearance and durability.

A list of all approved textbooks shall be prepared and maintained. It shall be reviewed periodically by the Superintendent or designee and made available for the information of the professional staff, Board members, students and parents/ guardians. [4]

Legal references

1. SC 508
2. SC 801
3. SC 803
4. Pol. 105.1