

LIBRARY/MEDIA MATERIALS SELECTION

School libraries are centers for information and ideas. Books and other library materials are provided for the interest, information, and enjoyment of all students in the school. It is the policy of Mountain Home School District No. 193 to have materials for these purposes selected in accordance with the American Library Association School Library Bill of Rights as follows:

1. To provide materials that will enrich and support the curriculum, taking into consideration the varied interests, abilities, and maturity levels of the students served.
2. To provide materials that will stimulate growth in factual knowledge, literary appreciation, aesthetic values, and ethical standards.
3. To provide a background of information that will enable pupils to make intelligent judgments in their daily lives.
4. To provide materials representing a variety of different literary genres.
5. To provide materials on opposing sides of controversial issues so that young citizens may develop the practice of critical reading and thinking.
6. To provide materials representative of the many religious, ethnic, and cultural groups and their contributions to our American heritage.
7. To place principle above personal opinion and reason above prejudice in the selection of materials of the highest quality in order to assure a comprehensive collection appropriate for the users of the library.

Gifts and Donations

Materials given or donated to the library will be accepted with the understanding that each piece will be evaluated against the District’s Selection Policy. Donated materials not meeting the school district’s needs or requirements will be disposed.

Discards

Materials no longer meeting the criteria of our Selection Policy will be weeded according to the standards used by all libraries, i.e., age of material, worn out, defaced, or replaced by more appropriate or up-to-date material.



LEGAL REFERENCE:

Idaho Code 33-512 – Governance of Schools

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