

SCHOOL-COMMUNITY RELATIONS

PUBLIC COMPLAINTS ABOUT LEARNING RESOURCES File: KLB

It is the responsibility of the School Board to establish and apply the curriculum of the Charlottesville City School Division. The selection of learning resources is delegated to the professionally trained personnel employed by the Division. Despite the care taken to select valuable and educationally suitable learning resources for student and teacher use, and despite the qualifications and expertise of persons involved in that selection process, it is recognized that occasional objections to materials will be made by the public. It is, therefore, the policy of the School Board to provide channels of communication and a fair procedure for citizens to follow in expressing and resolving concerns about learning resources, including instructional materials, used in teaching the curriculum.

Complaints about learning resources shall be presented in writing in accordance with the supportive regulations of this policy. The standards and procedures for review shall be consistently applied in recognition of the respective rights and responsibilities of all concerned. Materials shall be considered for their educational suitability and shall not be proscribed or removed because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval. Challenges which are not resolved at the building level shall be submitted to the superintendent or his/her designee. The decision of the superintendent may be appealed to the School Board or reviewed at the Board's request. The decision of the Board will be final.

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Legal Reference: Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, sections 22.1-253.13.7.C.2.

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Cross References: IIA Instructional Materials
INB Teaching About Controversial Issues/
Controversial Speakers
KL Public Complaints
IGAH Family Life Education
KQ Commercial, Promotional and Corporate Sponsorships and
Partnerships