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Methacton School District – Library Resources

The Board of School Directors, the administration and the staff of Methacton School District are focused on providing our students with an exceptional learning experience. To that end, the Board of School Directors, the administration, and our staff believe that library resources are an important and integral part of that learning experience.

The value of the learning experience is contingent upon the quality, variety, types, subjects, and representation of viewpoints on problems and issues of our times, internationally, nationally and locally. As such, the Superintendent approves purchase recommendations from the professionally trained instructional staff and Building Principals annually for library resources within the Board approved policy and annual budget.

The Superintendent has established procedures with which the professionally trained instructional staff are designated to determine, in consultation with Principals, the recommended purchase of library materials. Material requests come from staff, as part of curricular needs and from student interest as well as recommendations from the American Library Association; Publishers Weekly; PA State Library Association; Horn Book Magazine; Montgomery County Intermediate Unit; and the School Library Journal.

Given the determinations made by the professionally trained staff under their adherence to the administrative guidelines and School Board policy pertaining to the selection of library materials, the Board does recognize the right of an individual parent/guardian to request that their child(ren) not review certain materials. Therefore, the Board makes available for inspection the listing of resource materials online. If a parent/guardian determines that they do not wish for their child to have access to a particular library material, they may request, under policy 109, a reconsideration of material review for their own child(ren).

To assist parent/guardian with better understanding of our policy/processes, please see [policy 109](#) and the [Administrative Guidelines](#).

As a school community, our collective work together in support of ALL students is critical. Providing library materials to support the delivery of an exceptional learning experience requires the understanding and assurance that the District has an appropriate process for reviewing library materials to educate and inform students and when a parent/guardian concern arises, we address that together on a case by case basis.

Respectfully,

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