

DANBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Danbury, Connecticut

POLICY

TEXTBOOK SELECTION AND ADOPTION

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The Board of Education will provide educational materials and equipment that support and enrich the curriculum, as well as help to attain the established educational goals.

Textbooks should:

1. Be consistent with the educational goals of the Danbury Public Schools. All textbooks should present views concerning the international, national and local issues and problems of our times.
2. Promote an effective basic education for all students.
3. Provide materials that will help students develop abilities in critical reading and thinking.
4. Allow sufficient flexibility for meeting the special needs of individuals and groups.
5. Provide materials that will develop and foster an appreciation of the cultural diversity.

The Superintendent will develop regulations on selecting textbooks. This process shall include:

1. A review of available materials by professional staff members with recommendations for adoption.
2. A review of the recommended materials by citizens from the community.
3. A review of the recommended materials by the Board of Education's Curriculum and Instruction Committee.

The Board reserves the right to make the final textbook selection decision, provided however, that the Board shall give the recommendations resulting from each review thorough consideration. Change of textbooks shall require a two-thirds vote of the members of the Board, with notice of the proposed change given at a meeting of the Board at least one week prior to the vote.