

## Instruction

### SUPPLEMENTARY INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

Note: In *McCarthy v. Fletcher* (207 Cal. App. 3d 130, 1989), the California Court of Appeal clarified that the Board may exclude materials from classroom teaching because they are educationally unsuitable and unrelated to the goals specified in Education Code 44806, but not simply because the materials contain ideas to which Board or community members object.

The Governing Board encourages teachers to use supplementary instructional materials which are relevant to curriculum objectives and compatible with district goals and objectives. By using such materials, teachers can introduce content and instructional strategies that enrich the curriculum, enhance learning, help students make critical judgments, and stimulate their intellectual growth

Teachers shall carefully preview all supplementary instructional materials in order to ensure that, in their professional judgment, the materials are:

1. Directly related to the course of study in which they are being used
2. Appropriate for students' ages and maturity levels

Supplementary instructional materials must also be consistent with criteria developed for the selection and evaluation of other instructional materials. If the teacher believes that the materials may be in conflict with district criteria, the teacher shall confer with the principal or designee before using them.

*(cf. 6161.1- Selection and Evaluation of Instructional/ Materials)*

When using supplementary materials, teachers shall provide appropriate introductory and follow-up activities. In addition, teachers shall ensure that supplementary materials do not supplant the use of basic texts or teaching activities. All materials must be used within legal copyright limits.

*(cf. 6162.6- Use of Copyrighted/Materials)*

### Films

When a teacher desires to show a film that has not been approved by the district or county for use in the grade level taught, the teacher shall preview the film to determine whether in his/her professional judgment it is consistent with district criteria for the selection of instructional materials. All films must be appropriate for the curriculum and the students' ages.

If the teacher has any questions about how established district criteria apply to the film, he/she shall confer with the principal or designee before showing the film.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS** (continued)

(cf. 6141 .2 -Recognition of Religious Beliefs and Customs}

(cf. 6142.1- Family Life/Sex Education}

(cf. 6144- Controversial Issues}

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

*18111 Exclusion of books by governing board*

*44806 Duty re instruction in morals, manners and citizenship*

*51510 Prohibited study or supplemental materials*

*51511 Religious matters properly included*

*51550 Sex education materials*

*60010-60028 Definitions, especially*

*60013 Supplementary instructional materials*

*McCarthy v. Fletcher. 207 Cal. App. 3d 130, 1989*