

PARENTAL OBJECTIONS TO SPECIFIC COURSE MATERIAL

State law recognizes there may be specific course material which parents or guardians find objectionable for their child.

If a parent/guardian has an objection, they must notify the building principal, in writing, of the specific material to which they object and request their student receive alternative instruction. The parent/guardian is responsible for providing alternative material sufficient to enable the child to meet the state requirements for education in the particular subject area.

The building principal and the parent/guardian must mutually agree to the alternative instruction. School district staff will make reasonable efforts, within the scope of existing time, schedules, resources and other duties, to accommodate alternative instruction for the student. Alternative instruction may be provided by the school, through approved independent study, or through other methods agreed to by the parent/guardian and the building principal. The alternative instruction agreed upon must meet state minimum standards.

Any cost associated with the alternative instruction shall be borne by the parent.

Nothing in this policy shall be construed as giving parents/guardians the right to appeal to the school board.

Legal References:

RSA 186:11, IX-b, *State Board of Education; Duties.*

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