

POLICY

HUNTERDON CENTRAL REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

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The district's Instructional Media Centers (IMC) 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 collection containing materials appropriate to age level, interests and courses of study.

The Superintendent has final responsibility for the selection of IMC materials by professionally trained personnel--media specialists, teachers, principals and supervisors. Requests from faculty and students 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 specialists from all departments and/or all grade levels.

In addition to standard book and periodical resources, the Board shall provide for the use of a wide variety of audiovisual, digital resources, and their related equipment to enhance the curriculum.

The IMC shall offer a continuous program of instruction in information and study skills, preparing students for independent use of learning resources and for the development of critical thinking, problem-solving, reading, listening and viewing abilities and tastes.

The Superintendent shall develop and present for Board approval a IMC program to provide necessary space, personnel, resources and equipment to implement this policy.

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