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## **SELECTION OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS**

The legal responsibility for instructional materials used in the School District of Hartford Joint No. 1 rests ultimately with the Board of Education. Responsibility for selection of instructional materials shall, however, be delegated to the professionally trained staff employed by the School System.

Selection of instructional materials may involve many people: administrators, librarians, teachers, media specialists and students.

When selecting instructional materials for use in the schools, consideration shall be given to the following objectives:

1. To promote and 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, literacy appreciation, aesthetic values and ethical standards.
3. To provide a background of information which will enable students to make intelligent judgments in their daily lives.
4. To provide materials representative of the many religious, ethnic and cultural groups and their contributions to our American heritage.
5. To provide materials of the highest quality in order to assure a comprehensive collection appropriate for users to the library media centers.

The School District of Hartford Joint No. 1 shall not discriminate in the selection and evaluation of instructional and library materials on the basis of sex, race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

LEGAL REFERENCE: Wisconsin Statutes 118.03(2), 118.13, 120.13(5), 121.02(1)(h)  
Wisconsin Administrative Code PI 9.03(1), 8.01(2)(h)

CROSS REFERENCE: Policy JB-R, Student Discrimination Complaint Procedure  
Policy KLB, Public Complaints about Curriculum or Instructional Materials