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Library Media Centers

The Board of Education recognizes that school library media centers support the educational program by providing access to a variety of informational resources. The Board desires to provide library media centers with up-to-date books, reference materials, and electronic information resources necessary to promote literacy, support students in achieving academic standards, and encourage students to become lifelong learners.

School libraries shall be open for use by students and teachers during the school day. (Education Code 18103) Any school library open outside the school day, such as evenings and/or Saturdays, shall be under the supervision of a certificated employee. (Education Code 18103)

The District's school libraries may provide: (5 CCR 16040)

- 1. Library instruction to students that enables them to become proficient users of library resources
- 2. Information to teachers and administrators concerning sources and availability of instructional materials that will aid in the development of school curriculum, and, in cooperation with classroom teachers, the development of instructional units and activities using library resources
- 3. Assistance to teachers and students in the evaluation, selection, production, and uses of instructional materials
- 4. A collection of materials and resources that support the curriculum and are appropriate for user needs
- 5. Assistance to teachers, administrators, and other school staff members in becoming knowledgeable about appropriate uses of library media services, materials, and equipment

The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures for the selection and evaluation of library materials.

Library Plans

Whenever a school receives state funding for school and library improvement pursuant to Education Code 41570-41573, the school site council shall develop a single plan for student achievement which incorporates a districtwide plan for school libraries. (Education Code 41572)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

1703 Coordination of district library services by county superintendent

1770-1775 Provision of library services by county superintendent

18100-18203 School libraries

18300-18571 Union high school district/unified school district library district

19335-19336 Reading Initiative Program; recommended books

41570-41573 School and Library Improvement Block Grant

44868-44869 Qualifications and employment of library media teachers

45340-45349 Instructional aides

60119 Sufficiency of textbooks and instructional materials; public hearing

60240-60251.5 State Instructional Materials Fund, purchase of classroom library materials

60420-60424 Instructional Materials Funding Realignment Program

REPEALED EDUCATION CODE FOR CATEGORICAL PROGRAMS

18181 Districtwide library plan

52012 Establishment of school site council

52014-52015 School plans

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

16040-16043 School libraries

80053 Library media service teaching credential

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6383 Improving Literacy Through School Libraries grant program

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