

Request for Reconsideration of Materials

Parents of a student or residents of the county may challenge instructional materials used in classrooms, school library books, or books on reading lists. Challenged materials must meet the following criteria: (F.S.1006.28)

Materials that were not subject to the review process during an adoption year including a public notice of a hearing, review and comment procedures (F.S.1006.28)

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Date of Request: 10/13/2022 School Containing Materials: Indian Trails Middle School

Have you already met with the principal of the school? No
Will the school contact the requester for additional information? Yes

Requester Information:

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Information about Materials:

Type of Material: Book Title: Crank
In which setting is this material used?: Media Center Publisher:

Criteria for which these materials are being challenged:

Materials contain pornography, Materials are not appropriate for the age of student

What is objectionable about the material? (Please be specific, cite pages, chapters, etc.):

This book contains explicit excerpts involving sexual intercourse and sexual battery involving minors and explicit excerpt sensationalizing illegal drug use. Pages: 67, 68, 69, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 92, 94, 95, 96, 99, 101, 102, 104, 113, 114, 129, 138, 161, 163, 264, 265, 266, 268, 269, 274, 278, 305, 308, 310, 312, 315, 337, 339, 340, 341, 344, 352, 378, 379, 401, 402, 403, 404, 412, 437, 439, 485, 490, 502, 503

What negative impact, if any, do you feel would result from students using this material?:

This book contains explicit excerpts involving sexual intercourse and sexual battery involving minors and explicit excerpt sensationalizing illegal drug use.

What aspects of this material did you consider appropriate for student use?:

nothing

Please follow the procedure for reconsideration of materials.

If the answer to the question "Have you already met with the principal of the school?" is No, be sure that you respond to the requester within 2 business days.

Steps to consider:

- The parent/resident may request a conference with the principal or principal's designee and the school media specialist to discuss the material.
 - a. Throughout the process, it is critically important that library workers remain calm, respectful, and courteous. There is no reason to become defensive when a complaint is made. Not only is this counterproductive, but it negates the library's effort to encourage stakeholder involvement. Use the "How to respond to informal concerns" resource as a guide in meeting with the complainant.
 - b. The complainant will be provided with the District's policy for the selection of media materials. The principal or designee and media specialist will provide information about the material in question and answer questions from the individual.
- If the issue is not resolved at the conference, the complainant will be provided with the official "Objection to Media Material" Form to be filed with the school principal and an explanation of the process to follow.

- School-level Appeals
 1. A committee of teachers, educational media specialists, and other qualified personnel shall be appointed by the principal to evaluate the challenged materials and to make recommendations of any changes. The principal shall notify the Superintendent and the instructional materials coordinator when a committee is convened.
 2. Challenged materials shall not be removed immediately; however, such materials shall not be available for student use pending a final decision.
 3. Challenged materials shall be read and re-evaluated by the committee, considering the specific objections raised. Using the Media Review Evaluation Form to guide the conversation, the committee shall report its decision within fifteen (15) working days.
 4. The complainant shall be informed in writing concerning the committee's recommendations.
 5. The Principal shall notify the Director of Teaching and Learning of the committee's recommendations