

# Lakeland Board of Education

Monitoring: <b>Review: Annually, in November</b>	Descriptor Term: <b>Selection of Instructional Materials (Other than Textbooks)</b>	Descriptor Code: <b>4.402</b>	Issued Date: <b>06/03/14</b>
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## 1 INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES

2 The Board will seek to provide a wide range of instructional materials on all levels of difficulty, with  
3 diverse appeal, and the presentation of different points of view and will provide procedures for review  
4 and reconsideration of allegedly inappropriate instructional materials.<sup>1</sup>

5 There is included in the Tennessee BEP an amount of money sufficient to pay two hundred dollars (\$200)  
6 for every teacher in kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12). This money shall be used by the teachers  
7 for instructional supplies. One hundred dollars (\$100) shall be spent for such purpose as determined by  
8 each teacher. The second one hundred (\$100) shall be pooled with all such teachers in a school and  
9 spent as determined by a committee of the teachers for such purpose. The purpose of this pool is to  
10 permit purchase of items or equipment that may exceed an individual teacher's allocation, for the benefit  
11 of all teachers at the school and the enhancement of the instructional program, and shall not be used for  
12 basic building needs such as HVAC, carpets, furniture, items or equipment for the teachers' lounge, or  
13 the like.<sup>2</sup>

## 14 OBJECTIVES OF SELECTION

15 The Board encourages teachers and local school personnel to give careful attention to the selection and  
16 purchase of instructional supplies using the following objectives:

- 17 1. To provide materials that enrich and support the curriculum and personal needs of the students,  
18 taking into consideration their varied interests, abilities and learning styles;
- 19 2. To provide materials that stimulate growth in factual knowledge, literary appreciation, aesthetic  
20 values and ethical standards;
- 21 3. To provide materials that establish a foundation of information which will enable students to  
22 make intelligent judgments in their daily lives;
- 23 4. To provide materials which reflect multiple views of controversial issues so that students may  
24 develop, under guidance, the practice of critical analysis;
- 25 5. To provide materials which realistically represent our pluralistic society and reflect the  
26 contributions made by these groups and individuals to our American heritage;
- 27 6. To place principles above personal opinion and reason above prejudice in the selection of  
28 materials of the highest quality in order to ensure a comprehensive media collection appropriate  
29 for all students.

30 All purchases will comply with Lakeland School System purchasing policies and procedures.

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Legal References

1. TRR.MS 0520-1-3-.07(3)
2. TCA 49-3-359