

Administrative Procedure 251

CHALLENGE OF RESOURCES

Background

The Division recognizes the right of an individual or an organization to challenge the inclusion or exclusion of specific resources in schools.

Procedures

1. The challenge of resources shall first be addressed to the Principal of the appropriate school.
2. The Principal shall make the citizen aware of the protocol for re-examination and invite the citizen to submit in writing the Request for Reconsideration of a Resource form (251-1). If the individual has difficulty in writing the submission because of a language difficulty, the Principal will arrange for an interpreter to assist.
3. The Principal of each school will review these requests for materials before purchases are made. Instructional materials are to be relevant to the subject being taught, are to be student age and interest appropriate, and are to be considered suitable by community standards.
4. Should a request for reconsideration arise, the Superintendent responsible for Curriculum and Instruction and a consultant responsible for learning resources shall invoke a committee for an in-camera consideration.
5. The Board shall become involved only if the issue is not resolved at some time during the previous three stages.

Reference: Sections 85, 87, 108, 109, 175, 231 Education Act
Regulation 37